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Coping with crossings is next rail hurdle

Safety and education are key, officials say

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Now that the decision to restore the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad project has been made, planning boards throughout the rail corridor will no doubt seek mitigation measures for their towns at the 43 grade crossings along the 17.7-mile rail line.

With 12, Cohasset has the second highest number of grade crossings of all Greenbush communities. A major criticism of the $215 million restoration project – loudly voiced by rail opponents – is the close proximity of the crossings to one another and the safety problems they could cause.

"We believe the line won't be built because of the number of crossings and the safety and noise problems they create," said Nancy Buckley, founder of the anti=rail Coastal Coalition.

Cohasset resident and fellow Coastal Coalition member Peter Robb also continues to oppose the project.

"But should that dark day ever come," Robb said, "it seems logical that they could eliminate some of the especially dangerous crossings in town."

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— Peter Robb, rail opponent.

Among the more dangerous crossings, Cohasset Selectman Martha Gjesteby includes Sohier, Pleasant, Beechwood and King Streets because they are highly travelled roadways. And

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Fire guts Cohasset home

Fire Capt. Robert Silvia and Firefighter Thomas Hernan discuss putting out the last vestiges of the fire at this home behind town hall on Highland Avenue. Four Cohasset firefighters were injured while fighting the fire. **Staff photo/Alan Chapman**

Four local firefighters are injured in the blaze

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Even before Cohasset firefighters had left the scene, efforts had begun to help the family displaced after their antique house was gutted by fire Tuesday morning.

Friends of Peter and Maryanne Clougherty have set up a relief fund in care of the South Shore Community Center (see companion story). The Cloughertys have three children Leo, 8, Florence "Flossie", 6, and Grace, 5.

The Cloughertys and upstairs tenant, Rick Curtis, escaped unharmed from the burning house, which is tucked in behind the Second Congregational Church and Cohasset Town Hall on Highland Avenue.

Four Cohasset firefighters were injured, none seriously, Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said.

The second floor, roof and attic of the Cloughertys' 1870 Victorian home was destroyed and the first floor had extensive water and smoke damage, Lincoln said.

An emergency call came into the dispatch center at 6:44 a.m. Two police officers on patrol, William Quigley and Jon Small, arrived at the scene first.

"Before the call, I could smell smoke in the center of town," Small said. "When I pulled up and walked to the house, I could see flames through the roof."

The officers quickly determined that all occupants were out of the house.

The captain in charge of the first fire engine unit on the scene called for a second alarm. Fire-fighters responded with equipment from both Scituate and Hull.

Although the fire was under control earlier,

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Relief fund is set up for the Clougherty family

As most people reorganize their lives after the hectic holidays, Cohasset residents Maryanne and Peter Clougherty and their three children must deal with the loss of their home and belongings following a fire Tuesday morning that gutted their Highland Avenue home.

Friends of Maryanne and Peter Clougherty ask Cohasset residents to lend a hand. Money is needed for immediate relief to buy clothing and other essential items so the Cloughertys can begin to rebuild their lives.

Monetary donations may be made to the Clougherty Relief Fund in care of the South Shore Community Center. P.O. Box 631, Cohasset 02025. Items may be dropped off at the South Shore Community Center, but organizers ask that you call the center at 383-0088 for details about sizes and what particular articles of clothing are needed.

Snow budget has dried up

As the air filled with the first flakes of the season's second snowstorm, Cohasset had already exhausted its snow removal budget.

"It's all gone," said town administrator Gregory Doyon of the the $45,000 that was set aside for snow plowing and sanding.

Tuesday afternoon, Highway Supt. Harold Litchfield added, "As I talk to you now, we're $905.82 in the hole."

Mariner weather observer Bob Skilling said he measured three inches of snow at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the weather station in nearby Hingham. With forecasters predicting a total accumulation of 10 to 15 inches, the heaviest snow fell at a rate of almost an inch an hour between midnight and 6 a.m. Wednesday.

Overnight temperatures stayed at 31 degrees dropping to a low of 27 degrees early in the morning, said Skilling, who reported that by 9 a.m. Wednesday, 10 new inches of the white stuff had piled up.

"This is a good size snow storm," he said, noting that wind gusts of more than 30 mph out of the northeast would lead to a good bit of blowing and drifting snow.

However, Skilling noted the light, fluffy snow had a ratio of one inch of water to 14 inches of snow, making it

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Cohasset's Week

Voter registration deadlines

The town clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 12, which is the last day to register to vote for the Jan. 22 Special Town Meeting.

The town clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 20, the last day to register to vote for the Feb. 10 special town election.

Registration forms are also available at the Cohasset Post Office and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The forms may be mailed or hand-delivered to the town clerk's office but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

Property taxes are due

Property tax bills for the third quarter of fiscal year 1996 have been mailed and are payable no later than 7 p.m., Feb. 1.

Payments should be sent to the treasurer/collector's office. The owner of recently sold property should forward the bill to the new owner or return it to the tax collector's office, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

For more information, call 383-9900, Ext. 113.

Landfill meeting is slated

The health board will conduct an informational meeting at 7:30 p.m., tonight (Jan. 4) at town hall on procedural matters relating to the upcoming site assignment hearings on the proposed expansion of Cohasset Heights Landfill.

The state Dept. of Environmental Protection (DEP) recently determined that the landfill site is suitable for disposal of demolition and construction debris. The health board must now act as administrative judges in the site assignment hearings process.

The hearings are slated for Jan. 23, 25, 30 and Feb. 1, 6 & 8, continuing every Tuesday and Thursday night until completed.

For more information, call the health board office at 383-9900.

Winter reminder is offered

The Cohasset Highway Department reminds all residents that it does not have the funding or the manpower to open up driveways that have been plowed in by snow plows while clearing the roads.

It is suggested that residents wait until the roads are cleared before shoveling the ends of their driveways, whenever possible. The Highway Department regrets any inconvenience this might cause.

Inspect home valuations

The fiscal 1996 Real Estate Assessed Valuations have been completed and have been submitted for certification by the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

The new values are available for public inspection at the Assessor's Office, Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., during regular business hours. Due to staffing limitations, telephone inquiries about valuations will not be accepted.

Additional copies of the value listings are available for inspection at the Paul Pratt Memorial Library, 106 South Main St. Any problems regarding valuation will be handled through the abatement process. Call the Assessor's Office staff for more information at 383-9900.

Planting trees is encouraged

The Norfolk County Conservation District has compiled a free 23-page brochure, "Conservation Trees," to encourage planting, preserving and managing of trees to conserve soil, energy, water and wildlife. It also briefly explains the proper way to plant and prune trees.

In February, a list of popular plants suitable for spring planting (burning bush, lilac, forsythia, mock orange, pink almond, red barberry, dogwood, pussy willow, sedum, bleeding heart and aster and evergreens, fruits and vegetables) will be published.

To request a free brochure and to be added to the group's mailing list, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Norfolk County Conservation District, 400 Main St., Walpole 02081, Attn: Trees.

Hire a student for odd jobs

The Social Service League of Cohasset has compiled a list of Cohasset High School students who are ready, willing and able to do odd jobs around residents' homes, including yard clean up, snow shoveling, pet sitting, plant watering, babysitting and car care. To obtain the names and phone numbers of these helpful students, call 383-0771. The rates are reasonable.

All Paws meeting is slated

All Paws Rescue, Inc., a non-profit animal shelter, will meet Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p.m. at the Day's Inn, Rockland. Members and friends are invited to attend.

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1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 8:50
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2:10, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35
SABRINA (PG13)
1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30
FATHER OF THE BRIDE PART II
(PG) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:40
WAITING TO EXHALE (R)
1:30, 4:15, 7:10, 9:40
TOM AND HUCK (PG)
1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00
CASINO (R) 8:50

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Cohasset firefighters were at the house until about 3:30 p.m. "when they finished digging through," Lincoln said.

"It was a stubborn fire to fight because of the age and construction of the house," he said.

Lincoln said defective wiring in a first floor wall caused the fire which burned undetected up between two studs through a second floor wall into the attic. Then it spread back down into a second floor wall.

"It's an old house before fire codes. There were no fire stops," the chief explained. In older homes, there are "void spaces" in walls that are not allowed today.

Permanent Firefighters Edward Corbo, Frank Mahoney, and Eric Wenzlow and call firefighter Kathleen Maguire were injured. Corbo will seek medical attention for a back injury and Maguire saw a local doctor for an injury to her foot which was struck by a falling piece of slate. Mahoney was checked out at South Shore Hospital for possible heart problems and Wenzlow was treated and released for a shoulder injury that occurred when the second floor ceiling collapsed.

Lincoln praised all the fire-fighters' hard work.

Firefighters battle a Tuesday morning fire at the home owned by Peter and Maryanne Clougherty on Highland Avenue. The fire destroyed the second floor and attic and water and smoke damage was extensive on the first floor, Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said.

Staff photo/Chris Bernstein

"The firefighters did a great job from all three towns to bring this fire under control in very difficult conditions," he said.

The home, built in 1870, has a mansard roof, named for the french architect Francois Mansart who originally designed the sloping roof style.

Town historian David Wadsworth said the house, which was originally a carriage house, is included in the Cohasset section of the state-wide survey of historic assets. It is not included in the town common's nomination for listing on the National Register of Historic Places because it is just outside the Cohasset Common Historic District, which includes properties that abut the common on both sides.

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relatively dry and easier to plow. With the storm not predicted to taper off late in the afternoon Wednesday (Jan. 3), Skilling said the South Shore could easily see a total accumulation of 15 inches of snow with temperatures dropping throughout the day, guaranteeing the snow will be around for quite a while.

This storm followed a similar track to the nor'easter of December 20-21, but without the high winds and seasonal high tides that caused much concern at that time.

Cohasset school children saw their second "snow-day" of the winter.

Cohasset's stockpile of 450 tons of sand was depleted by the December 20 nor'easter, Litchfield said, and the highway department had laid in another load in preparation for this latest dose of winter.

Cohasset uses a mixture of five parts sand to one part salt. He noted that he has seen the price of salt increase from $22 per ton to $38 per ton over the 18 years he has managed the highway department, but the snow removal budget has increased only $5,000 in that time.

Litchfield said he is allowed deficit spending for the snow removal budget once the original appropriation is spent.

"The snow's on the ground," he said. "We've gotta do something with it."

Litchfield said he provides the selectmen and the advisory committee with weekly status reports of the snow removal expenses, and applies for a transfer of funds at the end of the winter, to cover the costs of plowing, sanding, and equipment repair.

However, the private contractors and the town employees are paid in a timely fashion, he said. These expenses are subject to the approval of the selectmen and the advisory committee.

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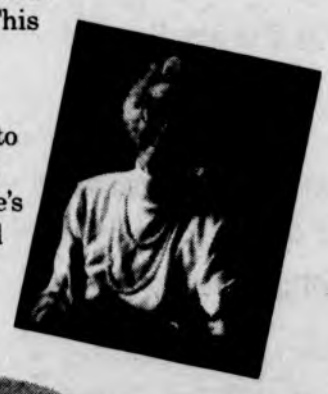

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Red Cross blood drive is slated

The Red Cross has scheduled the next Cohasset Community Blood Drive for Wednesday, Jan. 17. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the Unitarian Parish House at 23 North Main Street from 2 to 7 p.m. Babysitting assistance will be provided after 3 p.m. The Red Cross always experiences a decrease in blood donations during the winter months despite the ongoing need for blood and blood by-products.

The Red Cross counts on a good turnout when it visits Cohasset so please respond, if possible, when a volunteer from one of the church, civic, corporate or social organizations calls. New donors are welcome and needed. To register and make an appointment for donating at a specific time or if you have any questions, please call Kevin or Ann O'Connor at 383-1290.

Town is cautious with zoning changes

Weymouth's Foxy Lady story doesn't prompt quick action

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Following an attempt by a Rhode Island nightclub owner to open a establishment with nude dancing in Weymouth, officials in Hingham and Cohasset said they have considered zoning changes, but do not see the need for immediate action to address this issue.

Cohasset planning board chairman Al Moore said any zoning changes approved by town meeting must go on to the state attorney general for approval.

He cautioned against "knee-jerk reactions" that result in laws that are later found to be unconstitutional.

When an applicant files a proposal for site plan review, he said, the board does not have to know the identity of the owner. In the case of a bookstore, there can be no distinction made between Barnes & Noble, Waldenbooks, or "some triple-X bookstore," he said.

Moore said the planning board has discussed zoning changes to address clubs with nude dancing, as well as other forms of "adult" bookstores and entertainment, but at this time, he doesn't see an urgent need for changes.

"I think Cohasset's zoning is in pretty good shape."

In Hingham, zoning administrator Mary Jean Shultz said that as long as the zoning by-laws do not specifically address "adult" entertainment, those establishments are deemed to be prohibited.

She explained that the town cannot ban outright one form of business by prohibiting it in all zoning districts. If it is mentioned in the by-laws, it must be permitted in some zone.

Shultz said that the zoning board of appeals and the planning board need to consider some zoning changes because parts of the by-laws are out-of-date. "Adult" entertainment is one matter that should be considered for zoning changes, she said.

However, the deadline for zoning articles for the 1996 annual town meeting passed on December 1, so there are no plans to address this subject until 1997.

"At the heart of zoning is health and safety," Moore said. "Those are defendable. Beyond that, you cross the line to what's a matter of good taste."

What is "good taste" is subject to individual interpretation, he explained.

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> **— Al Moore, planning board chairman.**

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Official National Weather Service data, compiled by Bob Skilling, Hingham Weather Station, Clifford Court

	Temperature		Precipitation	
	High	Low	Rain	Snow
Dec. 27	34	24	0.03	0.4
Dec. 28	37	20	0	0
Dec. 29	35	19	0	0
Dec. 30	39	14	0	0
Dec. 31	38	27	0	0
Jan. 1, 1996	37	23	0.06	0.4
Jan. 2	31	26	0.21	3.0

Snowfall total month to date	3.4 inches
Normal January total snowfall	13.3 inches
Snowfall total for season to date	26.8 inches
December data	
Mean temperature	29.1 degrees
Departure from normal	-3.0 degrees
Month's high temperature 12/10	49 degrees
Month's low temperature (12/13)	9 degrees
Month's total precipitation	3.06 inches
Departure from normal	-1.47 inches
Total snowfall	19.5 inches
Departure from normal	+10.7 inches
Total precipitation for 1995	38.99 inches
"wettest" December 1969	10.21 inches
"driest" December 1989	1 inch
"snowiest" December (1970)	31 inches

We're starting our 44th year of record keeping at the weather station and can only wonder what the new year will bring. Throughout most of 1995, it was the unusual precipitation deficiency. Although the months of October and December each brought more than six inches of rainfall, the year ended almost 9 inches below normal and was the sixth driest year on our records.

December was several degrees colder and a lot snowier than average. The total snowfall of 19.5 inches made it the third snowiest December on record. Only Decembers in 1970 and 1976 had more snow, with totals of 31 and 20 inches, respectively. During the week before Christmas, our total snowfall for the season (includes November) was the most so early in the season. The total snow on the ground reached a maximum depth of 11 inches on the 20th and 21st, but we still had 8 inches by month's end. After December 10, the high temperature reading for the month was only 40 degrees, occurring on the 22nd.

AAUW to present program on college financing Jan. 9

The American Association of University Women will hold a meeting Tuesday, Jan. 9, at 7:30 p.m. at Plymouth River School, High Street, Hingham.

Guest speaker will be Bonnie Hepburn, a certified financial planner whose specialty is providing families with college funding advice. Attendees will receive free personalized calculations of their family contribution, which is the amount the Department of Education determines constitutes a family's share.

Hepburn is president of Moneysense, a national college fund ing consulting firm based in Acton. The meeting is free and open to the public.

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while the large number of crossings are a concern, Gjesteby, who also sits on the state-appointed Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC), formed to comment on the MBTA feasibility studies, said it will be very difficult to close any of them.

But closing the crossing at Smith Street and re-routing traffic to the Pleasant Street is one possibility, she said.

"Grade crossings and safety have always been my prime concern ever since I started this process 10 years ago," said Gjesteby, a rail supporter, who wants to make sure when the Greenbush line is restored, it is as safe as possible.

At the federal level, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has created a task force which will conduct a national review of highway grade crossings.

The MBTA shows in its environmental feasibility study that all grade crossings will be protected with warning signs, bells, lights, and safety gates.

The gates would typically be down for 45 seconds as a train goes by, but in areas like the Hingham Square area where the train will be moving slowly and where several grade crossing gates will be activated together, the street may be blocked for as long as 60 seconds, the report said.

The study also includes plans for pole-mounted horns which will offer additional warning at grade crossings where the train will pass through at a speed greater than 40 mph.

MBTA Director of Planning Geoffrey Slater said mitigation measures for grade crossings, including some possible closures or consolidations along the Greenbush line, will come into play when transportation planners are in the final design phase.

William Grimes, who is the founder of the pro-train group Back on Track, and another long time member of the CAC, said grade crossings will be discussed as part of the mitigation process.

But Grimes added wherever possible grade crossings should be eliminated.

"Where ever you can do it, grade separation is best. But when you can't, you have to make the crossing as safe as possible," he said.

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SAFETY IS A TOP PRIORITY within the FRA which formed the Grade Crossing Safety Task Force to conduct a comprehensive national review of the planning, design, construction, maintenance and inspection of highway rail grade crossings.

As a safety initiative to reduce rail-related accidents nationwide, federal Transportation Secretary Federico Pena launched a grade crossing action plan last year with a goal of reducing rail accidents and casualties by 50 percent or more by the year 2004 and closing 20 percent of grade crossings nationwide by 2000, and also began the FRA's public service campaign "Always Expect a Train."

The goal of the campaign is to raise public awareness about the dangers at grade crossings.

"Public education is really the key," said FRA spokesperson Luis del Rio.

Del Rio provided some interesting statistics on grade crossing accidents.

• There are nearly 280,000 highway rail crossings nationwide and deaths at highway rail crossings rank number one among rail-related fatalities.

• Nearly every 90 minutes someone in America is hit by a train and more than 50 percent of crashes at public crossings occur where active warning devices exist.

• Most vehicle/train collisions occur within 25 miles of the motorist's home and the majority of collisions occur when the train is traveling less than 30 mph.

In 1994 there were a total of 610 killed, and 1,923 injured in 4,921 rail-crossing collisions. In Massachusetts there were 16 rail crossing accidents, three injured and no fatalities.

And while these figures are alarming, del Rio said most of these accidents can be avoided. People jogging, riding bikes and walking along tracks on railroad bridges or trestles needlessly endanger their lives, and according to FRA statistics rail crossing and trespasser deaths account for 90 percent of all rail related deaths.

Most crossing accidents occur simply because a motorist chooses to ignore warning signs signals or safety gates and tries to beat the train. And nearly all trespasser deaths are preventable, he said.

Del Rio said the FRA stresses the need for motorist and pedestrian responsibility.

"Most accidents can be avoided by looking both ways. It's an issue of realizing there is the potential for danger," del Rio said.

As for the Greenbush line in general, del Rio said it sounds like a case where grade crossing elimination or consolidation could be implemented.

"We advocate the consolidation and elimination of crossings," he said, noting a familiar FRA slogan, "the safest crossing is no crossing."

Del Rio mentioned several options for increasing grade crossing safety or consolidation and ways to achieve grade separation.

Under passes or over-passes can be constructed in some cases, he said.

The FRA is working with a company in Florida that constructs pre-fabricated arcs – small bridges – that can be constructed over crossings at a relatively low cost, about $1 million each. Cars traverse the tracks via the arc eliminating the crossing, he said.

Del Rio also spoke of creating a "T" intersection at some crossings in which a street would come to a end at the crossing and traffic flow would be re-routed to another crossing further up the road.

And where crossings cannot be closed they can be made as safe as possible with the right safety equipment in place, he said.

As Greenbush restoration moves further along, del Rio said, the FRA can lend its expertise on grade crossing consolidation and closures to local communities like Cohasset and Hingham and work as a partner with local and state planners to make the crossings as safe as possible.

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AMTRAK ALSO WORKS to eliminate grade crossings when and where possible, said Paul Leahy, Amtrak's New England division manager of safety and environmental control.

Leahy, a Duxbury resident, is very familiar with the Greenbush project and said while the line does have more grade crossings per mile than any other commuter rail line in the state, good planning can make the crossings safe.

Amtrak has operated MBTA commuter rail lines since 1987 and Leahy said grade crossing accidents have steadily declined.

In the last year and a half, Leahy said there have been only three accidents along MBTA commuter rail lines and one involved an unoccupied car parked too close to the tracks.

Along with the FRA, Leahy said the MBTA and Amtrak have worked to enhance grade crossing protection by improving safety equipment and warning systems.

"A lot of grade crossing accidents occur in areas of the country where there is no active protection, where there are no gates, lights or bells – just standard cross bucks giving no warning to approaching vehicles," he said, noting that commuter rail crossings in Massachusetts have "active" protection in place.

As to eliminating or consolidating some of the many crossings along the Greenbush line, Leahy said there will be opportunities to do so.

When the line is closer to completion, Leahy said the "Operation Life-saver" program which, in conjunction with the FRA, promotes grade crossing awareness and education, will come in handy. An outreach individual who could hold informational meetings with trucking companies, school bus companies, business and concerned citizens can provide helpful information on how grade crossings can be negotiated safely.

"Education works," he said. "The more people we reach and the more information we can provide on grade crossing safety the better."

In addition to public education, Leahy said the MBTA and Amtrak focus on tracking down traffic violators who try and beat trains and go around safety gates risking their own lives and the lives of the train passengers. Judges and local and state police have been known to ride the rails and view crossings that have had such problems, Leahy said. Installing cameras that film a motorist trying to go around the gates, can help identify violators who can be cited, he said.

Leahy said there's a long way to go on designing and planning Greenbush before these kind of details can be worked out.

"Each community has its own concerns," he said, noting that "now that Greenbush is going to be a reality, there is an opportunity to bring all of these concerns, including grade crossings, forward and have them addressed to the fullest extent and to be a partner in the process."

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The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

The Women's Counsel can be a vital resource

By DIANA N. KINCH
Special to the Mariner

Nina Belsan leaned forward and spoke confidentially to the women gathered at the December meeting at the Lightkeepers House in Cohasset, as she facilitated with magic marker in hand and flow sheet beside her.

"The potential and possibilities in this small group of women are amazing. There's such strength, ability and wisdom here that I can see good things coming out of this. This is not about doing business, conducting a meeting, or another 'pretty' workshop. This is about being a resource, an innovator and a thought provoker in the '90s," Belsan said.

Belsan and 20 other women met to discuss the purpose of the newly formed Women's Counsel sponsored by the South Shore Community Center.

The concept evolved when Louise Alibrandi, owner of the Face Place in Hanover, and Nina Belsan, director of the South Shore Community Center, perceived a need in the South Shore for a place where women can help women, a place to exchange ideas and resources for women at every stage of life. Since the South Shore Community Center offered a likely focal point from which information and skills can be exchanged, Belsan set a date for the first meeting for such discussions.

The group that responded to the November and December meetings comes from various backgrounds and interests. Dienna Lehner, who is anxious to begin this resource networking, believes that building a database of organizations that are already doing great things to inform and support women is a priority of the counsel.

Among the issues the women identified were: senior women's mental and physical needs; women and healing, and the everyday how-to information that is necessary when establishing a resource network.

The counsel is still in the process of being defined. As others join this effort, it will evolve into what women on the South Shore feel they need in the '90s. The women present at the December meeting agreed it is vital that women of all ages meet, talk, listen and work with each other. The Women's Counsel hopes to address questions like the following: How can I be self-sufficient in my elderly years? How can I support myself and my family? How can I be a more patient parent? How can I take part in framing legislation that affects me?

One goal of the Women's Counsel is to administer information and support to women of all socioeconomic, educational, age or cultural backgrounds in the South Shore area. Nita Frances, director of women's educational programs at South Shore Hospital, was excited about the prospect of the Counsel being a resource available to such a diverse group of women. She felt it was important for the group to verbalize exactly what the counsel is, even while it's being shaped.

Supporting and encouraging women to find their own resource and operating as a not for profit group were two points upon which the Women's Counsel founders agreed. Since it's crucial to understand what issues are affecting women, the counsel will circulate a questionnaire to local towns to help define the needs such as availability of medical care, transportation, locations of women's shelters, legal representation for women in cases of domestic violence; child care and literacy issues. The Women's Counsel offers an opportunity for all women to ask the important questions and share their vision.

The next meeting of the Women's Counsel is Jan. 18 at 2 p.m. at the South Shore Community Center. A breakfast roundtable discussion is also planned for Feb. 14, Valentine's morning, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at The Lightkeepers House, off Border Street, Cohasset. The theme "Choosing The Positive Path in a Changing World" will be the main course.

Please call Nina Belsan at the SSCC, 383-0088 or 545-5462, for breakfast tickets ($6 reserved before Feb. 1, $8 at the door).

Sewer articles proposed for town meeting

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Town meeting voters may be asked to consider two and possibly three articles relating to the sewer project.

At their last meeting in December, selectmen accepted two articles, but postponed discussion for January, when all selectmen can be present.

Selectman Jane Goedecke told sewer commissioner Edward "Ted" Guild that she is not enthusiastic about spending any money that is not necessary.

One of the articles will require an expenditure of some $200,000, with 25 percent state reimbursement over 20 years.

The money would be used to rebuild the sewer lines along Border St., which are prone to salt water flooding during storms. Guild said the salt water is bad for the bacteria at the sewer plant.

However, he said the project is not required by the state.

The first article would amend the Nov. 6 town meeting Article 11, which appropriated $70,000 for sewer repairs, by allowing sewer commissioners to seek a state grant.

Guild explained that the cost of preparing the state grants will be some $9,000. He said that doing article one on its own would not be worthwhile, since the town would spend $9,000 to save $18,000 and there is no guarantee the town would receive the grant.

Therefore, he said it is worthwhile to do the two articles together.

He said the work would begin as soon as spring arrives, making the annual spring town meeting too late.

The two articles are being prepared by town counsel Richard Henderson.

A third article would revote the controversial sewer rate structure approved at the November special town meeting.

Guild called that "absolutely essential," if Henderson determines that it needs to be voted again.

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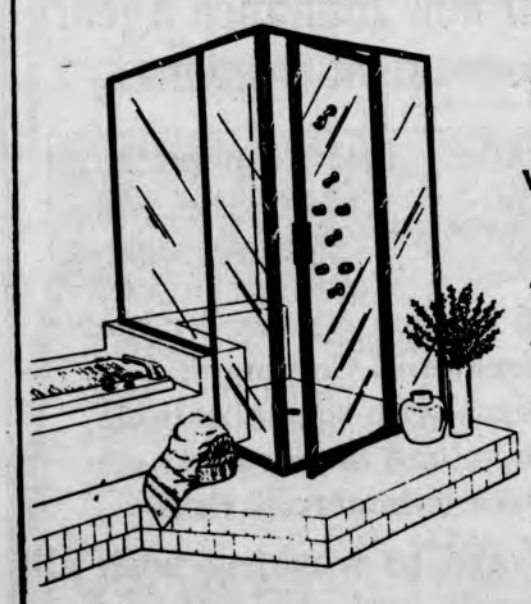

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Our best wishes to Dr. Woods on his retirement

❑

Nov. 16 was a wonderful day in the St. John family, that's the day when **Torie Lyn St. John** was born. Torie weighed in at 9 pounds 9 ounces! Her mom, Molly (Lynch) St. John and Dad, Brian, are spellbound by her, to say nothing of her grandparents — maternal are **John** and **Gunny Lynch**, paternal are **Paul** and **Joan St. John**.

If this snow ever goes away, we'll be sure to see Torie being wheeled around town, meantime everyone enjoy that baby!

❑

This week marked the end of an era in our town, **Dr. Ed Woods,** won't be practicing dentistry any more! After 41 years of working here, it is hard to imagine that he won't be saying "are our gums happy today," we all loved it when he would ask! At least he'll still be living here, so if you haven't congratulated him on his retirement be sure to do so!

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It sure is great to report that **Frank Wheelwright** is home from the hospital — we hear that your New Year resolution is no more sicknesses in the house! Time for you and **Muriel** to kick up your heels, right? Anyway, here's to health and happiness for both of you.

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Did you know that the **Social Service League** of our town has compiled a list of Cohasset High students who are more than capable of doing just about any odd job that you need to have done? Especially shoveling your driveway, path, or whatever – they will babysit, pet sit, water your plants, and the list goes on.

If you are interested in getting the names/phone numbers call **383-0771**.

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Cohasset resident Joel Carpenter (first left) autographs one of his Christmas designs at a holiday card signing party held at the Hard Rock Cafe last month. Joel is one of many patients at the Floating Children's Cancer Center who design holiday cards every year as a fund-raising effort. The party, organized by the Families for the Floating Children's Cancer Center, invited buyers to meet the young artists and authors who created this year's Christmas greetings.

Congratulations go to **Robert E. Riley,** he has been appointed president and CEO of Leggat McCall Properties. Mr. Riley will focus on real estate investments and capital markets opportunities for the company.

❑

Cohasset lost two fine ladies recently, within a short length of time. **Isabel Ainslie** and **Alexandria Donovan** (Allie to all who knew her). These ladies worked together at the CHS cafeteria for years, and they were so nice, friendly and helpful, and always smiling — the students maintain that the cafeteria hasn't been the same since they left. Now, the town feels the same loss. They will be missed, and our hearts go out to their families. The only good thing is that they are together, probably reminiscing and telling stories to one another.

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Did you know that Cohasset's own **Paul Verrochi** was named entrepreneur of the year for emerging growth companies? The award is given to individuals who exemplify the start-up process at its best, and Paul was selected from 18 national finalists! Paul is the chairman of the Board of American Medical Response, Inc., the nation's leading provider of ambulance services; he has acquired more than 50 ambulance companies in three years. The program which awarded Mr. Verrochi this honor is sponsored by Inc. magazine, Ernst & Young, and Merrill Lynch. Be sure to read Inc., it is truly an inspiring story and a tribute to Paul!

❑

That, as they say, is that for this week – we are sorry it is so brief, but all of you must have been enjoying a vacation somewhere! Now you will call and tell me all about it, okay? Please!

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It's Happening

Harpsichordist to perform

As part of its recital series, St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset, will present Marina Minkin of Boston University in a harpsichord recital on Sunday, Jan. 14, at 3 p.m. Featured composers include Froberger, Frescobaldi, Bach and Jakoulov.

Minkin left her native Soviet Union in 1981 for Israel, where she studied piano and harpsichord performance at the Rubin Academy of Music in Jerusalem. She has performed as a soloist and an accompanist in major concert halls in Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv and in concert tours in Germany, Switzerland, Austria and the Netherlands.

In 1984, Minkin was the third-prize winner in the Paul Ben Haim Competition of Israeli music, and in 1987 she was a winner of the Israeli Radio Young Artists Competition.

Minkin has studied harpsichord with Mark Kroll at Boston University, earning a master's degree. She has also won several other awards and is a candidate for the degree of doctor of musical arts in historical performance at BU. She is director of music and organist of the First Church in Dedham.

The church is located at 16 Highland Ave. in Cohasset and is handicapped accessible. Parking is available in the village lot. For further information, call 383-1083.

Bible discussion group to meet

A new Bible Discussion Group will meet Friday, Jan. 5, from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall, in the small meeting room next to the elevator. The group, sponsored by Cohasset Community Church and led by its pastor, Rev. Robert Hurlbut, will meet each week at the same time and location. Relationships will be the topic of discussion.

Cohasset Community Church, sponsored by Community Baptist Church of Weymouth, is a new evangelical church which has been holding a home discussion group in the community. The new group is being formed to give more people an opportunity to participate.

The new church is affiliated with the Baptist Convention of New England, and Redland Baptist Church in Derwood, Maryland, has offered to help by sending people and resources during the new year to assist the new church minister in Cohasset. For further information, call the church at 383-9761.

Friends of Paragon Carousel

The Friends of the Paragon Carousel will hold an open meeting Sunday, Jan. 7, at 1:30 p.m. at the Hull Lifesaving Museum for anyone interested in helping the group meet the Jan. 30 deadline set in the agreement to purchase which the group signed in November with the Carousel's current owners.

Under the terms of the agreement, the Friends have until Jan. 30 to arrange and secure financing of the former Paragon Park Carousel at Nantasket Beach. To ensure a manageable debt and successful financing package, the group is working to raise an additional $150,000 by the January deadline through a number of fundraising efforts, including the Carousel of Light and a Jan. 22 dinner at Tosca.

For further information about the Friends of the Paragon Carousel and its efforts, call 925-5665.

PICTURE THIS/Blanche Clark

Name: Blanche Clark.

Occupation: Retired registered nurse, part-time sales at King Jewelers in Cohasset Plaza, and publicity director for Hingham's Cabaret '96.

Goal: To be able to attain anything I set out to do.

Best vacation: Las Vegas.

Best day of your life: Too many to mention – the births of my children and grandchildren are high on the list.

Biggest worry: Health.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite junk food: Chocolate (what else!)

Favorite T.V. show: "In the eat of the Night."

Favorite movie: The oldies on the American Movie Channel (AMC).

Favorite book: Anything by John Grisham.

Person you'd most like to meet: Whoopie Goldberg.

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EDITORIAL

Thanks for speaking up

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Some of the names may be familiar to you, others may not be. But the people attached to these names all have one thing in common: they wrote at least one letter-to-the-editor in 1995.

A few wrote thank you's to the people of Cohasset or organizations for their help or support; others complained about a decision or lobbied to have their views considered; while still others educated us about programs, problems, or activities.

But no matter what the subject – putting pen to paper to share your views with your fellow citizens is important. The First Amendment is close to our hearts here in the newspaper business and at no time do we appreciate it more than when ordinary citizens, like those listed here, take advantage of their Freedom of Speech. And what better vehicle is there than your local paper?

The editorial pages of the Cohasset Mariner belong to you. It's where you can speak out or just say thank you to a citizen or organization that went beyond the call of duty.

Sometimes it takes a good dose of courage to let your voice be heard but we think it's worth it. Often one voice is all the inspiration needed to propel others to action.

To those of you that have thought about writing and haven't, please reconsider. To those whom we hear from on a regular basis, keep writing!

There are lots of weeks to go in the New Year – which will be filled with events, decisions, and happenings that have an impact on Cohasset.

Let us hear what you think in 1996.

– Mary Ford
Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Food Pantry support is appreciated

To the Editor:

Through the Mariner, the people of the Cohasset Food Pantry would like to thank the many individuals, all the local churches, organizations and businesses who have kept the Pantry adequately supplied with funds and food to help us meet some of the needs of as many as 30 Cohasset families during the past 12 months. At a time when some other emergency food organizations have been faced with empty shelves, you have made it possible for the Cohasset Pantry to respond generously to the people who have come to us for help.

We particularly want to thank the postal employees who collected food for the Pantry, the Cub Scouts, and the CCD classes of St. Anthony's Church who have held food drives. We are also grateful to the businesses which display our contribution cans and the people who deposit in them.

Recently the Pantry received a large gift from proceeds of the Silent Auction at the Thanksgiving Fair of Jack Conway Co. realtors; a major gift from the Food for Friends Program of Cohasset Stop & Shop; and the surprise gift from Kinnealey Meats, Milton, of all the fresh turkeys needed to distribute to the families at Thanksgiving. In addition, many thanks to music director Bob Leavitt and his "Sounds of Christmas" choral group for their generous contribution to the pantry from the collection during the concert at the Second Congregational Church.

All these welcome contributions have made it possible for us to help make the holidays bounteous to some Cohasset families who might otherwise have not shared in the joy of the holiday season.

We of the Food Pantry thank you all.

People of the Cohasset Food Pantry

Coastal Coalition will continue fight

The Coastal Coalition has announced that there cannot be a reconstruction of the 1849 Greenbush rail lone for diesel trains running from Braintree to the marshes of the North River.

"We are convinced, after reading the latest MBTA press summary, that there is no transportation argument which supports this rail line, and that it cannot be built," said Coastal Coalition co-chairs Randy Young and Nancy Buckley.

Coalition members, after reviewing the "Greenbush Corridor: Summary of Findings and Recommendations," from which Gov. William Weld's speech for the South Shore Chamber of Commerce November breakfast meeting was written, dismissed the findings as a "masterpiece of disinformation."

"They think they've pulled a fast one," said Young. "But the word from the South Shore to the MBTA is, 'No more tricks in '96!'"

Young and Buckley congratulated Sen. Robert Hedlund (R-Weymouth) for identifying the Greenbush decision as "political decision as a "political decision and not a transportation decision." They also thanked the hundreds of Coastal Coalition members and friends who have spent tens of thousands of hours during the past two years analyzing environmental studies, suggesting transportation alternatives, collecting signatures, holding signs, attending town meetings and telephoning and writing elected officials, for the impact the organization has had to date.

The Coastal Coalition is reorganizing to strengthen its efforts to oppose the construction of the Greenbush line and plans to announce the next phase of its opposition in January. Organizers encourage fellow citizens to be prepared to participate in the next phase of Greenbush resistance with ideas, research, letters and manpower.

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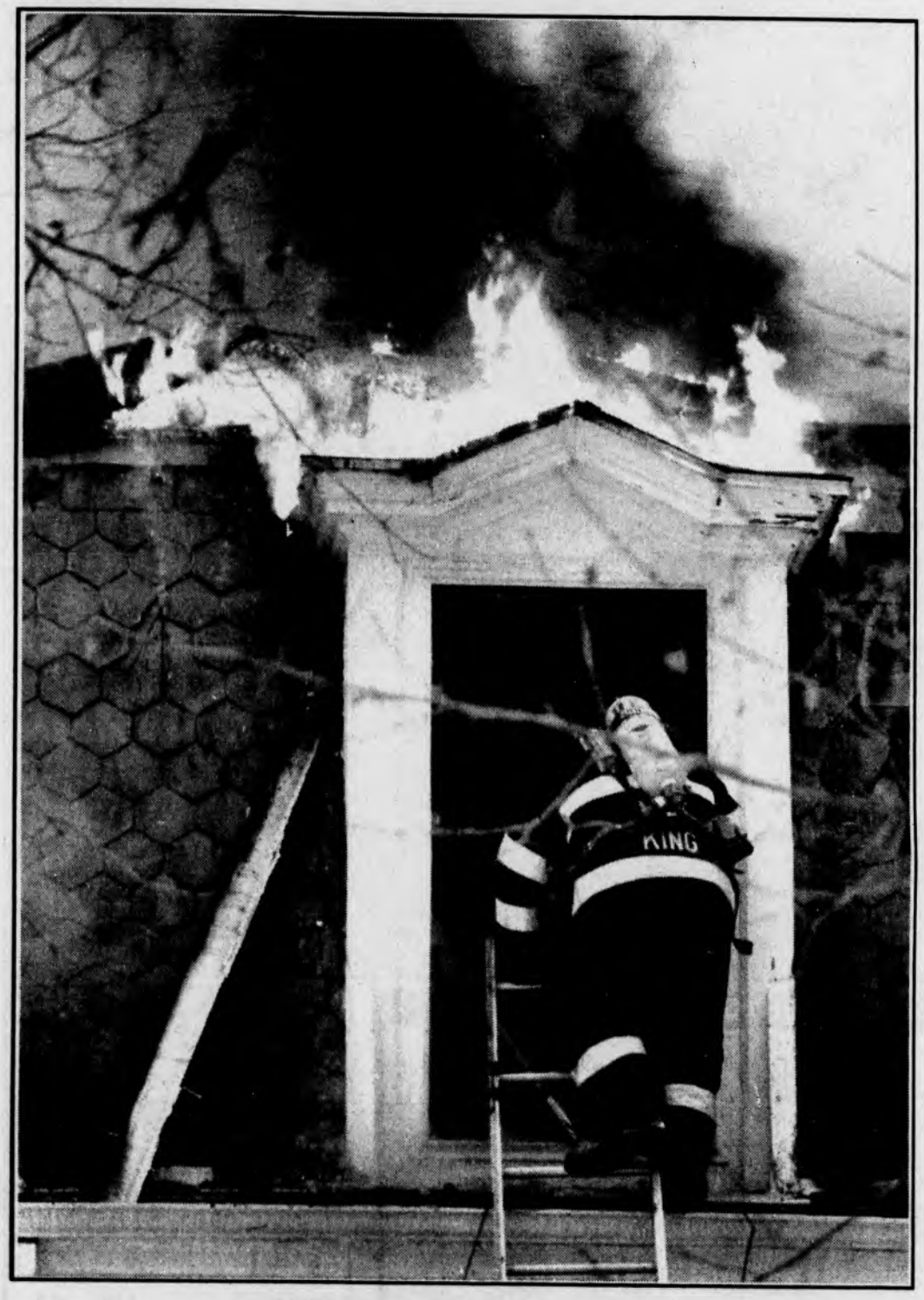
Firefighters from three towns battle blaze

Firefighters from Cohasset, Scituate, and Hull fight a two-alarm fire Tuesday morning on Highland Avenue which displaced a local family. Two floors of the antique home were destroyed by the fire caused by defective wiring in a first-floor wall. A relief fund (see page one story) has been set up for Peter and Maryanne Clougherty and their three children. The Cloughertys are temporarily staying with relatives in Scituate.



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Cohasset Business

Changes in cable-TV bills are expected

Cost of 'Cable 1' service to go up

By CHARLENE VANDINI
The Cohasset Mariner

Continental Cablevision customers in Cohasset can expect to see changes in their cable television bills, which could increase their monthly charges.

Changes in the rate structure are designed to reduce the cost of basic cable service while allowing cable television companies to recoup their operating costs in line with inflation, equipment, and increased fees for programming.

In Cohasset, the monthly cost of basic broadcast cable service will decrease from $11.25 to $10.75. The monthly cable converter box rental will also decrease by 29 cents, to $1.62.

However, the cost of Cable 1 service will increase from $1.80 to $2.92 per month, and Cable 2 service from $10.35 to $12.61.

These increases, along with the decrease in the cost of basic service mean that, overall, the standard service package will increase by $2.88 per month, according to Continental Cablevision director of government affairs Rick Jenkinson. This is the service chosen by most customers, he said. As of January 1, the standard service package will cost Cohasset cable TV customers $26.28 per month.

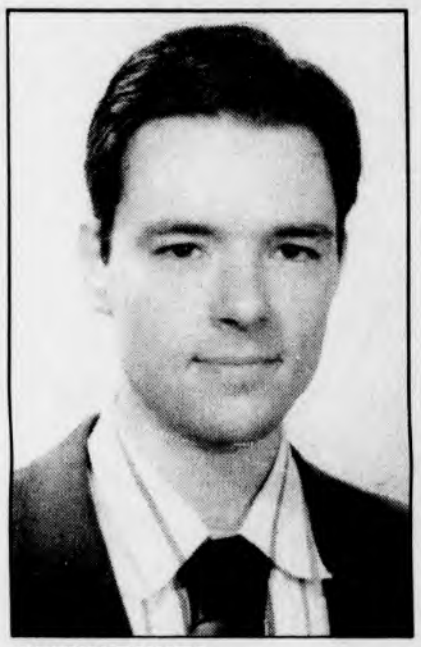
Jenkinson explained that Cable 1 and Cable 2 services are packages that include programs on USA, ESPN, and CNN. The charges for the so-called premium channels, such as HBO, Disney Channel, and Cinemax, will not change.

These changes are a result of an agreement reached with the Federal Communications Commission to provide what Jenkinson called "a lifeline service tier" that will make basic cable television service more affordable to low-income persons.

Cohasset cable TV customers who subscribe to the standard service package will pay 8 cents less than Hingham subscribers. He explained that cable TV rates vary by town since they are based on the number of customers and the number of channels available to them.

In addition to the new rate changes, cable TV customers will also have two new channels available to them. As of January 1, viewers will find "Home and Garden TV" and "fX", a sports, entertainment, and lifestyle programming service.

Cohasset Conway office welcomes new associates



GLENN DUKES
Joins Conway staff

DAVE MACCINI
New sales associate

Dave Maccini and Glenn Dukes recently joined the staff of Jack Conway & Co.'s Cohasset real estate office.

Maccini and Dukes recently completed the "Conway College of Real Estate Knowledge," an intensive, three-week educational program which provides licensed agents with advanced instruction in the practical aspects of selling real estate.

Rik Tinory produces celebrity album

Rik Tinory Productions, headquartered in Cohasset, is the executive producer of a one-of-a-kind album, scheduled to be released in mid-1996, that features many celebrities.

Dan Aykroyd has completed a series of recordings for the album, "A Tribute to Alex Taylor." Aykroyd and late blues brother Alex Taylor were members of the "Saturday Night Live Blues Brothers Hidden Inspirers Club" and had a band together called the "Funkbusters."

Gregg Sullivan is promoted

Gregg Sullivan of Cohasset was promoted to vice president of account services for Dickinson Direct of Braintree, a direct marketing firm.

Sullivan, who has almost 10 years' experience in the industry, joined Dickinson in 1993. He is responsible for the development and management of client accounts.

Sullivan served on the board of directors of the New England Direct Marketing Association for the past five years and in 1994, completed a successful tenure as the association's youngest president. He is a seated faculty member on the advisory board of Merrimack College's direct marketing certificate program and was issued an honorary certificate for accomplishments in the direct marketing industry by the Bentley College School of Professional Studies. He is a graduate of Allegheny College in Meadville, Penn., and holds a B.A. in communications and economics.

He is a volunteer with the Massachusetts Foundation for Children.

Cohasset Chamber kicks off new year on Jan. 17

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will hold a general meeting Wednesday, Jan. 17, at Kimballs By The Sea.

Guests will meet the chamber's newly elected officers and board of directors, including president Dominic Micarelli, vice president Dean Rizzo, treasurer Charles Peterson and secretary John Flanagan. The board of directors includes Elsa Miller, Michael Astley, Brooke Benjamin, Victoria Chen, Mary Ellen Nagle and Frank Berlanger.

The outgoing board of directors will also be honored. Three fellow chamber members will introduce themselves and their businesses and other business will be discussed. The meeting will also provide an opportunity to share ideas and expectations.

Guest speaker will be Timothy Cahill, who will discuss his recent book, "Profiles in the American Dream," which is based on the real-life struggles of four Quincy-based entrepreneurs — Howard Johnson of Howard Johnson's, Louis Grossman of Grossman's, William Rosenberg of Dunkin' Donuts and Peter O'Connell of O'Connell Management.

Chamber memberships are being issued for half price, $40, which are valid until July, 1996.

Tickets for the event are $5. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:30, followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. To reserve a seat, call 383-1010 or 383-2626.

AREA MORTGAGE RATES

BANKS

Name	Telephone	15-yr. Fix.	30-yr. Fix.	1-yr. Adj.
Abington Savings	617-982-3250	NA	NA	NA
Bank of Boston	800-758-8808	6.93	7.30	8.09
Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	7.07	7.43	8.13
Bank of Canton	617-828-5626	6.69	7.20	4.76
BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	NA	NA	NA
Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	6.71	7.08	6.39
Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	7.09	7.46	7.87
Community Bank	508-587-3210	6.82	7.20	8.25
Concord, The Coop. Bank	800-551-4663	NA	NA	NA
E. Bridgewater Coop.	617-378-2672	7.12	7.36	8.78
E. Bridgewater Savings	617-293-4002	6.95	7.21	8.00
Hibernia Savings	617-345-0441	NA	NA	NA
Hingham Inst. for Savings	617-749-2200	NA	NA	NA
Mutual Federal Savings	617-447-4488	NA	NA	NA
N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	NA	NA	NA
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	6.95	7.08	8.08
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.04	7.48	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	NA	NA	NA
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	6.83	7.20	7.94
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	6.84	7.20	7.96
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Cooperative	617-337-1300	7.37	7.74	7.99
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	6.95	7.50	7.78
USTrust	800-290-8782	NA	NA	NA
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	7.25	7.63	7.00
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	7.30	7.50	7.40
CREDIT UNIONS				
Bridgewater Credit Union	508-697-8101	NA	NA	NA
Brockton Brotherhood C.U.	508-586-8557	7.04	7.35	5.84
Brockton Credit Union	508-895-1000	6.83	7.10	5.84
Crescent Credit Union	800-894-4445	6.91	7.35	7.53
IAG Federal Credit Union	800-234-6698	NA	NA	NA
Mass. State Employees C.U.	617-451-2422	NA	NA	NA
Navy Federal Credit Union	401-849-9797	6.82	7.15	8.00
Rockland Federal C.U.	617-878-0232	6.82	7.20	8.20
MORTGAGE COMPANIES				
Bank America Mortgage	800-272-6704	6.63	7.00	8.13
Choice Mortgage	800-696-8001	NA	NA	NA
Citizens Mortgage Corp.	800-213-3222	NA	NA	NA
Fleet Mortgage Corp.	800-660-8998	6.62	7.18	8.41
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	617-340-1445	NA	NA	NA
Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	NA	NA	NA
Salem Five Mortgage Corp.	508-740-5392	6.69	7.87	7.821

Source: Division of Banks, Boston Dec. 29, 1995.

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A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 1/2

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	17.5000	0.2500
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.4300	0.1800
Avitar	0.3438	—
Bank of Boston	44.8750	0.1250
Bradlees	1.0000	-0.1250
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	23.2500	0.2500
Computer Identics Corp.	2.6250	0.1250
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.1250	0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	14.2500	0.3750
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.0000	—
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	5.6250	—
Grossman's	1.1875	-0.0625
Ground Round	2.5000	0.0313
Haemonetics	17.1250	—
Hills Stores	9.1250	-0.1250
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.0000	-0.5000
Hibernia Savings Bank	16.5000	0.5000
International Electronics	1.1250	-0.1875
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.3750	—
Instron Corp.	13.7500	0.2500
J Baker	5.5000	—
First Years	22.2500	—
Lojack	10.8750	0.1250
Organogenesis Inc.	15.5000	—
Peoples Savings Bank	8.1250	—
Plymouth Rubber	10.000	-0.2500
Reebok	27.0000	1.1250
Software Development	1.7500	—
Stop & Shop	20.7500	—
AT&T	65.1250	-0.8750
Talbots	27.8750	1.2500
Westerbeke	2.8750	—

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Mariner Sports

Cohasset High hockey team Co-Captain Pat Reynolds (15) heads down the ice with Brian Riley (13) off his left wing. The Skippers' Wednesday game against Scituate was postponed, but they'll be back in action this Saturday night against defending South Shore League champion Hanover.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Walsh primed for SSL action

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

As Cohasset High hockey coach Dennis Walsh sees it, Scituate looks to be the team to beat in the South Shore League this winter. Beyond the Sailors, however, nothing is clear.

"It's a question mark the rest of the way," said Walsh.

So far this season the Skippers (1-3-1) have played just one league game, a tie against Norwell. Cohasset defeated Provincetown 6-3 before being outmanned in contests against Division 1 and 2 schools New Bedford and Sandwich.

Walsh is generally pleased with the way the Skippers have fared after five games. The team is young with 12 of the team's 23 players in the ninth grade or younger. He expects there'll be mistakes made this season due to inexperience. But on the same note, Walsh doesn't foresee the Skippers being blown out of the rink by any teams in the SSL.

"We can compete with these teams,"

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EXTRA POINTS/Dave McKee & Joe Reardon

Some 1996 wishes from a die-hard fan

By Joe Reardon
Cohasset Mariner

By now the resolutions have been made and broken, but we all have hopes and aspirations for 1996, whether they be for ourselves or others. So when cover sports for a small local town, you secretly have wishes you'd like to see come true, even though you can't reflect them in your writing.

But thanks to this column, I have my own sounding board and this week I've come up with a few of my wishes for the teams and athletes who train hard and play hard in a small seaside community.

•Number 1 on my wish list for 1996 is the hope the Cohasset High gymnastics team continues its undefeated string. The Skippers have won an impressive 24 consecutive meets, dating back nearly two years when they lost to Scituate on Jan. 19, 1994. Cohasset wound up tying the Sailors for the South Shore League title that season before winning the league outright in '95.

•To Cohasset nice-guy Steve Ritts who is wearing shorts this winter to raise money for injured Boston University hockey player Travis Roy: A mild winter and several new pairs of thermal underwear for the Winter of '97.

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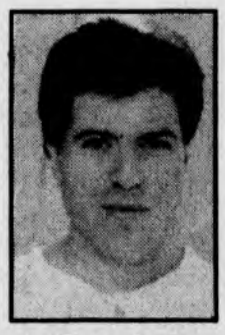

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•To Cohasset High gymnast Erica Hettstrom: A season of good health. The South Shore League All-Star was slowed for several months with a series of maladies but is back in full force. Here's hoping she continues to get stronger.

•To the Cohasset High girls gymnastics team: A down-to-the-wire showdown in its meets against Hanover and Scituate. The three

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Finding the perfect balance

Photos by Ruthann Ardizzoni

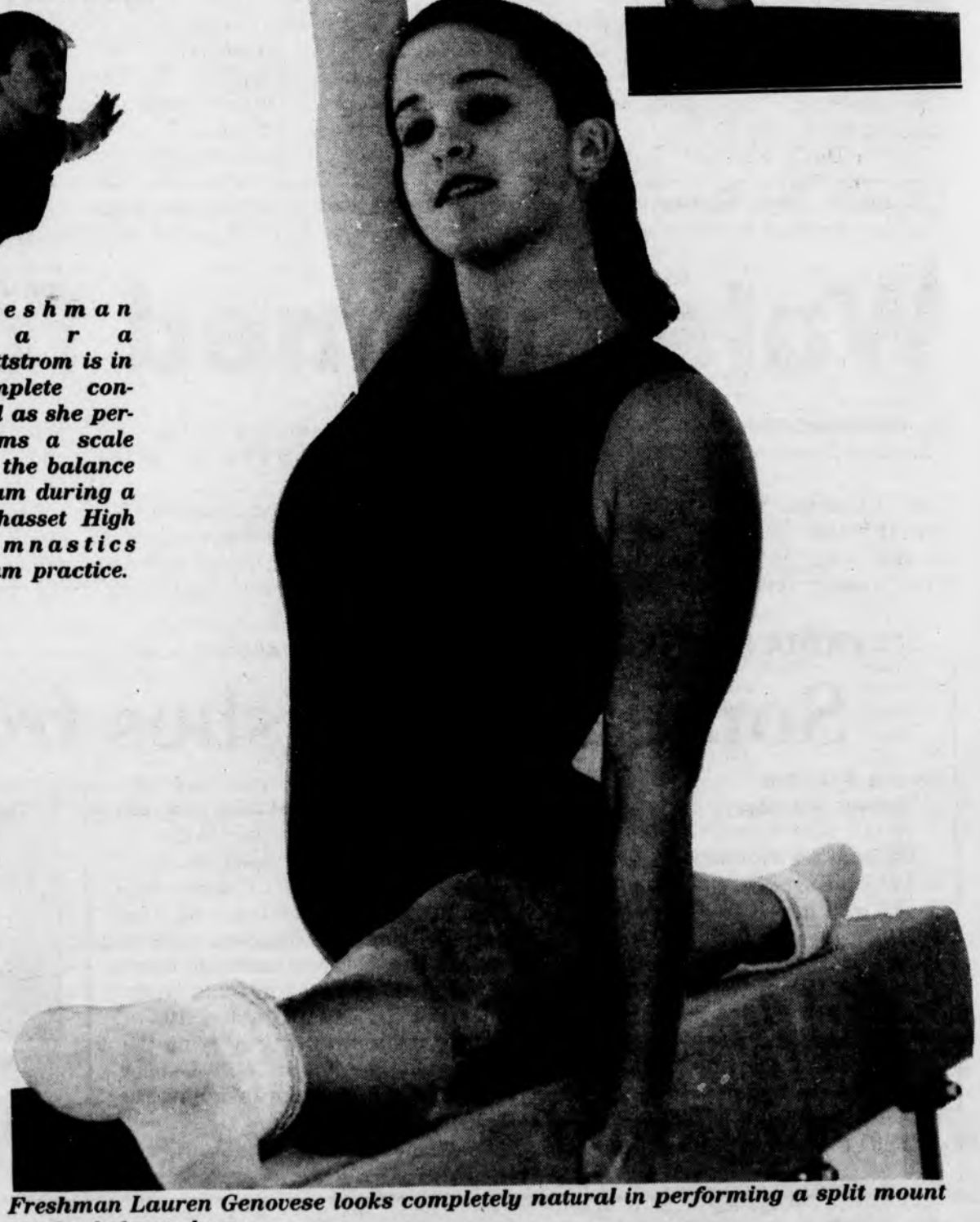
Senior Captain Tafana Fiore flashes what has become her trademark smile during a split.

Even when posing for the camera, the gymnasts' flexibility and conditioning is noticeable. They are, from left to right, Lauren Genovese, Carolyn Pratt, Tafana Fiore, Tara Hettstrom and Erica Hettstrom.

Lauren Genovese appears completely calm as she goes through an Arabasque move on the beam.

Freshman Tara Hettstrom is in complete control as she performs a scale on the balance beam during a Cohasset High gymnastics team practice.

Junior Erica Hettstrom shows the grace and flexibility needed to become an All-Star gymnast.



Freshman Lauren Genovese looks completely natural in performing a split mount on the balance beam.

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powers of the South Shore League should put on quite a show in the battle for league supremacy.

•To the Cohasset High girls soccer team: A return trip to the Division 3 South Sectional tourney in '96. Ditto for the boys squad.

•To the Cohasset High field hockey team: That all those heartbreaking one-goal losses last fall become one-goal victories this fall.

•To the South Shore Community Center: That it be renamed the Ardizzoni School for Aspiring Gymnasts.

•To Carol Riley and Ruthann Ardizzoni: A second career in photography. We at the Cohasset Mariner are indebted to them for their photo submissions.

•To the youth coaches and parents who submit game summaries: Our undying gratitude. The only ones who appreciate your work more than the sports dept., are the kids whose names you mention in your articles.

•To Cohasset High basketball coaches Ron Ford and Cori Hughes: That a video be made of their highly successful basketball camps and be made available at the neighborhood movie rental store.

•To the Cohasset High track team: A spring of personal bests on its new track. Ditto for the Hanover High squad which also will be going through the paces on a spanking new track this spring. While we're at it, how about personal bests for all the South Shore League athletes who compete on both.

•To the Cohasset High boys basketball team: Ron Ford's troops had the opportunity to play in the Boston Garden last year. Lets hope the FleetCenter follows suit during tourney time sometime in the future and the Skippers tickle the twine there in another championship game.

•To the Cohasset High football team: Special Thanksgiving Day Arctic weather gear. The Skippers play every other holiday game on that Tundra Hull calls a football field. How about some warmth while you're battling for four quarters.

•To those select (ie. pieces of work) Little League parents and coaches in all the towns: It's only a game. Don't try to live your miserable sports fantasies through kids who love to play. They'll end up dreading game day and resenting you in the process.

•To cheerleaders at all levels in all the towns: It doesn't matter what some may think, you're athletes in my book.

•To the organizers of the Cohasset Roadrace-by-the-Sea 10K: That the event continues to grow and is greeted with sunny cool weather on race day.

•To anyone planning on running in this year's race: Run the Forest Ave. hill at least a few times in the weeks leading up to the race. That is truly one incline that is truly a much tougher grind than it looks.

•To the Cohasset High lacrosse team: That its brutal schedule against some of the best lacrosse squads in Eastern Mass will pay off come tourney time.

•To Ron Ford: That he can do with the baseball team in the spring what he has done with the basketball team in the winter.

•To the Cohasset High wrestling team: The knowledge the youngsters on this club are going to be seasoned veterans by the time they're sophomores.

•To all the coaches, fans, players, officials, trainers, athletic directors, booster club members and contributing writers: May 1996 bring nothing but victories and good memories!

Grapplers shine in Marshfield, Carver

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

While many of Cohasset High's younger wrestlers showed just how talented they are at last Wednesday's Carver tournament, three Skipper freshmen placed in the Marshfield Holiday Tournament.

Cohasset finished a respectable 10th out of 19 teams, but it was the performances of freshmen Jordan Fiore, Mike Baird and Luke Caldwell that had head coach Torin Sweeney anticipating the future of the sport at Cohasset High.

Freshman Jordan Fiore battled to a sterling sixth-place finish at 130 pounds and both Mike Baird and Luke Caldwell wound up in eighth.

"For these freshmen to win matches at that level is pretty intense," Sweeney said. "The experience they're gaining is fantastic."

Kevin Duffy was the Skippers' big finisher, taking a second at 135 pounds. Justin Buckley (171) and Nate Caldwell (Heavyweight) both took home fourth-place finishes.

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It was the youngsters' turn to shine on the mats last Wednesday at the Carver Junior Wrestling Tournament.

One of the biggest junior high tournaments of its kind in the state, the Carver tourney featured 30 teams and more than 200 wrestlers.

And Cohasset High was right there collecting some hardware.

The Skippers had three of their seven wrestlers in grades seven to nine place at the meet.

Seventh-grader Craig Sherrin dominated the 72-pound weight class, dropping three of his opponents to the mat to earn pin victories. Sherrin wound up taking first place overall.

Kevin DeVito joined Sherrin as the Skippers' other first-place finisher. The eighth-grader turned back all challengers in the 145-pound bracket.

Also placing for Cohasset was Jim Figuerido. A seventh-grader, Figuerido grappled his way to a fourth-place finish in the 86-pound category.

Sweeney said he was pleased with the performances and competitiveness of all his wrestlers.

Also competing for the Skippers were ninth-grader J.P. Lautelle, eighth-grader Dan Mulligan and seventh-graders Alex Dedes, Dan Duffy, Derek Fair, Tim Grassey and Ben Bibxy.

"Most of them all had at least one win," Sweeney said. "That's our future coming up right there.

"They're doing well. I'm happy for them."

The junior high wrestlers will next compete in Canton next month.

Late ski registrations

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept late registrations for Blue Hills ski lessons for youngsters ages seven and over at the recreation office, town hall.

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Golden qualifies for New Englands

Colby College swimmer Rebecca Golden of Cohasset qualified for the Women's New England Division 3 Championship swim meet, which will be held from Feb. 23-25 in Williamstown. Golden, a sophomore, clocked a 30.33 finish in the 50-yard butterfly against Bentley College on Dec. 1. The time qualified her for the meet.

Golden, and International Studies major, is the daughter of Stephen and Amy Golden of Cohasset.

Walsh primed for SSL action

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Walsh said. "We gave Sandwich a good game and we were in dire straits because we were missing two or three players."

Cohasset, though, does have its problems and it begins with numbers. Walsh says there just aren't as many kids who play hockey from the town anymore. He points to the closing of the Winter Gardens rink several years ago as one of the reasons.

Because of the relatively small roster and young players, Walsh has been forced to go with two lines instead of the three that is more typical in high school hockey. The result is the players tire faster.

That was evident in the 7-3 loss to New Bedford. The Skippers were playing well early in the game against the Whalers, but "got worn down" by the bigger squad.

Defense has been one of the squad's weak areas and it has forced Walsh to take action. He moved Co-Captain Nevin Bunstein back alongside his top defenseman, Matt O'Connor, to give Cohasset that extra punch when the opposition heads down the ice.

Offensively, freshman Greg Figueiredo, who has already scored four goals, and Co-Captain Pat Reynolds are Cohasset's two strongest players when the Skippers have the puck. Both can put the puck in the net. However, the Skippers could use another consistent goal scorer, especially when they get in the thick of their SSL schedule.

Goaltenders Kyle Bunstein and Kevin McKenna have both played well between the posts for Cohasset. Walsh has used each equally. The pair either alternate starts or split playing time during games.

The Skippers will face a big challenge this Saturday against a struggling Hanover team. Walsh in no way intends to take the Indians lightly and will be playing them very close. He said he'll see how their defense is reacting and then decide the best offensive strategy to incorporate.

He hopes, as he does in all Cohasset's games, that the matchup is even or surprisingly the Skippers trail by a goal.

"I don't like high-scoring games," Walsh said. "But depending on how the game takes shape, you can't control it."

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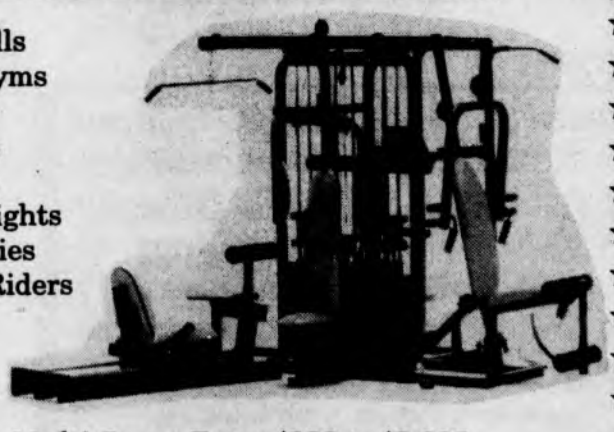

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Police Log

Friday, Dec. 15

8:39 p.m., violation of liquor laws. Government Island. Ptl. Quigley in with Brian M. Sasso, (DOB: 5/5/77), 14 Bates Ln., Cohasset, arrested for minor in possession.

11:51 p.m., violation of court order, Mill Lane, no such person can be found.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, cold, 33

Saturday, Dec. 16

1:13 a.m., suspicious activity, Mill Lane, false call.

1:36 a.m., assist citizen, 3A/Pond St., returned to home or family.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 28

8:48 a.m., medical, Elm St., removed to hospital.

8:05 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy Good Sport, investigated.

9:14 a.m., general services, Elm St., services rendered.

11:27 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

11:21 a.m., medical, Sohier St., departmental action.

12:35 p.m., animal complaint, Hull St., departmental action.

1:10 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St./Spring St., investigated.

1:21 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy Stop & Shop, investigated.

3:10 p.m., animal complaint, Heather Dr., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 36

4:11 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

6:06 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Cedar St., departmental action.

6:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Brewster Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:35 p.m., officer wanted, Locust Rd., investigated.

7:32 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy, departmental action.

7:57 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St./Highland Ave., departmental action.

8:05 p.m., assist other PDs, Gannett Rd., departmental action.

9:11 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:54 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Lt. snow, 31

Sunday, Dec. 17

12:22 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Beechwood St./King St., investigated.

12:26 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Lower King/3A, investigated.

3:41 a.m., noise complaint, Summer St., unfounded.

4:01 a.m., highway heading out to salt streets.

4:02 a.m., general services, Forest Ave., services rendered.

6:03 a.m., medical, Hull St., removed to hospital.

6:24 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beech St./Atlantic Ave., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

8:00 a.m., Lt. snow, 34

8:44 a.m., general services, HQ King St./N. Main St., departmental action.

9:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Cushing Plaza, verbal warning.

10:13 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy/Stop & Shop, unfounded.

10:31 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:41 a.m., officer wanted, Smith Pl., investigated.

11:10 a.m., violation of court order, Beechwood St., Ptl. Abbadessa in with Dana Devoe, 20, violation of 209A order.

1:01 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Pond St., investigated.

1:55 p.m., general services, Cedar Acres Ln., investigated.

1:57 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:00 p.m., Clear, 40

4:55 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Elm St., departmental action.

6:12 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Margin St., services rendered.

8:53 p.m., annoying phone calls, Hull St., Hdqts., departmental action.

9:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal warning.

11:05 p.m., annoying phone calls, Booth Hill Rd., Scituate, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 32

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Monday, Dec. 18

1:10 a.m., burglary (B&E), S. Main St., secured building.

1:52 a.m., burglary (B&E), CJC Hwy., departmental action.

6:06 a.m., general services, Whitehead, services rendered.

7:23 a.m., fire alarm, N. Main St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 30

11:19 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Hull St., investigated.

10:41 a.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop, services rendered.

11:28 a.m., obscene phone calls, Howe Rd., field interrogation report prepared.

11:34 a.m., message delivery, Forest Ave., notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:20 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., services rendered.

6:18 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

7:06 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., 30 degrees.

Tuesday, Dec. 19

3:10 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Hingham Line), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 26

9:24 a.m., animal complaint, Heather Dr., services rendered.

10:06 a.m., animal complaint, Hull St., departmental action.

10:18 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., investigated.

10:44 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), 3A/Sohier St., investigated.

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11:21 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy – Stop & Shop, investigated.

12:36 p.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy, departmental action.

12:45 p.m., drug law violations, Walgreen's, arrested by Sgt. Jackson: DiNella, Samuel W., DOB: 10/24/47, 52 Concord St. Rockland, for uttering a false prescription, 2 counts.

2:32 p.m., trespassing, Beechwood St., peace restored.

3:51 p.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy – Dry Cleaning Emporium, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 23

4:11 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

5:02 p.m., medical, Lamberts Ln., unfounded.

8:55 p.m., suspicious activity, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

9:08 p.m., message delivery, St. Stephens Church, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 30

Wednesday, Dec. 20

5:18 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy, investigated.

7:26 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), N. Main St., investigated.

7:31 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 34

8:30 a.m., emergency services, Summer St., investigated.

8:39 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), N. Main St., investigated.

10:50 a.m., medical, CJC Hwy – Dunkin' Donuts, no police service necessary.

12:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, CJC Hwy, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:41 p.m., animal complaint, Arrowwood St., departmental action.

1:08 p.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., departmental action.

1:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., investigated.

3:04 p.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

3:10 p.m., officer wanted, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Snow, 34

4:54 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Cushing Plaza/CJC Hwy., unfounded.

5:01 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

5:03 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., departmental action.

5:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cedar Acres Ln., departmental action.

5:22 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., departmental action.

5:29 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

6:42 p.m., medical, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

7:48 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Margin Ct., departmental action.

7:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Bayberry Ln., departmental action.

8:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Border St., departmental action.

9:04 p.m., assist citizen, Border St., services rendered.

9:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Bailey Rd., departmental action.

9:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm Court, departmental action.

11:29 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Square), departmental action.

11:37 p.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St., investigated.

11:44 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 24

Thursday, Dec. 21

12:12 a.m., assist citizen, Square, services rendered.

1:59 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., area search negative.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 24

8:36 a.m., larceny, King St. – Verc Mobil, investigated.

9:04 a.m., kidnapping/suspicious activity, Buttonwood Ln., investigated.

9:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Stop & Shop, services rendered.

10:48 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

11:12 a.m., officer field investigation, Bow St., investigated.

11:40 a.m., general services, Cedar St., investigated.

12:39 p.m., vehicle accident, Mill Bridge – Border St., services rendered.

1:06 p.m., officer field investigation, Fairoaks Ln., false call.

1:29 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., no police service necessary.

3:04 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Snowy, 27

4:03 p.m., leaving scene, Ripley Rd., investigated.

4:49 p.m., suspicious activity, N. Main St., area search negative.

5:18 p.m., vandalism, King St., area search negative.

6:51 p.m., general services, Pleasant St., services rendered.

7:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:05 p.m., escort, Beechwood St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 32

Friday, Dec. 22

7:44 a.m., general services, Rocky Ln., no police service necessary.

10:09 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Wheelwright Farm, services rendered.d

10:37 a.m., medical, CJC Hwy.–Stop & Shop, referred to other agency.

1:51 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beechwood St., departmental action.

2:22 p.m., fire alarm, Cedar St. – Transfer Station, services rendered.

2:51 p.m., officer field investigation, Nichols Rd., false call.

3:27 p.m., threats (bodily harm), Cedar St., departmental action.

3:56 p.m., animal complaint, Norfolk Rd., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 38

4:21 p.m., general services, Border St., departmental action.

4:37 p.m., general services, HQ/Cedar St., departmental action.

4:38 p.m., medical, Elm St., services rendered.

5:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

6:10 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave., departmental action.

6:15 p.m., medical, King St., services rendered.

6:22 p.m., juvenile offense, departmental action.

9:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Hingham Line, unfounded.

8:05 p.m., juvenile offense, HQ.

9:47 p.m., vandalism, Elm Ct., no police service necessary.

11:33 p.m., officer wanted, Pleasant St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 32

Saturday, Dec. 23

6:06 a.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:33 a.m., non-aggravated assault, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Partly cloudy, 34

8:04 a.m., general services, Elm St. HQ, departmental action.

10:06 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Post Office/Rockland Trust, departmental action.

10:32 a.m., animal complaint, Red Gate Ln., departmental action.

12:19 p.m., assist other PD's, Foxboro PD, departmental action.

12:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Tedeschi Plaza), departmental action.

1:28 p.m., officer wanted, Stop & Shop, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

1:53 p.m., officer wanted, Summer St., investigated.

3:20 p.m., general services, Elm St. HQ, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Clear

5:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

6:48 p.m., officer wanted, Cushing Plaza, services rendered.

6:54 p.m., disturbance (general), Jerusalem Rd.

7:47 p.m., general services, S. Shore Hosp., services rendered.

8:28 p.m., emergency services, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

9:56 p.m., general services, Lambert Lane, services rendered.

10:15 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Sohier St., arrest.

10:25 p.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Scott R. Kelly, DOB: 7/26/77 of 31 Grenwold Rd., Quincy, minor in possession liquor.

10:16 p.m., escort, Tedeschi Plaza, services rendered.

11:22 p.m., suspicious activity, Fair Oaks Lane, investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 39

Sunday, Dec. 24

8:00 a.m., Lt. snow, 36

8:33 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJCHwy., removed to hospital.

9:38 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

10:17 a.m., vandalism, Pond St., investigated.

11:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

1:04 p.m., general services, Pond St., departmental action.

1:20 p.m., vandalism, Howard Gleason Rd., investigated.

1:36 p.m., animal complaint, Hillside Dr., departmental action.

2:39 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 35

4:34 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HDQTS., departmental action.

5:48 p.m. fire alarm, Sohier St., services rendered.

6:27 p.m., Wheelwright Farm.

6:38 p.m., escort, Curtis Liquor, services rendered.

8:03 p.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., departmental action.

10:00 p.m., operating under the influ., Jerusalem Rd., Ptl. Peters in with Richard M. Basler DOB: 9/23/68, 65 J. St., Hull, arrested for OUI (Liquors and drugs), operating vehicle after suspension, failure to stay in marked lanes, possession of Class "C", and possession of Class "D".

12:00 a.m. Clear, 30

Monday, Dec. 26

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 28

8:02 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

Cruiser repairs total about $7K

Police Chief Brian W. Noonan said it will cost about $7,000 to repair one of the town's three police cruisers.

The cruiser, which will be out of service for about two more weeks, was damaged in an accident which occurred at 5:43 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 23 on Rte. 3A across from Barry's Waste Services (the old skating rink site).

Saying she was blinded by the blue strobe lights, Carol Kiburis, 62, of Marshfield struck the cruiser which was parked facing oncoming traffic in the fog lane on the side of the highway, Noonan said.

Kiburis' car also sustained heavy front-end damage, he said.

Noonan explained that Officer Shellee Peters had driven across the road to stop snowmobilers from crossing the highway.

"She (Kiburis) tried to pass someone, who was making a left turn, and hit the cruiser," Noonan said.

When her cruiser was hit, Peters, who is back at work, was struck by the cruiser's open driver's door.

Kiburis was not cited in the accident, Noonan said.

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Cohasset Jr./Sr. High lists 1st quarter honor roll

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GRADE 10

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High students Morgan Hurley, Kristen Devine, and Megan Cox celebrate with sundaes during a recent program congratulating those who made the honor roll for their hard work. Staff photo/Alan Chapman

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Financial aid conference

A financial aid conference will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 7, at the Harrington Center of the Massachusetts Maritime Academy in Buzzards Bay. It is free and open to all residents of Cape Cod, the Islands and the South Shore.

Congressman Gerry Studds said the 11th annual conference offers high school students and their parents – as well as the parents of younger students anticipating future college costs – a unique opportunity to listen to and speak with a large variety of experts on how to manage the financial burden of higher education. The session will focus not only on four-year colleges, but on financial aid for two-year colleges, vocational training, continuing education and graduate studies.

Those who attend the conference can obtain a detailed information packet, containing financial aid guides from the federal government, brochures specifically designed for Massachusetts colleges and universities, workbooks, sample financial aid forms and information on scholarships and other aid available from private resources.

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Open seats draw interest as election season starts

Jane Goedecke, Nancy Sandell won't run

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Although it is cold outside, Cohasset's political season is just beginning to heat up, as conservation commission chairman Roseanne McMorris and former advisory committee chairman Nancy Adams Roth said this week they will run for selectman.

Selectman Jane Goedecke announced Tuesday night that she will not seek a third term, while Martha Gjesteby indicated she will run for a fourth term.

The top two vote getters will be elected since Cohasset's local elections are at large, as opposed to by district, as in Scituate, for instance.

Selectman serve for three year terms.

The 42-year-old McMorris has served on the conservation commission for three years and is chairman of the Democratic Town Committee. She is a former member of the Parent School Organization executive board.

A native of Brooklyn, New York, McMorris will celebrate ten years living in Cohasset on Valentine's Day.

She is a non-practicing attorney.

Roth took out nomination papers Wednesday.

The 47-year-old Roth has spent six years on the advisory committee, including four years as chairman. She has also volunteered for various school-related events.

A Dover native, Roth moved to Cohasset in 1985, although she summered across the town line in Scituate all her life.

She is a special education teacher in Weymouth, working with dyslexic fifth and sixth graders.

Gjesteby has spent years in Cohasset government, serving two

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JANE GOEDECKE
Served two terms

Town digs out from blizzard

Like many residents, Jessica MacDonald of Ripley Road is hard at work clearing her driveway. Meteorologists predict the South Shore will see more snow this weekend.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Snow removal budget in red

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset was trying to return to normal after a blizzard that plotted its way up the east coast of the country took the town into its grip, effectively shutting down the community on Monday.

The storm blanketed the town with more than 18 inches of snow on top of nearly a foot that had fallen less than a week earlier. Schools, businesses, and government offices were closed, and the post office made no deliveries.

Mariner weather observer Bob Skilling said the weather station in nearby Hingham recorded an official depth of 11 inches of snow for the January 3 storm, and another 18 to 20 inches this week.

As with past snowfalls this winter, it was another dose of "dry" snow, with a water content of one inch of water for 13 inches of snow. This light, fluffy snow, while easier to shovel, also compacts more quickly, he explained, so 20 inches of snowfall will settle by as much as three inches in one day, reducing the depth accordingly.

Post office supervisor Joe Cerilli said no mail was delivered to Cohasset on Monday from the area mail depot in Brockton, but carriers

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Selectmen, advisers hear plans for new school

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

The proposed school construction project will add an average of $116 per year to the typical property tax bill for the next 25 years, an architect retained by the school committee told officials this week.

Sid Bowen of Earl R. Flansberg & Associates, said that state officials have indicated that the Commonwealth will pay 60 percent of the nearly $14 million project, leaving the town to pay 40 percent, or just under $6 million.

The project includes a brand new school to built behind the Deer Hill School, an addition to the Deer Hill, plus a possible sewage treatment plant.

However, Bowen stressed that the town must approve and submit a proposal before June 1 to ensure that the project receives state reimbursement.

He explained that the law paying for the program expires June 1.

School superintendent Stephen Hart and school committee chairman Ralph Kidder said that the there is a chance that the funding formula will be altered after June 1 and urged that the town act quickly.

They said that building a new school will cost less in the long run

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Cohasset's Week

CHL request complied with

Officials say they will comply with a request from Cohasset Heights Landfill, CHL, to receive relevant documents town boards have generated on the issue.

However, selectmen said Monday night that since those documents probably contain hundreds, if not thousands, of pages, they will have to figure out how to comply.

Selectmen, the conservation commission, water department and board of health have all dealt with CHL for the past decade.

Since the town hall copy machine could not be tied up for hours, selectman Martha Gjesteby suggested that CHL lawyers bring their own copy machine.

Selectman Jane Goedecke said the original copies should not leave the building.

CHL attorney Ellin Swanson Katz made the request in a Jan. 2 letter.

After the brief discussion, selectmen went into executive session with Michael Scott, a lawyer with Warner & Stackpole, to consider collective bargaining issues pertaining to the library association.

Snow bank alert noted

Children should not play in or around snow banks, selectman Michael Sullivan warned during Tuesday night's meeting.

He said the police department reminds residents that children sometimes build forts in snow banks, which tend to collapse.

In addition, snow often prevents motorists from seeing children playing near the road.

Selectman Merle Brown also reminded residents not to build snow structures which children or animals can enter and become trapped.

He reported that a building inspector in another town, which he would not name, ordered an igloo demolished for safety reasons.

Brown named MIIA delegate

Selectmen Tuesday night named chairman Merle Brown as the town's voting representative to the MIIA, the insurance association for Massachusetts municipalities.

Lonely meeting over quickly

Monday night's selectman's meeting probably set a record, as both the quickest and the loneliest meeting in recent memory.

Selectman chairman Merle Brown made it to town hall during the blizzard so he could open the meeting, which had been posted for 7:30 p.m.

The meeting was immediately adjourned for lack of a quorum and continued to the following night.

Department budget approved

The wire department budget is down slightly over last year's.

Selectmen this week approved a budget request of $54,347, down from the current $54,983.

The salary for inspector Steven Wigmore will be recommended at $43,507.

Wigmore told selectmen he wants to retire in June, 1997.

Town meeting/election dates set

Selectmen this week set the following dates for the local election and town meetings: special town meeting, Jan. 22; special override election, Feb. 10; annual town meeting, March 30; and town election, April 6.

Drama club accord reached

Selectmen will continue to allow the Cohasset Drama Club to use the town hall auditorium, but asked town administrator Gregory Doyon to come up with a checklist for the club members to review before leaving the building.

Earlier, selectmen had complained that drama club members left the auditorium and basement were left in a mess.

Dawn Rota of the drama club, said she first learned there were problems after reading the Cohasset Mariner.

She denied that club members left plates of food in the town hall staff lounge.

"We're being charged with something we didn't do," she stated. "It was cleaner than when we got it. We left the place spotless. I can guarantee you, sir, we cleaned it."

"I know you make a mess," Selectman Merle Brown said, adding that he personally saw trash in the men's room after the club members left.

Rota said that other groups use and often break, the club's equipment. She said she has complained to the recreation department in the past.

Doyon also said that the town hall door was once left unlocked.

"We'll make every effort to cooperate," Rota said.

The club pays $600 a year to use the auditorium.

In an unrelated matter, selectmen approved use of the auditorium for auditions, rehearsals and performances of the upcoming plays, "Blythe Spirit" and "Anne of Green Gables."

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Town gears up for landfill hearings

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Board of Health held a 4-hour pre-hearing conference Jan. 4 to address certain administrative matters with regard to the proposed 27.5 acre expansion of the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill.

Public site assignment hearings on the proposed expansion are due to begin Tuesday, Jan. 23.

John F. Shea, an attorney with the law firm of McGregor & Shea, was appointed by the health board as hearing officer/moderator. His selection met with unanimous approval from both the board of health as well as Cohasset Heights' representatives.

All parties agreed that commencing with the Jan. 23 hearing date, meetings would be held every Tuesday and Thursday for the duration of the hearings.

Though Anton T. Moehrke, attorney for CHL owners John and Paul Barry, warned that if the hearings looked likely to turn into protracted affairs he would request additional evenings (Monday and Wednesday) be added to help speed the process on.

It was determined that, as of now, 22 groups would be recognized as eligible parties of interest in the proceedings. These parties would have the ability to present evidence, make oral arguments, object to testimony and cross-examine witnesses during the hearing process.

The groups included are the Cohasset selectmen, water commission and conservation commission, Cohasset Heights, as well as the town of Hingham's board of selectmen, health board and conservation commission. The trustees of reservations, owners of 808-acres abutting the landfill, and 15 groups made up of at least 10 citizens apiece round out the approved delegations.

The remaining bulk of the evening's session was taken up with 10 motions submitted by John K. McNabb, Jr. McNabb, who is vice president of Stop Any Further Expansion (SAFE) and authorized representative for one of the 10-citizen groups, submitted the motions on behalf of residents who might wish to come forward and be heard after commencement of the hearings.

Shea, in denying most of McNabb's motions, explained that the regulations were very specific and those who wished to be a part of the hearings must register prior to the Jan. 23 opening meeting.

In concurring, Moehrke noted that the publicity generated by SAFE (over 500 mailings) virtually assured all residents of Cohasset and Hingham should have been made aware of the guidelines for the hearings.

McNabb, who withdrew his remaining motions, rebuked Moehrke by stating that the 15 10-citizen groups "are just the tip of the iceberg."

The final topic of the evening concerned the CHL's disagreement with the state Department of Environmental Protection over whether or not the landfill could accept municipal solid waste (MSW).

Moehrke argued he felt the state was wrong when, in granting approval for expansion last December, it ruled that the landfill could accept only construction and demolition debris. He further added that he plans to sue the state DEP to reverse its decision.

Michael Leon, who serves as special town counsel on CHL matters, disagreed and considered the subject closed.

At this, Moehrke sharply replied that if this was to be the case, then he would have to strictly abide by the letter-of-the-law when it came to the upcoming hearings.

The conference concluded with Shea looking for cooperation between all boards and parties of interest and asking that the upcoming hearings be concise and not a long drawn out affair.

"We began tonight talking about flexibility and I will entertain any aspects that will expedite the process," he said.

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Cohasset digs out from blizzard of '96

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were making their appointed rounds on Tuesday.

"We got buried today," Cerilli said Tuesday, referring to the amount of mail, rather than the snow.

Cerilli said the letter carriers reported widespread cooperation from residents who had shoveled paths and sidewalks, but the usual deliveries took longer due to the slippery conditions.

Even though Tuesday saw the first sunshine in days, School Supt. Steven Hart said the school closing for the second consecutive day was attributable to the unplowed parking lots and sidewalks around town.

With Cohasset schools scheduled for one vacation week in March Hart said the town has few alternatives to a late end of the school year if more "snow days" are called.

Cohasset schools have already racked up five days of cancelled classes due to snow. The school year is scheduled to end on June 20, but if necessary, more days will be added.

Hart noted that next year, Cohasset schools are scheduled to return to the two-vacation schedule, with a week off in both February and April. The number of "snow days" this year may cause the school department to "revisit the issue" of these two vacations, he said.

Highway Supt. Harold Litchfield the crews focused on the primary roads of North and South Main streets, Atlantic Avenue, Border Street, King Street, Beechwood Street, Elm Street, Jerusalem Road, Sohier Street, Ripley Road, and Forest Avenue.

The Cayman Islands and Aruba are proving to be popular destinations, along with Florida for which inexpensive fares are available from some airlines.

— Justine Van Der Lugt at Cohasset Harbor Travel.

He said road crews plowed right up to the time the last flakes fell Tuesday, to combat the accumulation of as much as two inches per hour and snow drifts as deep as 10 feet.

He reported the worst drifts on Jerusalem Road, but added "The Deer Hill School was no picnic."

On Tuesday, the department was concentrating on snow removal at the schools to allow the buildings to open for classes on Wednesday. The schools require more than parking lot plowing, Litchfield said. The sidewalks around the buildings and to every door must be cleared of snow, since each door is a fire exit.

The highway department now faces the task of removing the piles of plowed snow.

"We're going to have to start eating it soon," Litchfield said.

The department will dump the snow at the Sandy Beach parking lot, where it will be allowed to melt. The snow removal may be a race against the clock as another storm is predicted for the weekend.

The rapid accumulation Sunday night and Monday meant only a limited amount of road sanding before the storm ended, he said.

The town's salt stockpile has been drastically depleted by the season's heavy snowfall, which has seen more than 60 inches of snow since late November.

Litchfield said Tuesday he had ordered another 60 tons of salt, to be delivered later that day, and expected to order more beyond that quantity.

After two salt suppliers were unable to fill his order, Litchfield said he consulted a third who could, but the cost was $40 per ton, $2 more per ton than he had to pay earlier this season.

Cohasset mixes the road salt with sand, at a ratio of five parts sand to one part salt, Litchfield said. This does not speed melting as quickly as the higher concentrations he used 18 years ago when he became highway superintendent.

"When I was running three [parts sand] to two [parts salt], the Cohasset roads were black," he said.

Litchfield has advised the selectmen that snow plowing is operating at deficit spending, but he does not know the figure at this time. Prior to the January 3 storm, he reported that he was almost $1,000 beyond his budget. The town's snow plowing budget of $45,000 was exhausted before the new year. Selectmen said this week the budget is $14,600 in the red not including bills for Monday's storm. They estimate the town has spent a total of about $80,000 for snow removal so far.

Not only were many travellers were left stranded when the east coast's major airports closed, local travel agents report dozens of phone calls from people trying to re-book flights that were cancelled. Others are trying to rearrange departures ahead of the next storm that may arrive on Saturday, according to Justine Van Der Lugt at Cohasset Harbor Travel.

She also said that this storm may have been the last straw for people who have had enough snow and are now looking to the tropics.

Van Der Lugt said the Cayman Islands and Aruba are proving to be popular destinations, along with Florida for which inexpensive fares are available from some airlines. She also noted that cruises are popular to some islands that are still recovering from last fall's active hurricane season.

Some people want to leave as soon as possible, she said, while others are making reservations for the school vacation weeks.

However, Van Der Lugt noted that some people never get enough of the snow, and she has booked several trips to Canada, Colorado, Idaho, and Wyoming ski resorts.

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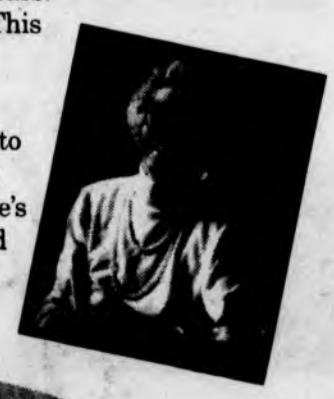

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School board's schedule is on target

Deer Hill budget on table

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Special to the Mariner

Unlike students, school committee members did not get last Thursday off. Committee members will meet often during the next couple of weeks to discuss the 1996/1997 budget and conduct informational meetings on the space needs proposal.

Committee members' schedules have been termed "aggressive" as they prepare for a number of informational meetings with the town's various boards, and "coffees" to garner support for the $5.594 million space needs project, which includes a new pre-kindergarten to third grade school and renovations to the Deer Hill School.

The budget is due in February.

At Thursday night's meeting, committee members focused on the Deer Hill budget, as well as listened to Supt. Stephen Hart's presentation on the proposed performance standards for teachers and administrators.

The Deer Hill budget went from $1,262,825 to $1,275,414, which is less than a 1 percent increase. Salary increases were not factored in.

The staffing of the school remains basically the same, as do general supply costs which have experienced a modest increase because of the 30 percent jump in the cost of paper.

The changes in staff involve hours instead of personnel. There will be a slight increase in the time special education aides spend at the school and Ann Berman, the art teacher, will work four instead of three days.

"People don't realize the diverse needs of children in Cohasset," said Donna Hartlage, the principal of Deer Hill. We've "identified special needs as just under 20 percent."

Berman's extra time will be spent planning and conducting activities with classroom teachers. Art will still be taught as a unique subject, but will also be linked to other subjects. For example, Berman will teach an art lesson specifically related to social studies, perhaps on the movement of pioneers to the West.

The Deer Hill library will also install a local area network (LAN), a computer system which will enable students to locate a particular book in the library. The system at Deer Hill is a pilot project and over the next few years systems will be installed throughout the school system and be hooked up to the town library.

Hartlage had asked that an additional teacher be budgeted for, so the school could have five teachers in each of the three grades. Now there are four third-grade teachers and five fifth- and sixth-grade teachers.

"Once you move into the teens, if the teacher is willing to change strategies, you do see pronounced improvements," said Hartlage. Class sizes are now in the low- and mid-20s.

Hartlage also said that having five teachers in every grade would help in long-range planning.

Her request was turned down because there has not been an increase in student numbers. There will be four classes coming up from the third grade.

The purchase of a few round tables, as opposed to the longer narrower ones, for the cafeteria has also been budgeted for. The round tables, said Hartlage, would create more of a family atmosphere. A few round tables will be purchased each year.

Selectmen, advisers hear plans for new school

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than trying to renovate the outdated Osgood School, which was built in 1926 and is overcrowded to the point of being a fire hazard.

Because the school was built with a wood frame and occupies a small four-acre site, the state would not reimburse the town for any costs incurred by its renovation.

In order to meet the June 1 deadline, voters will be asked to consider a debt exclusion override of Proposition 2 1/2 at a special town meeting Jan. 22, and at a special election Feb. 10.

(Adopted in 1980, Proposition 2 1/2 limits property tax increases to no more than 2 1/2 percent, plus new growth, each year, unless authorized by voters.)

However, others questioned the need to proceed so quickly.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby, a Republican with good ties to the Weld administration, said that she has been assured by the governor's office that money for school construction will be included in future budgets.

She said that the need for a new school has been brought up suddenly and was not included in last year's capital plan.

In response to a question from selectman Michael Sullivan, advisory committee member Leland Jenkins also questioned the timing of the proposal.

"I think it (the new school) is definitely needed," Jenkins said, adding that the timing is "poor. This one may break the bank. If the tax rate goes to $20 or $21 per thousand, you're going to have a problem."

School committee member James Kirk responded, saying that whether the timing is bad or not, the Osgood School must be replaced. He urged the town to take advantage of the 60 percent funding reimbursement now, while it remains a certainty.

Sullivan said he hoped the town would not be "penny wise and pound foolish." In the past, budgets were kept as low as possible, which resulted in postponing vital projects, which wound up costing more money than originally.

He cited repairs to the sewer system, new playing fields at the high school, and the new DPW garage as examples.

Using a series of scale drawings, Bowen explained the $14 million plan, which includes:

- a new school, housing 527 youngsters in pre-kindergarten through grade three, will be built behind the Deer Hill School. The 69,000 square-foot structure will contain 18 classrooms for grades one through three and six classes for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten.

This will cost $9.8 million, with the town's 40 percent share at $3.9 million.

Bowen explained that the building will likely be located on a slope toward Evergreen Road because of wetlands and hills in other areas of the 7.7 acre site.

He suggested a one-way entrance, leading from Sohier St. onto Evergreen, could manage traffic safely.

A two-story building, fitting into the hill, would allow the kindergarten and pre-k students to be separated from the others, he explained.

There would not be a full-service kitchen at the new building, rather a warming oven for food brought in from the high school.

- a 7,000 square-foot addition will also be built on the Deer Hill School. Two new classrooms will be added, which will allow the library to expand into an adjacent classroom. The gym and cafeteria will be expanded and new art and music rooms will be built.
- Bowen said the state may waive its requirement that whenever two or more school buildings occupy the same site a sewage treatment plant be built. He said that the schools could be connected to the town's sewer if it is extended. If a sewage plant must be built, it would cost $525,000, with the town picking up $210,000 of the cost.

Kidder also said that the committee would turn the Osgood School back to the town once the new construction is completed.

Robert Beggan of the school facilities committee began the meeting with a short video, narrated by Hart, showing how the Osgood School is overcrowded.

Bowen also said that the school committee considered housing kindergarten and pre-K students at the Osgood and building a $6.7 million addition to Deer Hill for all elementary students, but rejected the idea because it would have created too large a building containing too many students.

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Election season starts with interest in open seats

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terms on the school committee and on the planning board and capital budget committee.

As selectman, she has represented the town on a number of regional bodies, including the Citizen's Advisory Committee on the restoration of the Greenbush train, the Mass Municipal Association and the South Shore Coalition.

In her announcement to step down, Goedecke said that two "very interesting" terms as selectman and five years on the advisory committee were enough.

"I think it's time to move on," she said, praising local government as "citizen participatory democracy at its best."

Goedecke said she has no definite future plans. "I'm accepting offers," she quipped.

In other election news, veteran school committee member Nancy Sandell is also stepping down and Border Street resident Keith Knowles has announced he will run for Sandell's seat (see announcement, page 10).

Sandell said Tuesday that after serving three terms, which included two years as chairman, the time had come for her to step aside.

"I'm comfortable leaving now," noted Sandell who said with new teacher performance standards in place, two new principals on board, and possibly a new school on the horizon "it's a nice time to leave."

Sandell has been particularly proud that during her terms academic standards have been raised, and there's been a "vision of excellence for the school system including higher expectations for all students," she said.

Sandell would not rule out a future run for another office or serving on an appointed board.

"I would love to stay involved and I will always be there to drum up support for the school system," she said.

Feb. 15 will be the last day to take out nomination papers for the April 6 election. All nomination papers must be returned by Feb. 19.

Voter registration deadlines

The town clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 12, which is the last day to register to vote for the Jan. 22 Special Town Meeting.

The town clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 20, the last day to register to vote for the Feb. 10 special town election.

Nomination papers for the April 6 Annual Town Election are now available at the town clerk's office for the following positions: selectmen (two for three years); moderator; treasurer/collector; school committee (one for three years); library trustee (three for three years); assessor (one for three years); board of health (one for three years); housing authority (one for five years); recreation commission (one for five years); planning board (one for five years); sewer commission (one for three years); water commission (one for three years).

Voter registration forms are also available at the Cohasset Post Office and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The forms may be mailed or hand-delivered to the town clerk's office but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

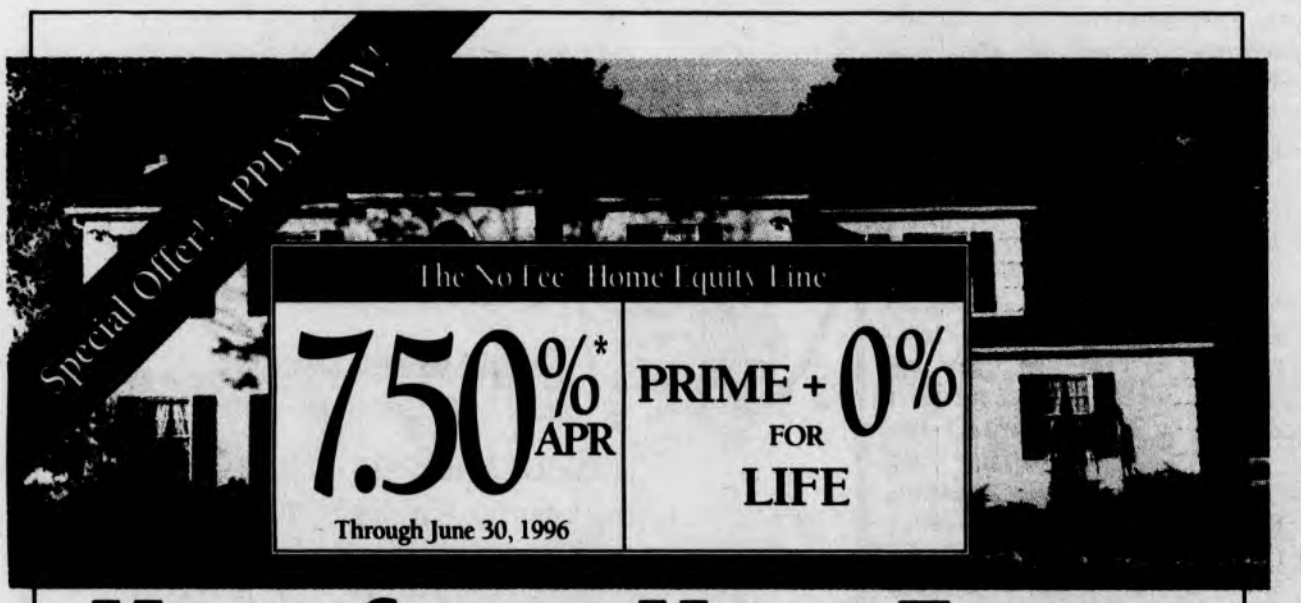
Children should wear bright colors

Police Chief Brian Noonan asks that parents dress their children in brightly colored winter clothing and hats to enable motor vehicle drivers to see them more easily.

The chief said due to the high snow banks, he is worried that children may emerge from driveways and sidewalks and surprise unsuspecting drivers.

Brightly-colored hats and clothing may help, he said.

Noonan also warned that drivers should be on the look-out for children and other pedestrians.



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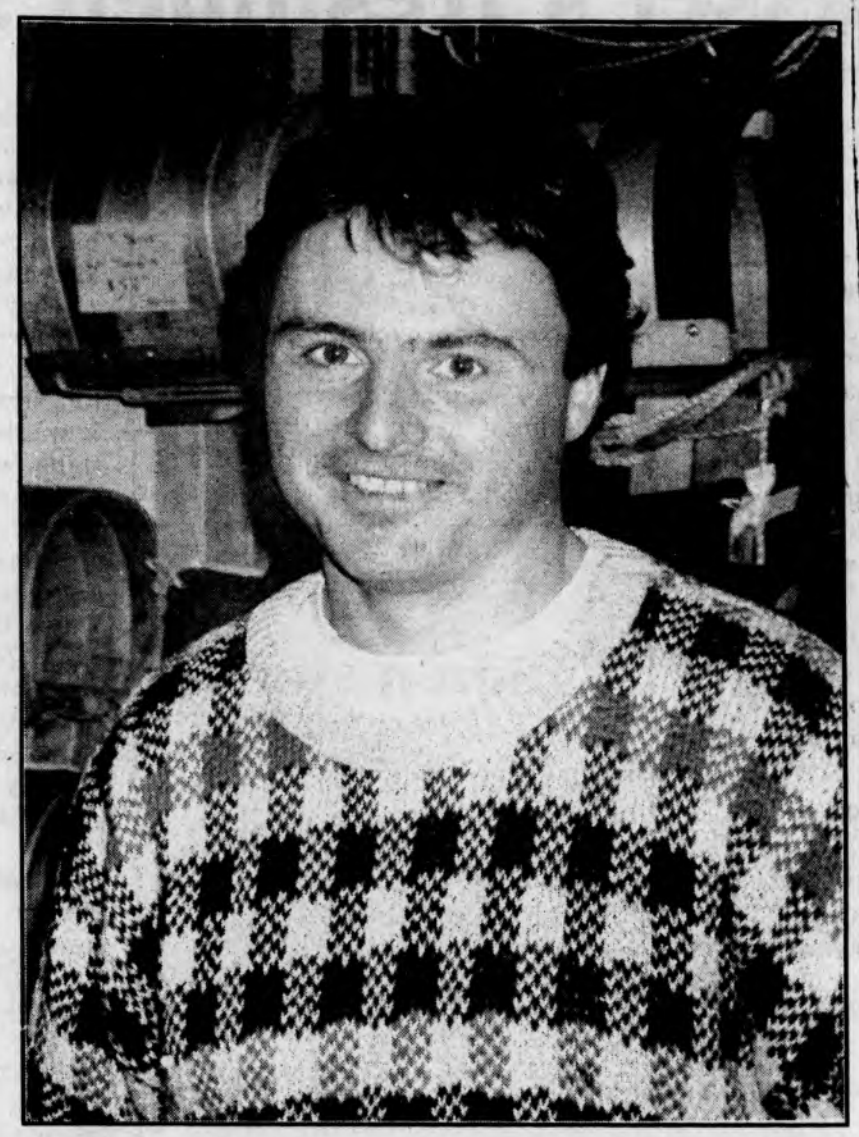

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

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Great news comes our way this week! **Shirley Laidlaw** is home from the hospital, she is way ahead of schedule (that doesn't surprise anyone who knows her!).

Shirley wanted to be sure to thank everyone for their cards and prayers, she is sure that is what did it! We are sure it's because she is a super lady in super shape!

❑

Five Cohasset residents are members of Boston University's Class of 1999. This year's freshman class comes from 49 states and 62 foreign countries. Now studying at the university are Cohasset High School graduates **Jemilah Y. Afshar** of South Main Street; **Scott L. Moe** of Sohier Street; **Elizabeth L. Corcoran** of King Street and **Dean D. Volungis** of Forest Avenue; and Berkshire School graduate **Spencer R. Henderson** of North Main Street.

Grades are probably in for the first semester by now, we hope to hear from you (know you did really well).

❑

By now everyone knows about the horrible fire that damaged the home of **Maryanne** and **Peter Clougherty**, the only good news is that everyone was unharmed. The other bit of good news is how our town has pulled together to help – it seemed by the time we got things together, they already had them! That's so nice! Now the thing is rebuilding their lives and their home. Monetary donations is the big way left to help now, they may be made to the Clougherty Relief Fund, c/o The South Shore Community Center, P.O. Box 631, Cohasset 02025.

We are hearing of so many nice people organizing fund-raisers, be sure to watch for them.

❑

As a side-note to the **Clougherty's** house fire, there is a story of their neighbors, **Lisa** and **Jeff Pratt**. Lisa and Jeff live across the street from them, and they are the type of neighbor that everyone should have. Of course they welcomed the children in immediately, then folks that were full of concern, then helpers, etc.

In all of the confusion, their cat got out of the house. His name is George, he is a very friendly three-year-old black and gray tiger cat with white chest and white feet. The Pratts say he is such a friendly cat, he may well be in someone's home without their knowing where he came from!

They have been everywhere looking for him – and their other cat, Gracie, is wondering where George is too! Gracie wants George to know she is waiting for him – if you know anything about George's where-abouts, please call **Lisa Pratt** at 383-1387.

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Chloe J. Chittick has been offered admission to Colby College in Waterville, Maine under the college's early decision program. Chloe is scheduled to enroll at Colby in September following her graduation from CHS. She is the daughter of **Stanley** and **JoAnne Chittick**.

At CHS, Chloe has been secretary of the National Honor Society, a National Merit Commended Scholar, winner of the Dartmouth Book Award, a member of the student council, class secretary, captain of the field hockey team, South Shore League all star in 1995 and Homecoming queen.

With her early decision acceptance, Chloe is one of only about 150 students from around the world to gain early acceptance at Colby this year.

Congratulations, you certainly earned yourself this grand honor; Chloe!

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That's the news from here, hope to hear from you with all of your news real soon!

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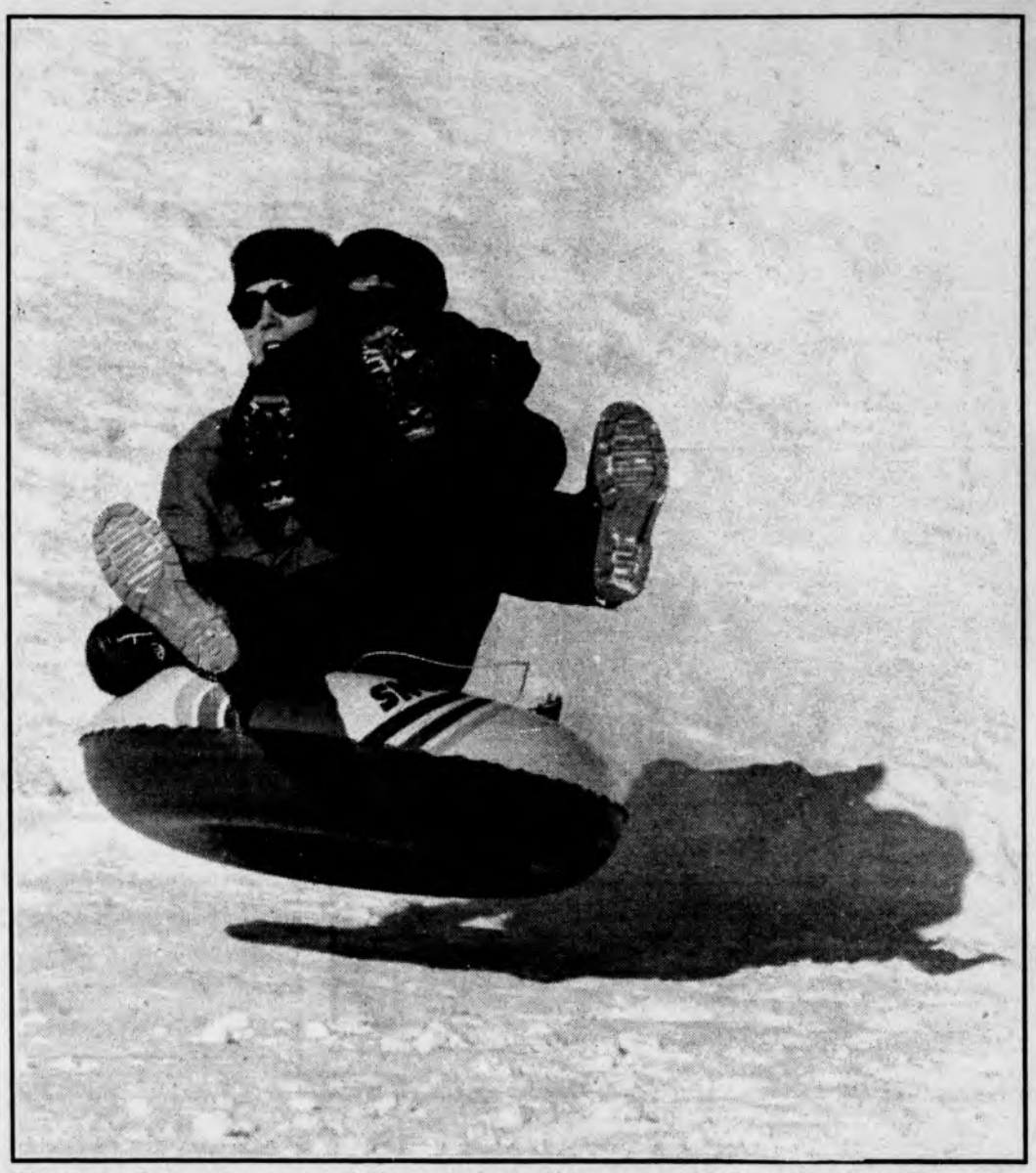

Getting the most out of the snow is four-year-old Travis Gunville, who flies through the air with his father, Bob, on the hill at the high school.
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School Notebook

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/ Catie Campbell

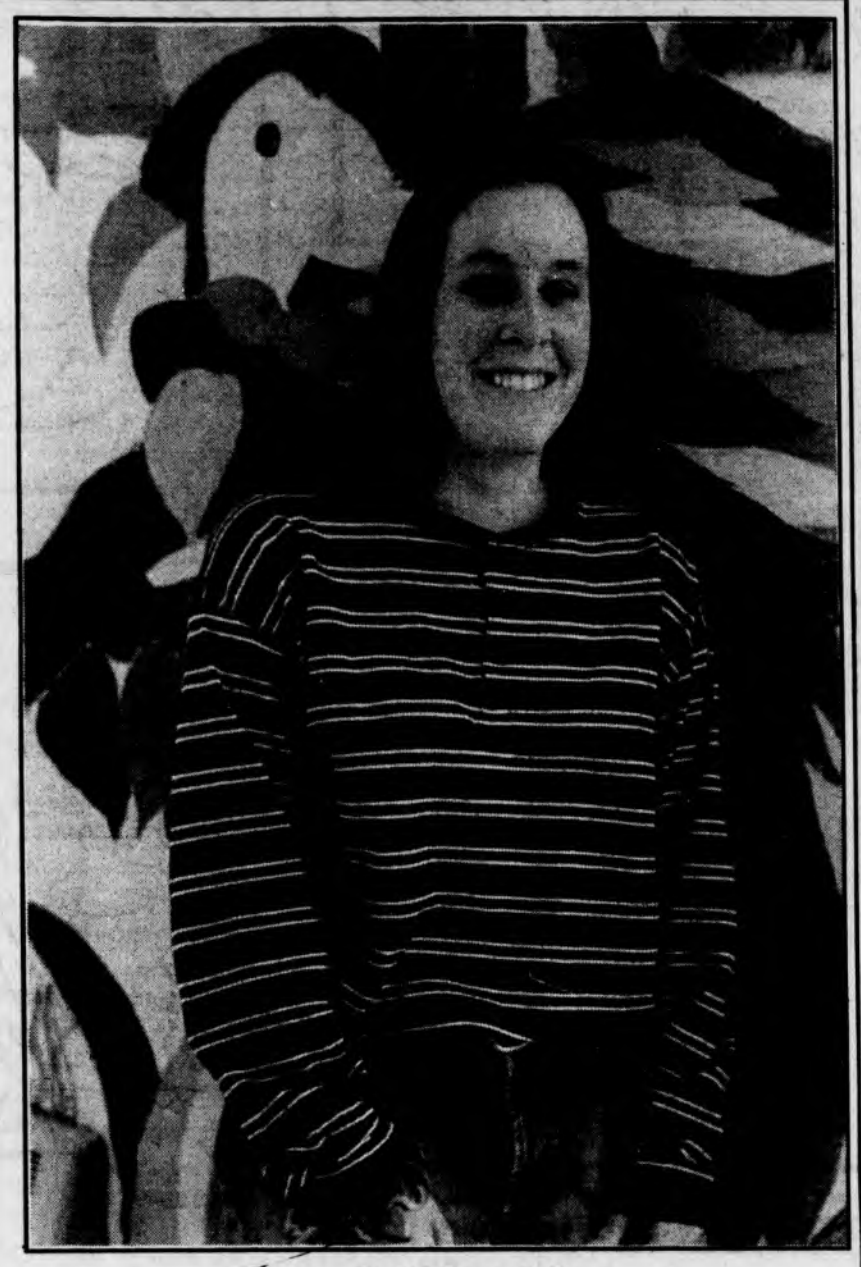
Catie Campbell is a hard working, unselfish young woman. Tackling advanced courses is difficult enough, but add to that responsibility of peer counselor, varsity soccer captain, teen center supervisor and audio visual aide.

I have been lucky enough to not only have Catie's assistance in the AV studio this year but have also had the pleasure of coaching this determined athlete the last two basketball seasons.

She won the team's "Hustle" award last season but has impressed me even more with her recent conviction and leadership in the classroom, in the community, and on the soccer field.

Catie has a bright future, and a big heart; and I can't imagine a more deserving student to be recognized as Student of the Month.

– Coach Cori Hughes



Catie Campbell

Parenting workshop offered

The Cohasset Elementary Schools' adjustment counselors, Ed Leonard and Frank Fitzgerald, are conducting a four-session parenting workshop based on a model called Systematic Training for Effective Parenting. S.T.E.P. offers parents a realistic and practical approach to meeting the challenges of raising children today.

The meetings will be held Mondays, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, Feb. 5 and Feb. 12 in the Watermelon Room at St. Stephen's church, Cohasset, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Topics to be addressed at the workshop include communication skills, developing responsibility, discipline, and understanding your child's behavior. There is no charge for the workshop. Participants need to purchase "STEP The Parent's Handbook" by Don Dinkmeyer and Gary McKay (published by American Guidance Service) available at Buttonwood Books, Cohasset for $12. To register, call any school's office.

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EDITORIAL

Winter

The way a crow
Shook down on me
The dust of snow
From a hemlock tree

Has given my heart
A change of mood
And saved some part
Of a day I had rued.

— Robert Frost.

Before you know it, recent snows will have melted into memory and spring will be in the air. Then surely some hot, humid weeks will follow in summer when we'll all be yearning for fall.

Despite the spate of recent snowstorms, our world has not come to an end.

We'll admit to joining in the panic at the grocery store, buying extra windshield-wiper fluid, and wishing we had a snowblower.

Our radios are on early as anxious young ears listen for their town to close school yet again.

We've cursed the inconvenience of snow-filled driveways and walkways and have suffered from cabin fever — and it's only January 11!

But before winter is too much with us — it's time for all of us to take a step back and enjoy it. Cohasset has never been more beautiful than it is this week. Covered in blankets of white, fluffy snow — wreaths still on doors reminding us of the recent holidays — the town is a sight that surely gives the artistic among us pause.

So take a moment to appreciate the splendor of it all. Even if we're hit with another nor'easter, we'll hold up. More bread will be delivered it to the shops, the mail will get through, and thanks to our local highway department, the streets will be passable again.

Take a walk outside and look around. Try to appreciate what nature has given us: an old fashioned, snowy winter.

Chat with your neighbor, lend a hand with your shovel, slow down.

Try to take some pleasure in winter while it's here.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Train is poor political decision

To the Editor:

When asked at the recent South Shore Chamber of Commerce breakfast of how he, Gov. William Weld, expects to win the U.S. Senate seat if he plans to build the Greenbush train line through communities that voted against it, the Governor quipped, "You have to crack a few eggs to make an omelet."

This response from the aspiring U.S. Senatorial candidate is a far cry from the Bill Weld who visited Hingham in 1990 as an aspiring gubernatorial candidate. "The Greenbush line would fundamentally change the character of this town," he said. "I would not go ahead with this project unless I had an unambiguous statement from the people in the town that they want it."

Well, there's egg on the Governor's face now that he gave the go ahead to build Greenbush. Spring 1995 town meetings in Hingham and Scituate resoundingly said no to a diesel train passing through 24 times a day crossing 43 streets at grade level in only 17 miles. The towns said no to what would be a harsh and permanent change to what is treasured most about these quiet, coastal villages.

More compelling to voters than the environmental impact that the train would have on the towns was the information provided from the MBTA on the financial impact that this one train line would have on the state of Massachusetts.

Learning that taxpayers will have to pay more than $20 million each year to remove only 440 of the 67,000 cars that use Route 3 each day and only 890 of the 38,000 cars from Route 3A, educated citizens trusted that Weld would expand the South Shore's water transportation system and maximize bus service on the new "zipper" carpool lane on the Southeast Expressway to get those few cars off the road for a fraction of what this rail line will cost.

But with his sights set on Washington, union PAC money from the construction industry anxious to get a piece of this $300 million porkbarrel rail project influenced Weld to ignore these fiscally conservative solutions to the South Shore's transportation problem.

Weld intends to use our state tax money to defend this project from inevitable lawsuits. His detached statement of "Let them sue away" shows a different man than the Bill Weld who in 1990 said "Government is taking on a life of its own and forgetting why it's there...I'm raising a flag of warning on the Greenbush line."

Governor Weld might have cracked a few eggs with this decision but it looks like he just might have cooked his own goose.

Nancy Buckley
7 Bradford Road
Hingham

Knowles is a candidate for school committee

Citing his ability to bring balance to the issues confronting Cohasset's school system, Keith Knowles announced his candidacy for the open school committee position.

"While I have great respect for the current members of the school committee, I believe that their activities will benefit from my experience as both a business person and a parent/taxpayer," Knowles said,

Knowles is well known in the community as the co-founder of the Teen Depot, the first president of Cohasset Youth Resources, Inc. (the current organizing entity for the Teen Center), and as the recent president of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce. He also has served on Cohasset's drug and alcohol committee for the past five years, and was the group's first chairman.

"I believe that my record of community service firmly supports my concern for the youth of Cohasset. Since each of our children is touched, for better or worse, by our schools, my candidacy is a natural extension of that concern," Knowles said.

An outspoken observer of the school system, particularly in regard to its operational philosophy, Knowles hopes to bring a more objective viewpoint to the financial and educational challenges our schools face. However, his candidacy is not based on a critical outlook.

"I have a vision for Cohasset in which every part of our community is united around providing our youth with best possible start on life. My experience has been that the citizens of Cohasset share that goal," Knowles added.

As his campaign unfolds, Knowles intends to provide a specific initiative that can be implemented to ensure that this goal is met.

Individuals interested in learning more about Knowles' candidacy and his position on the many issues facing the taxpayers of Cohasset are encouraged to call him at home, 383-1331. Evenings and weekends are best.

Landmark survives time, banking mergers

By MICHELLE MENCHIN
Special to the Mariner

In December of 1898, Cohasset Savings Bank announced construction completion on its new office at 13 Elm St. in Cohasset Village. Nearly a century later, the new owners of 13 Elm St. are celebrating another grand opening and the preservation and restoration of a Cohasset landmark.

In December, the Hingham Institution for Savings reopened the office building to serve as its Cohasset branch, after having purchased the property in June from Palmer Management Corp. for $211,400. The property was "condominiumized" with the bank owning a 66 percent interest, occupying the first floor and basement.

"We have received a tremendous outpouring of support from our many customers who live and work in Cohasset," said Robert H. Gaughen, Jr., President and CEO for Hingham Institution for Savings.

The building formerly housed the Cohasset Savings Bank which merged with Shawmut National Corporation of Boston and Hartford in 1994. Last year, Shawmut sold the Cohasset Village site and another property at 400 Gannett Road in North Scituate to investors. This past summer, the Hingham Institution for Savings announced that it would be adding two new branches in Cohasset and North Scituate and would purchase both of the former Shawmut properties.

The bank completed renovations of the building before the branch opening. Restoration began in mid-October and was completed in early December, with several South Shore contractors working on the project including Ciarlone Brothers of Weymouth and Livingston Painting of Cohasset.

Interior improvements included removal of suspended ceilings on the first and second floors that had been put in place years ago, and hid the building's original high ceilings with ornate, decorative plaster moldings. The Cohasset Historical Society was consulted for information and photographs of the ceiling's original detailed craftsmanship.

The Hingham Institution for Savings replaced the building's front entrance concrete stairs in granite, replicating the original front entrance. Perhaps the most striking exterior improvement is the restoration of the hand-carved portico above the building's two-story four-column facade. This detailed area is now hand painted in contrasting shades of brick red, showing off the artisan's original work.

Renovations also included installation of a few modern conveniences as well. Centralized air conditioning was installed throughout the building, and improvements and changes were made in the bank's front vestibule to make room for an ATM and install advanced security equipment.

At the "new" Cohasset Savings Bank, completed in 1898, are Caleb F. Nichols, president (in front); Caleb Lothrop, treasurer; and Henrietta Bates, secretary.

"The bank has never looked better," said Cohasset Historical Society curator David Wadsworth.

"The structure is typical of the style used for buildings during that era, classical revival, modeled after ancient Greek and Roman public areas," he said. "At the time, most public buildings throughout the country were done in this style, including many of the monuments and government offices in Washington, D.C."

The original architect of the building, Edward Nichols, also designed Cohasset's Paul Pratt Library and a number of Queen Anne style homes throughout Cohasset.

"I remember coming to the bank as a child," said Wadsworth, whose great grandfather was president and treasurer of Cohasset Savings Bank at one time. "Banking is much more informal now than it was during my great grandfather's day. The bank was a very serious place, set in a large Victorian-style atmosphere, and now of course it's very contemporary."

Some aspects of the original interior remain, including a working fireplace in the president's office. But the most notable difference now, when compared with the bank's original decor, is the absence of the large iron grate that once divided bank officials and customers, designed to protect tellers and deposits.

The second floor, now occupied by Palmer Management Corp., once served as the meeting place for the Odd Fellows Lodge, a fraternal organization, and its sister auxiliary club, the Rebecca Lodge, both still in operation in some parts of the country today.

"This building has always been a magnet in Cohasset Village," said Gaughen. "I think our customers are thrilled to have a locally owned community bank come back to the area, instead of one of the regional [banking industry] giants."

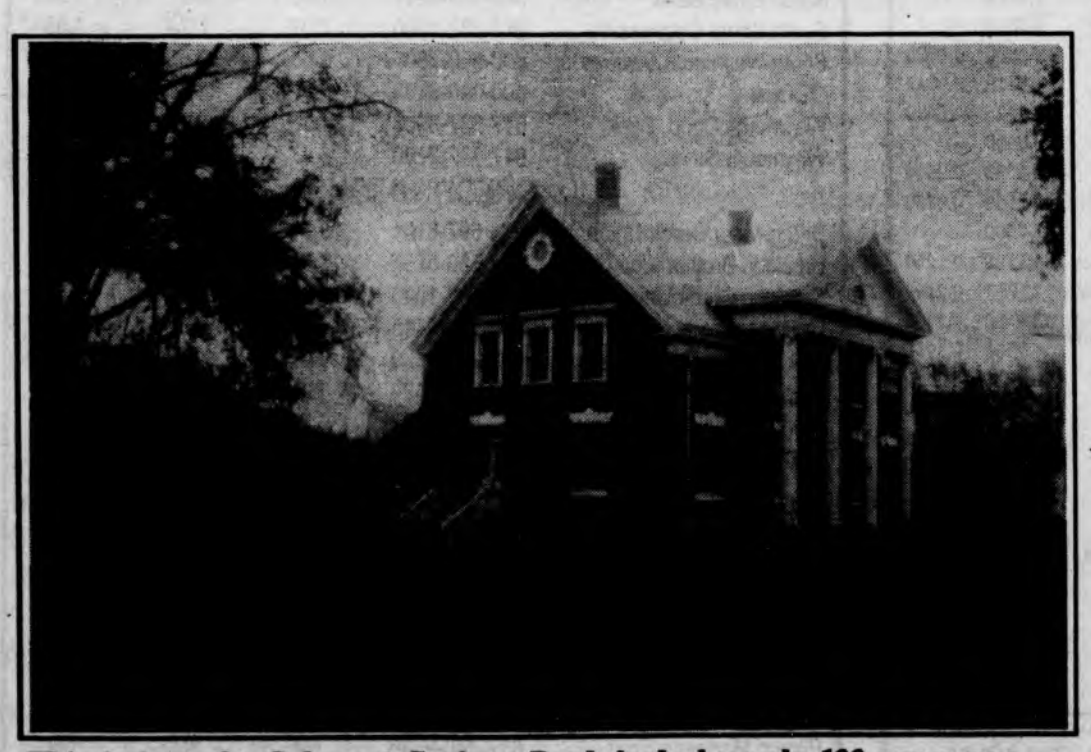
The Elm Street building has survived generations of tenants and bank mergers.

"Ironically, several years ago executives of the Hingham Institution for Savings and the Cohasset Savings Bank seriously contemplated a merger, but negotiations fell through," said Gaughen.

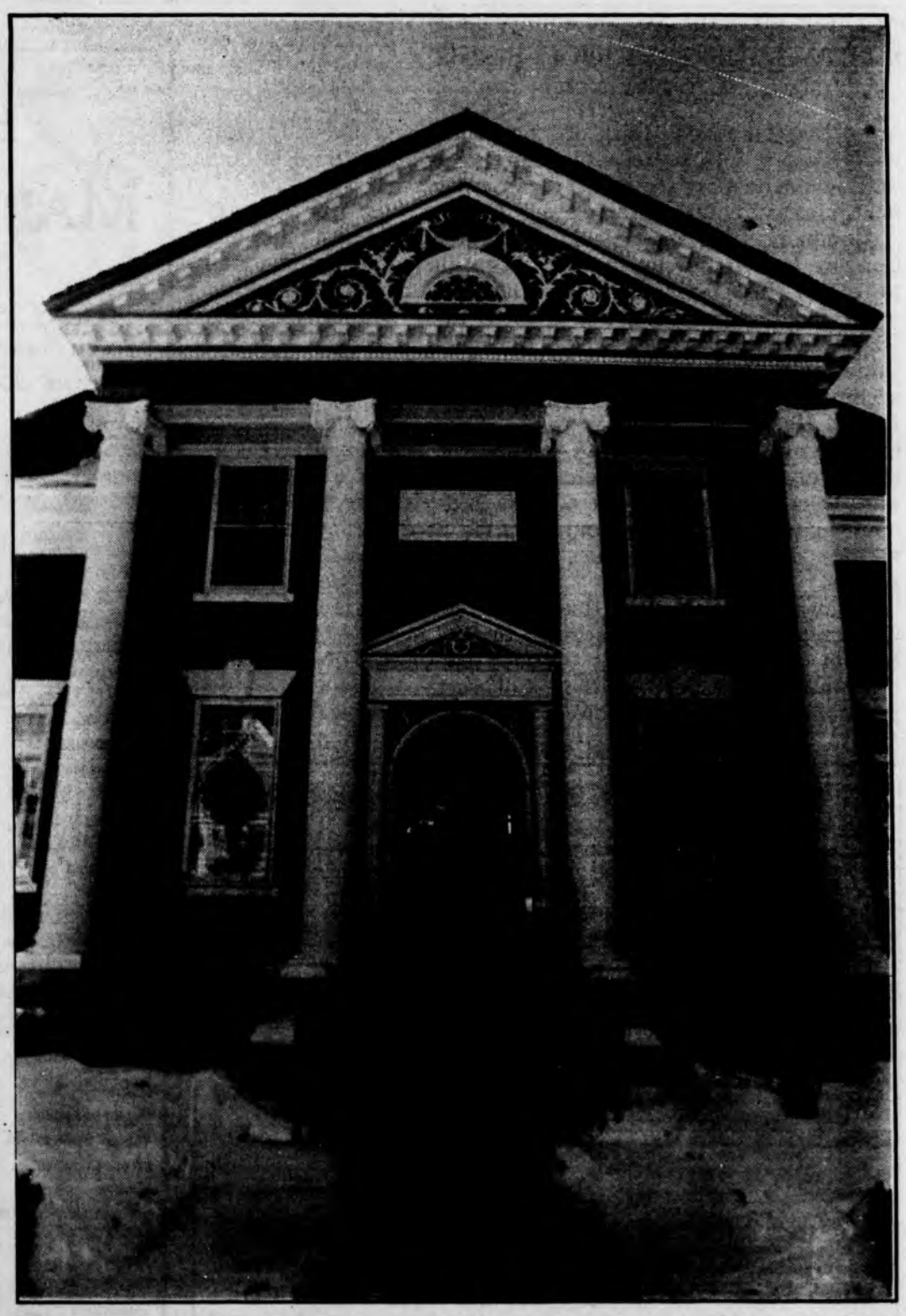
Despite the two new locations, the Hingham Institution for Savings does not plan to add many more branches.

"We have chosen to be a small community-oriented bank," said Gaughen. "I think once you reach a certain size you can no longer be that to your customers. We are not ruling out additional sites, but there is a limit to how large we want to grow because our focus is here in the areas we now serve."

The Hingham Institution for Savings, with assets of more than $162 million, is a Massachusetts chartered savings bank. Incorporated in 1834, it is the oldest financial institution headquartered in Hingham. Its main office is located at 55 Main St., with two other branches in South Hingham and Hull in addition to the new North Scituate and Cohasset locations.



This is how the Cohasset Savings Bank looked nearly 100 years ago.



Hingham Institution for Savings, which purchased the building last June, recently restored the hand-carved portico above the old Cohasset Savings Bank two-story four column facade.

Cohasset Business

John Keane (left) of Cohasset, president and CEO of Keane, Inc., and Wayland's Bill Haney, chairman & CEO of Molten Metal Technology, were on hand recently at the United Way of Massachusetts Bay's Alexis de Tocqueville Society event, "An Evening with Bill Gates." Alexis de Tocqueville Society members contribute $10,000 or more annually to the United Way. The event, which took place recently at the Four Seasons Hotel, Boston, was held to acknowledge and thank Society members, including Keane, who is also co-chair of United Way of Massachusetts Bay's Technology Industry Campaign, for their support. Gates is a long-time supporter of the United Way.

South Main Street retail building sold

Conway Commercial Consultants, a division of Jack Conway & Co., has completed the $285,000 sales of 19-25 South Main Street which houses the Children's Exchange, Hernan's, and Habit Management and formerly housed the Village Fare restaurant, which closed several months ago.

Conway's Paul Durgin represented John Hand of Scituate, in the sale of the property to Richard Torsney of Humarock. Conway's John Williams assisted Torsney in the transaction. Torsney is the owner of On-Line Cable Systems which will open in one of the property's retail units.

Located in Cohasset Village, the property also features a residential apartment upstairs.

Durgin said the asking price for the property was $310,000.

Women's Counsel to meet

The Women's Counsel, which provides the opportunity for women at every stage of life to exchange ideas and resources, will hold its next meeting Thursday, Jan. 18, at 2 p.m. at the South Shore Community Center, which sponsors the group.

A Breakfast Roundtable Discussion is planned for Wednesday, Feb. 14, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Lightkeeper's House, off Border Street, Cohasset. The theme will be "Choosing the Positive Path in a Changing World."

Call Nina Belsan at 383-0088 or 545-5462 for reservations. Tickets are $6 if reserved by Feb. 1, $8 at the door.

Stan Walsh is promoted

Former Cohasset resident Stan Walsh has been promoted to executive vice president of merchandising and marketing for Builders Square, headquartered in San Antonio, Texas.

Walsh, his wife, Kathy, and their children moved to San Antonio last August. He assumed his new duties in November.

Conway honors food pantry fundraiser

Jack Conway & Co. recognized the community work of its Cohasset office recently with a luncheon at the Satuit Restaurant in Scituate Harbor.

Company Chairman Jack Conway hosted the luncheon to thank the Cohasset sales team for raising more than $3,000 for the Scituate and Cohasset food pantries at its second annual Thanksgiving Fair. Held at Conway's Cohasset office on Route 3A, the event featured a yard sale and bake sale as well as a silent auction of goods and services donated by local businesses.

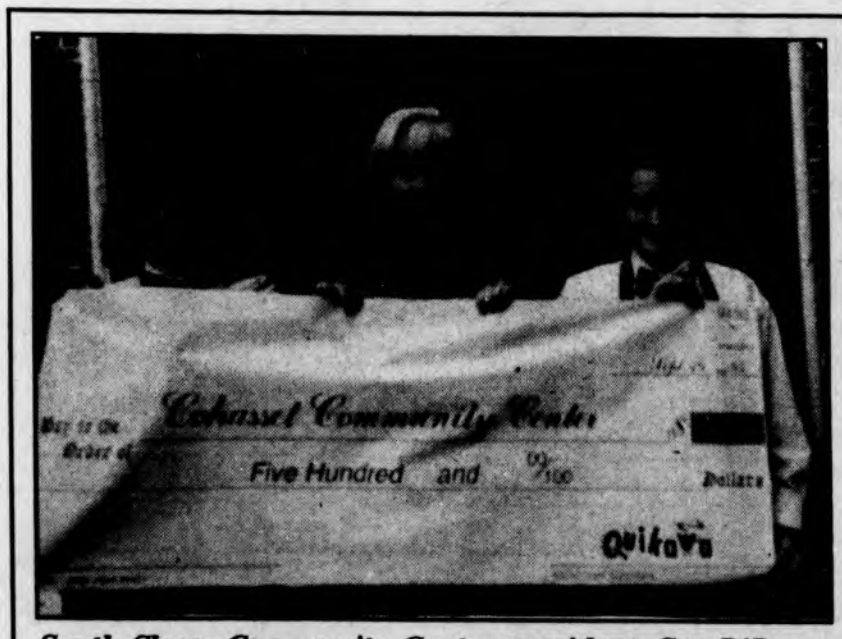
Conway praised the Cohasset sales team for reaching out to its community.

"Realtors are part of the community," Conway said. "We live and work out in the neighborhoods, and it's only right that we give something back to our neighbors."

In addition to Conway Realtors, guests at the luncheon included Scituate and Cohasset food pantry directors and volunteers, who thanked the company for its efforts on behalf of the area's hungry.

"We're really dependent upon the generosity and community spirit of organizations like Jack Conway & Co.," said Margie Steele, chairperson of the Cohasset Food Pantry.

Conway-Cohasset's two Thanksgiving fairs have raised a total of nearly $7,000 for the food pantries of Scituate and Cohasset.



South Shore Community Center president, Sue DiPesa, accepts a $500 donation from employees at the new Quikava on Rte. 3A in Cohasset. In a joint venture with the Community Center, Quikava donated proceeds from the recent grand opening of its drive-thru at the Verc Mobil station.

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A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 1/9

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	17.2500	--
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.2500	--
Avitar	0.3750	--
Bank of Boston	42.0000	-0.7500
Bradlees	1.0000	--
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	--
Chicago Miniature Lamp	22.5000	-1.0000
Computer Identics Corp.	2.1250	-0.1250
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.0000	0.3750
Copley Pharmaceutical	17.5000	1.5000
Chase Corp.	4.7500	--
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	--
DM Management	2.0000	--
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.7500	-0.5000
Grossman's	1.0313	-0.0313
Ground Round	3.0625	-0.3750
Haemonetics	16.5000	--
Hills Stores	10.2500	-0.2500
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.2500	0.6250
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.7500	--
International Electronics	1.3750	-0.1250
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.1250	-0.2500
Instron Corp.	13.3750	0.2500
J Baker	5.2500	-0.1250
First Years	10.1250	0.1250
Lojack	10.8750	-0.1250
Organogenesis Inc.	19.6250	-1.2500
Peoples Savings Bank	9.2500	-0.3750
Plymouth Rubber	9.7500	--
Reebok	28.0000	-0.2500
Software Development	1.5000	-0.1250
Stop & Shop	22.5000	-0.5000
AT&T	66.0000	-0.8750
Talbots	24.6250	-0.8750
Westerbeke	2.5000	--

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Name	Telephone	15-yr. Fix.	30-yr. Fix.	1-yr. Adj.
Abington Savings	617-982-3250	NA	NA	NA
Bank of Boston	800-758-8808	6.81	7.20	8.09
Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	6.95	7.30	8.13
Bank of Canton	617-828-5626	NA	NA	NA
BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	NA	NA	NA
Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	6.71	6.96	6.27
Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	7.09	7.46	7.87
Community Bank	508-587-3210	6.69	7.07	8.17
Concord, The Coop. Bank	800-551-4663	NA	NA	NA
E. Bridgewater Coop.	617-378-2672	6.87	7.22	8.78
E. Bridgewater Savings	617-293-4002	6.11	7.08	8.33
Hibernia Savings	617-345-0441	7.00	7.50	7.87
Hingham Inst. for Savings	617-749-2200	NA	NA	NA
Mutual Federal Savings	617-447-4488	NA	NA	NA
N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	7.47	7.81	7.65
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	6.69	7.07	7.99
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.05	7.49	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	NA	NA	NA
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	6.72	7.06	7.92
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	6.69	7.20	7.86
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Cooperative	617-337-1300	7.37	7.74	7.99
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	6.95	7.50	7.77
USTrust	800-290-8782	NA	NA	NA
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	NA	NA	NA
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	6.67	7.24	7.40
CREDIT UNIONS				
Bridgewater Credit Union	508-697-8101	6.94	7.33	6.75
Brockton Brotherhood C.U.	508-586-8557	7.04	7.35	5.84
Brockton Credit Union	508-895-1000	6.70	7.07	7.23
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Navy Federal Credit Union	401-849-9797	6.82	7.15	8.00
Rockland Federal C.U.	617-878-0232	6.70	6.88	8.00
MORTGAGE COMPANIES				
Bank America Mortgage	800-272-6704	NA	NA	NA
Choice Mortgage	800-696-8001	NA	NA	NA
Citizens Mortgage Corp.	800-213-3222	NA	NA	NA
Fleet Mortgage Corp.	800-660-8998	7.48	7.73	8.41
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	617-340-1445	NA	NA	NA
Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	NA	NA	NA

Source: Division of Banks, Boston Jan. 5, 1996.

Mariner Sports

Asthma fails to slow Nate Caldwell

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset High wrestler Nate Caldwell built a commanding lead in the finals of the heavyweight category in the highly-competitive Whitman-Hanson Invitational Wrestling Tournament on Saturday and looked like a sure winner.

As the match progressed, it became clear Caldwell had two worthy opponents: The athlete he was grappling with and the asthma attack which suddenly hit.

Caldwell had to take three breaks to catch his breath, but in the end he hung on and captured the championship with a 15-10 victory.

The way in which Caldwell held onto his lead impressed Cohasset head coach Torin Sweeney.

"It was a gutsy win," Sweeney said. "He stuck it out and wound up winning."

Caldwell also found his place in the Cohasset High record books as well. With the win, he became the first heavyweight in school history to take first place in any tournament.

Caldwell joined Justin Buckley as division winners in leading the Skippers to a strong fifth-place finish. Buckley, who won three matches in the tournament, took the 171-pound title win a pin victory in the final round.

The competition was fierce and furious with Foxboro, which Sweeney says "is probably the strongest team in the state," taking first. Weymouth was second, followed by W-H and Boston College High.

Cohasset put four wrestlers into the finals. Tucker Gledhill finished in the runner-up slot at 112 pounds and Kevin Duffy took the same place in the 135-pound division.

Sweeney said he enjoys the W-H meet because of the competition. A number of teams, he said, have pulled out of the meet in recent years, but Sweeney and his Skipper squad won't be bailing anytime soon.

"It's good to wrestle in this tourna-

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The big test nears

Lady Skippers ready to challenge Hanover gymnasts

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset High gymnastics team's 25th consecutive win was an easy 120.20 - 106.40 defeat of Carver.

The Skippers try for their 26th win on Thursday and it won't be nearly as routine a meet with Kim Richardson, Renee George and the rest of the talented Hanover High squad penciled in.

"I'm hoping they can pull it off," said Cohasset head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni, who believes the outcome will be about three points either way.

"It's going to be a very tough meet. I'll feel confident if they're really focused with drive and determination.

Because of school cancellations, the Skippers haven't practiced since last Friday night after the Carver meet. Ardizzoni said the squad would work out on Wednesday, the day before Hanover comes to town.

The balance beam and will be the event to watch particularly close. They have proven to be the events the Lady Skippers usually do extremely well on, helping to set the stage for the remaining events.

"Those events are very crucial against a tough team," Ardizzoni said.

Cohasset had its share of problems staying on the beam against Carver, but did manage to grab two of the top-three places. Erica Hettstrom won with an 8.35 score and Jodi Colwill grabbed third at 7.3.

The pair took the same places on the bars, scoring 7.4 and 7.35, respectively.

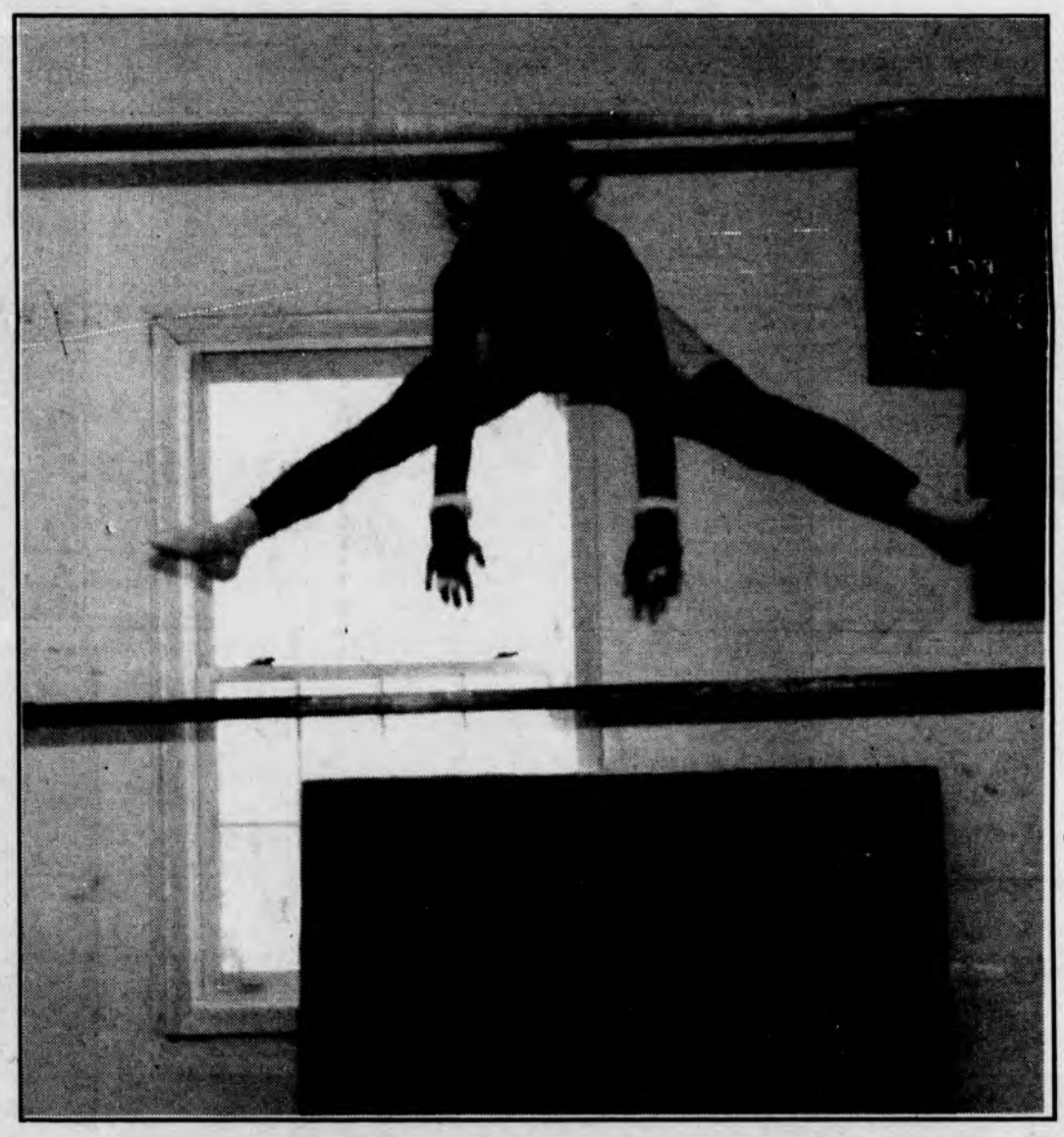
Hettstrom finished second (8.25) to her sister Tara (8.35) on the floor exercise and Megan Pratt hit a personal best for the season with her 7.9.

Kristen Reynolds was third (7.6) behind Colwill's winning vault score of 7.85.

While the Carver meet was not the team's best performance of the season, the squad did turn in its most solid performance on the floor exercise.

Ardizzoni is hoping the Lady Skippers can repeat that type of outing in a few more events with Hanover in the gym.

"If we win the next two meets," she said, "we're home free."



Cohasset High junior Erica Hettstrom performs a Straddle Back on the bars during a Skippers gymnastics practice. Cohasset, which is undefeated this season, faces a tough Hanover High squad on Jan. 11.

Special to the Mariner/Ruthann Ardizzoni

Skipper hoopsters get back on track

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Skippers hosted the Hanover Indians Friday night. Going into the game 5-2, they played a strong second half to triumph by a score of 76-63. With excellent efforts from Ryan Bishop, Burke Davis, Fred Howard and a host of others, the Skippers played their first game since the holiday break. The Indians were led by Brad Baronas, who scored 19, and Jon Peacock, who picked up 14.

However, before the varsity could take the floor, the JV squad had to seal up a win of their own. Playing a close game the whole way through, the Skippers trailed by three until sophomore Andy Hamilton sunk his trademark three-pointer from behind the arc.

Tied at 56, the two squads battled gallantly, the Skippers inbounding with about four seconds remaining. The ball went to freshman Jamie DeMichele, who fought through traffic and, showing incredible poise for a freshman, took the shot from three-point land as time ran out. The ball fell through the hoop as time expired and DeMichele was mobbed by ecstatic teammates and given a standing ovation by the crowd.

Davis, who went on to lead Cohasset with 17 points, drilled a three-pointer to open the game, and Bishop followed with a lay-up after a nice pass from sophomore Paul-Michael Quintin. Bishop came up with a strong rejection on the next play, and then took a pass from Jared Hardwick for two points.

Junior forward J.L. Williams added two of his own with a nice spin move in the paint. Hardwick knocked down a pull-up jumper to give the Skippers a 16-4 edge, and Quentin netted a three-pointer. Bishop, Williams, Davis and Hardwick hit free throws during a Hanover rally that cut the home team's lead to 26-25.

Howard missed a pull-up jumper, but followed, got his own rebound and put it back for a bucket. Hardwick sunk two foul shots and Davis tossed in a trey. Hardwick hit two more foul shots and the half-time score was 35-31 in favor of the Skippers.

Bishop found Hardwick under the basket for two, then grabbed an offensive rebound on the next possession, laying it back up and in for a pair. Davis notched another three and Hardwick's block set up a Howard hoop at the other end, making the score 44-36 in Cohasset's favor.

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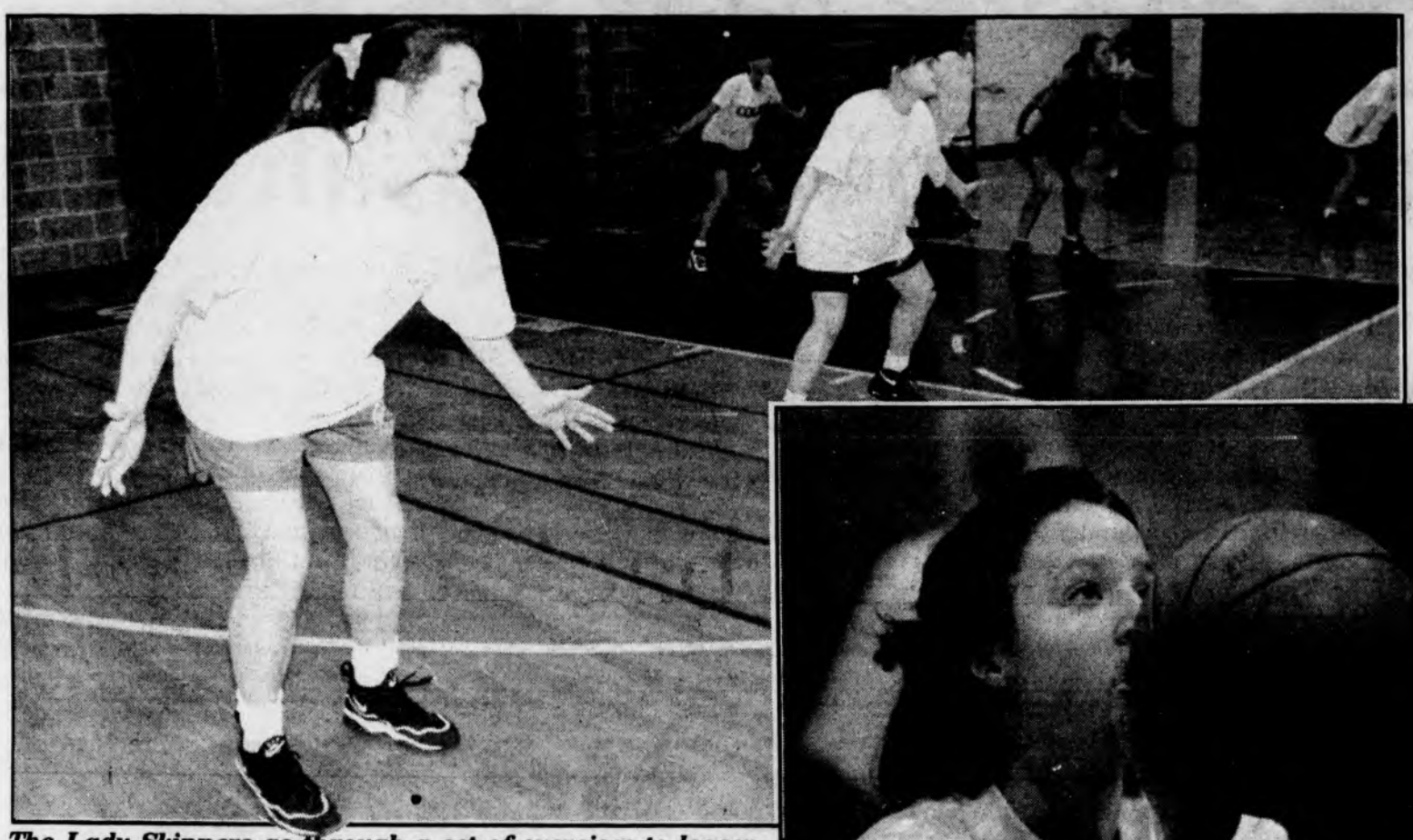
Lady Skippers hold court

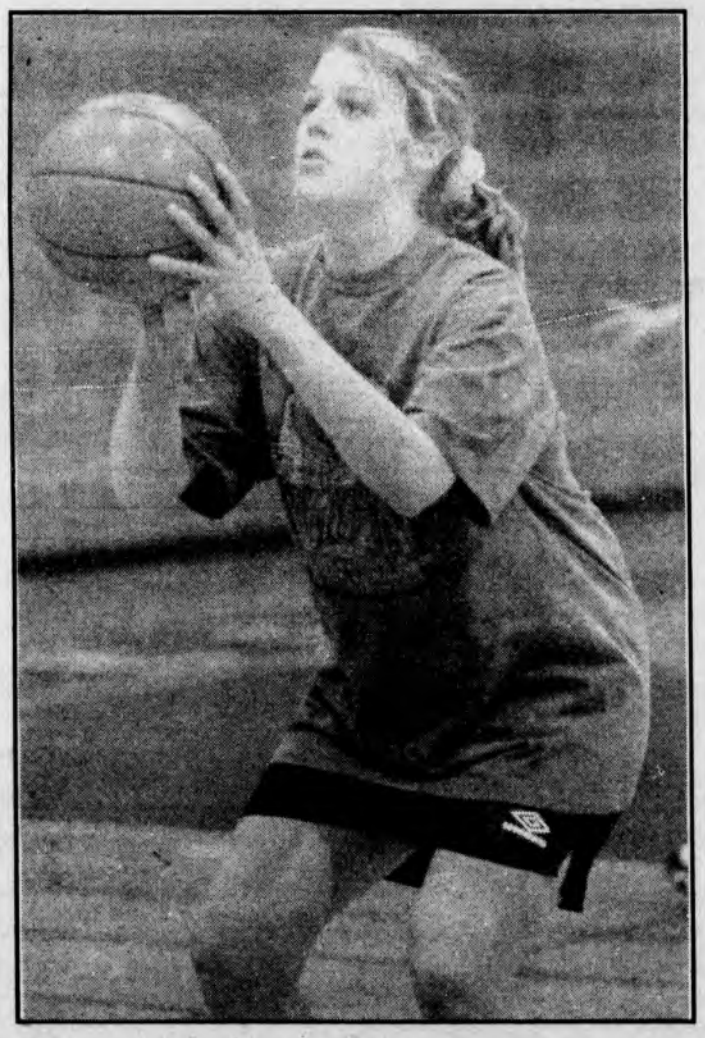


The Lady Skippers go through a set of exercises to loosen up prior to practice.

Katie Devine peers over the ball as she readies a shot to the basket.

Below, Head coach Cori Hughes.

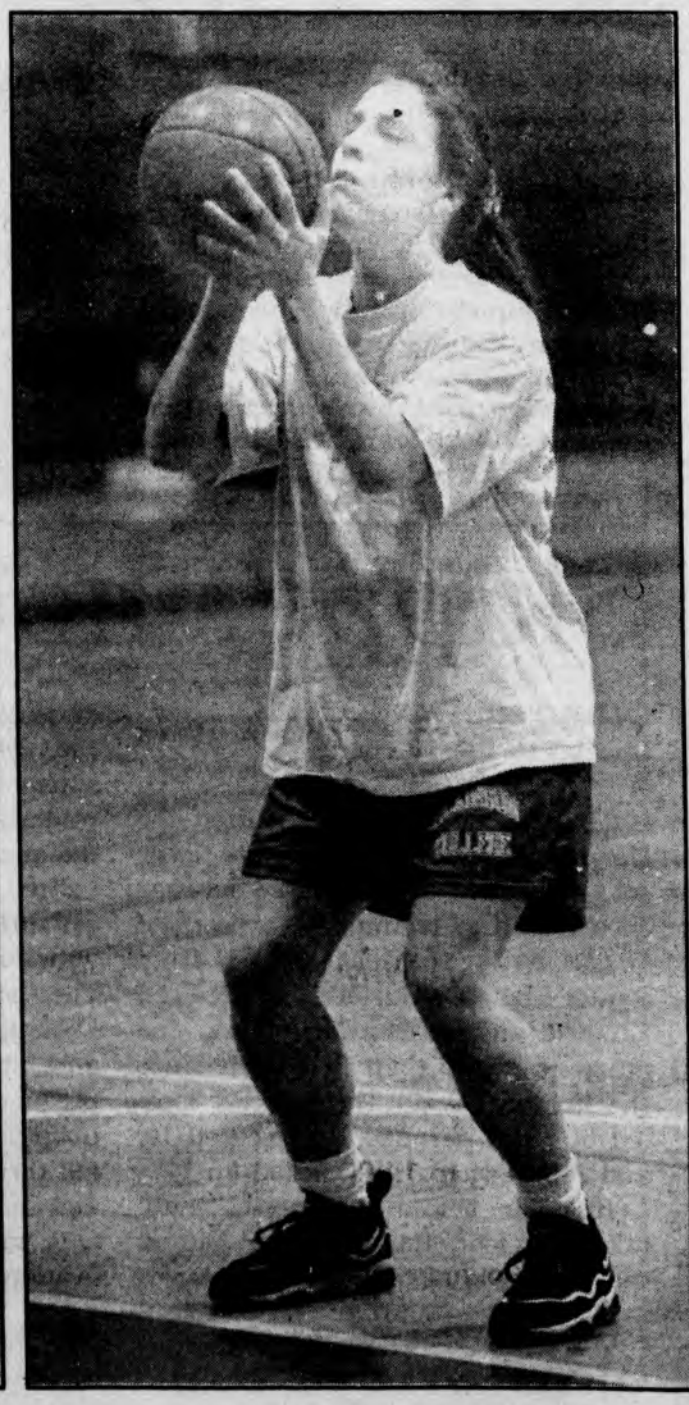
Whitney Cook concentrates on the basket as she prepares to take a shot.

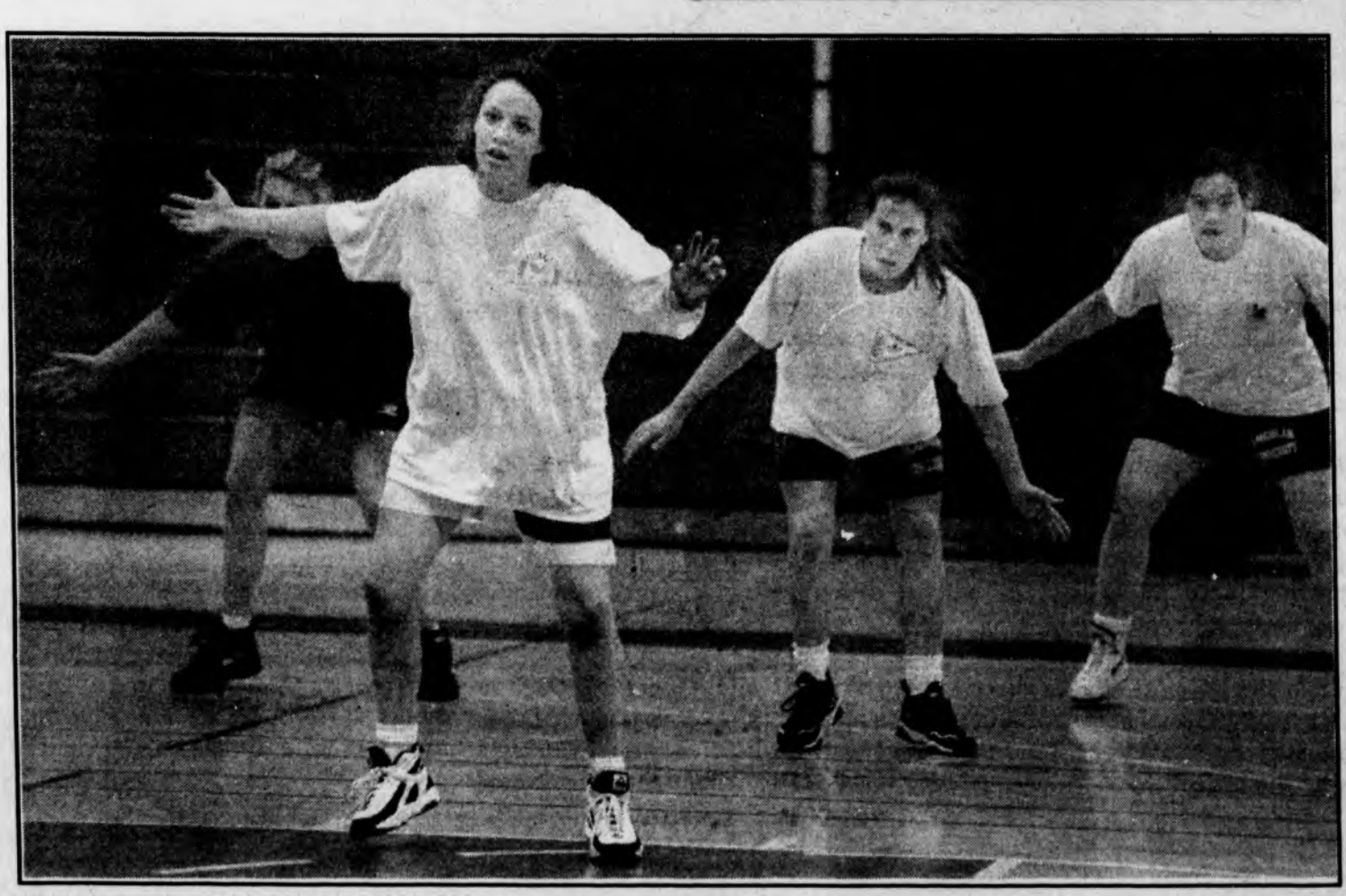


Photos by J. Paul MacDonald

Below, Katie Devine leads a group of teammates in a drill.

Bottom right, Katie Campbell brushes up on her free throws.





Mariner Sports

Snow, cold fails to cool Ritts' goal

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Steve Ritts gets asked the same question over and over again.

"Aren't you freezing wearing those shorts?"

And the Cohasset resident gives the same answer every time.

"No, not really."

Ritts has been wearing the shorts for past six weeks as a way to raise money for the Travis Roy Fund. Roy, a former Boston University freshman, was paralyzed in his first shift of the varsity hockey team's season opener, last October, when he slammed headfirst into the boards after checking an opponent.

Ritts, who has never met Roy, was saddened by the accident and decided to wear shorts until the first day of spring on March 20. Friends, family members and fellow employees have donated a certain amount of money for every day Ritts wears the shorts.

So far, the undertaking has been extremely successful. Ritts has raised just over $1,700 and is closing in on his goal of $2,000.

While most people would shudder at the thought of wearing shorts during the winter, Ritts has rolled with the punches.

"It hasn't been tough," Ritts said. "I'm used to shoveling. People ask me if it's tough with the snow, but it really hasn't been that bad.

"Actually it's better because it's not all that windy."

The only time Ritts has felt the least bit uncomfortable was when the wind was blowing particularly hard one da and the wind chill brougl the temperature well belo zero.

"The wind is what reall gets you," he said. "Beyon that it's fine.

"It has been easier than thought it would be."

Skipper hoopsters get back on track

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Hardwick scored and Howard sank a free throw. Tough offensive rebounding by Howard and junior forward Brian Kilroy set up Williams, who swished a jumper. Hardwick's three free throws and Howard's block kept the Indians at bay, 51-41. Howard found Hardwick for a bucket, Bishop sank two free throws and Davis up-faked and drove for an easy lay-up, widening the lead to 14 points. Bishop hit two more from the charity stripe and Davis reeled off four points for the Skippers.

Howard then went on a tear, scoring eight points to the Indians' five. Howard's spurt put the game out of reach, making the score 74-60. However, CHS wasn't through. Head Coach Ron Ford sent in sophomores Grant Emde and Matt Belson, and junior Lutz Grunwald. Emde finished off the game with a lay-up as the buzzer sounded.

After the game, Ford was happy with the performance of several players. "We had a balanced effort tonight," he said. "They tied after our good start, and I was proud of us because we didn't back down. Tonight, we proved that we're a tough team. Played defense in the end, when we needed to. We have to play more defense over a longer stretch of the game. Ryan Bishop, Fred Howard, Burke Davis, a;nd Brian Kilroy all played excellent games. Hardwick played a smart game. He had a lot of assists, good ball movement, he showed leadership tonight."

Hardwick also stressed the second half as Cohasset's strong point."As a team we played really well," he said, "In the second half, we sucked ii up when they tried to make their run. We're starting t play as a team, it's coming together, and our perfor mance has been good in th close games."

Cohasset/Scituate adult programs

Adult golf with Dan Neary. $65 for five one-hour classes. Cushing School, Scituate, Thursday evenings, 6 and 7p.m. Begins Jan. 25. Payable to Town of Cohasset.

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

Asthma fails to slow Nate Caldwell

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ment because it's a higher level and that's how you improve," he said.

Prior to the tourney, the Skippers improved their record to 5-1 in dual-meet competition with a convincing 46-18 drubbing of Milton, last Thursday.

So dominant were the Skippers, they won seven of their eight matches by pin with just one day of practice heading in.

Sweeney said Milton is in a transition period and the team is still building for the future. The W-H tourney was a more accurate representation of Cohasset's conditioning.

However, a win's a win and Sweeney was happy with the squad's effort.

Among those Cohasset wrestlers who pinned their opponents were Mike Baird (112), Gledhill (119), Ben Littauer (125), Duffy (135), Doug Sheerin (140), John Whitehouse (152) and Adam Sasso (189). Buckley won his match on points.

Sweeney said with the missed practices, it is important the wrestlers still maintain their conditioning and weight.

"You can't go backwards with it," he said. "You have to keep up the conditioning. If two athletes with equal skill get on the mat together, the one who is better conditioned is going to win."

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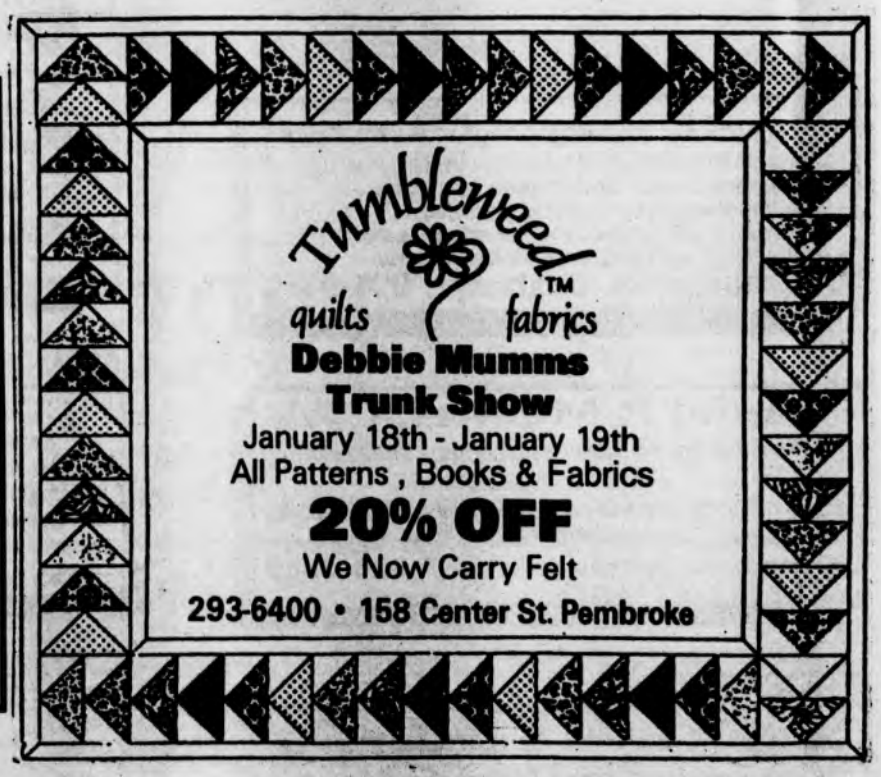

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10:48 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Scholfield Rd., verbal warning.

10:59 a.m., general services, Wheelwright Farm, services rendered.

12:17 p.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

12:22 p.m., message delivery, S. Main St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

3:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:50 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Atlantic Ave., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:55 p.m., disturbance (family), Church St., Ptl., Lennon in with 20-year-old Cohasset male in protective custody.

9:05 p.m., obscene phone calls, White Head Rd., HDQTS, departmental action.

10:56 p.m., officer field investigation, Jerusalem Rd., false call.

11:54 p.m., general services, King St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 32

Tuesday, Dec. 26

2:06 a.m., assist municipal agencies, icy roads, referred to other agency.

5:59 a.m., emergency services, Border St., false call.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 34

11:45 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Border St. – Mill Bridge, departmental action.

2:06 p.m., animal complaint, Ash St. area, investigated.

2:14 p.m., officer wanted, Nichols Rd., investigated.

3:13 p.m., disturbance (family), Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 30

4:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

4:41 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Atlantic Ave., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

4:45 p.m., general services, King St., investigated.

5:22 p.m., disturbance (family), Hdqts., departmental action.

6:25 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Clear, 39

Wednesday, Dec. 27

6:43 a.m., assist municipal agencies, icy roads, referred to other agency.

7:13 a.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Joseph F. O'Rourke, 35 Nichols Rd., Cohasset, DOB: 3/6/53, warrant arrest.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 30

10:32 a.m., general services, Black Rock Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

12:09 p.m., general services, S. Main St., no such person can be found.

1:01 p.m., assist citizen, Cedar St., transfer facility, services rendered.

1:42 p.m., general services, Church St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 30

6:14 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Bayberry Lane, services rendered.

6:18 p.m., assist citizen, James Lane, false call.

6:19 p.m., assist citizen, Doane St., false call.

6:42 p.m., assist citizen, Central Cemetery/Joy Place, services rendered.

9:35 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave./Cedar Acres, services rendered.

11:08 p.m., officer wanted, Ko Ko Island, investigated.

11:35 p.m., officer wanted, Cedar St., protective custody.

11:48 p.m., Ptl. Small in with 38-year-old Cohasset male in protective custody.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 34

Thursday, Dec. 28

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 32

8:28 a.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave., services rendered.

10:58 a.m., general services, S. Main St., no such person can be found.

12:58 p.m., burglary (B&E), Pond St. – High School, departmental action.

1:43 p.m., larceny, Fair Oaks Ln., departmental action.

3:00 p.m., general services, Brown's Foreign Auto – Pond St./3A, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 35

4:26 p.m., general services, 3A/Pond St., services rendered.

7:23 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., services rendered.

7:57 p.m., suspicious activity, Jerusalem Rd., unfounded.

10:15 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., 30 degrees, dark.

Friday, Dec. 29

1:21 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St.

5:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Mary Lou's).

7:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 36

12:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Town Parking Lot, services rendered.

1:23 p.m., general services, Rte. 3A Stop & Shop, false call.

4:00 p.m., Partly cloudy, 38

5:00 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., services rendered.

6:25 p.m., general services, Hdqts., departmental action.

8:01 p.m., arrest, Cushing Plaza, Ptl. Quigley in with Aaron B. Berger, DOB: 6/13/67, 86 Summer St., arrested on default warrant.

9:21 p.m., traffic/MV com-

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plaint, CJC Way, verbal warning.

10:11 p.m., officer field investigation, Summer St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 32

Saturday, Dec. 30

2:54 a.m., message delivery, Jerusalem Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

3:19 a.m., violation of court order, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

3:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:34 a.m., medical, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

5:55 a.m., Marshfield police dept. notified this department that they had female in custody for 209A violation.

7:31 a.m., Ptl. Ainslie & Sasha Geddes in with Cathleen Lutz, DOB: 1/25/49, 5 Stage Stop Village, Marshfield. Violation of 209A order.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 28

8:36 a.m., general services, S. Main St., departmental action.

10:28 a.m., general services, departmental action.

1:22 p.m., annoying phone calls, HQ, departmental action.

4:38 p.m., noise complaint, Tedeschi Plaza, no such person can be found.

4:56 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, investigated.

5:36 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St., services rendered.

7:19 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

7:34 p.m., building check, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:50 p.m., embezzlement, Fernway St., HQ, departmental action.

11:15 p.m., assist citizen, Rte. 3A, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 36

Sunday, Dec. 31

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 34

9:24 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy, no police service necessary.

11:14 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., verbal warning.

11:14 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St., services rendered.

12:36 p.m., general services, Pond St., departmental action.

12:41 p.m., animal complaint, Country Way, Scituate, departmental action.

12:57 p.m., general services, S. Main St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 42

4:26 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:51 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., services rendered.

6:28 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

7:05 p.m., escort, Curtis Liquor, services rendered.

7:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:08 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Hingham Skate Club, HQ, services rendered.

8:57 p.m., message delivery, Riverview Dr., notification made/message or summons delivered.

9:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 35

Monday, Jan. 1

12:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lower King St. (Laugelle Ln.), traffic warning issued.

1:02 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Hingham Line).

1:32 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy (SS Geo), investigated.

1:33 a.m., disturbance (family), Parker Ave., investigated.

3:05 a.m., speeding complaint, N. Main St.

3:07 a.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Michael P. Inferrera, 23 Allen St., Scituate, DOB: 7/13/76, Charges: refusing to stop for police officer, driving to endanger, operating without headlights, oper. unreg. MV, oper. uninsured MV, attaching plates, marked lanes viol., fail stop – stop sign, exp. inspection sticker.

3:14 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy (Hingham Line), services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

2:54 p.m., general services, S. Main /Scituate Line, verbal warning.

2:54 p.m., suspicious activity, Whitehead Rd., perpetrator(s) gone.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 37

5:33 p.m., medical, Pleasant St., services rendered.

6:25 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Common.

8:02 p.m., emergency services, Windsor Rd., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 39

Tuesday, Jan. 2

1:06 a.m., general services, icy roads.

6:39 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd., services rendered.

6:41 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Snowy, 33

9:31 a.m., vandalism, Howard Gleason Rd. – Cohasset Yacht Club, departmental action.

9:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St./Fair Oaks Ln., investigated.

9:48 a.m., officer field investigation, Pond St., investigated.

10:05 a.m., noise complaint, Hull St. (vicinity), unfounded.

3:18 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Mobil Station, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Snow, 30

4:44 p.m., general services, Verc Mobile, HQ, services rendered.

5:18 p.m., assist other PDs, Hull St., services rendered.

6:15 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), S. Main St., investigated.

9:34 p.m., general offenses, Kimballs by the Sea, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 34

Wednesday, Jan. 3

12:14 a.m., general services, N. Main St. (Teen Center), area search negative.

2:39 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Imports), services rendered.

7:31 a.m., general services, Parker Ave., services rendered.

7:49 a.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 34

8:16 a.m., fire alarm, Red Gate Ln., services rendered.

8:34 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Red Gate Ln., services rendered.

9:11 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Highland Ave. – Town Hall lot, services rendered.

9:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cohasset Library – St. Main St., departmental action.

10:36 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

10:42 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Riverview Dr., services rendered.

11:04 a.m., general services, King St., services rendered.

11:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cohasset Library – S. Main St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

11:40 a.m., suspicious activity, Summer St., no police service necessary.

11:44 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

11:54 a.m., emergency services, Beechwood St. (vicinity), referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Snowing, 29

5:00 p.m., child/youth in street, Norfolk Rd., dispersed gathering.

6:06 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

8:07 p.m., annoying phone calls, Little Harbor Rd., HQ, departmental action.

8:49 p.m., general services, Davenport property, services rendered.

9:08 p.m., officer field investigation, s. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 26

Thursday, Jan. 4

1:14 a.m., general services, snowy roads, referred to other agency.

4:18 a.m., general services, Sohier St., referred to other agency.

5:59 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Square, services rendered.

5:59 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Fairoaks Ln., services rendered.

6:04 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Oak St., traffic warning issued.

7:11 a.m., general services, Smith Place, referred to other agency.

7:24 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy (Cohasset Imports), referred to other agency.

7:54 a.m., assist citizen, Summer St., services rendered.

Officer injured, cruiser damaged in collision

Another police officer was injured and police cruiser damaged this week in a traffic accident.

At 7:13 p.m., Friday (Jan. 5), Officer Paul Laugelle injured his shoulder when his cruiser was hit broadside by a pick up truck in Cohasset Village, Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

The accident occurred at the intersection of Brook and South Main Streets, Noonan said.

Officer Laugelle's cruiser, which was exiting Brook Street, was struck on the front quarter driver's side by a 1986 Dodge pick up truck driven by James A. Duane of Scituate, who was heading north on South Main St., Sgt. Robert W. Jackson explained.

Police cited Duane for operating with revoked registration; operating an uninsured motor vehicle; operating with an expired inspection sticker; and for speed that is greater than reasonable and proper for the conditions, Jackson said.

Damage to the cruiser, which is still in service, is about $2,000, Jackson said.

Duane's car was impounded, police said.

Last month, a police cruiser sustained $7,000 in damage in an accident on Rte. 3A. Officer Shellee Peters was injured when the cruiser's open front door struck her during the collision.

Noonan said this week, the department is using the animal control officer's car with chains on the wheels as a back up patrol car.

Officers Peters and Laugelle are back at work.

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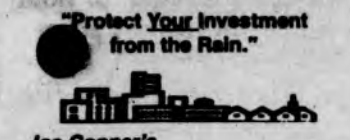

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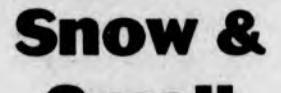

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Saturday, Jan. 6, the Deer Hill PSO held a bake sale at the Deer Hill School and the high school during the basketball games (which are held all day).

The bake sale proceeds are to benefit the Clougherty family who had the house fire Jan. 2.

During the snowstorm last week the Deer Hill Room mothers were busy calling 60 or more Deer Hill moms to bake. There were many different kinds of baked goods from brownies, Irish soda bread to homemade pies.

Fifth- and sixth-graders Ashley Leahy, Catherine Coyne and Carlie Carter worked at the tables all day. Ashley and Catherine at the Deer Hill and Carlie at the high school.

Their helpers were Caroline Carr who was there most of day, Shelley Carter, Ben Bolster, Amanda Watts, Cara Foley, Nick Bolster, Peter Whoriskey, Sean Chase and Caitlin Flint.

Sue Carr, who is always so generous with her time, was also there all day.

There were two raffles donated. Chip Bolster donated six lobsters won by Donna Davis, and John Durkin donated four Bruins tickets (center ice) which the Dwyer family won.

Lyn and Joe Previte donated the coffee maker, coffee, sugar, cups, etc. to sell at the Deer Hill School.

We wanted to thank everyone for their time and help to make this bake sale a success.

The bake sale made $750 with an additional donation from the PSO totalling $800. The proceeds will go to a Toys 'R Us gift certificate for Leo, Flossie and Grace and the remainder will go to the family fund set up at the Pilgrim Cooperative Bank in Cohasset.

Last but not least, thank you to Carmine, owner of the Strawberry Parfait, for the glass jar to hold the donations and the first donation in that

Linda Bolster and Helene Garber are Deer Hill PSO representatives.

Red Cross blood drive is slated

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New school on agenda

Town meeting is Monday

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Although there are only two articles on the warrant, Monday's special town meeting is expected to draw a crowd.

"I don't think we'll have any trouble reaching a quorum," said town Moderator George L. Marlette about the 100-voter minimum needed to get the meeting underway.

Voters will be asked to approve borrowing $13.93 million for a new elementary school on town-owned land on Sohier Street near the Deer Hill School; renovations Deer Hill; and an on-site sewer treatment plant to serve both schools.

The meeting gets underway at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Officials say that the state will pay 60 percent of the nearly $14 million project, leaving the town to pay 40 percent, or just under $6 million. The town must approve and submit a proposal before June 1 to ensure that the project receives state reimbursement under its current formula.

A 2/3 town meeting vote is required for approval because it is a "borrowing" article, Marlette said.

Approval of the article will set the stage for a debt-exclusion override at a special election Feb. 10. The project will add an average of $116 per year to the typical property tax bill for the next 25 years, officials said. A typical Cohasset home is valued at $242,000.

The $116 figure is *averaged* over the life of the bond issue. Property taxes will actually be higher in the early years of borrowing because of the time lag for state reimbursement to kick in, town administrator Gregory Doyon explained.

Marlette said he will limit the

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Dona A. Bell admires the the paintings by Cohasset artist Kimberlee Alemian on display at the South Shore Conservatory's Staircase Gallery through the end of February. The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. Please call 749-7565 ext. 16 for more information.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Home prices continue to climb

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Fewer houses in Cohasset changed owners in 1995, but the average sale price increased by more than $120,000 over the last four years.

According to information from the Plymouth County Board of Realtors, which tracks sales throughout the state, 1995 saw 84 houses sold in Cohasset, a decrease from the 100 sold the previous year.

But the average sale price continues an upward trend: from $268,724 in 1992; to $297,634 in 1993; to $312,042 in 1994; to $383,877 in 1995.

The overwhelming majority of the sales are existing homes, with only four building permits issued for new single family home construction in 1995.

There is little buildable land remaining in Cohasset, according to real estate agent Judy Parsons at the Hunneman office on South Main Street. This situation is exacerbated by the strict septic system requirements of Title V that went into effect last year.

"Cohasset houses sell," Parsons

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Participation in Turkey Hill land purchase sought

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset and Hingham would each own the land within their town with the Trustees managing the property.

— Valerie Talmage, Trustees of Reservations.

The Trustees of Reservations are negotiating the purchase of 55 acres of land at the top of Turkey Hill, that will link the Whitney Woods and Wompatuck State Park, and provide a spectacular view of Boston Harbor.

The property is now owned by the heirs of Joseph Saponaro who operated a riding stable near his home at the top of the hill until his death in 1987.

Valerie Talmage, land protection specialist for the Trustees of Reservations, said Tuesday that the negotiations have been on going for more than a year. She hopes to have an agreement in time for town meetings in Cohasset and Hingham when the towns will be asked to appropriate funds for the purchase.

"We can't go to town meeting with a wish," Talmage said, but added an agreement is possible before the town meetings.

The property crosses the town line, with 30 acres in Hingham and 25 acres on the Cohasset side.

The Trustees of Reservations operates the 800-acre Whitney Woods, and 250 acres at the Worlds End reservation, in additional to other conservation properties in Massachusetts.

If the Trustees of Reservations

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Cohasset's Week

Property taxes are due

Property tax bills for the third quarter of fiscal year 1996 have been mailed and are payable no later than 7 p.m., Feb. 1.

Payments should be sent to the treasurer/collector's office. The owner of recently sold property should forward the bill to the new owner or return it to the tax collector's office, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

For more information, call 383-9900, Ext. 113.

Voter registration deadlines

The town clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., Jan. 20, the last day to register to vote for the Feb. 10 special town election.

Nomination papers for the April 6 Annual Town Election are now available at the town clerk's office for the following positions: selectmen (two for three years); moderator; treasurer/collector; school committee (one for three years); library trustee (three for three years); assessor (one for three years); board of health (one for three years); housing authority (one for five years); recreation commission (one for five years); planning board (one for five years); sewer commission (one for three years); water commission (one for three years).

Voter registration forms are also available at the Cohasset Post Office and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The forms may be mailed or hand-delivered to the town clerk's office but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

Appointed to drug committee

Ronald Hammer, Margot Adams and Susan Thompson were appointed to the drug and alcohol committee during Tuesday night's selectman's meeting.

Meeting/election dates set

Selectmen this week set the following dates for the local election and town meetings: special town meeting, Jan. 22; special override election, Feb. 10; annual town meeting, March 30; and town election, April 6.

Conservation request accepted

The conservation commission is requesting $19,753 for the upcoming fiscal year, which includes $17,500 for a parttime agent.

If the commission needs specialized assistance, the applicant must pay.

The budget has dropped because secretarial services are now included in the town administrator's budget.

The commission will be hiring a new secretary to replace Pat Walsh, who retires in June. The new secretary will work fewer hours and will receive an entry rate of pay.

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Snow budget deficit soars

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

The snow is melting, but Cohasset's snow removal budget is mounting up, with the most recent figures showing the town has spent almost twice its budgeted amount.

Town administrator Gregory Doyon said this winter's total costs for road sanding, snow plowing, and snow removal have reached $86,152. This amount exceeds the annual $45,000 snow removal budget to produce a deficit that now stands at $41,151.

Mariner weather observer Bob Skilling reported Tuesday that a bona fide "January Thaw" is imminent, with temperatures in the mid- to high-40s expected by the middle of the week, possibly reaching 50 degrees.

Highway Supt. Harold Litchfield reported that the Sandy Beach parking lot is full with snow that has been removed from street corners, parking lots, and sidewalks.

With a break in snowstorms, crews have been able to remove snow from sidewalks.

"We need to get rid of the snow now," Litchfield said. "It's all dirty."

Although Friday's rain helped to reduce the amount of snow, it also posed a new set of problems for highway department crews who had to find buried catch basins in an effort to alleviate street flooding.

Litchfield said workers were able to find the catch basins at the worst locations. But, in other places, where the rain could not drain quickly, puddles froze when the temperature dropped. This produced another round of sanding, he said.

The state Department of Environmental Protection has issued guidelines to Massachusetts cities and towns regarding the dumping of snow into harbors and other bodies of water.

While snow dumping in uplands area is the first alternative, the guidelines state that snow and ice that are not visibly contaminated can be dumped into waterways.

"In coastal communities, preference should be given to disposal in salt water if reasonably available," the guidelines state.

DEP also advises that ice and snow should not be dumped into saltmarshes and vegetated wetlands, shellfish beds, mudflats, or near sources of drinking water.

Road race is March 31

The popular Road Race by the Sea will take place March 31. Selectmen this week gave the Rotary Club permission to hold the event.

Legal bills paid

This week selectmen approved two legal bills from special counsel Warner & Stackpole, for a total of some $14,400 and a bill from town counsel Richard Henderson for $1,411.

Tree & park gets new truck

A new cab and chassis for the tree and park department has been approved for $25,945.

Tide Chart

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Jan. 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
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Fri. 19	9:34	11.8	3:21	10:14	10.5	4:01
Sat. 20	10:29	12.1	4:16	11:08	10.8	4:54
Sun. 21	11:23	12.3	5:09	—	—	5:45
Mon. 22	12:00	11.1	6:02	12:16	12.1	6:36
Tues. 23	12:52	11.1	6:55	1:09	11.7	7:26
Wed. 24	1:43	11.0	7:48	2:02	11.2	8:16
Thurs. 25	2:35	10.8	8:43	2:57	10.5	9:08

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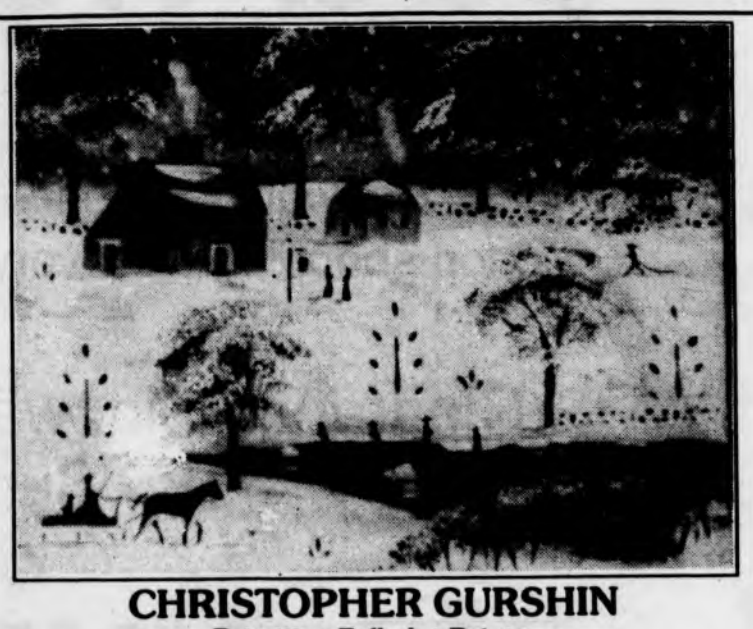

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Lawyer may be hired for landfill hearings

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen planned to meet in emergency session at 4 p.m. Wednesday (after the Cohasset Mariner went to press) to consider hiring a special counsel to represent them in the site assignment hearings on the proposed expansion of Cohasset Heights Landfill.

Warner & Stackpole, the town's current environmental counsel, will assist the board of health during the hearings, which start Tuesday and continue Thursday and every Tuesday and Thursday as needed.

Selectmen pointed out at their meeting Monday that the administrative role the health board plays in the hearings is separate from that of other town boards, which will testify, and this necessitates having separate counsel.

"We definitely should have counsel, the other side will bring in good technical people," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown.

Selectmen planned to meet with Kenneth L. Kimmell of the Boston law firm, Bernstein, Cushner & Kimmell, which expressed interest in representing the town during the hearings for $135 an hour.

The law firm successfully represented the town of Webster in its fight against a proposed landfill in the adjacent town of Douglas, selectmen said. The firm is also special counsel in Hinsdale on landfill issues.

It is not clear how many hours would be required. Selectmen were not sure how many hearings Kimmell would have to attend and how much time he needed to get up to speed on the issue.

John K. McNabb Jr., who is vice-president of Stop Any Further Expansion, a citizens' group opposed to the landfill expansion, explained that the burden is on the town to establish the record beyond the recent state Department of Environment decision that the Rte. 3A site is suitable for acceptance of construction and demolition debris.

"The regulations require the board of health grant the site assignment unless they make a determination that the site is dangerous to public health." It's as though the burden of proof is on the board of health, he said.

"We need an attorney with expertise on how to find holes in the DEP determination and CHL presentation," McNabb said.

The town is concerned that any expansion of the existing landfill will pose a serious threat to the town's water supply.

Snow problems with roofs

The recent record snow accumulation produced the problem of additional weight on area roofs as the weekend rains arrived.

Building commissioner Robert Egan said he received only one report of a roof problem in town at the Cohasset Tennis Club on Cedar Street when personnel there detected distortion in a steel beam.

A structural engineer was contacted, Egan said. Snow was removed from the roof of the 25-year-old prefabricated building, and it was stabilized from the inside.

Egan said he also checked the roofs of all Cohasset schools and found no problems. In all cases, wind had blown most of the snow off the roofs.

"There's never as much snow on the roof as on the ground," he said, adding school roofs are designed to support as much as three feet of heavy, wet snow. The most snow he found in any one location was a small section where approximately 29 pounds of snow had accumulated.

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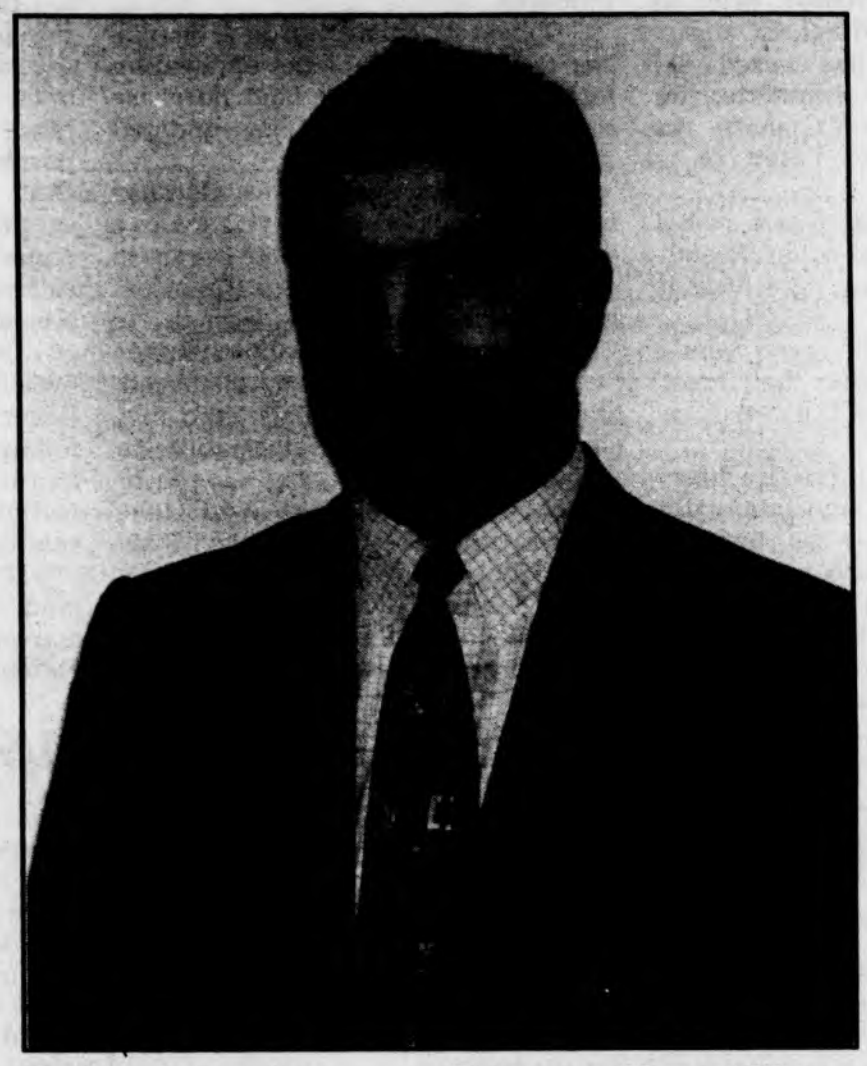

Name: Jeff Granatino

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Favorite holiday: Christmas.

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Favorite TV show: "Seinfeld."

Favorite movie: "The Killing Fields."

Favorite book: "Man of the House," by Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill Jr.

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Participation in Turkey Hill land purchase sought

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reach an agreement to buy the Turkey Hill property, this will increase the vast area of open space that includes the nearly 2,900 acres of Wompatuck State Park with portions in Hingham, Cohasset, Norwell, and Scituate.

Of the total site, approximately two-thirds of Turkey Hill is wooded, and the remaining portion open field which offers the commanding view of Boston Harbor, the harbor islands, and the city skyline.

Hingham conservation agent Pine DuBois explained that state funds may be available to cover 52 percent of the purchase price of the property. In addition, the Trustees of Reservations, and private land conservation groups in Hingham and Cohasset may also contribute money that will decrease the amounts requested from voters at the town meetings.

"It's an unusual way to go about saving a piece of land," Talmage said, noting the three private groups and two towns involved in the purchase. "It makes [the purchase] reachable."

Although the purchase price is being negotiated, the Hingham conservation commission has asked the town's capital outlay committee for $200,000 for Hingham's share the Turkey Hill purchase, based on a $850,000 price.

Talmage noted that figure is not "firm" at this time, and could be higher or lower when a sales agreement is reached.

Cohasset and Hingham would each own the land within their town, she explained, with the Trustees managing the property.

DuBois said that there are likely to be additional costs associated with the purchase, possibly as high as $40,000, if site clean up is required. The property was used in the 1950s as a Nike missile radar tracking station, with a dormitory and office. The commanding view of the harbor made this an ideal location for the installation, she explained, but there may be some material remaining from that time that must be removed to restore the property.

Cohasset conservation commissioner Sue Cope said the application for state funds for the land purchase requires that both towns have updated open space plans.

The Cohasset open space plan has not been updated in 25 years, Cope said, noting that the possible purchase of Turkey Hill has provided the incentive to do this work now.

The plan must show how parcels of open land will be linked, managed, and made accessible for public use, she said, and include information on wildlife and vegetation.

The update project will take between nine and 12 months, Cope said. The commission will ask town meeting for $12,000 to complete to cover the costs of hiring a consultant who will prepare maps and write the final report that will be submitted with the state grant application.

In Hingham, DuBois said the commission also plans to hire a consultant to assist its grant application and open space plan. The last update took place in 1987, she said, when the town purchased the South Shore Country Club.

In addition to the Saponaro house, a water tank and a communications antenna are both located on the hill top.

DuBois said the water tank is owned by the Massachusetts-American Water Company which owns the land for the tank. The antenna is owned by Motorola, which leases the land. DuBois said that lease will not be renewed.

If the Trustees are able to buy the land, the Saponaro house could be converted to a visitors center, Talmage said.

Teacher standards is topic at Jan. 18 meeting

At a recent school committee meeting, Supt. Stephen Hart presented an overview of the performance standards for teachers and administrators.

The performance standards are required under the Education Reform Act. Next year will be the first year that the performance standards are used; however, Cohasset has had an evaluation tool for teachers and administrators in place for five years.

The criteria required by the state for performance standards were similar to Cohasset's evaluation standards. So Hart created Cohasset's performance standards by blending the state's guidelines and Cohasset's evaluation tool.

In order to more closely match the state's standards, Cohasset added a "protection of equity and appreciation of diversity" heading.

Examples of teachers' standards include: having a physical environment conducive to instructing students and keeping an up-to-date knowledge of curriculum.

One of the ways evaluators gauge if a teacher meets those standards is by monitoring the interest and reactions of students.

A public hearing on the standards will be held tonight.

The standards have to be approved by the state, as well as teachers, administrators and the school committee.

In other business:

• Hart and the school committee congratulated Ryan Sawchuk for earning the number one ranking in the senior class. Sawchuk will be attending Princeton in the fall.

Town meeting is Monday

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time allowed for the first time a citizen speaks is up to the moderator's discretion and "at this time that will be five minutes," he said.

Marlette will have the article voted by paper ballot.

The other article is a re-vote of a article authorizing an increase of sewer rates approved at October's special town meeting. The article was reconsidered the second night without notice being given to voters who attended the first night, Marlette explained.

It is a housekeeping matter that should only take a few minutes, he said.

Home prices continue to climb

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said. "The town has wonderful appeal," noting the proximity to the ocean and the New England village atmosphere.

Buyers are now looking for more expensive houses, moving up from more modest houses, she said. With more couples working, a house in "move-in" condition is most attractive.

"Younger buyers are both working and often don't have time to fix up a house," Parsons explained.

Houses also sold more quickly last year with the average time on the market of 124 days as compared to 140 days the previous year.

In neighboring Hingham, 162 houses were sold in 1995, at an average sale prices of $298,153. Both these figures represent an increase from the previous year, when 135 houses sold at an average price of $267,528. In Hingham in 1995, there were 34 building permits issued for new single family home construction, as compared with 48 in 1994.

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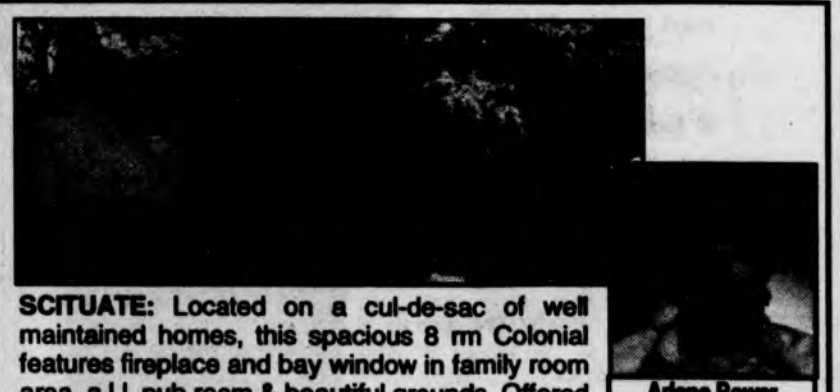

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Selectmen consider options for old Hagerty showroom

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Annual town meeting voters will have several choices on what to do with the Victorian house on the town-owned Hagerty property on Parker Avenue.

Town meeting authorized purchasing the two-acre harbor-front parcel three years ago for $470,000. Since then, a study committee has looked into turning the former Cohasset Colonials property into a recreational area for the town.

The town tore down most of the factory buildings at the site but left the house, which was the Colonials' showroom, and a few other structures.

Selectmen will ask town meeting to consider changing the zoning of the house and about 8,000-square feet around the house from light industrial to commercial, water-front use, or residential and will ask that the remainder of the property be zoned open space. Voters will also be asked to give selectmen authorization to sell or lease the house which is appraised at about $200,000.

At the 1993 annual town meeting, officials said the house might be sold at some point to help the town recoup some of the cost of purchasing the property.

The town has had proposals to buy and lease the house.

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Selectman Sullivan, fire chief at odds over need for call backs

Selectman Michael Sullivan and Fire Chief Roger Lincoln cannot agree on the need for "call backs" to cover the station when the ambulance is out of town.

Lincoln presented his revised fiscal year 1997 proposed budget to selectmen this week but discussion focused on the about $30,000 in overtime for "call backs," which occur when the town needs additional coverage.

The chief's total request is $1.2 million which is same as this year's budget.

Lincoln explained that money for call backs has always been included in the budget because a need is expected due to simultaneous calls and other emergencies.

With five-man minimum manning requirements in the past, when two men took the ambulance out of town, three were left at the station – now with four men on shift, there are two men left in town to answer the second call, Lincoln explained, increasing the need for calls backs.

Lincoln feels three men should be on duty when the ambulance is out of town.

The disagreement between Sullivan and Lincoln also involves the changed role of the dispatcher. Before civilian dispatch was in place, a firefighter manned the desk at the fire department. Now a civilian dispatcher handles all the calls from the police department.

Lincoln explained that the firefighter who used to sit on the desk could answer a call if needed – and now with civilian dispatch, that extra pair of hands is not available except through a call back. In the past if the firefighter was called off the desk, the fire department phones could be switched to the police department.

Sullivan took exception to the explanation noting that situations when the firefighter on the desk was called away were very rare.

But Lincoln tried to explain the call backs are a precautionary measure because the fire department is responsible for providing the town with adequate protection for an unexpected emergency.

"We have to protect people," Lincoln said.

Lincoln's entire overtime request, which includes call backs, sick leave, and training costs, is $122,000.

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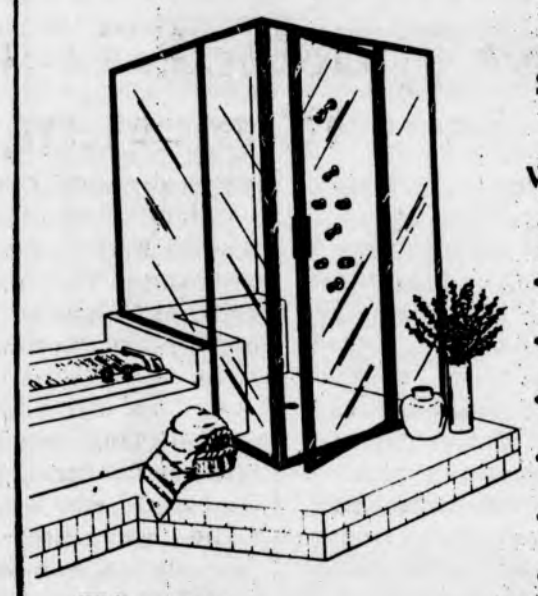

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Welcome to a brand-new member of the Pratt family

❑

The **Piasecki family** must have had one wonderful holiday season, they had their brand new baby to celebrate it with them.

Hannah Rose Piasecki was born Dec. 12, at 1:24 p.m.; she weighed 6 pounds, 2 ounces. Her mom, **Alison (Smith)** and **Richard**, her dad, are so pleased and proud! As are **Renee Smith** (Hannah's maternal grandmother, formerly of Cohasset, now of Barnstable, Mass.) and **Marguerite Piasecki** of Moriches, New York, Hannah's paternal grandmother. With all of this snow that we are having, it is possible that the groundhog will see his shadow before Hannah can get out to see hers!

Anyway, we all welcome you Hannah !

❑

Douglas R. Ellinger, the son of **George** and **Patricia Ellinger** of Cohasset, is returning to the United States following a fall semester abroad in Australia. Doug took part in the University of New South Wales program and will return to Colby College in Waterville, Maine, for the remainder of the academic year. Doug is a member of the Class of 1997 at Colby and is majoring in administrative science.

❑

Stephanie Eno of Cohasset was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in Communications from Flagler College, St. Augustine, Florida at the fall commencement ceremony held Dec. 16, on the college campus. We congratulate you, Stephanie, and hope to hear more about it!

❑

Cohasset has a celebrity in its midst, **Vince Longo**!

Vince (who most of you know is the producer at the South Shore Music Circus) has been nominated for a 1995 Concert Industry Award for the "Talent Buyer Of The Year!" This is such a big honor in the theatre industry, just to be nominated!

The winners will be announced at the annual Concert Industry Awards Party Saturday, Feb. 3, we'll be certain to let you know the outcome — we're sure that Vince will win, but we will tell him to "break a leg" anyway as added good luck.

❑

Congratulations go to **Donna** and **Peter Pratt** this week, they are parents of another son! His name is **Jared Jerome Pratt** and he was born Jan. 10. Jared joins his brother **Benjamin**, and mom sure is going to be busy! Another family anxiously awaiting spring! Enjoy your wonderful new baby, everyone.

❑

Did you know that the Appalachia Service Project has a super way for you to enjoy the Super Bowl, they can prepare your food for you! They are offering an assortment of sub sandwiches, Greek salad and chili (with or without meat), and each is $4. The proceeds of this fundraiser will help support the work week in Appalachia this June. The order deadline is Thursday, Jan. 25. Please call **Ami Argus** at 383-9325 for ordering or questions that you might have.

❑

Had a nice note from **Karen Sheerin** last week, did you know that she is now a certified personal trainer and a fitness counselor. After the holidays, lots of us can use her advice and training knowledge, give her a call at 383-9728.

❑

Lyn Previte called last week, she certainly has had quite a winter thus far! Lyn has been in and out of the hospital (knowing her, she does so much she doesn't take the time to allow herself to get better, she is a dynamo!), and told me she didn't know what she would have done without all of her friends and neighbors who helped her out! They provided meals, did shopping for her, just "everything" — she and her family want to thank all of you so much!

An added note, Lyn misses her kiddos at her Sweet Relief play care group, and assures them she is getting better every day!

❑

Hats off to **Florence Jerome** and all of the other families from Route 3A to Bound Brook Lane, people are still talking about their luminaries they put out last Christmas Eve! Placed on top of the snow, they really were a beautiful sight — so much so, they are hoping it will be an annual event! Mark it on your calendar now, that way you'll be sure to remember it as part of your holiday festivities.

❑

The **Second Congregational Church** is holding a concert Jan. 27, it is P B & J who will be the stars. P B & J appeared last year, they are New England's premier acoustic trio, and everyone adores them! The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m., it will be at the church (43 Highland Ave., next to the town hall), and admission will be $5. Call 383-0345 for any questions.

❑

My mailbox held a special treat last week, a letter from **Sharon (McEwan) Brennan!** Sharon's husband, **Jim**, received a letter concerning his 40th class reunion (CHS '56) and it made them think of their old hometown (Sharon graduated from CHS also, class of '62!) The Brennans live in Kentucky (Lexington), as do their two girls (**Susan** is an accountant in Louisville and **Kim** is a medical student at the University of Kentucky); both Kim and Sharon are "ensconced at the university," working hard I'm sure. Anyway, hopefully we will see them this summer, meanwhile they subscribe to the Mariner so we can all say a big Hello from Cohasset (the land of snow and cold).

❑

It wasn't really a surprise but last Friday the Boston Bruins president/general manager **Harry Sinden** confirmed that Cohasset's **Mike O'Connell** definitely will succeed him as the club's general manager. With Mike on the player side of the Bruins team, he'll be a whiz at solving lots of their problems — he is a real people person. Those who know him will tell you how kind, fair and honest he is — anyway, we congratulate Mike for his hard work earning him one of the most coveted positions in hockey (or any pro sport for that matter!).

❑

Kelsie Blair Litchfield is pleased and proud to announce the birth of her sister, **Tori Clark Litchfield.** Tori was born Jan. 14 at 10:58 a.m., she was 20 inches long and weighed 8 lbs. 4 ozs.

Dad, **John**, and mom **Kim (Chatterton)** are both so thrilled (and surprised that they didn't have to travel through a snowstorm to get Tori here). Need I tell you that Tori's grandparents are beside themselves with joy and love? **"Mimi" (Marge) Litchfield** (paternal grandmom); **Clark** and **Sal Chatterton** (maternal grandparents); and of course, **"Mimi" (Fran) Chatterton,** great-grandmother (for the fifth time). Oh, are we all excited! Just ask to see pictures, we all have them!

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Garden Club to meet Jan. 23

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold its monthly meeting at Walton Rodgers Hall in St. Stephen's Church on Tuesday, Jan. 23, at 9:30 a.m. Coffee will be served at 9 a.m.

The presentation will feature highlights of the Chelsea, England, Flower Show and slides of 14 magnificent English gardens.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Weddings

Kimberly Ann Hunt & Alexander T. Messinger

Messinger/Hunt

Kimberly Ann Hunt, daughter of James A. and Elizabeth N. Hunt, 285 South Main St., Cohasset, married Alexander Taft Messinger, son of Bruce F. and Charlotte B. Messinger, 68 Stetson Shrine Ln., Norwell, June 24, at First Parish Unitarian Church in Norwell. The Rev. Elizabeth Tarbox officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was given by her father, James A. Hunt. Maid of Honor was Kathleen Walsh of Cohasset.

Bridesmaids were Emily C. Messinger of Norwell. Matthew T. Messinger of Norwell served as Best Man. Ushers were Alex Woolfson of San Francisco, Calif., and father of the bride and father of the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Cohasset High School and the University of Vermont, and is employed at Swanton Central School in Swanton, Vermont.

A reception was held at the Cushing Center in Norwell.

After a wedding trip to the Hawaiian Islands, the couple will reside in Burlington, Vermont.

Obituaries

Belmira Barrows

Lifelong resident

Belmira Barrows, 72, of Cohasset, a private secretary for many years, died Dec. 31 in New England Medical Center in Boston after a long illness.

A 1941 graduate of Cohasset High School, Miss Barrows was a lifelong resident of Cohasset.

She leaves a sister, Cecilia Sampson of Cohasset; and three nephews and one niece.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday, Jan. 3, in St. Anthony's Church. Burial was in Woodside Cemetery.

The McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 1 Summer St., handled the arrangements.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 229 North St., Hingham 02043.

Maria R. Pape

Worked for school department

Maria R. (Laugelle) Pape, 76, of Cohasset, died Jan. 13 at home after a brief illness.

She was a retired bus coordinator for Cohasset High School and the town's elementary schools, a job she held for 18 years. Prior to serving in this position, she worked 14 years as a waitress and manager at Kimball's Restaurant in Scituate.

Mrs. Pape, an enthusiastic golfer, was associated with the Pembroke Country Club and Dennis Pines on Cape Cod, where she participated in many golf tournaments.

She was the wife of Charles F. Pape and leaves a daughter, Susan E. Basteri of Kingston; four brothers, Anthony Laugelle, Rocco Laugelle, Joseph Laugelle and Peter Laugelle, all of Cohasset; three sisters, Pauline Litchfield of Scituate, Ann Blackman of Needham and Lucy Spognardi of Roslindale; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Jan. 16 in St. Anthony's Church. Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Donations in her memory may be made to Hospice of the South Shore, 100 Bay State Dr., Braintree 02184.

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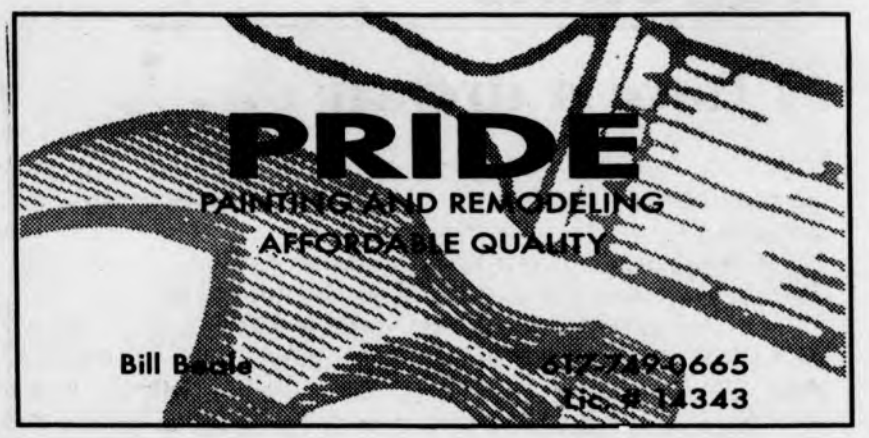

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EDITORIAL

'I have a dream . . .'

It's hard for most of us to realize now but Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has been dead for nearly 28 years.

He was gunned down by an assassin April 4, 1968, on the balcony of a motel in Memphis, Tenn.

A whole generation of Americans, both black and white, have grown to adulthood since that day.

Fully half the population of the United States can't recall ever seeing him live in person or on TV.

But his words – delivered on Aug. 28, 1963 – outlining his vision of an America stripped of inequality still live on.

"In spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment," he told the throng from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, "I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self evident; that all men are created equal.'

"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit together at the table of brotherhood.

"I have a dream that even the state of Mississippi, a desert state sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

"I have a dream today. I have a dream that one day the state of Alabama . . . will be transformed into a situation where little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white children and walk together as sisters and brothers.

"I have a dream today. I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plains, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

"This is our hope. This is the faith with which I return to the South. With this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood.

"With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom together, knowing we will be free one day.

"This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with new meaning 'My country 'tis of thee, sweet land of liberty, of thee I sing. Land where my fathers died, land of the Pilgrim's pride, from every mountainside, let freedom ring.'

"When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual, 'Free at last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last!"

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

School group responds to letter

To the Editor:

We would like to respond to a letter from Roy Fitzsimmons that appeared in the Dec. 14 edition of the Cohasset Mariner. In his letter, Mr. Fitzsimmons questions the need for a new school and raises other issues that we feel we must address.

First, Mr. Fitzsimmons states that the "...school committee and the superintendent are trying to make a case that we need more space in our schools." In fact, the recommendation for the need for new school facilities has come from the School Facilities/School Building Committee. This committee is an independent committee comprising nine members, three of whom are appointed by the selectmen, three by the town moderator and three by the school committee. The School Facilities/School Building Committee was authorized by the March 25, 1995 Annual Town Meeting to "...determine the most efficient or effective use of our present school buildings including the renovation of existing buildings and/or the construction of a new building..."

Since the Town Meeting, our committee has, with the assistance of our architect, Earl R. Flansburgh & Associates, conducted an Existing Conditions Review of all three Cohasset schools, including a report on each building's structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, architectural, landscape and civil components. The committee also identified the number and kinds of spaces necessary to meet the needs of Cohasset projected school enrollment through the year 2005. Although we were pleased that the school committee unanimously approved our recommendation, we want it to be clearly understood that the recommendation was a result of almost a year-long study conducted by our independent committee.

Second, while projected enrollment figures were a major concern of our committee, they were not the sole driving force behind our decision. We also considered the major deficiencies of the Osgood School that include health and safety issues, deterioration of a 70-year-old plus building, the inability of the building to support a modern educational program, and the present overcrowding that exists at Osgood. Mr. Fitzsimmons includes enrollment figures from 1968 to 1995 with his letter. He does not specify, however, that in 1971, when 602 students were listed as attending the Osgood School, 122 of these students attended kindergarten classes at the Unitarian Parish House. Therefore, the actual enrollment at Osgood was 480, a number which is actually the proposed enrollment for the Osgood School for the year 2005 (only 64 more students than are presently enrolled). Since educational programs today require more space than was needed in 1971, the overcrowding at Osgood is even more acute.

Third, our committee is very concerned about the financial impact of this project on the town. We have considered many options to meet the school system's needs. We determined that housing students for grades 6-12 in the same building is not appropriate. We also learned that the state will not provide any financial support for the renovation of the Osgood School. James Anderson, an administrator of the State Department of Education, has written, "...based on the on-site review, the Department of Education will not participate in aiding this project..." This means that any work conducted at the Osgood will have to be paid 100 percent by the town of Cohasset. We found that retaining the Osgood School and bringing it up to current acceptable standards would be a more expensive project than constructing a new school.

Finally, we would like to clarify that although there would be a delay in the initial reimbursement to the town by the state, the reimbursement would continue for a full 20-year period; the town will be reimbursed a full 60 percent of the project's costs.

We hope that this information is helpful and urge that all voters investigate this issue thoroughly so that they can make an informed decision at the Jan. 22 Special Town Meeting.

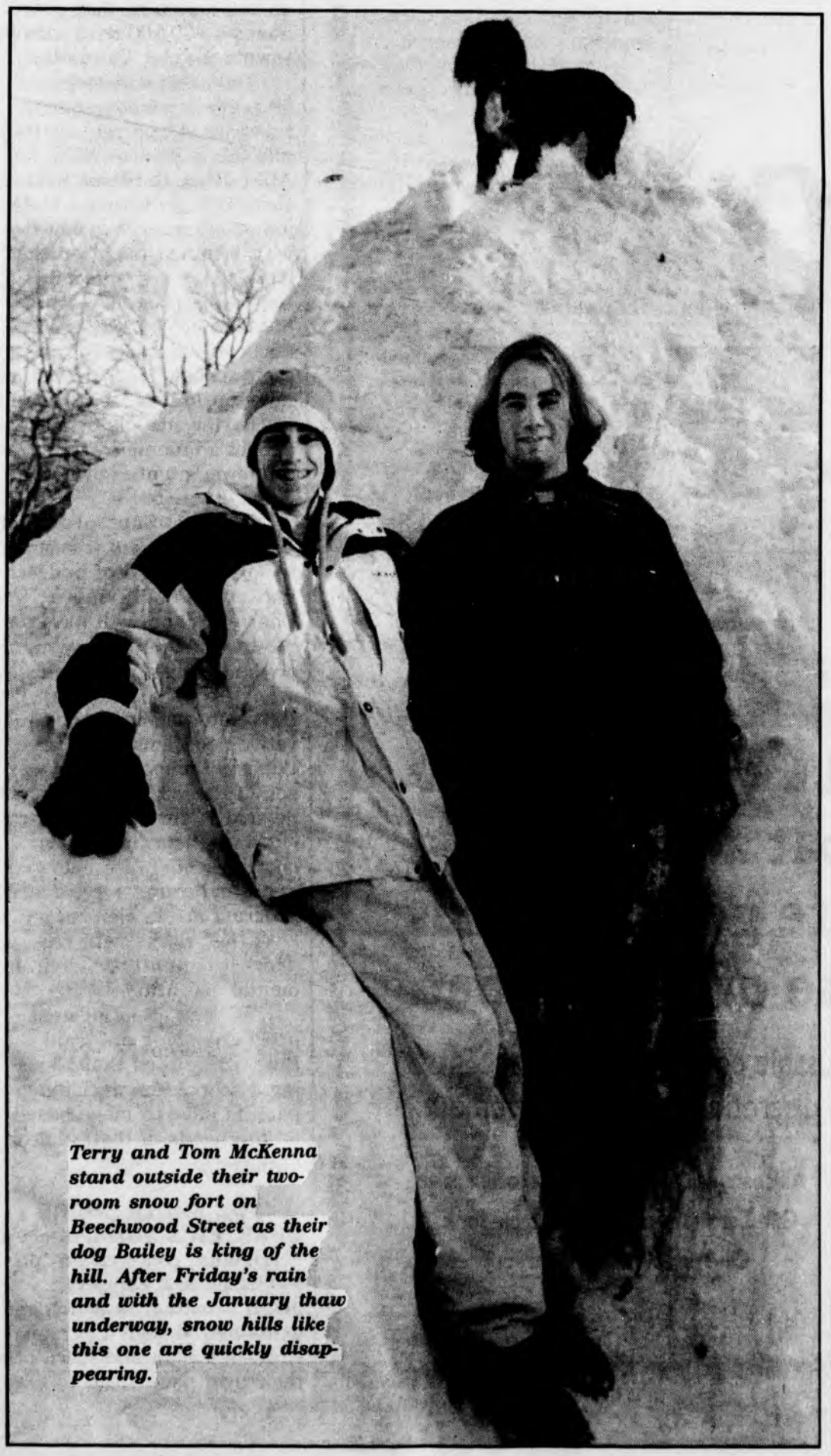
School Facilities/School Building Committee
Robert Beggan, Chairman
Elizabeth Bates
Allen DeVito
Robert Spoffard
Richard J. Silvia
Robert Julian
David Chase
John Calabro
Joseph Buckley

More letters on page 14.

Snow days add up to winter fun for school kids

Staff photos/ Alan Chapman

Carlo and David Santiago hang on as they start down the sledding hill at Cohasset High School. January 1996 holds the new record for snow with a total depth of 32 inches, weather experts say.



Terry and Tom McKenna stand outside their two-room snow fort on Beechwood Street as their dog Bailey is king of the hill. After Friday's rain and with the January thaw underway, snow hills like this one are quickly disappearing.

Ryan Elizabeth Ingram runs back uphill at Cohasset High for another sledding run. So far this school year, Cohasset children have missed five days due to snow storms.

A look at South Shore Charter School

Town reimbursed 50% of tuition costs

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Like those in other public schools, students at the Hull-based South Shore Charter School enjoyed another couple of snow days last week thanks to the Jan. 5 blizzard.

But unlike school districts where officials worry about finding ways to meet state education requirements for 180 school days if severe winter weather continues – school director Timothy Anderson said charter school students – 15 of them from Cohasset – can have up to 199 days of school this year.

School began Sept. 6 at the experimental new school and will run until June 23 or longer if students choose to continue their education into the summer months.

The new public schools give families a new educational choice and with a non-traditional curriculum and innovative teaching methods serve as "research and development lab" for other public school systems, officials say.

Except Thanksgiving, the week between Christmas and New Year's, Labor day, Memorial Day, and the Fourth of July – the charter school stays open observing no other holidays, half days, and no scheduled February or April vacations.

Students are expected to be in school at least 180 days, Anderson explained, but they are permitted to take vacations when they want to.

An extended school year and student choice for vacation times are just a couple of the many differences that have set this and other charter schools school apart from traditional public school systems.

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Formed through the 1993 Education Reform Act, 15 charter schools opened throughout the state last year. Five more charter schools are slated to open in September, said Acting Director of Charter Schools Paul Herdman from the state's Executive Office of Education. Under the reform act as many as 25 charter schools can be opened across the commonwealth. Herdman said with strong support for the new schools from the governor, there is the potential for legislation to further increase the number of charter schools.

But a big concern for local communities – which must compete with charter schools for students – is funding.

State legislation requires that tuition dollars follow the students – which means school districts will lose not only students but also state education aid (chapter 70) dollars. To ease the burden, in the the charter schools' first year of operation some towns hardest hit by student transfers received 100 percent reimbursement in state aid while others towns, which lost fewer students, got 50 percent back from the state.

In Cohasset, 15 students have made the switch to the South Shore Charter School and with a per pupil cost of $5,263 annually, that puts about a $79,000 dent into the town's chapter 70 funding.

Cohasset will receive a 50 percent reimbursement this year, 40 percent in 1997, and 30 percent in 1998. After 1998, Herdman said there will be no more state aid reimbursement, which was designed to soften the blow of the transition on school districts. Over time, the idea is that school districts will either improve their schools so that they do not continue to lose students to charter schools or make budget adjustments based on the fewer number of students, he said.

Cohasset Supt. of Schools Stephen Hart said it's hard to say what kind of budget impact the South Shore Charter School will have on the town or how many more students might attend the school in its second year. But Hart noted some of the innovative programs going on in Cohasset schools including activity-based learning, which he said is similar to the project-based learning at the charter school (see below) and a naturalist-in-residence program at the elementary level that works with students in an outdoor environmental classroom.

"We have a lot of new programs going on," said Hart, who noted that choosing a school is a decision parents have to make based on the needs of their children.

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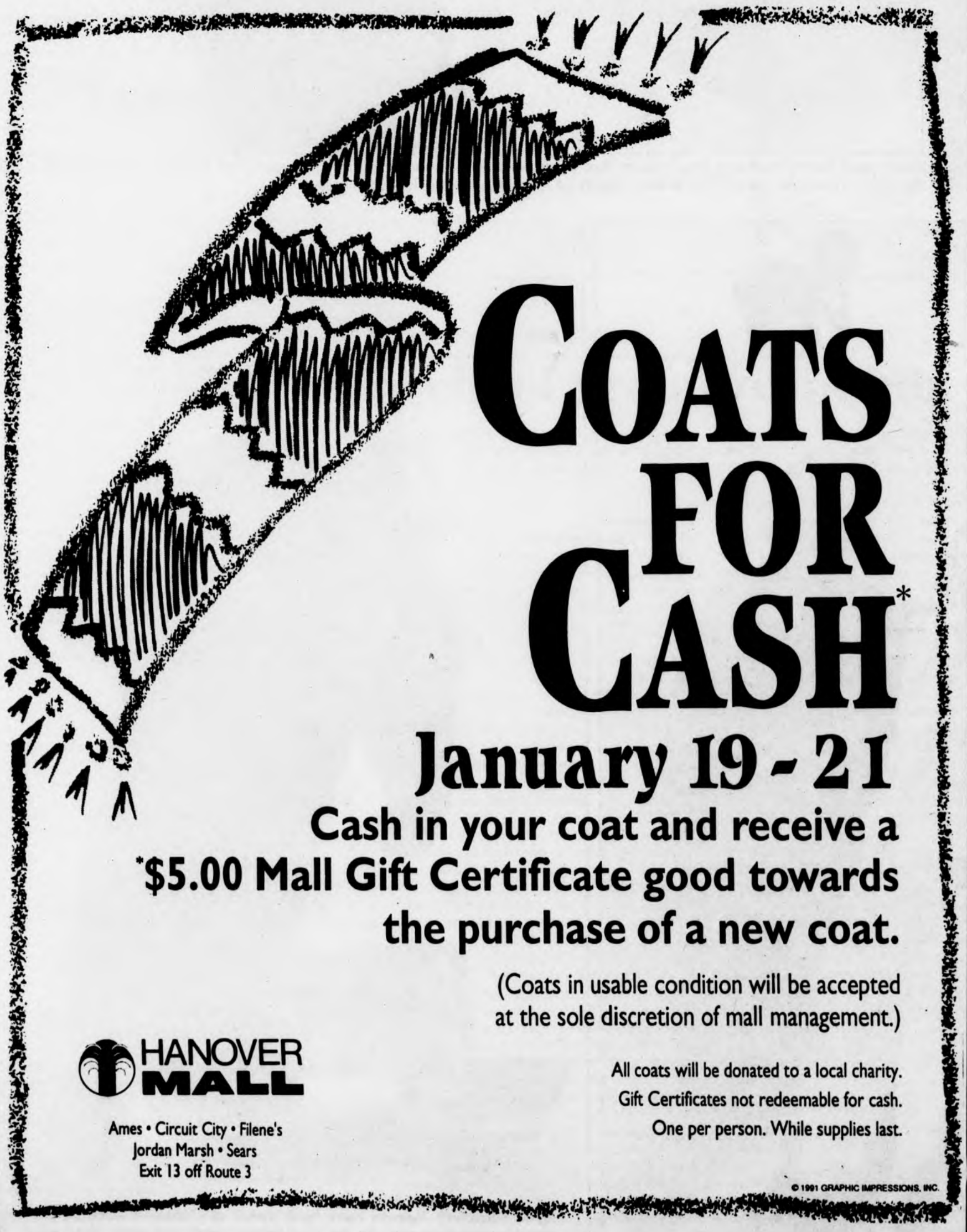
THE SOUTH SHORE CHARTER SCHOOL offers a curriculum centered on "project-based and competency-based learning" in which students help design a personal education plan and learn at their own pace. Add to that



at half-way point of first year in Hull

In its first year, the charter school hired 11 full-time teachers, 30 part-time teachers, and benefits from contributions of volunteer parents and community members, officials say.

a strong focus on parent and community involvement and you have the basic principals behind the new school, Anderson says.

Student assessments let parents know how students are doing and whether they have established competency in a subject. If parents request it, letter grades are provided at the end of the semester and in quarterly progress reports. All parents receive teacher comments on how their child is doing And at the secondary level, teachers, too, get graded as students get a chance to evaluate educators.

The second semester begins Feb. 2, and Anderson said feedback from students, teachers, and parents has been positive.

At both the primary and secondary level, students study, learn, and work on projects in small groups called pods – many contain a range of ages and all integrate most academic disciplines through project-based learning.

Students move from pod to pod and work on a minimum of three projects on four different themes: the environment, communication, entrepreneurship, and human service.

Projects in action include a lunch business started by second graders at the primary school. They take orders for lunch from fellow students, call the orders in to a local sub shop in Hull (which meets the state's nutritional requirements), collect the money, and pay for the lunches when they are delivered.

The school does not have a cafeteria but the sub shop is working out well for students who want to buy lunch, while those who do not, brown bag it, Anderson said.

Another project under the entrepreneurship theme involves several secondary students working to restore and preserve the tugboat Luna sunk in the Charles River Basin in 1930. The student group leader organizes fund-raising by using the school's public relations firm – a separate project under the communications theme – and coordinates the workers who head into Boston to work on board the boat on Saturdays.

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IN ITS FIRST YEAR, the charter school hired 11 full-time teachers, 30 part-time teachers, and benefits from contributions of volunteer parents and community members, Anderson explains.

In the fall, parents constructed a playground for the primary school and continue to be involved in school issues serving on the primary and secondary school councils.

Members of Hingham's Rotary Club are frequent visitors to the secondary school giving career information and ideas to students. And corporate and college partners like Suffolk University and Massasoit Community College offer courses to students who can earn college credits giving them a head start in higher education.

The school's extended-day program offers after-school educational opportunities for students who can study Russian and other subjects or try their hands at chess up until 6 p.m.

At the charter school, students play a large role in shaping not only their own educational experience but also guiding the course of the school as it continues to evolve.

One third of the members of the secondary school council are students who help to address grievance and discipline issues by making recommendations. This kind of student involvement is important in getting students to understand the consequences of their actions and the responsibility involved in making decisions, Anderson says.

Self-governance is a basic part of the secondary school's success, said Anderson, who noted one of the charter's school's greatest achievements this year was establishing a culture of trust and respect in which the students have a hand in running the school.

"Many students came to us unhappy by something that had hurt them in school, that made them less curious, less interested or less ambitious," he said.

Empowering these students and encouraging them to take leadership roles has made a big difference, he added.

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RECRUITING FOR NEXT YEAR's expanded enrollment will begin soon. Currently 150 are enrolled in grades K-2 and six through 12. Next year the school will add grades three, four and five increasing enrollment any where from 250 to 400 students. Already, 25 applications have been submitted and Anderson said the school will do its lottery drawing for next year's students early in March.

In addition to increasing enrollment, Anderson said the school looks to lease more space to accommodate the additional students. Currently the school works out of two buildings in Hull, and uses a nearby fitness studio for its physical education programs.

Anderson said the school also seeks new corporate partners to bring new educational opportunities and resources to the school.

Ironing out what has been a slow transition to getting a completely on-line computer network in use, is another goal for Anderson, who was surprised by the difficulties the school has experienced in this area.

All students have e-mail accounts and the charter school receives Internet services through Suffolk University, said Anderson, who noted that secondary students are making the most use of the school's 22 computers so far. Some students and parents have phobias and it will take time to get everyone accustomed to using the system that will provide students and parents full computer access to curriculum information, teacher comments and assessments of students, and give them an opportunity to make comments of their own, he says.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Participation in landfill hearing urged

To the Editor:

Site Assignment Hearings for the proposed 27.5 acre expansion of Cohasset Heights Ltd. landfill begin at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Jan. 23, in town hall auditorium, and continue every Tuesday and Thursday night after that until completed. I urge Cohasset residents to attend these hearings and to participate in this critical phase of the permitting process.

By now, everyone in Cohasset should have received a copy of the "Petition for rights as a participant in the site assignment hearings." I urge every Cohasset resident to sign and send in one of these petitions to be received by the Board of Health before 4:30 p.m., Jan. 23, to reserve your right to speak out against the expansion or to submit a written comment letter.

The CHL solid waste operation threatens to expand far beyond the 23 acres of the existing landfill. The landfill expansion itself would extend CHL operations to another 27.5 acres for the landfill and another 8.3 acres for the materials processing operation on Route 3A where the golf driving range is. And, CHL owners are now proposing to establish a construction and recycling facility on the three acres of the old Winter Garden's building across Route 3A. CHL owners have purchased more than 100 acres of land around the current landfill – where will this all end?

John K. McNabb Jr.
53 Pond St.

Cartoon gratefully acknowledged

To the Editor:

The following is an attempted acknowledgment to the gifted artistry of Mr. James Hamilton in last week's Cohasset Mariner.

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Hedlund names new chief of staff

State Sen. Robert L. Hedlund (R-Weymouth) has appointed Jeffrey Granatino as his new chief of staff. Granatino, a Scituate resident, has served as a history teacher at Hull Junior/Senior High School for the past five years. He has also served as athletic director for Hull's school system for the past two years.

Granatino will be managing the day-to-day affairs of the office and will be assisting in the drafting of legislation, as well as working with local officials throughout the district.

Granatino, a Hingham native, has lived for all but two years in the district. He graduated from Hingham High School and received a BA in political science from Middlebury College. He is currently completing a master's degree in education administration at the University of Massachusetts, Boston.

Hedlund said Granatino is well-versed in all the major issues in surrounding communities and can relate firsthand to problems that may arise in the district.

What's happening at the Council on Aging

Upcoming events offered by the Council on Aging for seniors include: a Soup Sampler with Anna, Jan. 24 at noon ($5) and a trip to see "Phantom of the Opera" this summer.

The SHINE coordinator is available Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. A Foot Clinic is being offered during January. The fee is $18.

SHARE pick-up day is Saturday, Jan. 27, at Deer Hill School from 8 to 9:30 a.m.

February classes include a Step Program Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 to 8:15 a.m.; Stretch, Tone & Strengthen Tuesdays at 7 a.m. and Thursdays at 7:45 a.m.; "Easy Does It" Tuesdays at 11 a.m.; Chi Gong Fridays at 9 a.m. and Watercolor classes Thursdays at 1:30 p.m.

Bowling (9:30 a.m.), Knitting (1 p.m.) and a Book Discussion Group (starting Jan. 29) are other activities the Council on Aging offers to seniors.

For further information, call the COA at 383-9112.

Paul Pratt Library Corner

Watercolors and acrylics on exhibit through March

"Nothing in Common," a watercolor and acrylic exhibit by artists Anne Lane, Marge Murphy and Lynn T. Rizzotto, opened with a reception Sunday, Jan. 14, at the Paul Pratt Library. Examples of the artists' works will be on exhibit through March 15.

The library has received a gift of the following 15 CD-Roms through the generosity of Softkey International, Inc., Michael J. Perik, CEO:

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Jim and Shirley Marten have given the library $600 to be used to restore the lighting in the entrance rotunda to light up the beautifully restored murals.

Registrations are currently being accepted for the winter preschool story hour session at the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. Story hour will be held Thursday and Friday mornings at 10 a.m., beginning Jan. 18 and 19. Each 45-minute program consists of several picture book stories and simple fingerplays, songs and crafts. Children must be at least 3-1/2 to participate. To register, call the children's librarian at 383-1348.

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School Notebook

Group helps Robin's Nest

In the spirit of the holiday season, members of the Cohasset High School Social Awareness Organization purchased gifts for three teenagers whose families are affected by HIV/AIDS.

Students who participated were Holly Brennock, Katie Buckley, Kyra Lea Cogill, Caitlin Connolly, Megan Connolly, Britt Covell and Andrea Mercurio.

The SAO worked through Robin's Nest in Pembroke to accomplish their goals. Robin's Nest was created to provide a safe gathering place for those affected by AIDS and HIV on the South Shore. The group currently provides services to about 50 families.

SAT prep course offered

In a joint effort with the Scituate Recreation Department, the Cohasset Recreation Department will accept a limited number of students into its 18-week SAT I Preparation Course, scheduled to begin Wednesday, Jan. 17, at Scituate High School.

The course is a math preparation program designed to prepare students for the math portion of SAT exams. Class size is limited to 10 students. The cost is $200 for the entire course, which meets from 7 to 8 p.m on Wednesdays.

To register, call the Cohasset Recreation Department office at 383-6791.

Nursery school has openings

The South Shore Community Center Nursery School will accept applications for the 1996-97 school year, beginning Monday, Jan. 22, through Monday, Jan. 29, at the Nursery School and Community Center offices. Registration is based on a lottery system.

Completed applications should be returned to the SSCC office by Jan. 29, clearly marked as a Nursery School registration application.

Parents registering their child in the three-year-old program should enclose a copy of the child's birth certificate. All applications must include the $85 registration fee, which includes a family membership to the SSCC for the school year. Checks will be returned for children who are placed on a waiting list.

The lottery will be drawn for siblings of Nursery School students on Tuesday, Jan. 30, and children of current SSCC members as of Dec. 31, 1995 will be drawn on the morning of Wednesday, Jan. 31 and for the general public in the afternoon. The roster will be posted on Nursery School and SSCC bulletin boards on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

The school offers Nursery, Pre-Kindergarten and Enrichment programs. For further information, call Lynne Sheridan, director of the school, at 383-0036.

Workshop is Jan. 22

The Cohasset Elementary Schools' adjustment counselors, Ed Leonard and Frank Fitzgerald, are conducting a four-session parenting workshop based on a model called Systematic Training for Effective Parenting. S.T.E.P. offers parents a realistic and practical approach to meeting the challenges of raising children today.

The meetings will be held Mondays, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, Feb. 5 and Feb. 12 in the Watermelon Room at St. Stephen's church, Cohasset, from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Topics to be addressed at the workshop include communication skills, developing responsibility, discipline, and understanding your child's behavior. There is no charge for the workshop. Participants need to purchase "STEP The Parent's Handbook" by Don Dinkmeyer and Gary McKay (published by American Guidance Service) available at Buttonwood Books, Cohasset for $12. To register, call any school's office.

Super Bowl subs fundraiser

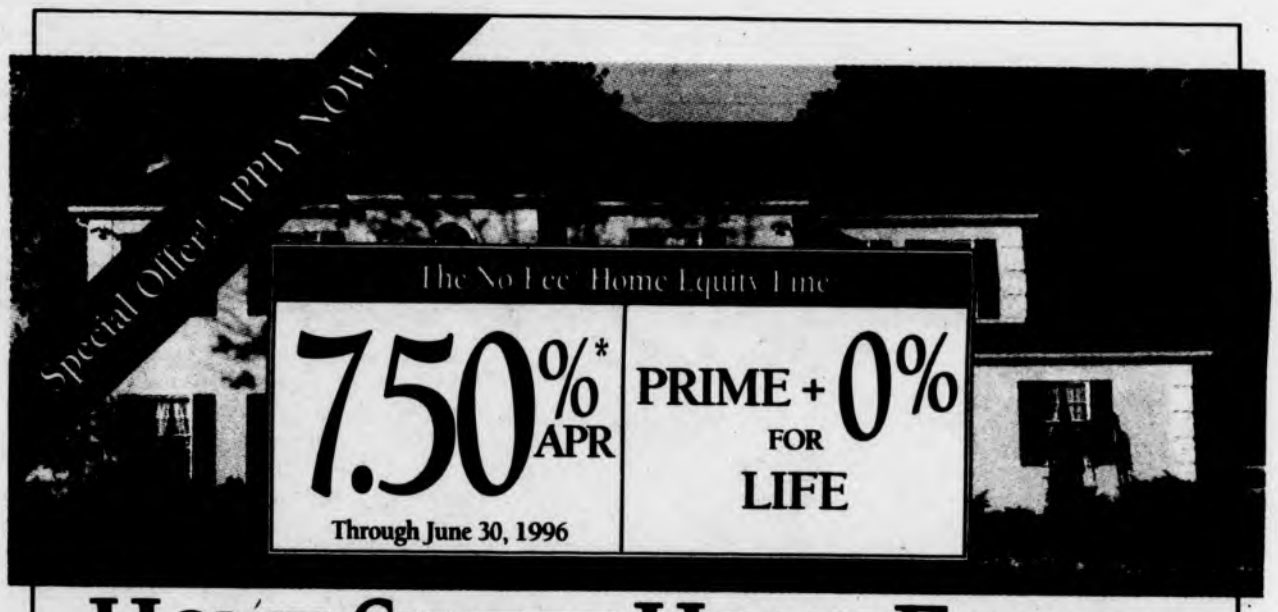
The Appalachia Service Project is making and selling sub sandwiches, chili and Greek salads for Super Bowl Sunday fare. The Super Bowl date for 1996 is Sunday, Jan. 28. Order deadline is Friday, Jan. 26.

This project is a fundraiser to help support the Appalachia Service Project's home repair mission in central Appalachia in June, 1996.

Order forms are available at all the local churches or call Ami Argus (383-9325) to place your order. Sub assortment includes turkey, roast beef, chicken salad or Italian cold cut. Meat or vegetarian chili, which are sold by the pint and include a slice of pita bread, are also available. The Greek salad is quite large and also comes with a slice of pita bread. All items cost $4. Orders can be picked up Sunday, Jan. 28, between 2 and 4 p.m. at the Second Congregational Church or delivered to you for no additional charge between 3 and 5 p.m.

The Deer Hill School chorus practices for its recent performance at Faneuil Hall in Boston under the direction of Jack McInnis.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman



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Celebrating the holidays at Osgood

Kindergartners in Mrs. Price's class perform for family and friends

Staff photos/ Alan Chapman

Cameron Cunningham, Ian Cundall, Peter Ernst, and Mackenzie Durkin sing during their class' celebration of the holidays last month.

Eric McCarthy's little brother, Ryan, tries to steal the show.

Samantha Healey hands the mike to Ryan Connors.

Andrew DiVitre performs a traditional dance with a classmate.

Mariner Sports

Grapplers' pins net two more wins

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

They weren't pinned into the corner with nowhere to go. Instead, the Cohasset High wrestling team pinned the Norwell High Clippers into the mats.

Often.

The Skippers built a 48-0 lead up to the 152-pound weight class en-route to a convincing 60-18 victory last Thursday evening.

Cohasset registered all of its nine individual wins by pin in the lopsided win.

The Skippers then split a tri meet later in the week, improving their record to a none-too-shabby 7-2 on the season.

Head coach Torin Sweeney said the South Shore League meet against Norwell was a good one for the ever-improving Skipper club.

"It was a good league meet," he said. "Our guys wrestled very well. Once they put somebody on their back that was it."

The Clippers found themselves on their backs early and often as Mike Baird (112), Tucker Gledhill (119), Ben Littauer (125), Jordan Fiore (130), Kevin Duffy (135), Doug Sheerin (140), Eric Snow (145), Justin Buckley (171) and Adam Sasso (189) all won with convincing pins.

Cohasset then split a tri meet on Saturday with Sharon and Nauset. The Skippers lost an extremely evenly-

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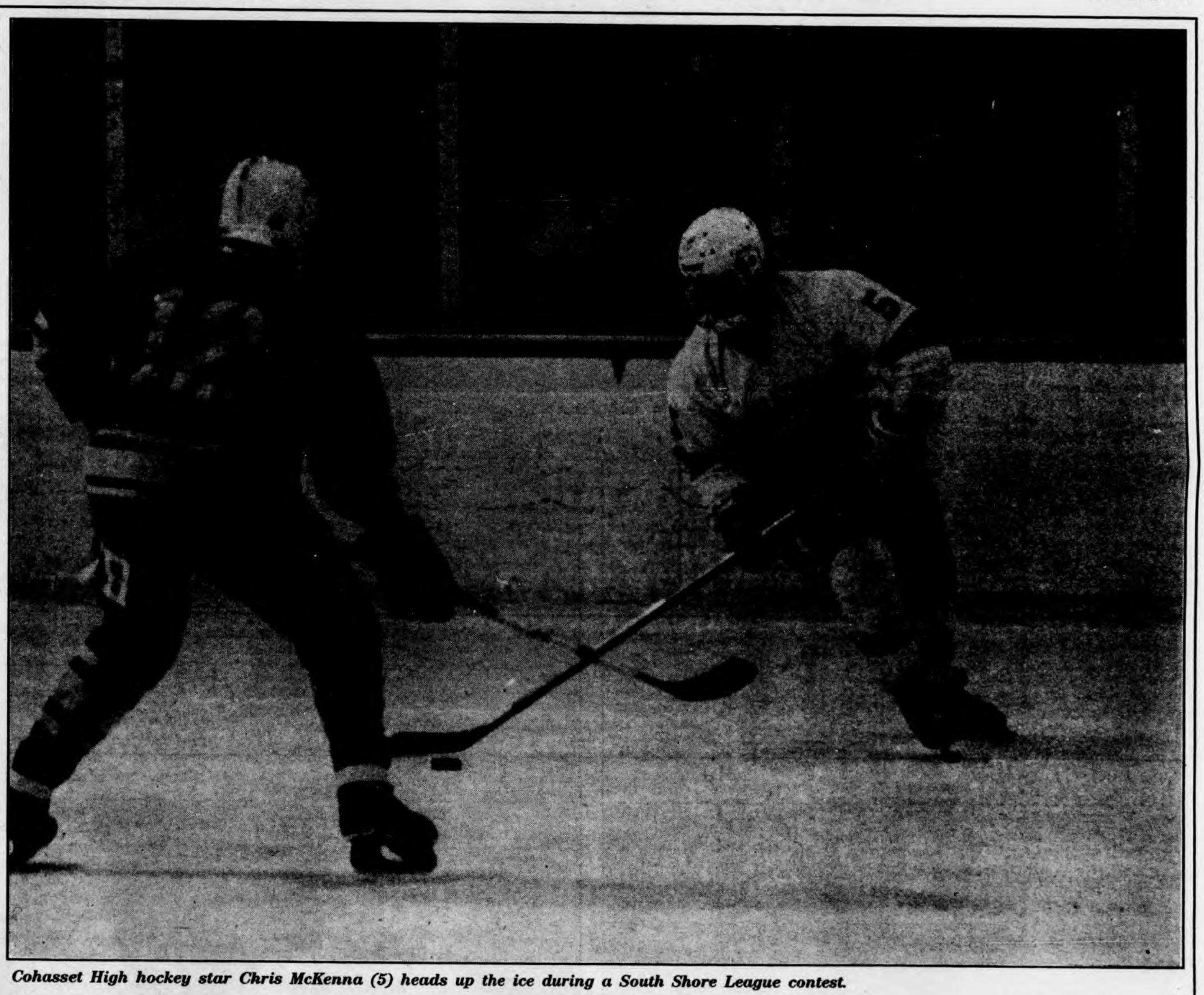

Cohasset High hockey star Chris McKenna (5) heads up the ice during a South Shore League contest.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Gymnasts beat rivals

Pratt shines in Skippers' 27th consecutive win

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The countdown has begun for the Cohasset High gymnastics team.

Led by the two season-best scores by Megan Pratt and first-places finishes from Tara Hettstrom and Jodi Colwill, the Skippers won their 27th consecutive meet – taking a huge step towards a third South Shore League title – with a 122.6 – 119.6 victory over Scituate.

The win extended Cohasset's record to a perfect 6-0 on the season and marked a clean sweep over the Sailors for the winter.

Skipper head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni said it was Cohasset's consistency in this year's meets that she felt gave her squad the edge heading in.

"I felt really confident with the girls where they had score in the 120's in the past five weeks," Ardizzoni said.

First- and third-place finishes from Tara Hettstrom (7.5) and Megan Pratt (7.3) on the bars gave the Skippers a quick 29.1 – 27.7 lead.

Pratt also picked up the first of two season-best performances with her

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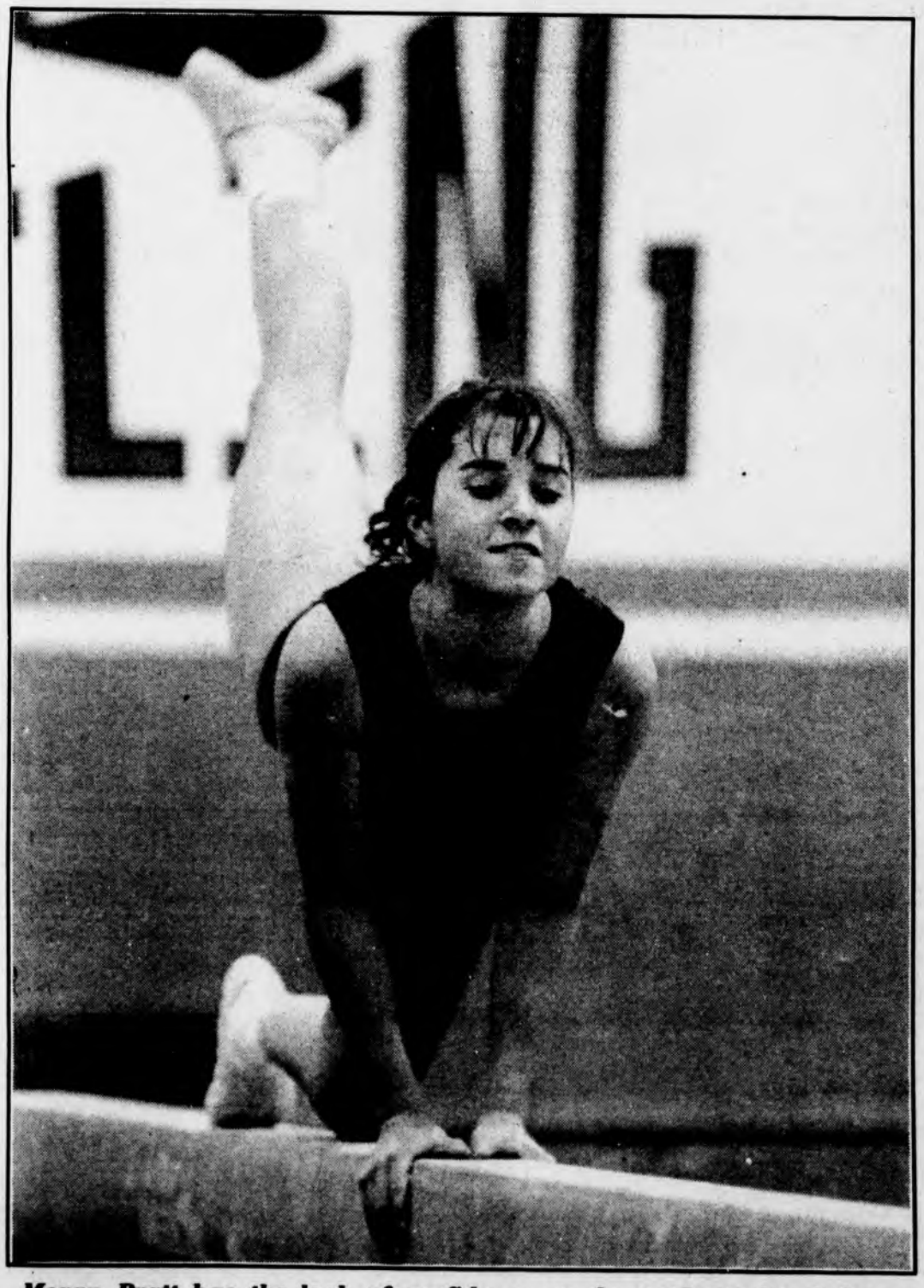
Mariner Sports

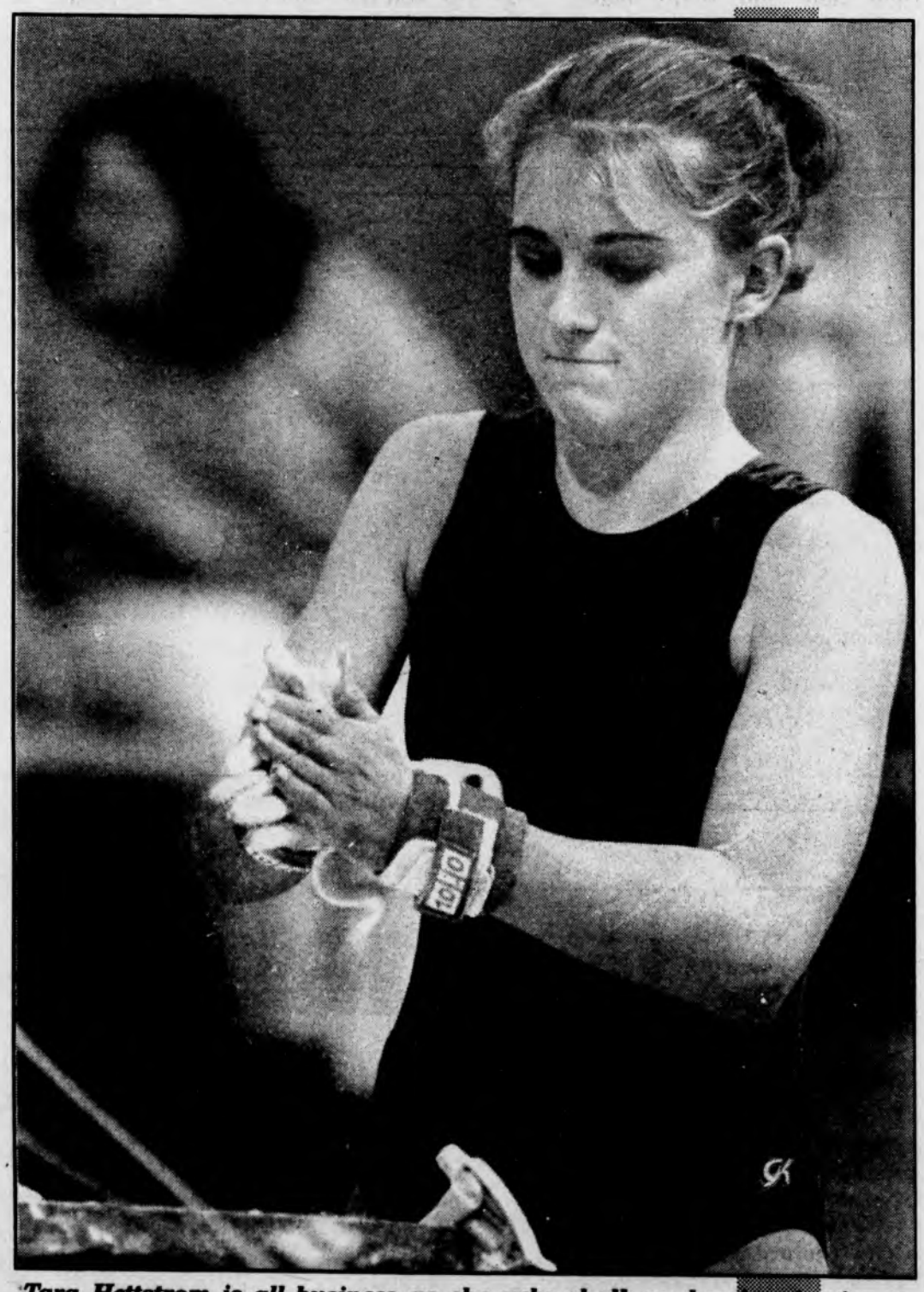
Gymnasts' Streak hits 27

Erica Hettstrom is caught in mid-flight during her floor exercise.

Photos by Buzz Wadsworth



Megan Pratt has the look of confidence as she performs her balance beam routine against Hanover. The Cohasset High gymnastics squad went on to defeat the Indians and beat Scituate High on Tuesday night for its 27th consecutive win.



Tara Hettstrom is all business as she rubs chalk on her hand prior to her performance on the bars.

Mariner Sports

Letters, awards presented at Gridiron Club Dinner

The 1995 annual Cohasset Gridiron Club Football Break Up Dinner was attended by more than 170 parents, players, school administrators, fans and coaches on Dec. 3 at the Chart House. Many participants were honored for their fall participation in Cohasset High School athletics.

Gridiron president Mike Sasso introduced cheerleading coach Kara Protulus following the dinner. The cheerleading squad showed tremendous effort throughout the year, and Protulus spoke about team work as she introduced its members, which include Holly Russell, Maureen Murphy, Stephanie Lubitz, Meredith Equi and Heather Conte, all seniors who cheered for their final football season.

Coaches Torin Sweeney and Brandon DeVoe introduced the freshman football team, which included seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders. The team showed steady improvement, finishing the season with a strong 5-3 record.

Coaches Robert Knurek and Bobby Silvia took the podium to introduce the Cohasset varsity football team. Ten seniors were awarded letters as they finished their last football campaign. Included were Co-captains Brian Riley and Brian Sasso, Nate Caldwell, Greg Stevens, Kevin Gentile, Kevin Smith, Keith Wright, Ben Keefe, Patrick Reynolds and Mike Coates.

Following the letter awards, special award presentations were made. Brian Sasso and Nate Caldwell were awarded Golden Helmet Awards for being three-year varsity letter winners. Mike Coates earned the Coaches Award, Nate Caldwell was recognized as Most Improved Player and Patrick Reynolds was identified as the Unsung Hero.

Brian Riley, Patrick Reynolds, Nate Caldwell, Ben Keefe, Brian Sasso and Mike Coates all received awards at the 1995 Cohasset Gridiron Club Football Dinner.

Ben Keefe was awarded the Best Offensive Player award in conjunction with his leading blocker, Brian Sasso, who earned the Best Offensive Lineman award. Brian Riley garnered both the Best Defensive Player and the Most Valuable Player awards.

The evening ended with a special presentation by the Gridiron Club to the varsity letter winners. Each athlete was given a letter jacket, and the surprise and excitement were evident in the smiles of each of the players as they were introduced and given their jackets.

Pratt shines in Skippers' 27th consecutive win

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score. Her 8.2, third-place showing on the floor exercise was also Pratt's best score of the winter.

"She's looking really good right now and really came through for us," Ardizzoni said.

Cohasset then proceeded to keep all of its gymnasts on the beam and extended its lead to 2.7 points. Erica Hettstrom (7.8) and Colwill (7.7) took second and third, respectively.

Ardizzoni knew the strong beam performance wrapped up the win for the Skippers.

"They wanted that win really bad," she said. "Unless we had a disaster, we weren't going to lose the meet."

Colwill won the vault with a score of 7.7, followed closely by Erica Hettstrom in second (7.6) and Tara Hettstrom, whose 7.5 tied her for third. Erica also took second in the all-around at 30.9.

The Hettstrom's had identical second-place finishes on the floor exercise (8.3) with Pratt hot on their trail in third (8.2).

Carolyn Pratt also turned in a stellar performance with a personal best of 7.5.

Ardizzoni said she wouldn't be surprised to see the girls hit some of their highest scores in the weeks to come.

"I think we might get the best performances now because the pressure's off and they can relax," Ardizzoni said.

She quickly added that it was too early to think about a third consecutive league title because of the sickness and injury factor that is always lurking. And with eight girls on the squad, the loss of just one or two key gymnasts could spell disaster.

Cohasset did away with another nemesis, Hanover, in last Thursday night's meet.

Erica Hettstrom (floor) and Megan Pratt (beam) won their respective events while Pratt and Lauren Genovese both hit personal bests of 6.9 on the season.

Pins net two more wins

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matched contest against Sharon, 38-37, but soundly defeated Nauset, 54-18.

Sweeney's crew continued its pin streak when it needed the victories most. Down 32-7 and heading into the last six matches, Cohasset came alive with five pins.

"Even the match we lost we were four seconds away from winning," Sweeney said.

Baird and Duffy both won their matches with each chalking up a pin victory. J.P. Laugelle (171), Luke Caldwell (160) and Heavyweight Nate Caldwell won both their matches by pin.

In the Nauset meet, the Skippers got some help from one of their youngsters as eighth-grader Dan Mulligan (103) won his first match. Gledhill and Sheerin also had single-pin victories.

Cohasset was scheduled to wrestle Scituate on Wednesday before hosting Saturday's annual tournament.

Sweeney said the Sailors are "somewhat rebuilding" but predicted it would be a close meet.

In a sport whose score could change in a matter of seconds, however, Sweeney knew the Skippers were in no position to take Scituate lightly.

"I like to be cautiously optimistic," he said. "You never know what's going to happen."

Cohasset/Scituate adult programs

Adult golf with Dan Neary. $65 for five one-hour classes. Cushing School, Scituate, Thursday evenings, 6 and 7p.m. Begins Jan. 25. Payable to Town of Cohasset.

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

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Police Log

Thursday, Jan. 4

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 20

9:09 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd. – Carousel Antiques, investigated.

9:39 a.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop parking lot, services rendered.

2:26 p.m., animal complaint, Town Square.

3:18 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St. by library, no police service necessary.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 25

4:14 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., investigated.

8:10 p.m., general services, Davenport property, services rendered.

9:15 p.m., vandalism, King St., departmental action.

10:18 p.m., fire alarm, King St., accidental/defective alarm.

10:37 p.m., animal complaint, Cedar St., dispersed gathering.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 18

Friday, Jan. 5

12:17 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Sohier St., services rendered.

7:25 a.m., assist citizen, Lower King St., no police service necessary.

8:00 a.m, Sunny, 13

9:25 a.m., general services, Pond St./Clay Spring Rd./3A, departmental action.

1:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Fire Dept. HQ back lot, departmental action.

2:27 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Town Square, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 20

7:13 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Brook St./S. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:16 p.m., general services, Transport from Brook St. to Papa Ginos, departmental action.

9:13 p.m., general services, Forest Ave., departmental action.

9:34 p.m., medical, HQ, services rendered.

9:47 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stop & Shop, CJC Hwy, verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 10

Saturday, Jan. 6

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cold, 10

9:25 a.m., violation of court order, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:18 a.m., violation of court order, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:50 a.m., abandoned vehicle, Jerusalem Rd., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

11:38 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., departmental action.

2:18 p.m., officer wanted, Stop & Shop, CJC Hwy., investigated.

2:23 p.m., larceny, Dunkin Donuts Cushing Plaza CJC Hwy, investigated.

3:03 p.m., child/youth in street, S. Main St., (Common), investigated.

3:16 p.m., general services, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., departmental action.

4:02 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Black Horse Lane, services rendered.

4:12 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave./Jerusalem Rd., unfounded.

4:25 p.m., general services, Forest Ave., HQ, services rendered.

4:26 p.m., civil complaint, Jerusalem Rd., HQ, services rendered.

5:24 p.m., civil complaint, HQ, notification made/message or summons delivered.

5:32 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Church St., no police service necessary.

6:03 p.m., general services, King St., services rendered.

6:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St., traffic warning issued.

8:27 p.m., officer wanted, unknown, investigated.

9:41 p.m., officer wanted, unknown, investigated.

11:31 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

11:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Pond, verbal warning.

12:00 p.m., temperature 18

Sunday, Jan. 7

12:15 a.m., disturbance (gathering), Verc Mobile, no such person can be found.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, cold, 20

10:21 a.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave., departmental action.

10:42 a.m., motor vehicle theft, Border St., investigated.

11:48 a.m., Elm St., Ptl. Abbadessa/Ptl. Matos in with Claudia Gockel, DOB: 2/9/51, 78 Elm St., Cohasset on Arrest warrants. Hanson, Wellesley, and M/V violations.

12:12 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stop & Shop, CJC Hwy, departmental action.

12:28 p.m., medical, Nichols Rd., investigated.

1:19 p.m., officer wanted, Stop & Shop, unfounded.

1:22 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

2:35 p.m., assist citizen, Hill St., no police service essary.

3:27 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., departmental action.

5:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rocky Ln., services rendered.

4:57 p.m., general services, Joy Place, HQ, services rendered.

6:40 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Margin St., services rendered.

9:25 p.m., general services, Margin Court, services rendered.

10:18 p.m., assist other PDs, Linden Dr., services rendered.

11:15 p.m., assist other PDs, Hull PD, services rendered.

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Checks, made payable to Baker MacKay Associates, may be sent to 20 Sunset Lane, Hingham. For further information, call Nancy MacKay at 749-9725. Walk-ins will be accommodated on a space available basis only.

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Reservations may be made by sending a check, payable to Friends of the Paragon Carousel, in care of Valentine Benefit, Box 412, Hingham, MA 02043. Tickets are $28 individually or $25 if purchased in groups of five or more. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of the Paragon Park Carousel at Nantasket Beach.

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Arrangements for the trip have been provided by Cohasset resident Irving Greenblatt, Garber Travel and Continental Airlines. Changes are $5 each or six for $25. The drawing for the trip will be Feb. 29. For further information, call 741-5808.

17 South Main is for sale

The Cohasset Mariner incorrectly reported Jan. 11 that the Village Fare restaurant was housed in the retail building at 19-25 South Main St. which recently sold for $285,000.

The Village Fare, a sub and pizza shop which closed several months ago, occupied the adjacent 1,200 square-foot building at 17 South Main St. which is currently for sale for $139,000, said the listing broker, Joyce Hoffman of Hunneman in Cohasset.

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Bradlees	1.2500	0.2500
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	–
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Clean Harbors Inc.	2.8750	0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	17.7500	-0.1250
Chase Corp.	4.7500	–
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DM Management	2.0625	-0.1250
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Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.1250	0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.3750	0.3750
J Baker	4.3750	-0.6250
First Years	10.7500	0.7500
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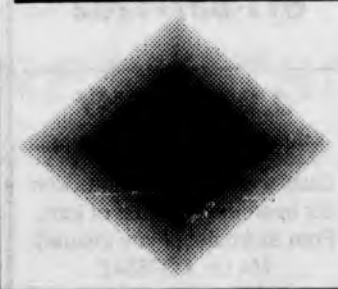

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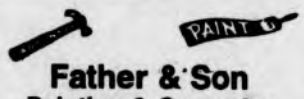

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Town meeting supports building new school

Override is Feb. 10

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Although a majority of selectmen decided not endorse it, the school building program was overwhelmingly approved at town meeting Monday night.

Using paper ballots, an overflow crowd voted 427 to 105 in support of the $13.9 million project, which includes building a new elementary school and an addition to the Deer Hill School.

Voters must now approve a Proposition 2 1/2 debt exclusion override at the polls on Feb. 10 for the project to go ahead.

Earlier that evening, selectmen Merle Brown, Peter Pratt and Martha Gjesteby voted not to support the measure, stating that it would be cheaper to undertake the project in phases. They said that because of a number of other debts, the tax rate will likely skyrocket some 40 percent within five years.

Selectmen Jane Goedecke and Michael Sullivan voted to support the project, on the grounds that to postpone it would increase costs and risk children's safety.

The youthful town meeting crowd appeared solidly behind the school committee from the beginning.

School physician for the past 40 years, Dr. Robert Sceery, received a standing ovation and thunderous applause when he stated the Osgood School is in deplorable shape.

"We need a new school now," he said. "Everyone should look into his head and his heart and do what is right for the children."

Sullivan received the second loudest applause when he said that the tendency to postpone necessary projects has landed Cohasset in its current financial predicament.

"We shouldn't let the avoidance of the past fall on the back of our children," he said, adding that the Osgood School was examined 25 years ago and

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Sold! $300,000

The 8,500-square foot historic Red Lion Inn, 71 South Main Street, was auctioned Tuesday for $300,000. The inn will remain open until the new owners come on board, officials say.

Photo courtesy of Jerome L. Manning & Co., Inc.

Historic inn is auctioned

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

The Red Lion Inn, a Cohasset Village landmark, was sold to a Florida contractor at a foreclosure auction Tuesday morning.

Carl Akerblom of Fort Lauderdale purchased the restaurant and inn for a high bid of $300,000.

Akerblom, who has a summer home in the Humarock section of Scituate, said he plans no changes in the business, and has a manager who will operate it after the property is conveyed to him.

"Nothing's changing," Akerblom

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New faces on group studying Greenbush

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

In its second meeting since Gov. William Weld announced the decision to restore the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad, the 17-member state-appointed citizens advisory committee convened in Cohasset Wednesday, after the Mariner went to press.

State Environmental Secretary Trudy Coxe created the panel with representatives from all Greenbush corridor communities to comment on the MBTA's environmental feasibility studies for the rail line. Until December, the committee had not met since commenting on the draft environmental impact report in February.

Three new committee members, announced Wednesday, are Kevin Dasey, chairman of the Braintree Transportation Committee; Hingham businessman Brian Noble, owner of Nobles Camera shops; and Scituate resident Ilana Marks, a member of the anti-rail Coastal Coalition.

'Our role in the next eight months is to rule on the adequacy of what the 'T' has done and not to put forth new alternatives or waste time thinking whether we can get a tunnel or not. That decision has been made for us.'

Terry Fancher, chairman.

In response to concerns that newer members might bring anti-MBTA or anti-rail political agendas to the table, chairman Terry Fancher, who is director of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce, said he would take the time at Wednesday's meeting to clearly define the committee's role.

"As chairman I'm going to have to let people know early on what the role

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Hull sewer solution not feasible, state says

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The most expensive of three alternatives to solve Cohasset's sewer problems is off the table, sewer commissioner Edward M. "Ted" Guild said.

The estimated $9 million project to hookup the central part of town through a sewer line to Hull has been ruled out by the Department of Environmental Protection because the capacity of the Hull treatment plant is less than previously estimated making the alternative not feasible.

The town and state reached a new settlement in the fall of 1994 to resolve Cohasset's sewer plant problems which have plagued the town for 20 years. The settlement gave the town five years to correct its sewer problems and allowed the town to explore three alternatives – the connection to the Hull plant; expansion and upgrading of the town's sewer plant and discharge in to James Brook at an estimated cost of $2.5 million; and expansion and upgrading of the town's present sewer plant and discharge into the harbor for about $3.1 million.

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Cohasset's Week

Brush accepted at RTF

Due to the Jan. 19 storm, the recycling transfer facility will accept brush only (no commercial, only household) through Monday, Jan. 29.

Please see the RTF superintendent as to where the brush should be deposited, officials said.

Scattered power outages

Friday evening's storm caused scattered power outages in Cohasset, Eastern Edison reported.

Edison received 38 complaints of no power and no lights mostly from the Jerusalem Road, Nichols Road and Forest Avenue area of town, spokeswoman Ruth Stetson said.

"The problems were all tree related," she said.

Stetson said most of Edison's customers had power back by midnight.

Eastern Edison has 117,000 customers in its Brockton division and 20,650 lost power during Friday's storm. The heaviest wind and tree related damage occurred from 6 to 7 p.m., Stetson said.

Tide Chart

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Fri. 26	3:28	10.4	9:39	3:53	9.7	10:01
Sat. 27	4:23	10.0	10:37	4:52	9.1	10:56
Sun. 28	5:20	9.7	11:38	5:53	8.6	11:53
Mon. 29	6:18	9.5	——	6:55	8.4	12:40
Tues. 30	7:15	9.4	12:50	7:54	8.3	1:40
Wed. 31	8:09	9.5	1:45	8:47	8.4	2:34
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from right) and brothers (L-R) Dave Santiago, Adam Thayer, Derek Thayer, and Carlos Santiago. The Cohasset Mariner incorrectly identified Adam and Derek in a photo in the Jan. 18 edition.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Traffic sign recommended

Safety officer Clifton Jones has recommended that a "Dangerous Intersection Ahead" sign be posted on King Street, 50 yards from the Beechwood intersection known as "Reed's Corner."

Jones said he would also see if a guard rail could be installed on King Street.

Jones' recommendations for safety improvements at the corner are in response to a letter of concern sent to the town from Betsy Giddings, 247 Beechwood Street.

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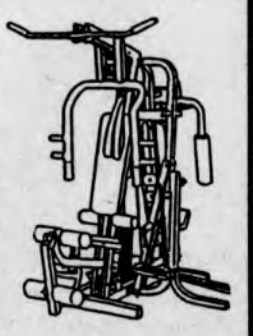

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Landfill hearings get underway

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

After much anticipation the Cohasset Board of Health convened public hearings Tuesday evening on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion to the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL).

The hearings will be held every Tuesday and Thursday evening at the Cohasset Town Hall auditorium and are expected to last six weeks.

Hearing officer John Shea opened the proceedings, and the bulk of the evening's business was taken up with a pre-hearing designed to settle certain administrative matters before to the beginning of the formal session. The actual opening of the public hearing did commence shortly before the close of the three hour session.

Shea acknowledged officials from the neighboring town of Hingham (the landfill is located on the Cohasset/Hingham border) and asked their intentions as to addressing the opening session.

Hingham Selectmen Chairwoman Katherine Reardon stated, "We're here tonight to learn how the process will unfold." When asked if her board would like to make a statement on the proposed landfill expansion, Reardon declined, saying, "We had not thought (that) through that as of yet."

Speaking on a petition submitted by John McNabb, vice-president of the citizen action group Stop Any Further Expansion (SAFE), Shea, over the strong objection of CHL attorney Anton Moehrke, appointed Kevin O'Donnell and James Kinch as representatives for interested parties in the hearing proceedings.

In addition to 23 groups that have been recognized as parties of interest and therefore allowed to speak on the proposed expansion, a further 261 residents have also registered as individuals wishing to be heard.

Stephen Gaumer of the Fair Oaks Neighborhood Association took exception to Moehrke's objection to the late addition of O'Donnell and Kinch, and sharply stated, "This entire hearing is a charade. Give me a break."

When residents who wished to speak during the life of the hearings were told they had to be recognized as a specific party of interest prior to the start of the hearings, one audience member remarked, "That's not right, we're taxpayers."

And Reardon offered, "Public citizens should have a right to participate in the process."

A lengthy discourse followed on this topic with all sides offering an opinion.

Moehrke, commenting on the expanding number of potential speakers and with an eye towards the time allotted for the hearings, said, "This is something far different from what I anticipated. This borders on being a filibuster."

Kenneth Kimmell, attorney for the Cohasset Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Water Commissioners, warned, "It would be a mistake to deny people the right to say something."

McNabb seemed to speak for all in attendance, saying, "We shouldn't be unfair to the applicant (CHL) and we shouldn't be unfair to the residents of Cohasset either."

This prompted Shea to conclude the discussion by telling both sides, "I will not tolerate efforts to grandstand or filibuster."

A schedule of the order in which the hearing would be conducted was then approved. Speaking first will be representatives of Cohasset Heights followed, in order, by officials from the towns of Cohasset and Hingham, the Trustees of Reservations and, finally, all other interested parties.

Once this pre-hearing was concluded, Moehrke opened the hearings by calling CHL's first speaker, Raymond Quinn.

Manager of the environmental engineering division of SAIC Engineering, Inc. of Middleboro, Quinn listed his education and experience qualifications and then gave a short overview of the proposed expansion.

He said there would be three components to the integrated solid waste management facility: the landfill, a materials recycling facility and a material processing facility.

State Sen. Robert Hedlund, who was briefly in attendance, said he was reviewing information he had recently received from the Department of Environmental Protection and he would speak on this information at Thursday's session.

Election worker appointed

Selectmen this week named Alba Crossen an election worker at the request of the Democratic Town Committee.

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Town meeting supports building new school

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found to be in need replacement or renovation, but that nothing was done.

The other emotional moment occurred when the crowd hissed and booed Brown.

"The cost is going to be prohibitive," the selectmen chairman said. He suggested that class size be increased to 30 students in the elementary schools, instead of the 22 students favored by the school department.

George Kovach announced that the capital budget committee unanimously endorsed the plan, while Roger Whitley reported that the advisory committee had voted five to one in favor the expenditure.

However, the room fell silent as Whitley explained the financial ramifications facing the town from this and other projects.

• the school plan will cost $13,985,000. The state is expected to reimburse 60 percent of the cost and interest, leaving $5,595,000 as the town's share.

The total figure includes nearly $9,890,000 to build a new school on land behind the Deer Hill School. Cohasset faces $3,956,000 in costs.

An addition to Deer Hill will cost $3,570,000, of which the town will pay $1,428,000.

It is possible that a sewer disposal system for both schools will be needed. This will cost $525,000, with the town share estimated at $210,000. If a sewer system is not needed, the money will be returned to the town.

The addition and new building will not require increases in staff.

Whitley said that the school bond issue will add $111 to the median tax bill of $3,500, per year, for the next 25 years, based on a 5.5 percent interest rate. The median tax bill is for a median house assessment of $242,000.

However, he explained that since it will take an estimated five years for the town to receive the money, tax payers will face a disproportionately heavy burden in the early years.

For the first four years, the median tax bill will increase $288, dropping to $139 the fifth year.

Over 25 years, the project will add $2,767 to the median tax bill, averaging $111 per year.

Whitley outlined what other projects are also upcoming.

• $2.6 in bonding for the DPW garage, the Hagerty property and the high school playing fields will add $111 to the median tax bill.

• costs associated with capping the landfill will add $39 to the median tax bill.

• $4 million for installing a sewage line around Straits Pond will add $43 each year to the median tax bill.

• $12 million in state ordered sewage extension to half of the town will add $155 to the median tax bill annually.

Before the school project is included, these bonding issues will add a total of $348 to the tax bill.

The tax rate, currently $14.50 per assessed thousand, will rise to $18.86 in five years, as a result of the other projects.

With the addition of the school project, the tax rate will be $20.06 in five years.

The median tax bill will be $4,564 for a house assessed at $242,000.

A house assessed at $300,000 will face a tax bill of $5,658 in five years, if all the projects are approved.

In addition, those on the sewer line face increased assessments as well.

Despite the financial news, Whitley said the advisory committee still recommended the school plan because it is simply a necessity.

Most of those in the room agreed.

Members of the school committee were visibly irritated when selectmen voted not to support the issue earlier.

"I'm very disappointed that the selectmen will choose to ignore the good sound financial advice and not support the educational program" school committee member JoAnne Chittick said, adding that construction of the new school, "is the most fiscally prudent thing to do."

She also stated that the school department's percentage of the upcoming borrowing costs is small.

School committee member James Kirk said, "I think it's a shame that they (selectmen) could not have lent their public support."

He predicted the project will be approved at the polls, and vowed an education campaign explaining the situation at the Osgood School.

Selectman Peter Pratt, who opposed the project, said he is not sure the measure will pass. Conceding the need for a new elementary school, Pratt said the 40 percent increase in taxes over five years will "make Cohasset unaffordable" to all but the very affluent.

Pratt and Gjesteby said the project could have been spaced out, with construction beginning at once on the new school, with the Deer Hill addition following in later years. Pratt also said a less expensive new school could built.

Supporters of the school article did address some of the criticisms during their presentations.

There was considerable discussion of the fact that the state bill authorizing the 60 percent reimbursement will expire June 30.

Although it is expected that it will be renewed, Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, and Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, said that it is not absolutely guaranteed.

There are now 89 school projects on the list for reimbursement, with another 75 spaces to be filled by June 30.

According to Hedlund, the projects will receive reimbursement in the order they are accepted, so that if Cohasset is not on the list by June 30, it will have to wait longer.

As it is, he said the reimbursements could take from three to four years or up to ten years to be processed, depending upon the project's number on the list.

In explaining the article, David Chase, secretary of the school facilities committee and Sidney Bowen, a consultant with the architectural firm of Earl R. Flansburgh & Associates, explained the need for the new school, showing a video of the school.

They said that because the Osgood School is on such a small lot, 4 acres, has a wood frame, making it a fire hazard, and is not expected to last for many years in any event, the state will not reimburse the town for its renovation.

The state requires all projects to have a life of at least 50 years in order to qualify for state funds.

The 70,000 square-foot new school and the small Deer Hill addition would have a life expectancy of 50 years, Bowen stated.

Gjesteby elected VP

During last weekend's meeting of the Mass Municipal Association, MMA, selectman Martha Gjesteby was elected second vice president of the Mass Selectman's Association, part of the MMA.

She was also named vice chairman of the MMA's public works committee.

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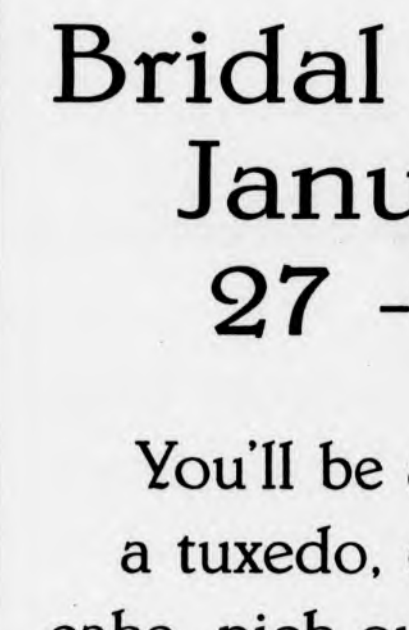

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Best vacation: Cayman Islands.

Best day of your life: It hasn't happened yet!

Biggest worry: I try not to let worries get to me.

Favorite holiday: Christmas, especially because of the Toys for Tots program which I'm involved with.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: 'The Dick Van Dyke Show.'

Favorite movie: 'Gone With the Wind.'

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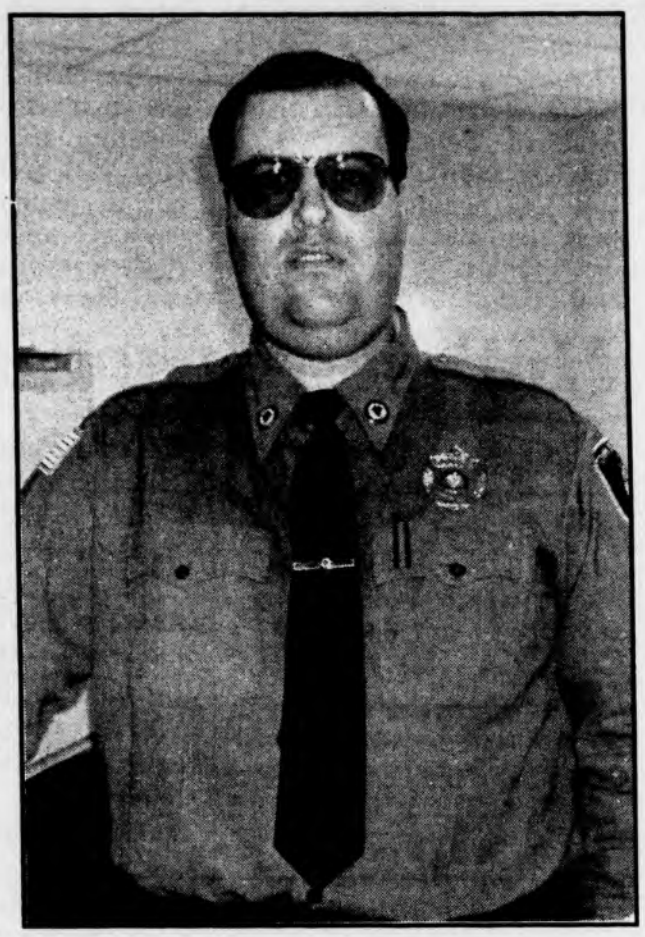

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New faces on group studying Greenbush

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of the CAC is," Fancher said.

Discussing or proposing alternatives to commuter rail service is not in the committee's purview, he said.

"Our role in the next eight months is to rule on the adequacy of what the 'T' has done and not to put forth new alternatives or waste time thinking whether we can get a tunnel or not. That decision has been made for us."

Veteran committee members William Grimes of Hingham and Cohasset Selectman Martha Gjesteby agreed.

"I comment both pro and con on sections the 'T' brings to us. I don't think of the political aspects of this," Gjesteby said.

Grimes noted that many diverse opinions on the project exist among the committee members but so far no one has used the meetings as a platform to further their own political agendas.

"We leave our bull horns and signs outside the door when we go inside," he said.

"We comment on documents the 'T' gives us and write reports every so often and discuss what goes into those reports. We've managed to do it in an amicable and business-like way and I hope we continue to do so," Grimes added.

As the committee awaits the final draft of the environmental impact report which is expected to be completed some time this summer, Fancher said determining the adequacy of mitigation measures put forth for the line and whether they meet the separate communities' needs will be a big part of their job.

"I do believe we'll have some input as to what mitigation will be in place and what forms it will take," he said.

Paying for the estimated $215 commuter rail line and the ramifications the source of funding has on the extent of environmental review, is another issue Fancher said he intended to clear up at Wednesday's meeting. At the December meeting in Braintree, Fancher said he got no clear answer as to whether the line would be entirely paid for with state money or a combination of state and federal funds.

"Our role is dictated by what pot of money the 'T' is using," Fancher noted.

Fancher also said he will ask that the MBTA submit separate chapters of the final environmental study to committee members every two weeks to avoid lengthy delays in the comment process.

"There are time constraints on the personal lives of the members and I want the committee to know what to expect," said Fancher. He recalled that what was originally proposed as a 18-month process to study the Greenbush line has turned into several years.

Hull sewer solution not feasible

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In a Jan. 16 letter to Guild, the DEP, which concurs with the analysis that the Hull plant would not be able to accept 300,000 gallons per day from Cohasset, said the town should contact the Attorney General to negotiate a possible modification of the state/town settlement.

This does not affect plans to lay sewer mains in the Straits Pond/Black Rock area, install a pumping station at the site of the North Cohasset fire station, and connect to the Hull plant. Cohasset is working with Hingham and Hull to use an available 130,000 gallons per day at the Hull plant. Hingham needs to sewer the Weir River Watershed area near its border with Hull and Cohasset.

Of the estimated $4.1 million Straits Pond project, only $700,000 of that would be on the tax rate, the rest would be paid for through betterments assessed to users, Guild explained.

Taxpayers would pay for upgrades to Cohasset's sewer plant for the the James Brook and harbor alternatives but the additional cost of laying sewer mains would be paid through betterments, Guild said.

"It is a major achievement that Cohasset has been released from the Hull alternative to the central part of town," Guild said. "Neither Cohasset or Hull wanted the big Hull alternative."

The town is under a court order to resolve its wastewater problems or it could face fines of up to $1/2 million a year.

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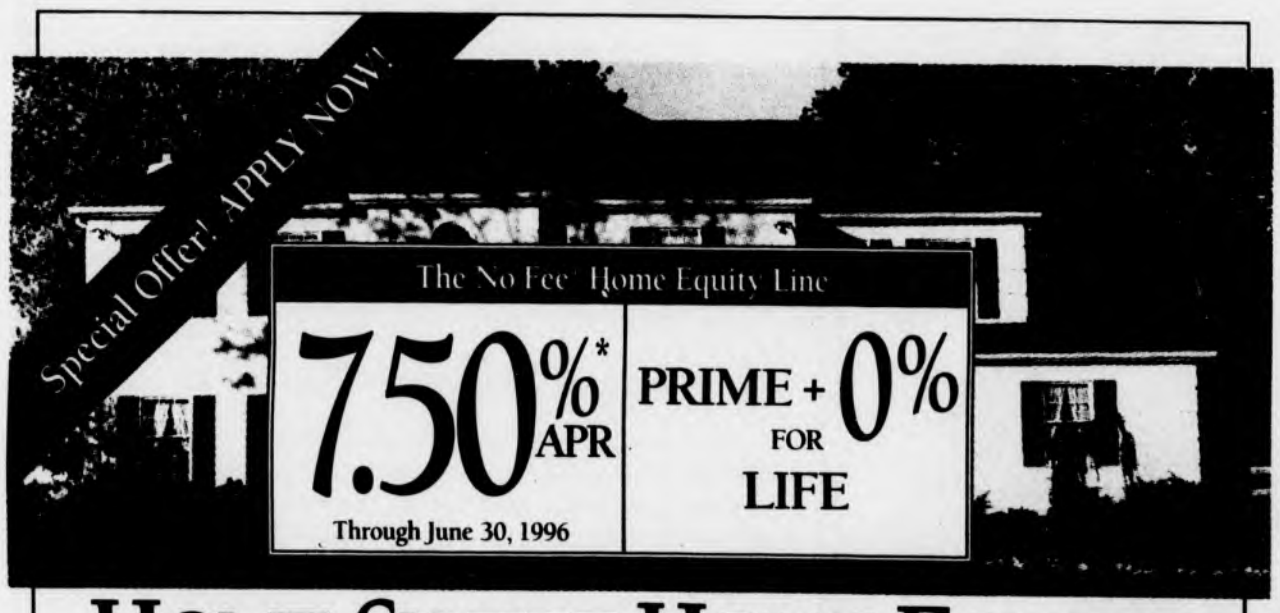

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School board zeroes in on technology upgrades

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Whereas a chicken in every pot was President Hoover's slogan, a computer, or better yet several computers, in every classroom has become the cry of educators.

This was evident Thursday night when the school committee discussed the proposed $3.38 million junior and senior high school budget, which is an increase of approximately $58,000 over last year.

Like the Deer Hill School budget, and to a lesser extent the Osgood School budget, most of the increases in the high school budget revolve around technology.

A major portion of Osgood's budget for the 1995-1996 school year focused on computers. Osgood's budget for the 1996-1997 school year includes the salary of an additional second-grade teacher, as well as a number of textbooks.

The proposed Osgood budget, which is approximately $1.46 million, is more than a $39,000 increase.

Unlike the two elementary schools, the junior and senior high budget proposes an approximately $33,000 increase in the athletics budget.

The preliminary figure for the system-wide budget is approximately $7 million, said Supt. Stephen Hart. Teachers' salaries are still being negotiated.

Hart said that schools are becoming more involved in technology. Cohasset is updating in an incremental, planned fashion.

At the high school, almost all departments requested computers, software or both.

'The T-square is a thing of the past.'

— Curtis Collins, high school principal.

Technology is used in the music department, as well as in the sciences.

Five computer work stations are proposed for the industrial laboratories. The technology will familiarize students with CAD, computer assisted design, which will particularly appeal to the pre-architectural or pre-engineering student.

"The T-square is a thing of the past," said Curtis Collins, principal at the high school.

He added that, he hopes, those five computers are just a stepping-off point. The labs were also moved up to the science wing to better prepare students for the integration of the sciences and industrial technology.

The budget also includes the purchase of several microscopes and balances to replace debilitated onces.

In terms of maintenance, money was budgeted for water fountain replacement, as well as for bleachers.

Collins said that the high school may have the highest participation rate in sports in the commonwealth. Almost 70 percent of the students are involved in athletics.

Because of the high student participation, additional coaches are needed. A hockey and a track coach are budgeted for.

Athletic supplies and new uniforms make up a large portion of the increased athletics budget.

New uniforms for the cheerleading squads will cost approximately $4,000.

In other business:

The committee approved a motion to return the Osgood School to selectmen and recommend that selectmen consider the option of returning Osgood to the tax rolls. The motion has several contingencies; they are: that the $13.9 million school project be approved at town meeting, that the funds be appropriated by a Prop. 2 1/2 override on Feb. 10, that the state approve the project and fund 60 percent and that the pro-

Sewer article passes at town meeting

The rate table for sewer users passed town meeting Monday night nearly unanimously.

The item had already been approved by the November town meeting, but because that vote was taken after a move for reconsideration, its legality was questioned and the issue brought up again.

Under the rate table, sewer users will pay one hundred per cent of sewer costs in three years. Until then, the town will pay fifty percent.

An amendment offered by Roy Fitzsimmons, which would have increased user fees so that sewer users would pay one hundred percent of costs immediately was handily defeated.

Selectmen, the sewer commissioners and the advisory committee (by a six to one majority) opposed the amendment.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Best wishes to Ruth Pratt, who is 80 years young!

Let's start out with good news this week! Remember when I told you the story of **George, Lisa** and **Jeff Pratt's** cat that was lost after the Cloughertys' house fire? Well, George came home! Just appeared on the Pratts' doorstep as though he had never left! Very skinny and cold looking, but home! Gracie is so happy!

❑

Joan and **Phil Shockman** are walking around with their heads in the clouds, and there is a wonderful reason why! Her name is **Molly Elizabeth Fitzgerald,** the brand new baby girl born to **Jill (Shockman)** and **Joe Fitzgerald** on Dec. 26. Molly weighed six pounds, six ounces and measured 20-1/4-inches long. Her paternal grandparents are **Joan** and **Robert Fitzgerald,** who are also thrilled to pieces with little Molly. It will be so much fun walking around town this spring, seeing all of these new babies and comparing notes on all their accomplishments – anyway, congrats to all of you. We know you will love that baby to pieces!

❑

It is hoped that **Janet Fig** feels better as she reads this – she works so hard and everyone loves her so much! Janet is a patient at South Shore Hospital as this goes to press, but we all know you cannot keep a good gal down for long, and Janet is the best! Get well soon, Janet. All of your kiddos miss you!

❑

Happy belated birthday greetings go to **Ruth Pratt,** who celebrated her 80th birthday last week. To honor the occasion, her husband, **Carleton,** and sons **Jeff** and **Stuart** with their wives **Lisa** and **Esther** (and all of the grandchildren, too) had 80 roses sent to Ruth – isn't that a lovely idea? For a wonderful woman, we might add! Ruth has done so much for so many! Here's to your next 80 years, Ruth. May they be even better than the first!

Ruth Pratt is one of the town's newest octogenarians! Here she is posing with the 80 roses sent by her husband, Carleton, and sons Jeff and Stuart with their wives Lisa and Esther and all the grandchildren too. Happy Birthday, Ruth!

❑

Everyone please give a big Cohasset welcome to **Rocco Anthony Laugelle,** born Dec. 27 to **Karen** and **Paul Laugelle.** Rocco weighed eight pounds, 12 ounces and was 21 inches long. Naturally, his grandparents, **Rocky** and **Peg Laugelle,** are delighted, as are Rocco's siblings, **J.P., Craig** and **Leigh.** Congratulations go to all of you.

❑

James Rosano and family of Cohasset are proud to announce the graduation of James Frank Rosano from Boston University with a degree in economics. James also is a Cohasset High School graduate, Class of 1991.

❑

I had a nice chat with **Cynthia Tillotson** last week. She and her husband, **Jim,** had just returned from Woodstock, N.Y. The reason for the trip? **Katelyn Ann Wolgamuth,** their brand new granddaughter! Katelyn was born Jan. 5 to her parents, **Kimberley (Tillotson)** and **Todd Wolgamuth.** The word has it that she is beautiful, wonderful, super – the list goes on!

By the way, Mom Kimberley is a Cohasset High graduate, the Class of 1981. Our congrats go to all of you. Hopefully we will all see Katelyn when she visits her grandparents!

❑

If you haven't gotten your tickets yet, please don't despair – you can get them! **PB&J** concert tickets are a hot item – people who saw them in concert last year really loved them. The acoustic trio is appearing at the Second Congregational Church this Saturday at 7:30 p.m. Admission is $5. See you there!

❑

We must give **Steve Ritts** a standing ovation – he is still wearing his shorts! As most people know, he made a vow to wear shorts until the first day of spring as a way to make money for the **Travis Roy** fund. When we last heard, Steve had raised just over $1,700 (he hoped to raise $2,000 – we'll bet he'll do that plus more with your help).

If you think you are tired of all of the cold and snow, just think what Steve is going through! That's what you call dedication!

❑

Congratulations go to **Gregg Sullivan** of Cohasset, who was promoted to vice president of account services for Dickinson Direct of Braintree, a direct marketing firm. Mr. Sullivan is responsible for the development and management of client accounts.

❑

We give **Ryan Sawchuk** an "A" this week, to add to all of the others he has earned for himself. Ryan received Early Decision at Princeton. Isn't that awesome? He is such a great guy, Princeton is one smart university to have him go there! And go there he will – it was his first choice.

Ryan's accomplishments are so numerous. You name it, he is there! Scholastically he is number one in the class of 1996, and he's number one in so many facets of his life. He is a tribute to his family and our town and we commend him.

❑

This Saturday there will be a memorial service for **Patricia Lee, Jim Rooney's** Mom. Most of you know Jim, who is the captain of the Cohasset Firefighters and a grand guy. His mother died in Arizona, and there will be a service at 10 a.m. at the Second Congregational Church on Jan. 27. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time, Jim.

❑

That's the news from here. Please call and let me in on your latest happenings, okay?

– Sallyann
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Obituaries

Elizabeth W. Warren

Loved Cohasset

Elizabeth W. Warren, of Cohasset, died Jan. 17 after a brief illness.

Miss Warren was a graduate of Derby Academy and Hingham High School and received a bachelor of arts degree in French from Hood College in Frederick, Md., and a masters degree from Middlebury College. She also received a masters in education counseling from Northeastern University.

She and her brother, the late Lawrence F. Warren, who was a professor at the University of Maine, grew up in a home on Cohasset Common.

Miss Warren loved her hometown and served as secretary of the Community Garden Club of Cohasset and was a member of the Cohasset Historical Society. She was also a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Hingham.

Miss Warren had a distinguished career with the Red Cross, serving in South Korea and France. She was a French teacher and guidance counselor for 25 years and had worked for Hunneman & Company office for the past three years.

Miss Warren leaves a sister-in-law, Deirdre Warren; two nephews, Jonathan and Gareth Warren of Farmington, Maine; an aunt, Helen W. Eckel of Cohasset; two cousins, Jeff and Claggett Read of Connecticut, and a cousin, Charlotte Pfaffmann of Cohasset.

A Memorial Service will be held at a future date.

Arrangements were by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home of Cohasset and Norwell.

Donations in her memory may be made to the First Church of Christ, Scientist, 386 Main St. at Arnold Road, Hingham 02043 or the Community Garden Club of Cohasset, 362 Beechwood St., Cohasset 02025.

Margaret C. Hiltz

50-year resident

Margaret C. Hiltz, 94, of Cohasset, died Jan. 11 at Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home.

A native of Nova Scotia, Canada, she was educated there. She lived in Hingham for 20 years and in Cohasset for 50 years.

Mrs. Hiltz was the wife of the late Harry F. Hiltz, who developed two roads and built homes in Hingham. She leaves two daughters, Ethel M. MacVicar of Hingham and Carol B. Rowe of Weymouth; two sons, Harry F. Hiltz Jr. of Hingham and Paul J. Hiltz of Hull; a sister, Jessie Ray of Quincy and a brother-in-law, James G. Hiltz of Hingham; 17 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She was the sister of the late John Carroll, Minnie Gardiner and Bessie Cameron; step-sister to the late Earl and Joseph Smith and Bernice (Smith) Aliquo and the mother of the late Lester B. Hiltz.

A funeral service was held Jan. 14 in McNamara Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset. Burial was in the Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Social Service League of Cohasset, Inc., 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Alzheimer's group to meet

"The Caregiver and the 36-Hour Day" will be the topic of the next meeting of the Alzheimer's Disease Support Group of the South Shore on Wednesday, Jan. 31, at 7:30 p.m. at Thaxter Community Hall, 30 Thaxter St., Hingham.

Guest speaker Joanne Koenig-Coste created and developed one of the first Alzheimer care centers in the nation at Newton-Wellesley Nursing Home. She is director of specialty programs for Vencor/Hillhaven Corporation and chairman of the board of directors of the Alzheimer's Association of Eastern Massachusetts.

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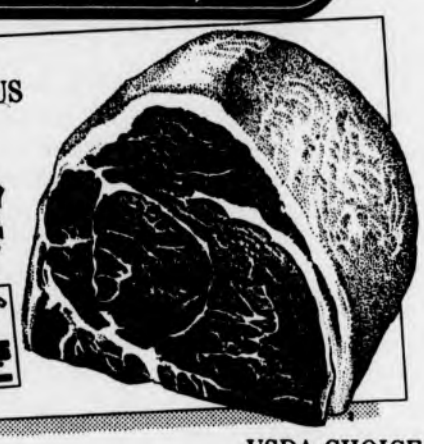

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EDITORIAL

February 10

Shall the town of Cohasset be allowed to exempt from Prop. 2-1/2, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bonds to be issued in order to finance planning, designing and constructing an elementary school on land owned by the town of Cohasset off Sohier Street known and "Deer Hill," an on-site sewage treatment plant to serve both the school to be constructed and the existing Deer Hill School, and an addition and renovation to the existing Deer Hill School?

Monday's town meeting voters set the stage for a Feb. 10 debt exclusion override the text of which appears above. The town looks to borrow about $13.9 million to pay for a new school and improvements and an addition to the Deer Hill School.

Sixty percent of the project will be reimbursed by the state, officials say.

This week we're publishing two charts on page 11 to help citizens understand how the cost of the new school will affect their property taxes.

Here at the Mariner, we've been criticized for reporting that the typical tax bill will see an average increase of about $116 a year spread over the 25 years.

We agree that's confusing. Taxes will be actually be higher than that in the early years of borrowing until the state reimbursement kicks in.

If you have any questions about the charts, call your selectmen, school committee members, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon or Town Accountant Michael Buckley at 383-9900.

In our travels around town, the biggest concern we hear about is rising taxes. Many residents are clearly worried about the tax rate. These fears must be weighed against the town's need for a new school.

There are just over two weeks until the override election.

In the interim, listen to both sides of the issue. Talk to proponents and opponents and keep an open mind.

When Feb. 10 rolls around, cast your vote but be sure it's an informed one.

Fire insurance

There's some micro-managing of the fire department budget going on. Last week, selectmen grilled Fire Chief Roger Lincoln over the amount needed for "call backs" or coverage of the station when the ambulance is out of town.

It's always difficult to pay for something you may not need.

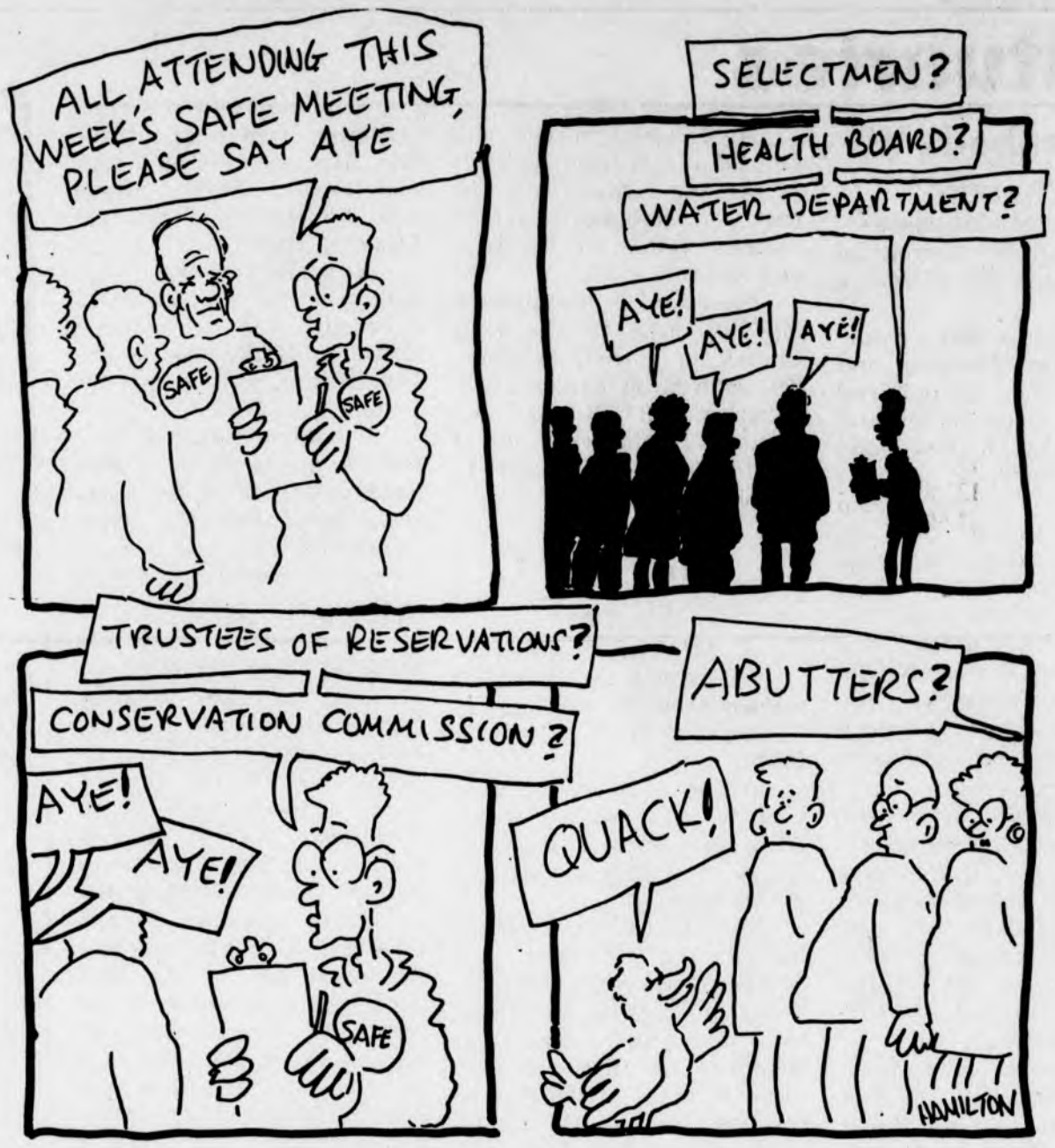
We begrudge our high car insurance bills but are awfully glad we're covered if should we have an accident.

The same is true for fire department coverage. It's insurance. The called-back firefighters may not been needed. But if my house is on fire, I'll be grateful they were on duty, ready to respond.

Fires and other emergencies don't adhere to any rules. They can occur day or night and simultaneously.

Let's hope selectmen continue to provide oversight of the fire department budget but leave the management of it up to the fire chief who's been in the business of protecting the public for a long time.

— Mary Ford
Editor



Timing is wrong for new school

To the Editor:

Although the Osgood School needs to be replaced with a more modern facility, the school administration and others are pushing us faster than is necessary. Senator Hedlund, at the Jan. 22, town meeting, made it clear that the state is highly likely to continue sharing the burden of such projects. The selectmen voted 3-2 against recommending the article.

• No commitment has been made to return the Osgood School to the tax rolls (assessed for $2,856,000). This should happen concurrent with the approval of any new school so that special interest groups don't lobby the town into an alternate use that will cost millions of dollars to meet state code.

• The project cost of $13,985,000 is excessive and the School Facilities Committee acknowledges that at least $400,000 could be saved by the expansion of the Deer Hill School to accommodate preschool through the sixth grade (PK-6).

• A skillful traffic and architectural plan will make it possible to provide an appropriate degree of separation between PK-3 and 4-6.

• PK-6 will not only save $400,000 (plus finance charges), but it will permit the construction of better common usage facilities such as the cafeteria, library, auditorium, teachers/music/administration and emergency rooms, gymnasium, HVAC, etc. The potential exists to minimize school administration costs while keeping facilities such as the library and gymnasium open for longer hours.

• Air conditioning is not included in the current plan, but should be. Air conditioning will make "hot spells" bearable and usage of the building during July/August practical in case school schedules change in future years. In any event, the recreation department and other town entities would benefit from making the school habitable during July/August.

This huge expenditure (Article II) was not in the Capital Budget Committee 1995 Plan. Likewise many expensive "essential items" listed as needed for the Junior/Senior High School (7-12) are not considered in the town's five year budget projection.

The town's current projection has the total operating budget increase as follows: FY98 8.2 percent; FY99 6 percent; FY00 3.2 percent; FY01 2.9 percent and FY02 only 5 percent. The real state of affairs will be much worse.

The town's projected required tax levy varies as follows: FY98 +13 percent; FY99 +2.2 percent; FY00 +7.9 percent; FY01 +2.5 percent and FY02 -.8 of one percent. This will never happen because the town lacks a master plan and new capital items are constantly unexpectedly "emerging."

Please be aware that those of you linking to sewage will confront a currently estimated $12,500 betterment charge. Water system improvements for those serviced by the Cohasset and Hingham Water Departments will also exceed normal inflation rates.

We can't afford to, and don't need to, rush this huge project through and overspend by somewhere in the vicinity of $1M to $2M.

Joseph R. McElroy
Windy Hill Road

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Family is grateful for help

To the Editor:

We don't know how to begin thanking all the people who helped us during and after the tragic house fire we experienced in early January.

The response from town emergency personnel, town departments, fire and police was timely, professional and caring. Our neighbors and friends immediately provided support and assistance. Then, with incredible generosity, people in the town of Cohasset rallied around us with more kindness still.

From the clothing and essential needs drive at the Community Center (an overwhelming response within hours and days!), to the assistance fund at a local bank, to the bake sale organized by parents and children at our schools, to the fund for the children run by the Cohasset Student Council, and all the offers of referrals and support, the results were phenomenal.

Those who we never knew, or were acquaintances, became friends. Those who were friends became family. To those who helped behind the scenes and anonymously, we thank you. The Town of Cohasset is a community in the true sense of the word to anyone who is lucky enough to live here. We could never begin to personally thank everyone or mention everyone, but no good deed has gone unnoticed.

As we begin to rebuild our lives and our home, we look forward to continuing to bring up our family in such a warm climate no matter tne season!

With gratitude,

The Clougherty Family: Maryanne, Peter, Leo, Flossie and Gracie

School bond issue affect on taxes

Effect of $13.95 Million Bond Issue on the Tax Rate
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1996		0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	0		0	
1997	13,985,000	0	421,505	421,505	0	0	421,505	0.50	151	151	122	122
1998	13,985,000	376,000	772,632	1,148,632	(145,289)	0	1,003,343	1.19	358	509	288	410
1999	13,609,000	399,000	750,932	1,149,932	(140,289)	0	1,009,643	1.19	358	867	289	699
2000	13,210,000	423,000	727,916	1,150,916	(135,289)	0	1,015,627	1.19	358	1,225	289	988
2001	12,787,000	450,000	703,472	1,153,472	(130,289)	0	1,023,183	1.20	359	1,584	290	1,278
2002	12,337,000	477,000	677,516	1,154,516	0	(662,738)	491,778	0.57	172	1,756	139	1,417
2003	11,860,000	507,000	649,964	1,156,964	0	(662,738)	494,226	0.57	172	1,928	139	1,555
2004	11,353,000	538,000	620,704	1,158,704	0	(662,738)	495,966	0.57	172	2,099	138	1,694
2005	10,815,000	572,000	589,624	1,161,624	0	(662,738)	498,886	0.57	172	2,271	139	1,832
2006	10,243,000	607,000	556,612	1,163,612	0	(662,738)	500,874	0.57	172	2,443	138	1,970
2007	9,636,000	645,000	521,556	1,166,556	0	(662,738)	503,818	0.57	172	2,614	138	2,109
2008	8,991,000	684,000	484,344	1,168,344	0	(662,738)	505,606	0.57	171	2,786	138	2,247
2009	8,307,000	726,000	444,864	1,170,864	0	(662,738)	508,126	0.57	171	2,957	138	2,385
2010	7,581,000	771,000	402,948	1,173,948	0	(662,738)	511,210	0.57	172	3,129	138	2,524
2011	6,810,000	820,000	358,400	1,178,400	0	(662,738)	515,662	0.57	172	3,301	139	2,663
2012	5,990,000	871,000	311,052	1,182,052	0	(662,738)	519,314	0.58	173	3,474	139	2,802
2013	5,119,000	924,000	260,792	1,184,792	0	(662,738)	522,054	0.58	173	3,646	139	2,941
2014	4,195,000	981,000	207,452	1,188,452	0	(662,738)	525,714	0.58	173	3,819	140	3,081
2015	3,214,000	1,042,000	150,808	1,192,808	0	(662,738)	530,070	0.58	174	3,993	140	3,221
2016	2,172,000	1,106,000	90,664	1,196,664	0	(662,738)	533,926	0.58	174	4,167	140	3,361
2017	1,066,000	1,066,000	29,848	1,095,848	0	(662,738)	433,110	0.47	140	4,307	113	3,475
2018	0	0	0	0	0	(662,738)	(662,738)	(0.71)	(214)	4,093	(172)	3,302
2019	0	0	0	0	0	(662,738)	(662,738)	(0.71)	(213)	3,881	(172)	3,130
2020	0	0	0	0	0	(662,738)	(662,738)	(0.71)	(212)	3,669	(171)	2,960
2021	0	0	0	0	0	(662,738)	(662,738)	(0.80)	(239)	3,431	(192)	2,767
Totals		13,985,000	9,733,605	23,718,605	(551,156)	(13,254,760)	9,912,689		3,431		2,767	
								Average = (25 Years)	137		111	

Based on:
Total Town Valuation of $833,383,371, Increase .5% Per Year
Average Valuation of $300,000
Median Valuation of $242,000

Nan Roth announces candidacy for selectman

NAN ROTH

Nan Roth kicked off her campaign this week for one of the two positions available on the Board of Selectmen. Roth served as Chairman of the Cohasset Advisory Committee for four years, and as a member of the committee for six.

"Fiscal restraint, consolidation of services and regionalization combined with the preservation of Cohasset's special community are issues we must face," explained Roth."

"I believe that the Board of Selectmen must play a major role in balancing all interests and making the best decisions for Cohasset.

"Leadership on the Advisory Committee has given me knowledge of the many complex issues facing Cohasset," she stated. "As chairman of the committee I made it a priority to ensure that we maintain all town buildings and property, and that we make capital improvements when needed. All plans for spending must be considered in the light of their impact on both the quality of life and our future tax rates."

Supporters have praised Roth for her broad knowledge of the issues facing all departments in town.

Ann Whelan, former member of the Advisory Committee stated, "Nan's detailed knowledge of town government, her skill in developing financial projections and her clear and cordial manner of relating to committee members and employees will be a great asset to the Board of Selectmen. Her knowledge, experience and courtesy in developing important town policy will benefit us all."

A series of neighborhood meetings is being coordinated for Nan to meet with voters between now and April 6. Persons interested in learning more about Nan and her campaign should call her or send e-mail to dnhjsroth@aol.com.

Cohasset overall financial projection, new school included

	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001
Total Operating Budget	15,709,203	17,467,411	18,347,243	19,481,114	20,045,797
Less:					
State Aid	1,208,032	1,232,193	1,256,836	1,281,973	1,307,613
State Aid Offsets	153,698	157,540	161,479	165,516	169,654
Local Receipts	1,396,659	1,438,559	1,481,716	1,526,167	1,571,952
Free Cash	**274,207**	**0**	**378,665**	**0**	**86,220**
Trust Funds	66,300	54,170	54,170	54,170	54,170
Required Tax Levy	12,610,307	14,584,949	15,014,377	16,453,288	16,856,189
Prior Year Levy Limit	11,898,749	12,256,217	13,227,946	13,608,644	15,061,771
Add: 2.5%	297,469	306,405	330,699	340,216	376,544
New Growth	60,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Debt Exclusion	354,090	1,357,003	1,405,733	1,391,517	1,367,874
Capital Exclusion	0	0	0	0	0
General Override	**0**	**615,323**	**0**	**1,062,910**	**0**
Total Tax Levy	12,610,307	14,584,949	15,014,377	16,453,288	16,856,189
Tax Rate	$15.13	$17.50	$18.02	$19.74	$21.29
Average Tax Bill (300,000)	$4,539	$5,250	$5,405	$5,923	$6,386
Typical Tax Bill (242,000)	$3,662	$4,235	$4,360	$4,778	$5,151

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor

Historic Red Lion Inn is auctioned

Continued from page 1

said shortly after signing the documents to secure his high bid.

He also said he will pay an additional $10,000 for the rights to use the Red Lion Inn name, transfer of the liquor license, and the 383-1704 telephone number, as well as the furnishings, inventory, and business "goodwill."

The sale of the items exclusive of the real estate is being handled by the court-appointed receiver who is overseeing the inn operations for the previous owners who defaulted on a mortgage held by the Rockland Trust Company. Bank officials would not disclose the amount of the unpaid loan, nor the amount of time that it had been unpaid, except to say it was "a very long time."

Under the terms of the auction sales agreement, Akerblom is responsible for $43,000 in unpaid real estate taxes and interest due to the Town of Cohasset.

He said he will "look into" the situation of the inn's liquor license, which selectmen said may be revoked if the inn's fire alarm system is not updated.

However, building inspector Robert Egan, who also attended the auction, said bringing the fire alarm system into compliance with the building codes is not a major expense. To comply with the code, smoke detectors must be installed in each of the inn's guest rooms, and connected—or "hard-wired"—into the electrical system.

Dale Rains, who attended the auction as a representative of the court-appointed receiver, said the inn will remain open until the ownership is transferred to Akerblom.

Prior to the opening bid, auctioneer Jerome Manning explained that under the terms of the "absolute auction," there was no minimum bid and the property would be sold to the highest bidder, regardless of the price. He also said the bank would not bid on the property.

Manning also said that ownership of the property would be conveyed within 45 days from the conclusion of the auction, and that if the successful high bidder could not close the sale at that time, the inn would be offered to the second- and subsequent-highest bidders, at their recorded bids.

His offer to open the bidding at $500,000 was met with a wave of chuckles from the 70 persons who attended the auction, and the first offer was made at $50,000. However, few of those in attendance actually made offers, raising speculation that some had registered to bid in the hope of snaring a real estate bargain.

Bank officials had said more than 125 packages of auction materials were mailed to prospective bidders prior to the auction.

The offers gradually progressed to "going three times" at $260,000 when bidders pushed the offer to $290,000. At that point, Manning interrupted the bidding to allow several persons to make telephone calls.

When the bidding resumed at the $290,000 point, a subsequent offer was made to $295,000, and then Akerblom's $300,000 offer which ended the bidding.

The Red Lion Inn was described in the the auction literature as a 8,457 square foot, three story building, on a 35,974 square foot lot. The first floor has two dining rooms and a pub room with a total seating capacity of 184; kitchen, and restrooms. There are seven bedrooms on the second floor, three of which have private bath, and 1-1/2 baths, and an office. The third floor has 8 bedrooms and one bathroom.

The future of the Red Lion Inn has been the subject of speculation for several months. In July, 1995, the sale of the property was rumored but never came to fruition when the buyers were unable to obtain financing. At that time, the attorney for the prospective buyers had told Cohasset selectmen that the new owners planned to spend $200,000 to remodel the inn.

This week's auction is another chapter in the history of the inn, as it nears the 300th anniversary of the building's construction.

According to local historians, Thomas James built the large colonial house on the site in 1704. His grandson Christopher converted it to the original Red Lion Inn about 50 years later. The property stayed in the James family until Eleazer James died in October, 1871.

Sometime after the Civil War, the building underwent a major change of appearance when the upper floors were added.

Its location on a coastal stage coach route that ran between Hingham and Scituate made it a suitable stop to refresh travellers and horses. The inn changed names several times and, for a time, was known as the Norfolk House. It advertised itself as providing "food, drink and lodging for man and beast."

However, there are 11 items that the new owner cannot buy.

Photographs and pictures that hung on the inn's dining room walls as recently as last weekend have mysteriously vanished. Cohasset police are investigating the disappearance of the old pictures of the building.

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Annie Federico running for Democratic State Committee

Democratic leaders throughout the South Shore joined together Wednesday for a fundraiser in support of Democratic State Committee candidate Annie Federico of Marshfield.

Federico, 45, a legislative aide to U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds and chairman of Marshfield's Democratic Town Committee, said joining the state committee is a logical next step.

A lifelong Democrat, Federico first worked on Weymouth Democrat William Golden's campaign for state senate in 1982. She went on to campaign for everyone from state Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Marshfield, to President Clinton, including Studds and U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy.

Now, for the first time, Federico has mounted a campaign of her own.

Born in Dorchester, Federico moved to Marshfield in 1978 with her husband Jim, a manufacturing manager at Teradyne in Boston, and their two children: Jim, 19, a freshman at Providence College, and Jennifer, 17, a junior at Marshfield High School.

As an aide to Studds she represents the concerns of communities from Quincy to Marshfield, she said. Local issues she has covered recently include the closing of the South Weymouth Naval Air Station, the fight to save the Hull carousel, and the search for funds for community centers in Marshfield and Weymouth.

If elected to the Democratic State Committee - which mirrors the state senate - she would represent the Plymouth/Norfolk district to the state party. The district includes Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Scituate and Weymouth, plus three precincts in Braintree.

The seat is now held by Norma Fenochietti of Marshfield, who is vice chairman of the state committee. After 20 years on the committee Fenochietti has decided not to run for re-election.

Karen DeTellis of Weymouth is also running for the seat. DeTellis' and Federico's names will appear on the March 5 presidential primary ballot.

Federico has won support from many local Democratic leaders and candidates, most of whom were expected to attend Wednesday's function at P.J.'s Country House in Scituate. For information on Federico's campaign, please call: Hingham: Kathy Norman (617) 749-0573 or Cohassset: John McNabb (617) 383-6202.

Concert at CHS, Feb. 16

On Friday, Feb. 16, Force Productions will present music by J-Bass, Fun in the Kitchen, Drain, Stick Figure Stanley, Blind, Industrial Dance from Boston and Pugg at Cohasset High School Auditorium. Admission is $5.

For further information, call 824-7680

Tablescapes exhibit at center

The South Shore Art Center announces the seventh annual presentation of "Tablescapes," a collection of more than 20 tablesettings by New England artists and designers inspired by a work of art or artistic period. This year, Hingham artist Susan Kilmartin will be painting a work in progress of the tablesetting designed by Specialties of Scituate.

The Tablescapes exhibition runs Feb. 6 to 11 in the Bancroft and Dillon Galleries at 119 Ripley Rd. The event is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are $10 at the door.

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4) Tom Landry.
5) Don Shula.
6) Jim Plunkett.
7) Drew Bledsoe.
8) Green Bay defeated Kansas City - 35-10.
9) Vikings - Purple People Eaters, Steelers - The Steele Curtain, Cowboys - The Doomsday Defense, Dolphins - The NO-Name Defense.
10) L.A. Rams Deacon Jones.
11) Byron White.
12) Ronald Reagan, Gerald Ford.
13) Pittsburgh vs. Dallas.
14) Jerry Rice.
15) The Miami Dolphins.
16) Vince Lombardi.
17) 5 Superbowls.
18) New York Jets, 16-7.
19) Vikings and the Bills.

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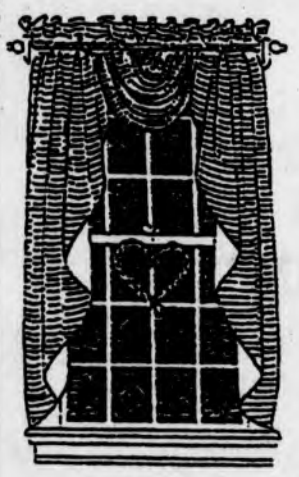

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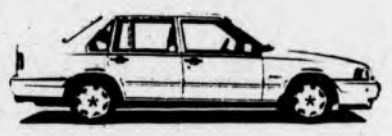

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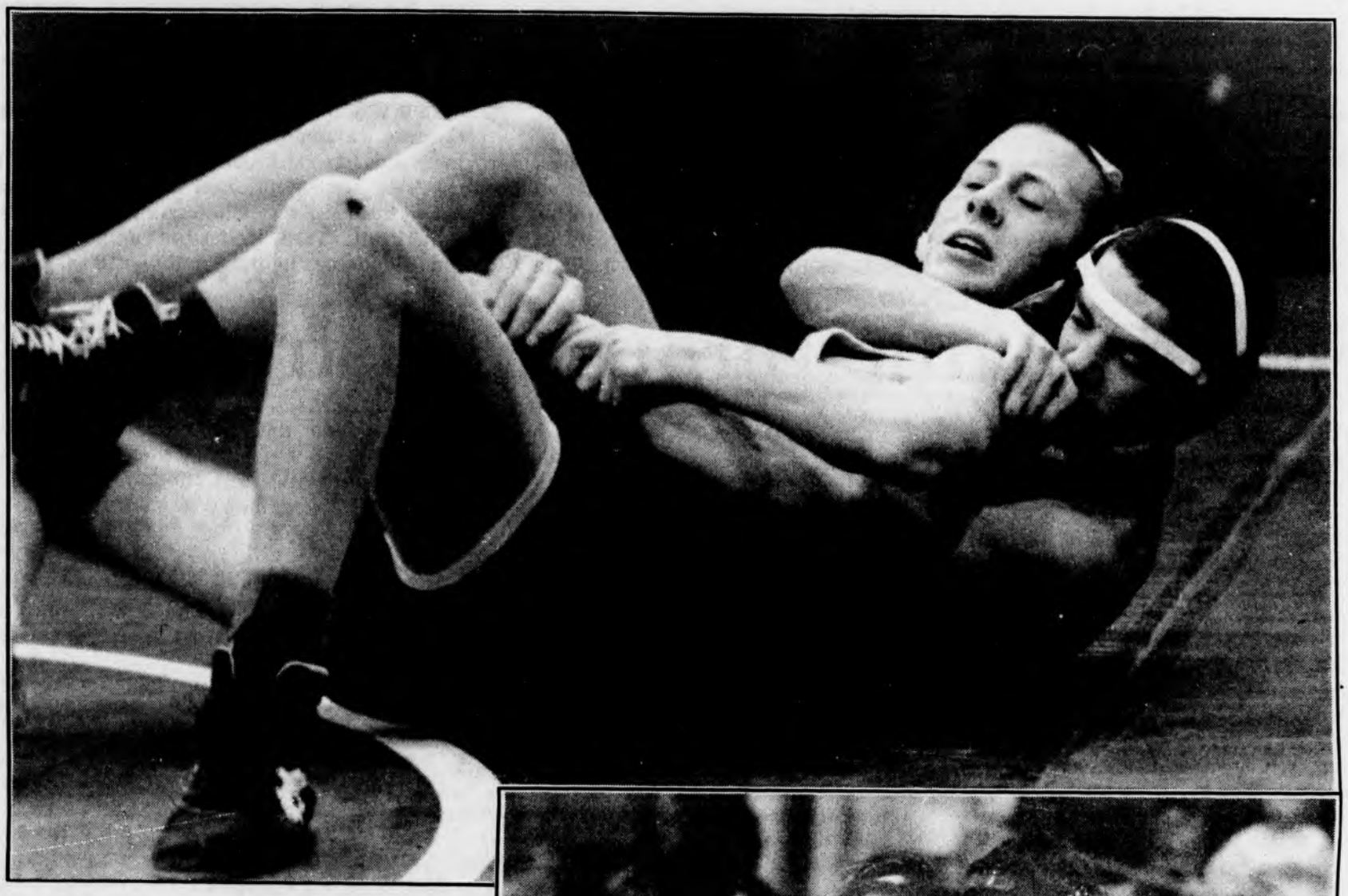
Mariner Sports

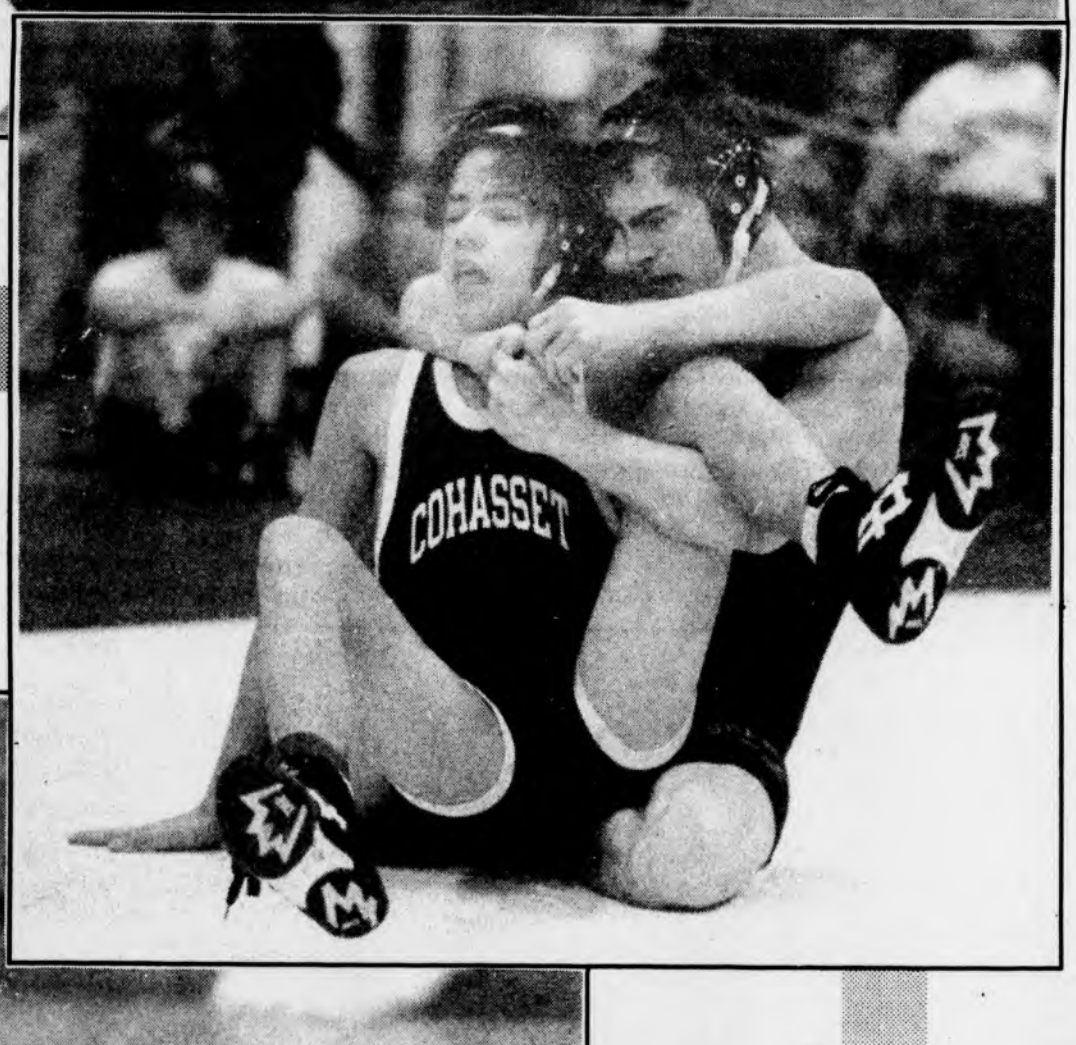
Matmen make their presence felt at Cohasset Tournament

Cohasset High was the site of an eight high school wrestling team competition Saturday and the Skippers finished a very respectable second, 28 points behind tournament leader Rockland. The Bulldogs won the Cohasset Tournament with 182 points with Cohasset in second with 154 points. Canton was third at 130 points followed by Sharon, Scituate, Middleboro, Norwell and Hanover. Individual weight class winners from Cohasset included Kevin Duffy, 135 pounds, Justin Buckley, 171 (three pins) and Nate Caldwell, heavyweight, (275) two pins. Runnerup weight class winners included: Tucker Gledhill, 119, Doug Sheerin, 140 and Luke Caldwell, 160 pounds. Also placing was Mike Baird, second, 112, Jordan Fiori, fourth, 130 and Mark Rossi, 145, third. Also, Cohasset beat Scituate 47-27 in another dual meet to improve to an overall, 8-2 record.

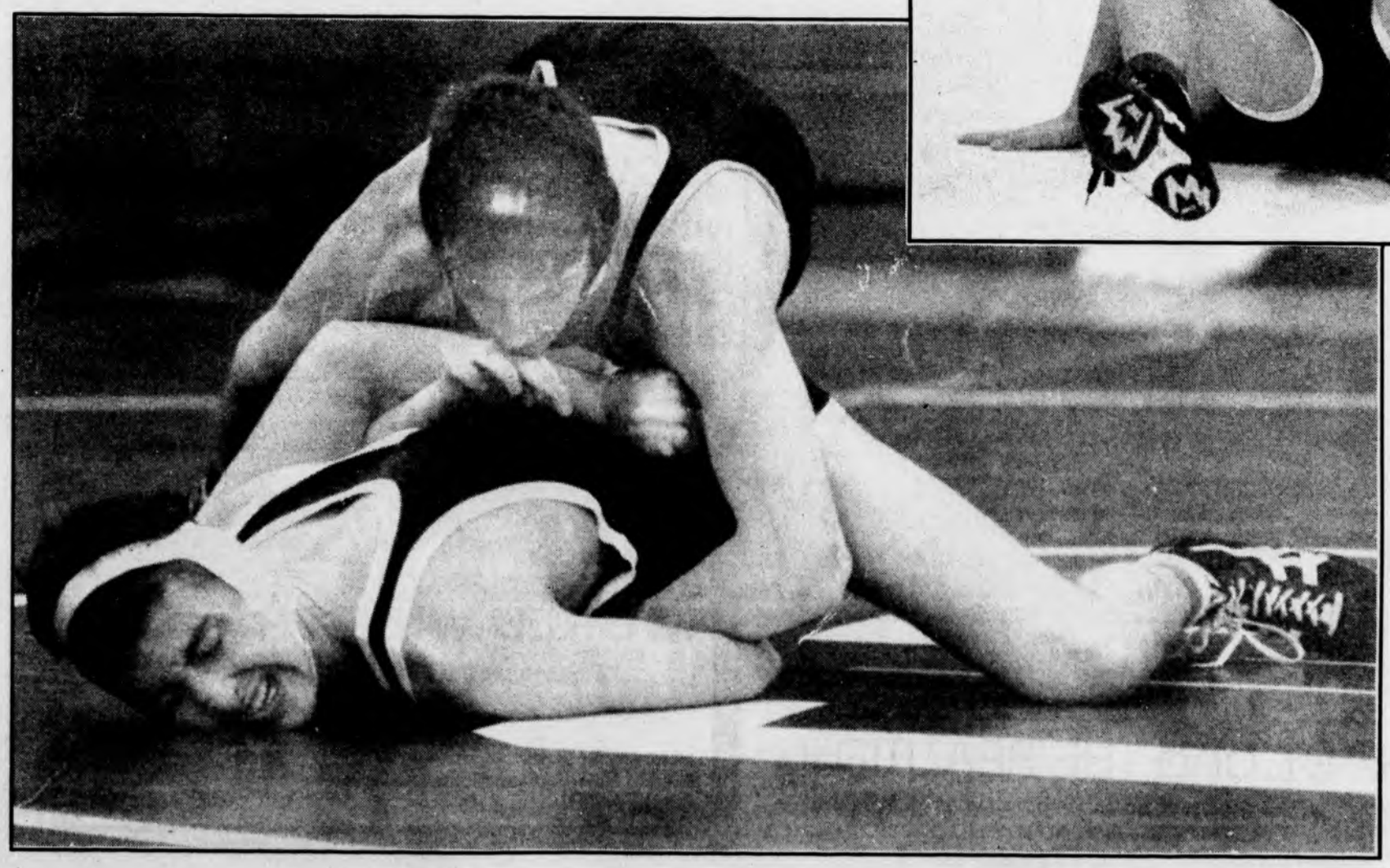


Doug Sherrin untied a hold by Colin Campbell of Rockland.

Staff photos by J. Paul MacDonald



Tucker Gledhill worked his way out of a hold by a Sharon opponent.



John Whitehouse dug down deep to survive in his match.

Mariner Sports

Gymnasts continue impressive winning streak

Cohasset has hit 29 consecutive winning gymnastic meets with a Jan. 18 win over Norwell and a Jan. 19 victory over Notre Dame.

Cohasset vs. Norwell 121.70-109.4

BARS

1. Erica Hettstrom 7.40; 2. Tara Hettstrom 7.30; and 3. Jodi Colwill 7.20.

BEAM

1. Erica Hettstrom 8.00; 2. Tara Hettstrom 7.80; 3. Jodi Colwill 7.60.

VAULT

Tara Hettstrom and Jodi tied for second 7.70, third, Erica Hettstrom 7.60.

FLOOR

1. Tara Hettstrom 8.30; 2. Erica Hettstrom 8.10; 3. Megan Pratt 7.80.

In all-around competition, Erica and Tara Hettstrom tied for first place, with a 31.10 score.

Cohasset vs. Notre Dame Non League

124.65 to 99.10 — highest score to date

BEST BARS

1. Erica Hettstrom, 7.45; 2. Tara Hettstrom, 7.40; 3. Jodi Colwill, 7.30 (personal best ever).

BEAM

1. Jodi Colwill, personal best this season; 2. Erica Hettstrom, 7.95; 3. Kristen Reynolds 7.80.

VAULT

1. Jodi Colwill 8.0 (personal best this season); 2. Erica and Kristen Reynolds 7.75; 3. Tara Hettstrom 7.65.

FLOOR EXERCISE

(Best floor this season) 1. Tara Hettstrom 8.40; 2. Erica Hettstrom 8.30; 3. Megan Pratt 8.10.

ALL-AROUND

Erica Hettstrom, 31.45; Tara Hettstrom, 30.90.

VARSITY GYMNASTICS CLINIC

The clinic will be held Wednesday, Feb. 7, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., for 7 to 13-year-old girls, at Cohasset High.

Join the varsity gymnastics team for a fun-filled evening of gymnastics. Maybe someday you would like to be on the high school team. This would be a great way to find out.

Captain Tafana Fiore will lead a warm-up and dance lines, and teammates Erica Hettstrom, Jodi Colwill, Megan Pratt, Kristen Reynolds, Carolyn Pratt, Tara Hettstrom and Lauren Genovese helping out with rotations on bars, balance beam, vault, floor and conditioning.

The varsity team will also demonstrate some of their routines. Each gymnast will receive a special participation award.

The clinic will be conducted by head coach of the Cohasset Skippers Ruthann Ardizzoni and other staff members.

The clinic will be held at the Cohasset High School upstairs gym.

For more information call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3058 or drop by the Center and see Ruthann.

All proceeds will go to the varsity gymnastics team.

Cost for this clinic is $10. There is a limited sign-up.

Please wear gymnastic clothing.

Skaters battle through frustrating slump

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Dennis Walsh keeps reminding himself how just how young and inexperienced his Cohasset High hockey squad is.

As of Jan. 19, the Skippers were sporting a 1-6-1 record. Walsh admits dealing with the team's particularly close losses have been tough, especially when the Skippers have had strong chances to win nearly every game. But Walsh, who is originally from Canada where he first began coaching hockey at the of 15, is a realist.

"In some cases it's inexperience," said Walsh, "but a lot of it is depth too."

The Skippers are currently skating just two lines and have three defensemen. Walsh would like to see experience spread out throughout the whole. That happens, he says, when a crop of four to five freshmen go out for the team, stay with the program and develop over their high school career.

Cohasset was on a three-game skid, having lost to Hull (6-4), South Boston (4-3) and Hanover (7-5).

The losses were particularly frustrating. Walsh had to pull the goaltender in both the Hull and South Boston games, which resulted in goals for the two teams.

And against Hanover, the Skippers rallied from a 6-1 deficit only to fall just short of the 10-time South Shore League champs.

Pat Reynolds has continued his strong offensive play for Cohasset and Nevin Bunstein, has been moved back on defense to help out Adam Donovan and Matt O'Connor because of his strong stickhandling skills.

Walsh believes Cohasset must overcome its tendency to try too hard to generate offense. In past games the Skippers have neglected their defensive duties as a result and it has hurt them.

"They're combative and have been in every game," Walsh said. "When you're not winning you tend to try too hard."

Walsh, who has been at the Skipper helm for 10 years, said the lack of a youth hockey program in Cohasset has left the high school without a true feeder system. Budding players usually wind up playing for the South Shore Seahawks, an organization that winds up with much of the hockey talent of several local towns.

Walsh, though, still loves the coaching and teaching the game to the younger kids.

"I like the game and I like the kids," he said. "The kids are lucky to have a hockey team that is supported."

Hopefully, that little extra luck that has eluded the squad this season will manifest and lead to some victories.

Upcoming sports at Cohasset High

GIRLS BASKETBALL

JAN.		
26	at Norton	3:30/6
30	at Scituate	3:30/6
FEB.		
2	Abington	5/6:30

GYMNASTICS

JAN.		
29	Duxbury	
FEB.		
3	All league at Carver	

All meets are at 7 p.m.

SWIMMING

JAN.		
26	at N. Quincy	
31	at Sandwich	
FEB.		
2	at Taunton	

All meets are at 3:30 p.m.

WRESTLING

JAN.		
26	Hingham	7 p.m.
31	Hanover	7 p.m.
FEB.		
3	at Rockland	10 a.m.

BOYS BASKETBALL

JAN.		
26	Norton	
30	Scituate	
FEB.		
2	at Abington	

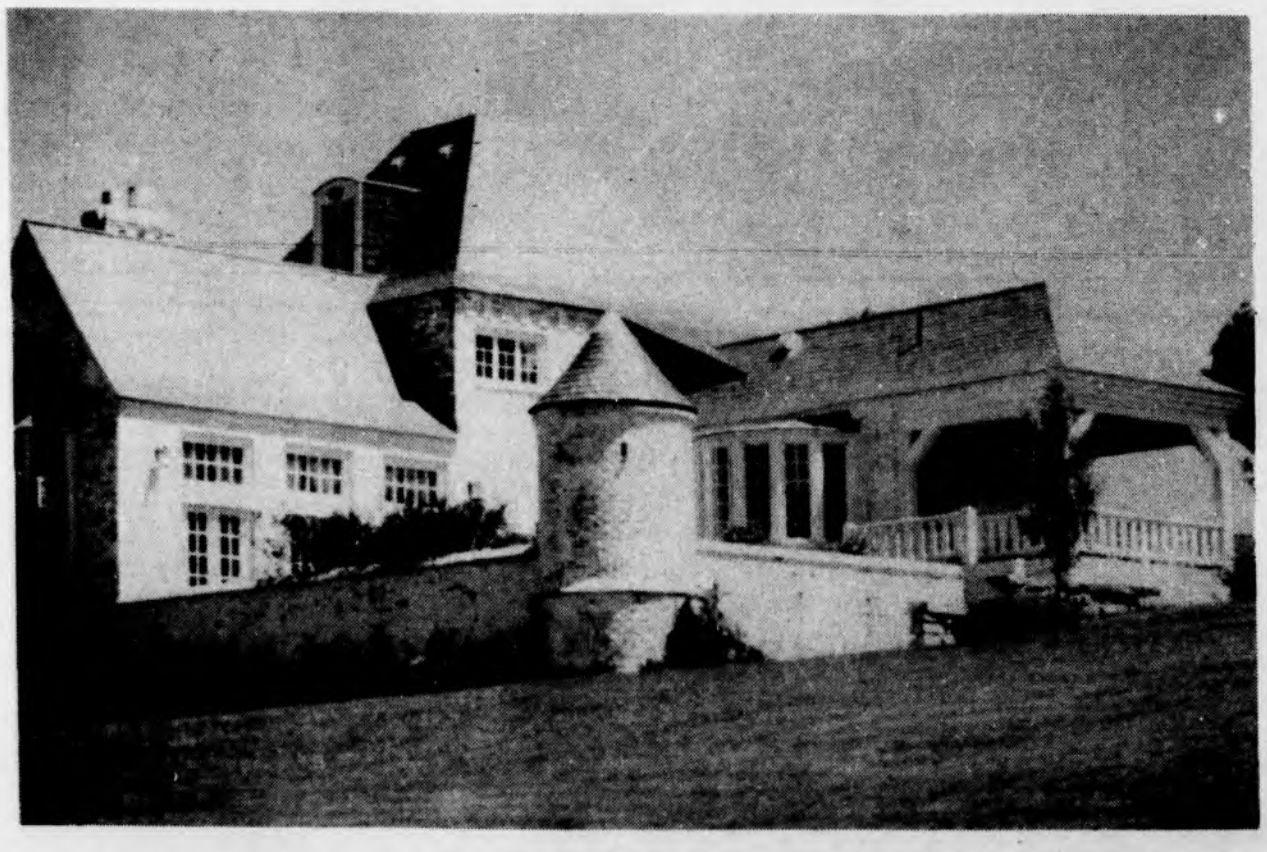
HOCKEY

JAN.		
31	at Abington	4:30
FEB.		
3	at Hanover	3:30

Team T-shirt hoop night

Cohasset High varsity basketball coach Ron Ford announced that every recreational basketball player in grades 1-8, who wears his or her rec. T-shirt, will be admitted free into Saturday night's game against Abington. Rec. players must be accompanied by an adult, Ford said.

Cohasset (7-3) also plays Norton on Friday and Scituate on Tuesday. The games are at home and get underway at 6:30 p.m.



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Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Skippers boys' varsity basketball team capped off a wild two-week stretch Tuesday night with a win against the East Bridgewater Vikings.

Two weeks before, Cohasset had trounced Hull, 104-38. The Skippers picked up their first league loss, with a lackluster effort against Carver.

Throw in a game canceled due to power failure at Norwell, a home game scratched because of a town meeting and the Skippers have seen it all.

Hull saw the Skippers in peak form, as this year's edition became the first Cohasset squad in the Ron Ford era to pour in 100 points. Cohasset got great games from every player on the team. Jared Hardwick finishing with 25, had scored 21 by half-time. Hardwick's points included a two-handed slam dunk, a slam which was only the finishing touch to a gorgeous post move. However, his game was not limited to scoring. Hardwick found teammates time and time again for baskets, showing his versatility.

Star center Ryan Bishop did not play due to a case of the flu, but watched from the bench, and one could only wonder what the score would have been had the big guy played.

Junior sharpshooter Burke Davis pumped in five three-pointers in the first half, and went on to finish with 23, and had a gorgeous behind-the-back pass to Paul-Michael Quintin, who laid it in.

Point guard Fred Howard also had a monster game. Playing tenacious defense, Howard somehow found the time to pick up 14 points of his own. Forward J.L. Williams also played well, hitting his shots from both the outside and the inside. Williams put on a clinic in the low post, tying up hapless defenders with head fakes and stutter steps, then blowing past for a layup.

Junior forward Brian Kilroy also helped the cause, scoring four, rebounding ferociously and being a nuisance on defense. Kilroy had the honor of scoring the hundredth point, which came when he hit a pull-up jumper. Matt Belson, another junior, also shone on defense and under the boards, while popping in two points off a turnaround jumper.

Grant Emde, a standout on the gridiron and the baseball diamond as well as the hardcourt, tossed in two points and tore down a rebound which resulted in two Quintin free throws. Emde's quickness headed off Hull's point guard's attempted drives and helped the Skippers in their transition game repeatedly. Lutz Grunwald, a junior exchange student from Germany, came in toward the end of the first half, helping stop a Hull mini-rally and sparking a Cohasset streak. Grunwald's passing also helped the Skippers slow the game down in the second half.

Quintin was another Skipper to get into double digits, scoring 12 along with a monstrous block. Classmate Justin McNamara, who has been swinging back and forth between JV and varsity this year, collected four points and played tight defense from his guard position.

Tuesday's victory against East Bridgewater was another big win for the boys in blue and white. Coming off the Carver loss, the Skippers needed a win. And win they did, beating the Vikings 72-61 in a game that wasn't close after half-time. Hardwick netted 33, Quintin added 11, and Bishop scored nine.

The Skippers play important home games against Norton, Friday; Abington, Saturday and Scituate Monday.

Cohasset/Scituate adult recreation programs open

Adult golf with Dan Neary. $65 for five one-hour classes. Cushing School, Scituate, Thursday evenings, 6 and 7p.m. Begins Jan. 25. Payable to Town of Cohasset.

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

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Teen Center hosts shoot-out

Feb. 2 at the Cohasset High girls' basketball game, pupils in grades 1-6 can participate in a shoot-out to benefit the Cohasset Teen Center. During half-time of both the JV and varsity games, participants may take three shots on the basket for $1. Any shot that scores will win a prize.

Boston Bruins tickets will be raffled off during the event as well. Dinner of Papa Gino's pizza or hot dogs will be available and will benefit the basketball boosters. It's a great opportunity for an early family night out, and a chance to support the talented lady Skippers! Tip off time is 5:30 p.m.

Rotary Club plans 1996 phone book

The Cohasset Rotary Club is assembling the 1996 Cohasset phone book, a service provided to the community by the club annually. All proceeds from the phone book are used for scholarships for Cohasset High School seniors. The club also supplements the fund and accepts donations from the community.

Residents or businesses who would like to add or alter information currently appearing in the book or who would like to make a donation may call call Ed Fox at 383-6411. The ad deadline is April 1. There is a 10 percent discount for ads paid by March 1. For further information, send a note to: Cohasset Rotary Club, P.O. Box 36, Cohasset 02025.

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Cohasset Business

Rising costs mean tough times for newspapers

Newsprint prices soar

By DWIGHT F. BLINT
Special to the Mariner

The newspaper industry is watching and waiting to see if a recent dramatic climb in the cost of newsprint will continue into the new year. The two-year increase in the cost of newsprint has meant less profit for papers and higher costs for consumers.

Over the last year, the newspaper industry was forced to cut staff and raise prices as the cost of newsprint rose by 40 percent.

And the situation doesn't seem to be getting any better as three large suppliers last month announced plans to raise paper prices between 5 and 9.7 percent in February. Newsprint typically accounts for about 20 percent of a newspaper's expenses.

The only good news is that industry experts aren't sure if the price increases will hold.

"Whether those go through or not is hard to say," said Greg Rudder, editor of Pulp and Paper, a trade magazine based in San Francisco.

He said he has not talked to enough paper suppliers or buyers recently to make a comfortable prediction on where he thinks prices will go. But such large price increases could be hard to sustain.

"Some experts say those anticipated price increases are the highest since the 1920s. So they make for historic increases," he said.

In 1994, paper prices rose by 25 percent and then, in 1995, by about 40 percent, Rudder said.

"The cost of newsprint to Community Newspaper Company (CNC), the parent company of the the Cohasset Mariner, was up 40 percent over last year – close to $ 2 million in added expenses," said Nancy McNiff, production manager for CNC. "That's a huge increase in any business. It was definitely one of our biggest challenges in 1995."

McNiff added she does expect prices to increase in 1996, but not at the same rate as last year. She added that like most newspapers CNC had its own conservation efforts in place, but despite those efforts, there was a need to raise both advertising and circulation rates.

The market for newsprint is softening, said Luke Popovich, spokesman for the American Forest and Paper Association, based in Washington, D.C. He said because of rising prices companies have been buying more newsprint and using it more cautiously. As a result, many publications have large stockpiles and, therefore, less demand.

Popovich said newsprint wholesalers have had to cut deals with buyers to keep paper moving. However, he cautioned that this trend may not continue.

"If this is an inventory correction, or if this portends a coming decline or no increase in 1996, we don't know," said Popovich.

The rising cost of newsprint has had a detrimental effect on newspaper publishers over the last year.

Weekday circulation fell last year at seven of the nation's 10 biggest metropolitan daily newspapers, and industry experts say newsprint price increases were a key factor in the declines. They said newspapers have been forced to offset soaring newsprint costs by raising prices and reducing distribution of papers to marginal markets.

"I don't know when it's going to end," said John Coykendall, executive director of the New England Press Association in Boston.

If the price increases for 1996 do hold, paper manufacturers will be encouraged to try it again, he said.

Coykendall said retailers are coming out of a slow market and that could foreshadow less advertising revenue for newspapers to spend on newsprint. He said if that becomes a reality, consumers might see newspapers making another round of price increases.

"Certainly one way to offset it is to share the pain," said Coykendall.

He said newspapers which want to stay in business have little choice in combating the price increase.

Prompted by complaints from newspaper publishers, the Justice Department earlier this fall began examining companies that sell newsprint to see if rising costs might be caused by illegal price fixing.

Due to the recent federal shutdown, no one was available to comment on the status of the investigation.

"They are taking a serious look at it," Coykendall said, adding that an investigation might help to stabilize prices.

The paper manufacturing industry has been raising prices in an effort to make up for weak earnings during the recession. During the late 1980s and early 1990s, the demand for paper dropped to record-setting, post-war lows while manufacturers' inventories were high. In 1994 and 1995 the country was in an economic upturn which resulted in higher demand and lower inventories, and North American newsprint manufacturers were also supplying a growing overseas market. Most of the newsprint used in the United States is produced by about three dozen companies.

Dwight F. Blint is a staff writer for Community Newspaper Company.

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Geerlings & Wade Inc.	5.1250	-0.1250
Grossman's	1.0625	–
Ground Round	3.5000	–
Haemonetics	17.0000	-0.1250
Hills Stores	10.5000	–
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Independ. Bank Corp. MA	6.8750	-0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.6250	–
J Baker	4.3750	–
First Years	10.7500	–
Lojack	10.1250	0.1875
Organogenesis Inc.	16.3750	0.3750
Peoples Savings Bank	9.3750	0.1250
Plymouth Rubber	9.2500	–
Reebok	25.8750	-0.2500
Software Development	1.6250	–
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8:00 a.m., Sunny, 18

10:44 a.m., assist citizen, Border St., services rendered.

12:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

3:22 p.m., violation of court order, Elm St., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 20

4:00 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lothrop Ln.

8:09 p.m., general services, Forest Ave., services rendered.

9:01 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

10:28 p.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 30

Wednesday, Jan. 10

12:03 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy. (Pond St.), services rendered.

12:36 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St., services rendered.

12:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Hingham Line), verbal warning.

1:06 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy., (Norfolk Conveyor), departmental action.

2:17 a.m., larceny, CJC Hwy. (Mobil Mart), departmental action.

2:53 a.m, general services, slippery roads, referred to other agency.

6:37 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Aaron River Rd., investigated.

7:25 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Podn St. (Clay Spring), traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 26

8:42 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm Ct., investigated.

10:15 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Bancroft Rd./Pond St., investigated.

10:38 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/L King St., services rendered.

10:32 a.m., emergency services, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

11:14 a.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

12:06 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

1:15 p.m., general services, Briarwood/Bancroft, departmental action.

1:23 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, library, unfounded.

1:40 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Bow St., services rendered.

2:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Deep Run/Jerusalem Rd., unfounded.

4:00 p.m., Snow

4:23 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Oak St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

8:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., verbal warning.

11:11 p.m., suspicious activity, Pond St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 26

Thursday, Jan. 11

4:49 a.m., suspicious activity, Hull St., investigated.

4:50 a.m., general services, Border St., services rendered.

7:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Mobil Mart).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 18

10:08 a.m., officer wanted, 3A N-bound between Pond St. and Stop & Shop, services rendered.

11:02 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., services rendered.

11:09 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm Ct., investigated.

12:13 p.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

3:24 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Hingham line, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 33

3:46 p.m., general services, Beechwood.

4:07 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. @ Forest Ave. Ext., referred to other agency.

5:14 p.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., referred to other agency.

7:24 p.m., medical, Clay Spring Rd., removed to hospital.

11:01 p.m., emergency services, Sohier St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 23

Friday, Jan. 12

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 20

7:34 a.m., emergency services, Elm Ct., investigated.

10:50 a.m., annoying phone calls, Fair Oaks Ln., departmental action ction.

11:55 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

2:59 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Victoria's, services rendered.

3:00 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Curtis Liquo to services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Snow/rain, 35

4:00 p.m., medical, Norfolk Rd., removed to hospital.

5:19 p.m., assist citizen, Brewster Rd./CJC Hwy., departmental action.

5:33 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., departmental action.

7:56 p.m., general services, Fairoaks Ln., investigated.

8:03 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy (South Shore Chevrolet), departmental action.

8:37 p.m., assist citizen,

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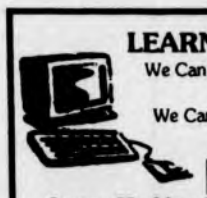
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Minors arrested for alcohol

Police stopped a car on Rte. 3A near Jonathan Livingston Seagull Square Jan. 21 and charged its occupants, four Hull minors, with illegal possession of alcohol. Arrested were Thomas White, 19, 42 Massasoit Ave.; Robert Zitoli Jr. 18, 31 Massasoit Ave.; Alex Mann, 17, 26 Veterans Rd.; and William [illegible]resley, 20, 40 D Street.

Police also cited the driver, White, with speeding and defective equipment (one headlight out).

Driver cited after accident

Police cited Brian Billotte, 738 Jerusalem Rd., with operating to endanger, leaving the scene and travelling on the wrong side of the road following a single car accident Jan. 22.

Police said Billotte was travelling south bound in a 1989 Ford Taurus which rolled over and broke a utility pole in half on Jerusalem Road at about 2:29 a.m. When police arrived Billotte, 38, had left the scene.

"No one was there when we got there," Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

Plaza parking lot collision

A Hull woman sustained minor injuries following an accident at 1:28 p.m., Jan. 20 in the parking lot at Cohasset Plaza, police said.

Tami L. Santiano, 20, 148 Atlantic Ave., Hull, was transported to the hospital after the 1987 Ford Tempo she was driving collided with a 1991 American Jeep driven by Laura M. Rosano, 16, 191 Hull St., Cohasset. Rosano was exiting a parking space when her car struck Santiano's which was travelling through the lot, police said.

Latest police status report

Police Chief Brian Noonan said December was a busy month for the police department. The Dec. 19 storm kept the dispatch center and the police officers "straight out for several days."

During the month the department made 18 arrests. Seven were for outstanding warrants, four for protective custody, two for violation of a restraining order, two for minors in possession of alcohol and one for operating under the influence, one for uttering a false prescription and one for possession of a Class B controlled substance.

There were no "breaking and enterings" reported in December, he said.

During the month, the Emergency Dispatch Center received 103, 9-1-1 calls.

Officer William Quigley, a former seasonal police officer, started working full time Dec. 2. Through a waiver authorized by the Mass. Criminal Justice Training Council, he is able work until the availability of the next 18-week police academy, Noonan said.

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Jerusalem Rd. HQ, departmental action.

8:39 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., investigated.

8:42 p.m., general services, Heather Rd./Forest Ave., departmental action.

9:04 p.m., general services, Red Gate Ln./Jerusalem Rd., departmental action ction.

9:27 p.m., officer wanted, Pleasant St., no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., light rain, 38

Saturday, Jan. 13

12:45 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Border St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:46 a.m., fire alarm, Beechwood St., accidental/defective alarm.

3:32 a.m., fire alarm, Norfolk Conveyor Building, King St., accidental/defective alarm.

7:23 a.m., building check, Deer Hill School, no police service necessary.

7:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Misty, 38

8:50 a.m., general services, Sohier St./N. Main St., departmental action.

9:09 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., departmental action.

9:09 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., departmental action.

9:29 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

9:39 a.m., general services, Sohier St., departmental action.

10:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Pond St., verbal warning.

10:36 a.m., general services, Sohier St., services rendered.

11:31 a.m., medical, Cedar St. (landfill), investigated.

12:06 p.m., assist citizen, King St., departmental action.

12:53 p.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave., investigated.

1:14 p.m., assist citizen, Linden Dr., investigated.

1:29 p.m., medical, Pleasant St., removed to hospital.

3:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Spring St./Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

3:52 p.m., assist citizen, Pond St. to N. Scituate, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 32

6:27 p.m., building check, Cedarledge Village, investigated.

6:28 p.m., general services, Elm St./Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

7:18 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy./Hingham Line, no police service necessary.

8:22 p.m., general services, S. Main St./Scituate Line, departmental action.

8:42 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy, investigated.

9:29 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Grace Dr., verbal warning.

9:46 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

9:54 p.m., building check, CJC Hwy., investigated.

10:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Forest Ave., verbal warning.

11:36 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, cold, 33

Sunday, Jan. 14

1:18 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/lower King St., verbal warning.

3:25 a.m., general services, 3A/Sohier St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 32

9:01 a.m., assist citizen, Black Rock Rd., departmental action.

9:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Highland Ave./Highland Ct., investigated.

10:21 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Highland Ave./Highland Ct., services rendered.

11:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Black Rock Rd./Jerusalem Rd., traffic warning issued.

12:13 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (Papa Gino's), no police service necessary.

12:42 p.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

1:56 p.m., officer wanted, King St. (Cohasset Water Dept.), no police service necessary.

2:02 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Stop & Shop, no police service necessary.

2:30 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Ave., departmental action.

3:10 p.m., assist other PDs., CJC Hwy Hingham Exxon, departmental action.

3:27 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 38

4:29 p.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., no police service necessary.

4:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., verbal warning.

5:29 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Hull St./Cedar St., no police service necessary.

5:54 p.m., general services, HQ Elm St., departmental action.

7:38 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St.,/CJC Hwy, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Border St., verbal warning.

9:10 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St., services rendered.

9:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lower King St./CJC Hwy, arrest.

10:12 p.m., Ptl. Treanor in with Susan E. Shea, 388 Copeland St. Apt. 46, Quincy, Mass. DOB: 9/21/72, warrant.

10:06 p.m., general services, Lower King St./CJC Hwy., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 40

Tuesday, Jan. 16

12:35 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Jonathan Livingston Square).

6:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Cedar St.)

6:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Mendel Rd.), verbal warning.

7:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common).

7:36 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy, services rendered.

7:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Stop & Shop).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 22

8:53 a.m., suspicious activity, Atlantic Ave. by Sandy Beach, departmental action.

9:05 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

10:07 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Cohasset Plaza lot – Dunkin' Donuts, investigated.

2:19 p.m., medical, Cedar St. – landfill, referred to other agency.

3:37 p.m., animal complaint, Sonoco Station/3A, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 25

4:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., traffic warning issued.

5:23 p.m., burglary (B& e), Church, investigated.

6:42 p.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St., services rendered.

6:56 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Hdqts., investigated.

8:27 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Way, services rendered.

9:12 p.m., annoying phone calls, Norfolk Rd., departmental action.

10:10 p.m., message delivery, Gannett Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

Wednesday, Jan. 17

7:48 a.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Drizzle, 40

9:22 a.m., medical, S. Main St., referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 48

4:30 p.m., genreal services, Mary Lou's Rte. 3A, services rendered.

4:47 p.m., civil complaint, Pond St., departmental action.

5:17 p.m., disturbance (family), Wheelwright Farm, peace restored.

7:10 p.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, fog, 42

Thursday, Jan. 18

7:08 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy (Mary Lou's), services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 40

3:09 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy, notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 57

4:39 p.m., violation of court order, Beechwood St., area search negative.

4:54 p.m., medical, Hdqts., services rendered.

4:59 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, harbor, investigated.

5:17 p.m., animal complaint, Hillside Dr., referred to other agency.

10:14 p.m., medical, Juniper Rise, removed to hospital.

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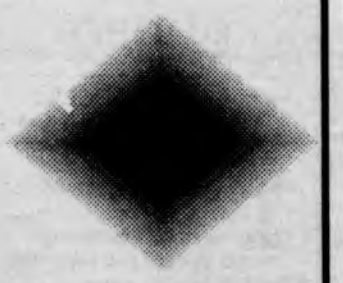

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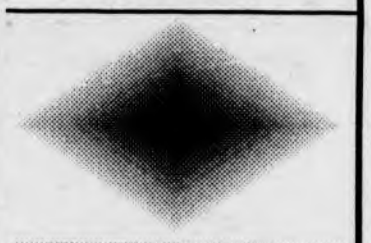

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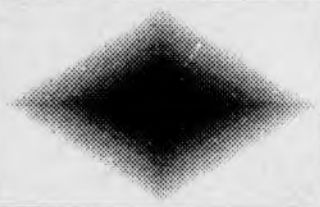

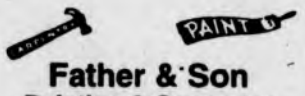

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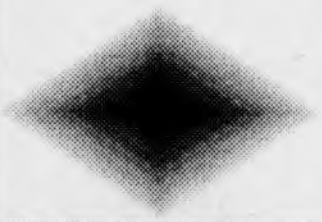

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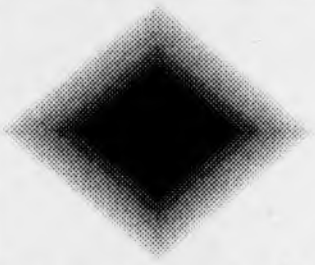

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School Notebook

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/Allison Ritts

Allison Ritts deserves to be named Student of the Month not only for her work since school began, but also for her dedication to Cohasset High School over the summer months.

In June, I wondered if I could get CHS students together to work on a new script over the summer, but was very skeptical about asking them to make a commitment during the vacation time of the year. Fortunately, I asked the right person to organize the effort — Alli Ritts.

We spoke briefly on the very last day of school, and on the first Wednesday of July, I drove to the auditorium prepared for one or two students at best. Instead, I was overwhelmed by the number of students ready to commit to a project that offered no school credit and no guarantee of ever reaching the stage. Alli had done her job and has continued to do more.

She wrote some of the most effective pieces in the show that we developed and that she named "Through Our Eyes." In addition, Alli served as my assistant director and was very active in that capacity, organizing and actually running rehearsals.

She also performed tasks as mundane as helping to type the script and as crucial as editing speeches and scenes that needed work. She also performed a musical number in the play. "Through Our Eyes" would not have come into being as a script and as a production without the effort and talent of Alli Ritts.

Alli also helped Miss Babaian and me organize the development of a suicide prevention presentation by the Peer Counselors. In addition to her out-of-school activities, Alli has performed especially well in my advanced placement English class. Her papers are always among the best in the class.

Over the years, I have been pleased to see a number of my nominations selected as Students of the Month; none of those individuals deserved that award more than Allison Ritts does now.

— **Ron Emmons.**

Workshop is Jan. 29

The Cohasset elementary schools' adjustment counselors, Ed Leonard and Frank Fitzgerald, will conduct a four-session parenting workshop offering parents a realistic approach to meeting the challenges of raising children today.

The first meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Jan. 29 in the Watermelon Room at St.Stephen's Church. There is no charge for the workshops but parents need to purchase "STEP, the Parents' Handbook" by Don Dinkmeyer and Gary McKay available at Buttonwood Books for $12. To sign up, call any school's office.

SandCastles open enrollment

SandCastles Childcare Center will hold an open enrollment, beginning Feb. 15, for summer and fall programs for infant, pre-toddler, toddler and pre-school programs. SandCastles, located at 152 King St., Route 3A, also has a nursery school program available.

Hours are weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For further information, call Michelle Manganaro, director, at 383-9987. Space is limited.

DARE graduates are honored

Hingham's DARE Officer Michael Peraino and Derby Headmaster Edward Foley awarded certificates to 39 sixth-graders at the school's second annual DARE graduation on Jan. 17. Guest speakers included State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, Jeff Granatino from Sen. Robert Hedlund's office and Hingham Police Chief Joachim-Ingo Borowski. Plymouth County District Attorney Michael Sullivan, parents and siblings attended the event.

As part of the 17-week program, students were asked to communicate the DARE message in a poster and through an essay. Kara Gaughen of Cohasset and Ian Jaffe of Marshfield were co-winners of the essay contest. They read their works and received savings bonds.

Students presented five skits: "Consequences of Using Drugs," "Eight Ways to Say No!," "Peer Pressure," "Conflict Resolution" and "Assertiveness."

Charlie Anderson, Kristen Deane, Siobhan Hart-Kelly, Emily Larson, Henry Roth and Katherine Schroeder, all of Cohasset, were among the DARE graduates.

Music festival on agenda

The Cohasset High School Band and Senior Chorus are planning a trip to Williamsburg, Va., to participate in a music festival.

A raffle will be held to help defray the cost of the trip. Students are soliciting items to be raffled, including gift certificates for restaurants and services, gifts, lodging at hotels, tickets to sporting events and art events and memberships to various activities.

The deadline for donations is Jan. 26. Call Joanne Greene at 383-6662 or DeeDee Nicynski at 383-1329 for further information or to donate an item.

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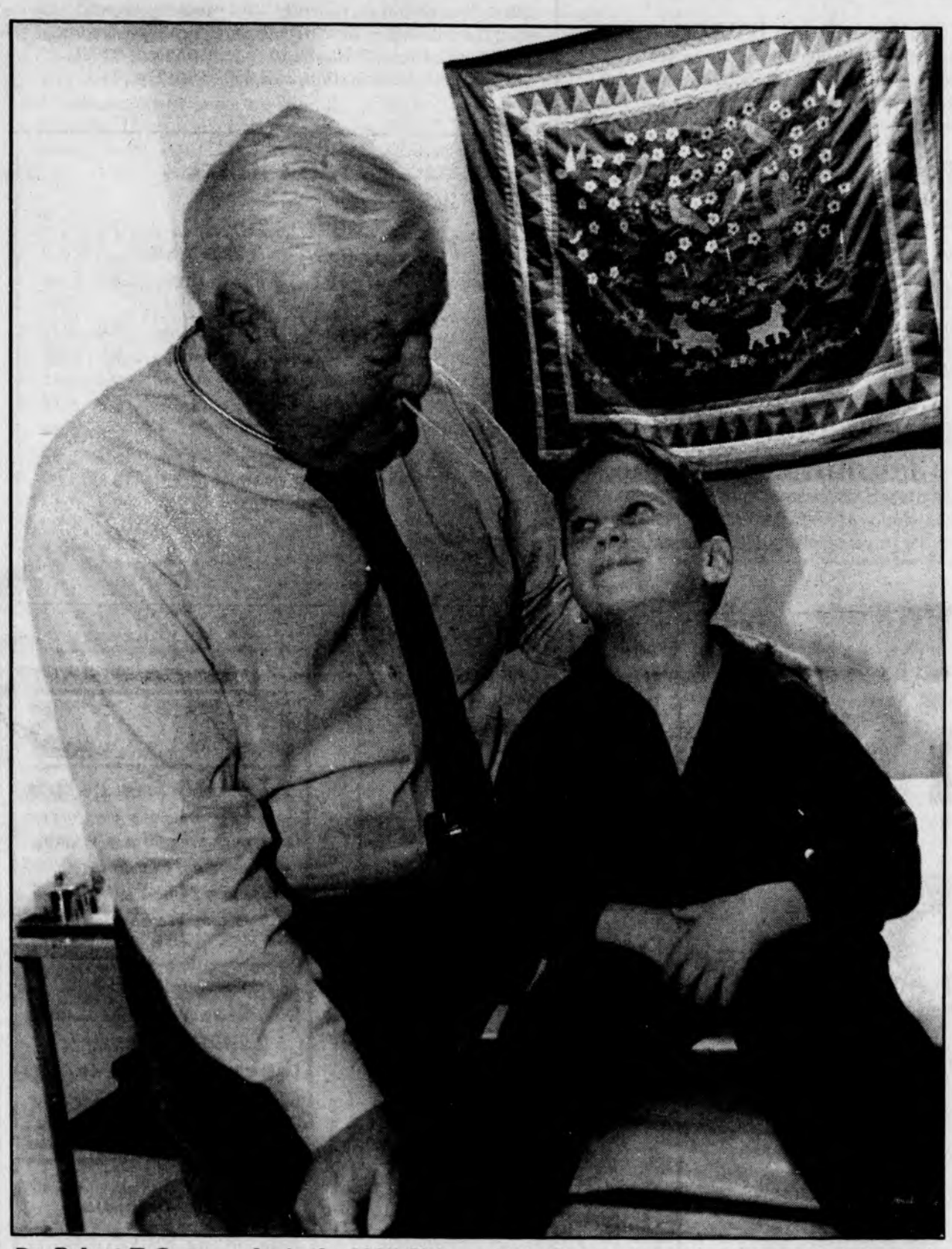

Dr. Robert T. Sceery, who is the 1995 Citizen of the Year, gets a mischievous look from his grandson, Ivan, in his office at 95 Atlantic Ave.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Beloved doctor receives honor

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Forty-three years ago, Cohasset got lucky.

At the last minute, a young pediatrician with a growing family decided not to move to Centerville on Cape Cod even though he'd bought a house there.

"It was almost fated," recalls Dr. Robert T. Sceery. "The house on North Main Street was for sale and it was a little beyond our means."

Sceery remembers the couple who owned the home (and lived across the street) were so pleased that a doctor was coming to town, they traded Sceery the house at the corner of N. Main and Green streets for the one in Centerville, which they then sold.

"It cost me about 27 cents to make the transaction," Sceery says.

"So we had a big house with two kids and no furniture, just a bed and cribs."

That was the beginning of a relationship with the the town and its citizens, who grew to trust and revere this old-fashioned doctor — a man who now treats many of the children of his first young patients.

The affection and respect so many hold for Sceery led to his being selected as the 1995 Cohasset Mariner Citizen of the Year.

In her nomination Barbara Meehan of Ripley road wrote:

"Professionally and personally, Dr. Sceery represents all that is good about Cohasset. He and his lovely wife, Phoebe, raised an outstanding family. His grandchildren are spectacular young people.

"Dr. Sceery's kindness and attention to the goodness and well-being of Cohasset and its citizens is unmatched."

The five member selection committee — consisting of residents Chartis Langmaid, Steve Endris, Ann Whelan, and Hamilton Tewksbury and Cohasset Mariner editor Mary Ford — chose Sceery out of a field of 15 nominees submitted by 30 local citizens.

> *'Dr. Sceery's kindness and attention to the goodness and well-being of Cohasset and its citizens is unmatched.'*
>
> **— Barbara Meehan in her nomination of Dr. Robert Sceery.**

After completing his undergraduate studies at Harvard, Sceery — who grew up in Hartford, Connecticut — served as a communications officer in the Navy from 1943 to 1946.

"I was in the first LST to land at Utah Beach on D-Day," Sceery recalls.

"We discharged the army and then had to wait for the tide to get back in. Fortunately there was a big cliff opposite where we landed and the German guns were not

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Red Lion Inn repairs are promised soon

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Pledging to retain its colonial atmosphere, the owners of the Red Lion Inn plan a renovation which will include smoke detectors and address various other violations of town codes.

"We plan on correcting what needs to be taken care of," one of the new owners, Carl Akerblom told selectmen Monday night.

Akerblom, of Ft. Lauderdale and Humarock, and his partner Jerry Smith of San Francisco, bought the beloved old inn last week at auction for $300,000.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said that although various violations were to have been corrected by Jan. 25, it is only fair to give the new owners an additional month.

The liquor license will remain in effect during that time.

Violations include a leaky roof, lack of smoke detectors in the guest rooms on the second and third floor.

Although the sale will not be completed until March 5, the new owners said

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Potential candidates show election interest

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The April 6 election is drawing interest as citizens continue to take out nomination papers for a range of offices.

Treasurer/Collector Elizabeth Ripley announced her resignation effective Feb. 16 to accept a position in Marshfield (see companion story). Wigmore Pierson, 123 Atlantic Avenue, has taken out papers to run for the position.

Pierson, who hosts the weekly talk show "Pierson to Person" and has been committed to public service since his Peace Corps days in the 1960s, says he can apply his business background to the position. Pierson has a career counseling practice in Norwell which he would run part-time if elected.

Richard Shea, 52 Margin Ct. and Owen O'Malley, 29 Sohier St., and Keith Knowles, 15 Border St. have taken out papers for the school committee seat currently held by Nancy Sandell, who is stepping down after three terms.

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Cohasset's Week

DPW garage progress

According to Gary Gardner, the DPW garage committee has finished interviewing applicants for the design of the new DPW garage.

There were 17 applicants and the group interviewed four finalists.

Gardner said design work should be completed in February and a contractor hired soon thereafter.

Construction should start by mid-May.

He predicted the $750,000 facility would be built within five months, in time for next winter.

Town counsel search is moving forward

Eleven law firms have responded to the selectmen's advertisement for a town counsel.

Selectman Jane Goedecke said the applicants have varied backgrounds.

She said that although she thought the town might have received more applicants, she is pleased with the responses, since 11 is a manageable number.

The town requested that only lawyers with at leat five years municipal experience should apply, which probably limited the number of responses.

Selectmen agreed to review the applications and discuss naming four finalists at their meeting in two weeks.

They will also seek the opinion of town counsel Richard Henderson, who plans to step down once a successor is chosen.

Gjesteby reports on meeting

According to selectman Martha Gjesteby, state money for local school buildings is guaranteed.

She said that during the recent Mass Municipal Association conference, new Senate President Thomas Birmingham reported that some $11.2 billion for new school construction is in the state budget.

"So we're assured money for our new school if it is voted," Gjesteby said.

During last week's town meeting, the school committee said that the school construction project should be done this year to ensure state reimbursement.

Gjesteby wants to postpone part of the project.

Mosquito control openings

Due to expected resignations, the town's mosquito control committee will soon have two openings. Anyone interested should contact selectmen.

The committee monitors the town's mosquito population during the warmer months and helps coordinate remedial measures, such as cleaning out of brooks and other waterways, or spraying.

Rafferty named to board

John Rafferty is the fifth member of the water resources protection committee. Selectmen made the appointment Monday night at the request of Dean Rizzo, a committee member.

James Brook study awarded

Tutela Engineering will undertake the study of James Brook. Selectmen awarded the $14,600 contract this week.

Legal bills accepted

Some $10,000 in legal bills from Warner & Stackpole, special town counsel for the board of heath, were approved by selectmen Monday night.

Group makes donation to help stop landfill expansion

The Trustees of the Cohasset Conservation Trust have voted to contribute $10,000 to the Trustees of Reservations for the purpose of providing engineering and legal counsel in their efforts to prevent the proposed expansion of Cohasset Heights Ltd., currently under consideration by the Cohasset Board of Health.

The Trustees are concerned about the environmental impact of the proposed expansion on the Cohasset water supply and Whitney Woods, a Trustee of Reservations property in Cohasset.

The Trustees also voted to contribute $500 to SAFE, a local organization whose purpose is to prevent any further expansion of Cohasset Heights Ltd.

Property taxes are due

Property tax bills for the third quarter of fiscal year 1996 have been mailed and are payable no later than 7 p.m., Feb. 1.

Payments should be sent to the treasurer/collector's office. The owner of recently sold property should forward the bill to the new owner or return it to the tax collector's office, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

For more information, call 383-9900, Ext. 113.

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Mon. 5	11:40	10.2	5:27	—	—	5:54
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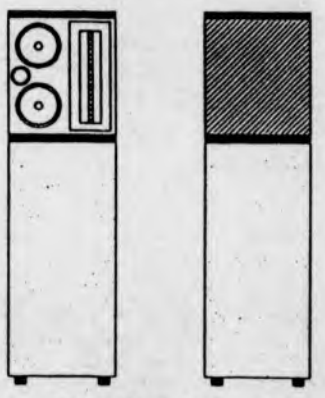

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Lawyer can attend all landfill hearings

Attorney Kenneth Kimmell will probably attend all 12 of the health board hearings on the proposed expansion of the Cohasset Heights Landfill.

One conservation commission will pay his fees out of its $35,000 legal budget.

In an effort to save money, selectmen last week had asked Kimmell which of the hearings he did not have to attend.

Kimmell, who is being paid $135 per hour, cited three meetings he could skip.

This infuriated activist John McNabb, who fired off an angry letter, accusing selectmen of being penny wise and pound foolish and not doing enough to fight the landfill expansion request.

In part, McNabb's letter stated:"You would think that the selectmen would have gotten the message by now: the people of Cohasset want them to fight against the expansion of Cohasset Heights, and to win the fight. This is not the time to nickle and dime the fight against the expansion."

Conservation commission chairman Thomas Callahan told selectmen Monday night that Kimmell's presence is necessary to protect the town's interest.

"This is the most important thing we have facing the town," Callahan said.

He wondered why there are two lawyers representing the board of health at the hearings, Michael Leon, who charges $200 per hour and Michael Scott, who charges, $140 per hour, both from Warner & Stackpole.

In addition, the town is paying for engineers to be present, said Callahan.

Selectmen reacted angrily to McNabb's letter.

Michael Sullivan said he threw the epistle in the fire.

"Tell him (McNabb) to calm his jets," Sullivan told Callahan. "We're all going to lose out."

Jane Goedecke said she didn't know how many times the board would have to assure McNabb that they are opposed to the landfill expansion.

She also said the decision to have Kimmell reduce his attendance at the hearings was not arbitrary, but based on Kimmell's own recommendation.

She said Kimmell should attend only if he believes his attendance is necessary.

Goedecke further admonished Callahan to remind Kimmell that he is representing the town of Cohasset and not any outside group.

Merle Brown said that a member of SAFE, Stop Any Further Expansion, told him that McNabb was not representing the group when he wrote the letter on SAFE stationary.

Hagerty site on town warrant

The fate of the Hagerty property is likely to be one of the few controversial items on the March 30 town meeting warrant.

Selectmen will decide Tuesday Feb. 20 what to recommend be done with the Hagerty site, which includes several buildings located on the Harbor.

The board may ask town meeting to authorize sale of the showroom building for either commercial or residential purposes.

A zoning change may be required depending upon what selectmen recommend.

Appropriate articles will be inserted into the town meeting warrant after the selectmen vote on the property's future.

During their acceptance of town meeting articles Monday night, selectmen agreed to postpone consideration of seven separate articles outlining possible Hagerty property alternatives.

A proposal submitted by clean water activists to create a highway business district might also generate discussion.

As a zoning change, the article will require a public hearing.

The article was signed by John McNabb, Kevin O'Donnell, James Kinch, Nicholas Driscoll, Ansley Pearce, Mary Kelly, Mary Gainor, Charles Gainor, Linda Keller and Constance Afshar.

A suggestion from Manuel Salvador establishing term limits of nine years (three three-year terms) for those serving on appointed town committees and boards was also accepted.

In a Jan. 18 letter to selectmen, Salvador said, "In the case of the harbor commissioner, one time a chairman served over 15 years and we have the same people on this board for years and then they become dictators. The last time appointments came up for this board, eight people applied."

Selectman Merle Brown said that it often takes a while for people serving to become expert in the subject matter their committee deals with. However, selectman Jane Goedecke said it did not take more than two years to become effective.

The advisory committee and personnel board already have term limits.

The other articles do not appear controversial.

They include: $12,000 for consultants to assist in the preparation of an open space plan for the town; a joint effort with the state and town of Hingham to purchase land known as Turkey Hill for conservation; $5,000 for Cohasset's share of the South Shore Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board; require sprinklers in lodging and boarding houses; institute a per bag trash fee; install air conditioning at the Pratt library; purchase school buses and remodel the high school gym and auditorium; establish a noise control by-law.

There will also be a special town meeting, with articles on the sewer, conservation funds and unpaid bills.

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Cohasset treasurer accepts position in Marshfield

By KIMBERLEY KEYES
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Marshfield has found a treasurer/collector.

Elizabeth Ripley will leave her job as Cohasset's treasurer/collector Feb. 16 to start work there Feb. 20.

"I thought it would be challenging and a nice change for me," said Ripley, a Cohasset resident who has been her town's treasurer/collector since 1984.

She said she wasn't looking for a job when she heard about the Marshfield position's vacancy. Former Marshfield town treasurer Donald Poyant resigned Dec. 15 to become Chatham's financial director.

Ripley, who holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from Northeastern University, will earn $45,147 in Marshfield. Her salary in Cohasset is $40,627, she said.

Ripley said she expects the management style in Marshfield to be different than in Cohasset, because in Marshfield the treasurer/collector is appointed. In Cohasset the position is elected.

When you're elected and working with people who are appointed, "it doesn't work as smoothly," said Ripley.

She said she likes Marshfield's "team approach" in which the town accountant, town administrator and treasurer/collector work together on financial matters.

"It's a nice way to do it," she said.

Four treasurer/collector candidates were interviewed by Marshfield officials who unanimously recommended Ripley.

Marshfield selectmen interviewed Ripley for about an hour last week before voting to hire her.

Although Marshfield is a bigger town and her office will have a larger staff, Ripley is already familiar with the town's computer system. Both Cohasset and Marshfield use Data National.

The mother of four said she will remain living in Cohasset.

"It's a very easy commute down (Route) 3A," she said.

Ripley said she will miss Cohasset's assistant treasurer, with whom she has worked for 13 years, and the assistant collector.

"We have a very cohesive group," she said.

The treasurer/collector collects, processes and reports all the money that comes in and goes out of the town, said Ripley, who is certified through the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association.

ELIZABETH RIPLEY
Will leave Feb. 16

Changes in position planned

After 11 years on the job, Elizabeth Ripley has resigned her position as treasurer/collector to accept a similar post in Marshfield.

The position of treasurer/collector is now elected in Cohasset, but appointed in Marshfield.

Selectmen will ask town meeting to make the post appointed in Cohasset as well.

Her resignation takes effect Feb. 16, the day after the deadline for taking out nomination papers. So far television personality Wigmore Pierson is the only candidate to take out papers for the position.

Town counsel will be asked about what affect the town meeting vote will have.

Selectmen praised Ripley's dedication.

"She's been a great service to the town. She's saved us a lot of money," through the careful issuing of bonds, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby agreed, saying she is sorry Ripley is leaving, but glad about the new opportunity.

Potential candidates show interest

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There is a three-way race for two seats on the board of selectmen. Incumbent Martha Gjesteby, 81 Old Pasture Rd., has taken out papers for a third term. Former advisory committee chairman Nancy A. Roth, 7 Highland Ave., and conservation commissioner Roseanne McMorris, 89 Doane St., have thrown their hats into the ring. Incumbent Jane Goedecke announced recently she will not seek re-election.

Political newcomer, Roger Lowe of 90 Beach Street has taken out papers for library trustee and so have trustees Sheila Evans of 72 N. Main St. and Doris McNulty, of 80 Nichols Rd. As of Tuesday, Trustee Lucille McLaughlin had not announced her plans.

Other incumbents seeking re-election are sewer commissioner Edward M. "Ted" Guild of 365 Jerusalem Rd. for a fifth, three-year term and Town Moderator George L. Marlette Jr., 31 Rustic Dr., who seeks re-election to a three-year term.

Tom Wigmore, 32 Ash St., will seek re-election to a five-year term on the recreation commission; Town Clerk Marion Douglas, 404 A Beechwood St., has taken out papers for another three-year term. Other available positions are: assessors, one for three years; Cohasset Housing Authority one position five years; planning board, one position five years; and water commission, one position three years.

The last day to take out nomination papers is Feb. 15. They must be returned with a minimum of 50 signatures of registered voters by 5 p.m., Feb. 20, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said.

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Best vacation: A trip to Hawaii with my wife for our fifth anniversary.

Best day(s) of your life: The day I got married and the day our two sons were born.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving.

Favorite T.V. show: "Frasier."

Favorite movie: "Forrest Gump."

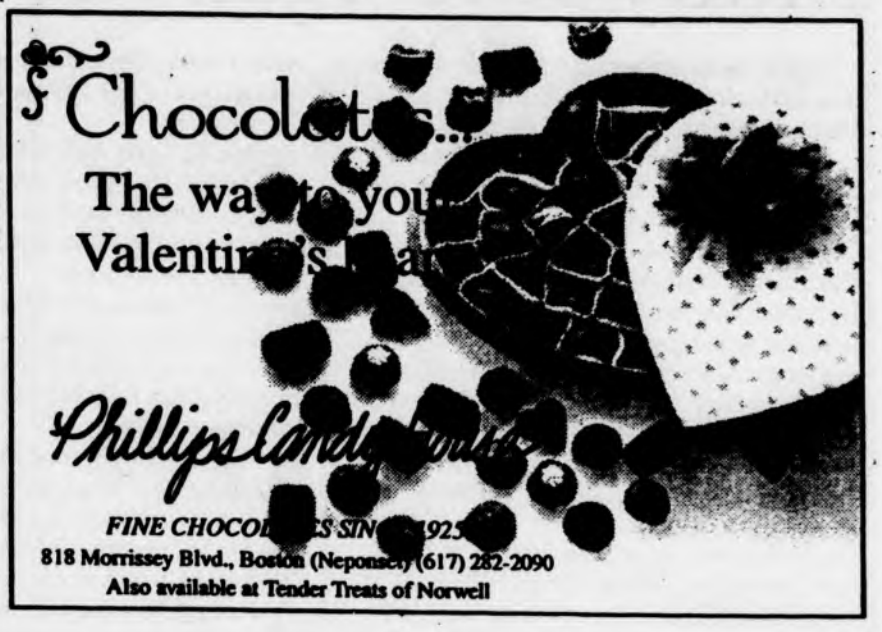
Favorite book: "The Firm," by John Grisham.

Favorite junk-food: Cape Cod Potato Chips.

Person you'd most like to meet: Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Most embarrassing moment: When a past president of Rotary International called me, and thinking it was a practical joke, I didn't believe he was who he said he was and called him a "has been, etc."

Pet peeve: People being too demanding and selfish.



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Gammons Road resident Dr. Robert T. Sceery was selected by a committee of five, consisting of Cohasset residents Chartis Langmaid, Ann Whelan, Steve Endris and Hamilton Tewksbury and Cohasset Mariner editor Mary Ford.

Other nominees were:

• Anna Abruzzese for the many things she does both for her family and the town of Cohasset, including teaching cooking classes for senior citizens and serving as a eucharistic minister at St. Anthony's, shuttle bus driver, member of the Village Renaissance Committee, helper at the Pine Street Inn and much more.

• Barbara Dillon for tireless work for her church, local Scouting programs, and schools; and for service on the historic commission, historical society, in the Daughters of the American Revolution, Community Garden Club and as garden club liaison to the Cohasset Lightkeepers' Corporation and member of the CLC executive committee.

• Fred Koed for providing strong leadership to improve the management and operations of the Cohasset Water Commission.

• Arthur Lehr Jr. for 50 years of service to Scouting in town, service on the recycling committee and as civil defense director and for past service on the zoning board of appeals.

• Polly Logan, one of the founders of the Community Garden Club, for supporting important causes over 40 years including the lightkeeper's residence and community center.

• Robert Martin for being a government watchdog, working to make Harborfest and other worthwhile projects happen, and for his positive involvement with the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

• Joseph McElroy for leadership, enthusiasm and unbounded optimism in turning a "deteriorating white elephant" into the magnificent lightkeeper's residence.

• Sue McNamara for countless hours on the PSO, art boosters, Appalachia Service Project, education foundation, and more.

• Dr. Alwin A. Merrill for tireless efforts given in the interests of senior men in the breakfast club which is enhanced by his personal attention and caring attitude.

• Wayne Sawchuk and Gary Vanderweil Jr. who combined their talents to create a grand, new athletic facility for the town.

• Richard Silvia for his skillful, tactful work chairing the school facilities committee.

• Louis Simeone for his good works with the Council on Elder Affairs and church affairs.

• Marjorie Steele for leadership and support of the Cohasset Food Pantry.

• Doug and Kathy Yeager for tireless efforts to inform citizens about the reality of restoration of the Greenbush line.

Inn repairs are promised soon

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meeting the 30-day deadline will not pose a hardship.

Lincoln also said that town meeting will be asked to consider an article requiring sprinkler systems in hotels and boarding houses.

Akerblom said he would save 50 percent of his insurance costs with a sprinkler system.

Smith said renovations will maintain the architectural integrity of the inn.

"It's a marvelous building, the key word is restoration," he said.

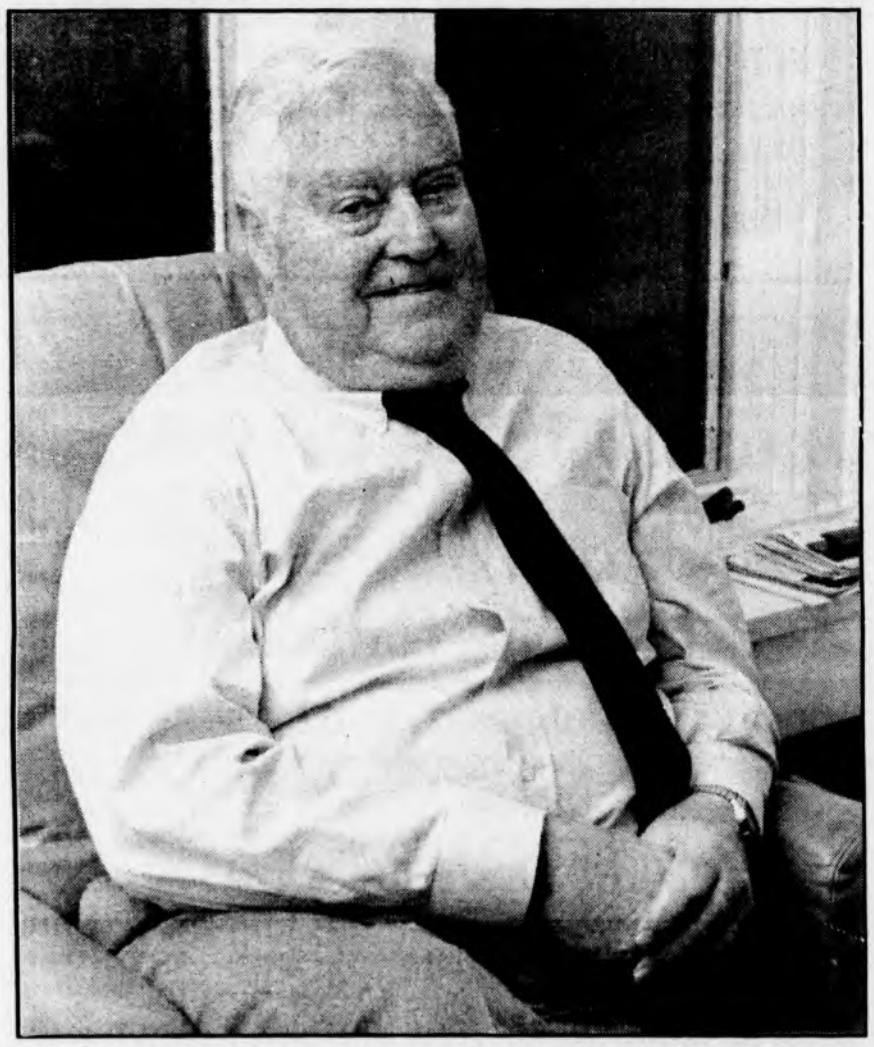
They plan to rearrange the entrance and install a downstairs restroom so dining room customers do not have to go through the bar or go upstairs.

Smith also said they would likely apply for an entertainment license in the future to allow a piano or guitar player to perform in the lounge.

Selectmen appeared pleased with what they heard.

"We wish you luck," said selectman Jane Goedecke. "It's a wonderful place." She suggested country & western music for entertainment.

Alan Dunmier will be the manager.



Dr. Robert T. Sceery has practiced pediatrics in Cohasset since 1953.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Beloved doctor receives honor

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suppressed enough, so all the missiles landed astern." LSTs (Landing Ship Tanks) carried troops, tanks and equipment.

The GI Bill, which provided financial aid for college tuition to war veterans, made it possible for Sceery to attend medical school at Yale, where his mentor encouraged him to go into pediatrics.

Then it was back to Boston where he completed his residency at Massachusetts General Hospital. There he knew Dr. Leroy Eldredge, who, a year ahead of Sceery, started a pediatrics practice in Hingham and encouraged Sceery to come to the South Shore.

"He persuaded me," Sceery recalls. "It was very difficult (for Eldredge). There was no pediatric coverage."

So coupled with Eldredge's urging and the appeal of Cohasset — the Sceerys came to town in 1953 and haven't looked back since.

Sceery has operated his practice in three locations — 109 N. Main St., 89 Ripley Rd., and 95 Atlantic Ave. — but the service he provides hasn't changed. His devotion to his profession and willingness to make house calls, even in the middle of the night, have secured his place in the hearts of many families.

But as a young doctor starting out in town, he wasn't sure how quickly he'd gain acceptance.

"My first patient called on July 4, 1953 and I had to leave a party where people were trying to introduce me," Sceery recalls. "The child had a high fever with no other signs. So I said it's roseola and he'll have rash in three days.

"Then I sweated for three days until I was sure I was right."

As a result Sceery fondly remembers by "sheer chance" being able to start his practice as a doctor who knew what he was talking about.

The job was demanding and in the early years, the Sceerys had no answering service.

"I made house calls all over the place in Marshfield, Scituate, Hull and Norwell — my wife and I could never go anywhere together."

As time went on Eldredge and Sceery worked with two other local pediatricians, Dr. John Joseph and Dr. Vincent Sullivan, covering for each other over the years, enabling each of them to have some semblance of a personal life. Sceery is the last of the four still in practice.

He still loves its profession although it's changing.

Unfortunately today, Sceery says, health insurance companies have made the patient/doctor relationship a business arrangement.

"The insurance companies tell us what to do and I don't like it frankly."

But he points out that change hasn't been all bad. Thanks to research, many diseases which were life-threatening 40 years ago, such as leukemia, are now curable.

And despite the demands — Sceery, who is the father of six and grandfather of 13 — still finds pediatrics satisfying.

"You start with a youngster who is scared to death and hates to come ...," and Sceery points to a watercolor on his office wall painted by a former patient.

"He came in with acute appendicitis," Sceery recalls. "I made the diagnosis and got him to the hospital where he was operated on. Forever afterward he was my friend, he knew I helped him.

"It's that kind of turnaround that is very satisfying."

Since 1956, Sceery has been the Cohasset school doctor. He is responsible for all sports physicals, routine exams for those not seen by a private physician, and is in the schools one day a week visiting with the nurse, giving immunizations and helping to keep all the records up to date.

He served on the board of health in the early 1970s and helped lead the fight to start to get the town "sewered." Over the years, he has been a familiar figure at town meetings espousing causes such as the onset of zoning laws and most recently the proposal for a new elementary school.

Sceery, who turns 76 this year, doesn't have any plans to retire.

"My wife wouldn't know what to do with me around the house.

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Privatizing ambulance pondered

Selectmen unanimously agreed Monday to a request from member Michael Sullivan to consider switching to private ambulance service.

Sullivan suggested that town administrator Gregory Doyon and town accountant Michael Buckley examine the cost of a private ambulance. The other selectmen agreed without comment.

Sullivan said the move was necessary because of "problems we've been having with the fire department."

Fire Captain Mark Trask recently dropped his EMT status.

In a telephone interview, Fire Chief Roger Lincoln declined to comment on Sullivan's proposal to study private ambulance service.

He did explain that firefighters hired before 1982 are under no obligation to re-certify in order to keep EMT certification, which is good for two years. Re-certification requires taking refresher courses which include a certain amount of training.

Trask, who did not re-certify, was hired prior to 1982, he said.

The chief said having all firefighters certified as EMTs is helpful.

"It is nice to have everyone certified because then there is enough coverage for the ambulance at all times," he said.

Sullivan has been upset recently about the number of "call backs" used to cover the station when the ambulance is out of town. Payment for call backs comes out of the fire department's overtime budget.

In other unrelated business, selectmen approved increases in ambulance fees recommended by the fire department.

An ambulance trip to the South Shore Hospital will now cost $213.01, a Medicaire approved increase of three percent over the previous $206.81 charge.

The cost per loaded mile increased to $9.53 from $9.25, while oxygen charges went to $39.24, up from $38.10.

They also approved a step increase in pay for ambulance administrator Jane Henderson.

In addition, selectmen also agreed to close the books on slightly more than $6,000 in duplicate ambulance bills.

Selectmen said that in cases where advanced life support equipment is used, the South Shore Hospital automatically generates a bill, collects the money and reimburses the town.

However, the town also generates bills, which become duplicates if ASL is used. These duplicate bills periodically must be wiped off the books.

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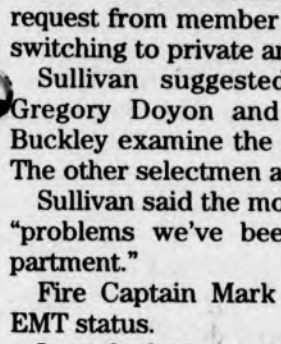
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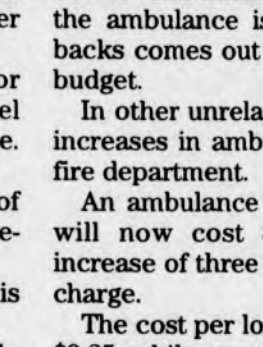
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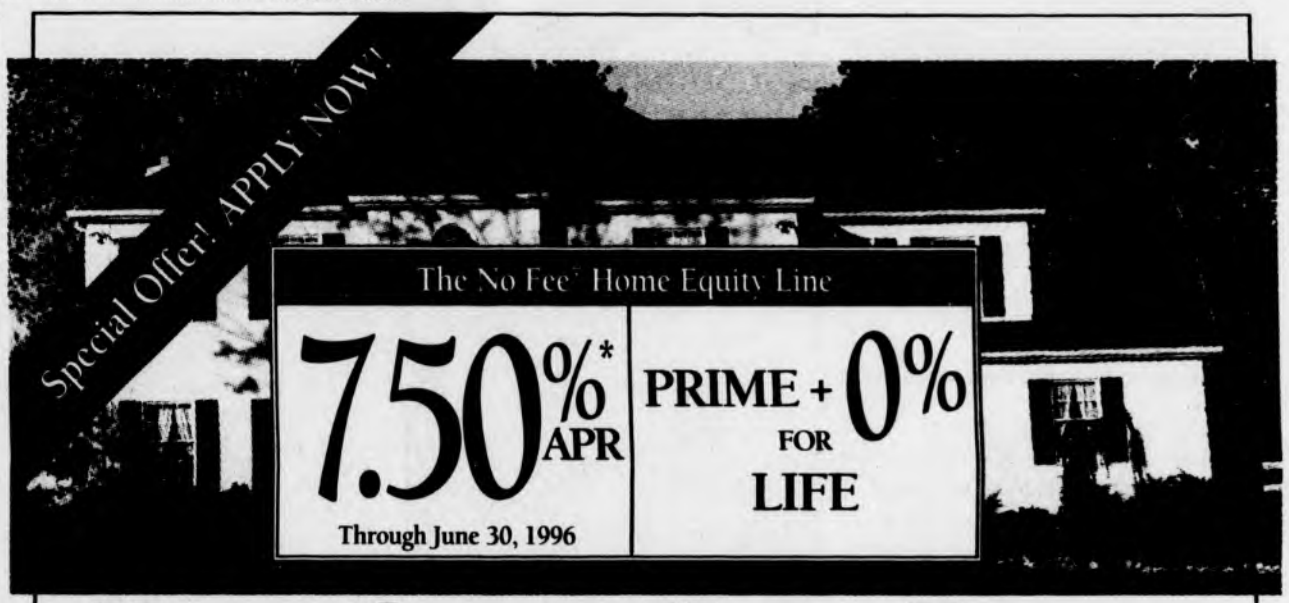

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Hope that all you have purchased your annual boxes of Girl Scout cookies. Scouts sell them to earn credit towards Girl Scout summer camp and other programs. If you would like some, you may contact **Beth Marsden** at 383-1811. The cost is $3 per box. An added note — don't you always think of **Dorothy Bates** at this time, and all that she did for the Girl Scouts? Oh, how proud she was of them and their various projects. Why not buy a box in her memory?

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Did you know that Cohasset's own **Matt Salerno** is a celebrity in the television world? Nationwide, that is! He did a segment on weather stripping for the Popular Mechanics show, a national cable television program on home improvements. Isn't that great? We are proud of you, Matt! By the way, Matt is no Tim Allen — he really knows his stuff!

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Everyone is hoping that **Donnie Beale** is feeling better. He really has had a tough time with his health lately.Knowing that Florida and the golf courses are beckoning to him should help him on the road to a speedy recovery!

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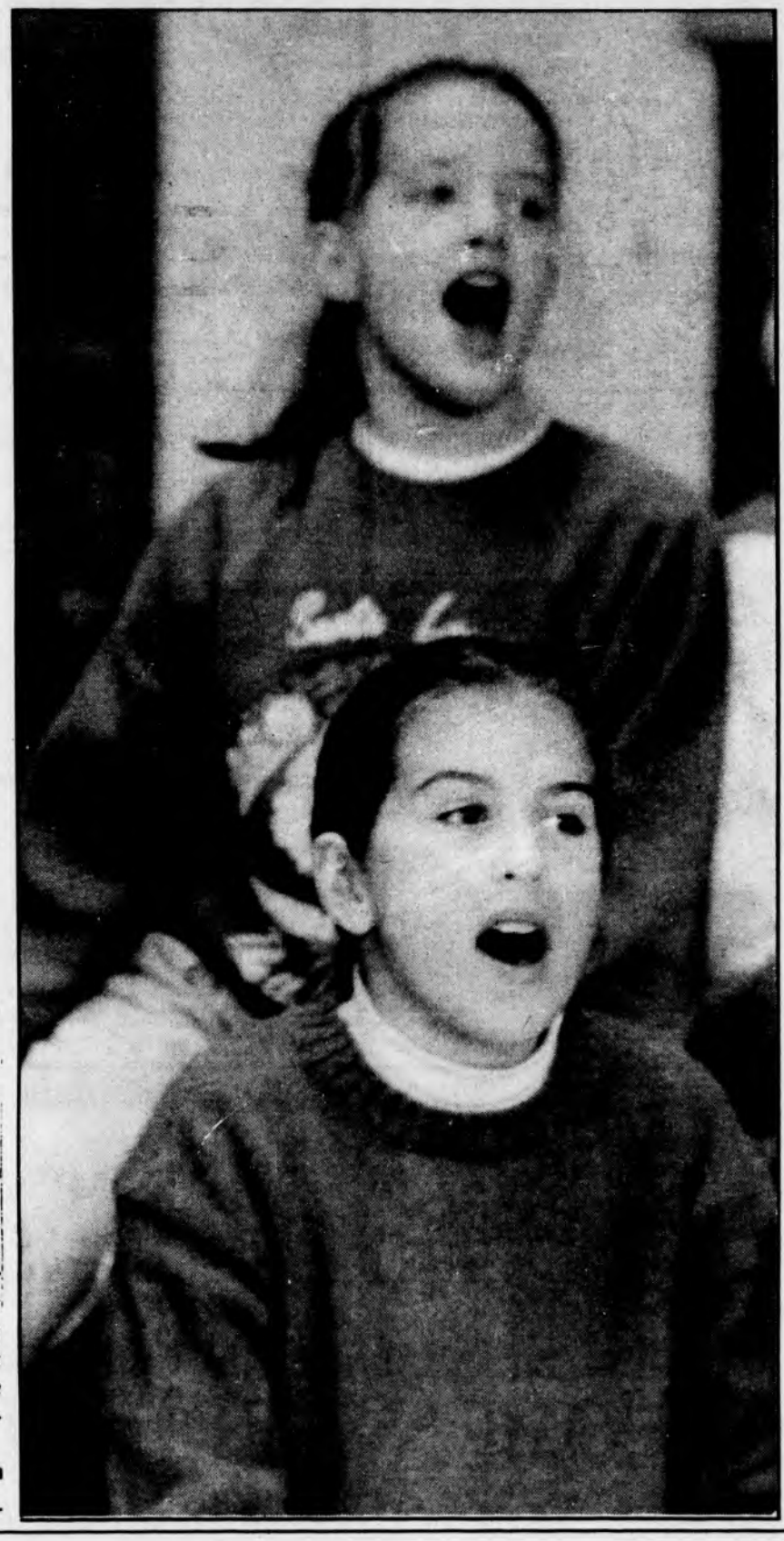

Kimberly Ulmer (top) and Jasmine Afshare rehearse with the Deer Hill Chorus for a recent performance at Faneuil Hall. Be sure to stay tuned to the Cohasset Mariner every week for all the latest school news and photographs.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

We received a note from **Linda O'Loughlin** last week. Linda, who recently moved to Jacksonville, Fla., said it was time for a change. (What a winter she chose to go south!) On Jan. 2 she became the development director for the northeast branch of the Arthritis Foundation. Linda handles all of their special events.

This is a direct quote: "Please let all the Cohassetites know that my door is always open and I would love to have visitors. After all, the weather is great down here — 70 degrees!"

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Happy birthday greetings go to **Alex Cook.** She is having her party at a craft store in the area where all the kiddos get to make their own stuffed animal. Nifty idea, isn't it? We will let you know how the six- to eight-year-olds like it!

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I must apologize to **Jim Runey** and his family. Last week I wrote about Jim's mother, **Patricia Lee,** and her untimely death and subsequent memorial service. I spelled Jim's last name wrong. I'm sorry.

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SandCastles Childcare Center, located at 152 King St., will hold an open enrollment for summer and fall programs for infant, pre-toddler, toddler and pre-school programs beginning Feb. 15. SandCastles hours are weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For further info, call director **Michelle Manganaro** at 383-9987. Oh yes, there is a nursery school program available, too.

❑

All of you have read about the CHS gymnasts and how they are continuing to win their meets. They are an awesome team, that's for sure! How would you like your youngster to give gymnastics a try? They can! The varsity is holding a clinic on Wednesday, Feb. 7, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. for seven- to 13-year-old girls at Cohasset High School.

Captain **Tafana Fiore** will lead a warm-up and dance lines, and teammates **Erica Hettstrom, Megan Pratt, Jodi Colwill, Kristen Reynolds, Carolyn Pratt, Lauren Genovese** and **Tara Hettstrom** will help **Head Coach Ruthann Ardizzoni** and other staff members with rotatons on bars, balance beams, the vault floor and conditioning. The varsity girls will also demonstrate some of their routines.

Admission to the clinic is $10, with proceeds going to the Cohasset gymnastics team. For more information, call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3058 or stop by the South Shore Community Center and speak to her. Sign-up is limited, so don't delay!

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It certainly was a relief to hear that the new owner of the **Red Lion Inn** has no plans to change it, other than what is needed to make it safe and sound. It has been there since 1704 — a true landmark — with even the sign outside being a true part of our history! We do hope that whoever took the photos and the pictures that were on the dining room walls will return them. They really are a part of the town's history that cannot be replaced.

❑

That's the news for this week. Let me know what you are doing, where you are going and where you have been. We all are waiting to hear.

— Sallyann
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Obituaries

Mary E. Gorman

Worked with Red Cross

Mary E. "Molly" (Cunningham) Gorman, 94, of Cohasset, formerly of Medford, died Jan. 26 in Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home after a long illness.

Born and educated in Boston, Mrs. Gorman lived in Medford for 50 years before moving to the nursing home in 1987.

She was a switchboard operator with the former Conrad Chandler Store in Boston for 40 years and worked with the Boston chapter of the American Red Cross.

Mrs. Gorman was a former member of the Catholic Women's Club, St. Joseph's Sodality and the Third Order of Mary, all in Medford.

She was the wife of the late Edward A. Gorman and leaves a daughter, Ellen G. Harding of Braintree; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Mary E. Gorman.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday in St. Joseph's Church, Quincy. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Randolph. Arrangements were made by Deware Funeral Home, Quincy.

Donations in her memory may be made to the South Shore Hospice, 100 Bay State Drive, Braintree 02184.

Anna Dugas

Owned coffee shop

Anna (Duguay) Dugas, 84, of Cohasset, died Jan. 18 in South Shore Hospital after a brief illness.

Born in New Brunswick, Canada on May 28, 1911, she was the daughter of the late Alphane and Olive (LeBlanc) Duguay. She was educated ihn Canadian and Fitchburg, Mass., schools and lived in Fitchburg, Weymouth and Hanover for many years before moving to St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1974. She returned to Massachusetts during the past year.

Mrs. Dugas and her late husband, Joseph A. "George" Dugas, were the retired owners of Joe's Coffee Shop in Hanover, which is operated by one of their grandsons.

She leaves two sons, Joseph "Robert" Dugas of Abington and George E. Dugas of Hanover; three daughters, Elizabeth A. MacDonald of Cohasset, Diane Winter of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Delia Sherry of Plymouth; 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Jan. 22 in St. Mary of the Sacred Heart Church, Hanover. Interment was in Hanover Center Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Sullivan Funeral Home, Hanover.

Church to hold potluck suppers

The Beechwood Congregational Church will host potluck suppers during the next several months. Following each supper, a segment of the "Life on the Edge" video series by Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family will be presented.

The series offers a powerful presentation that equips teens and those who associate with them with the necessary skills for successfully dealing with the challenges of adulthood.

The suppers will begin at 6 p.m. in Merritt Hall at the church, followed by a video showing at 7 p.m.

The following programs will be offered:

Feb. 15—"Finding God's Will for Your Life"; March 21—"The Myth of Safe Sex"; April 18—"Love Must Be Tough"; May 16—"The Keys to a Lifelong Love"; June 20—"Emotions: Can You Trust Them?"; July 18—"When God Doesn't Make Sense"; Aug. 15—"Pornography: Addictive, Progressive and Deadly."

For further information, call Steve at 545-6162.

Carousel fundraiser set

The Friends of the Paragon Carousel, a nonprofit group formed recently to raise money to keep the carousel at Nantasket Beach, is holding a Valentine's Benefit Fundraiser, featuring an elegant buffet dinner and dancing, on Saturday, Feb. 10, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the South Shore Country Club, Hingham.

Tickets are $28 per person ($25 per person for groups of five or more)and may be reserved by sending a check, payable to Friends of the Paragon Carousel, to: Valentine Benefit, P.O. Box 412, Hingham 02043. Call 741-5808.

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EDITORIAL

Citizen of the Year

As editor of the Cohasset Mariner, it is my pleasure to announce that Dr. Robert T. Sceery has been selected as the 1995 Citizen of the Year.

Dr. Sceery has spent more than 40 years practicing pediatrics in Cohasset and has accumulated legions of fans who readily share stories about his extraordinary service not only as a doctor but as a fellow citizen.

Throughout the six weeks that nominations were open, I read dozens of letters from readers who took the time to nominate someone, detailing his or her contributions which help make this town one we all love.

With a field of 15 nominees submitted by more than 30 citizens and families, the selection process wasn't easy.

Our thanks to residents Chartis Langmaid, Ann Whelan, Steve Endris and Hamilton Tewksbury for joining me at the Cohasset Mariner office in Hingham for the challenging and pleasurable task of poring over the nominations.

Regrettably, we can't recognize each of the 15 nominees with the Citizen of the Year award. And we thank all those who wrote such thoughtful letters and notes nominating their fellow citizens.

The selection committee narrowed the field to eight, then six, four, and finally to three. The final decision — although not reached without considerable discussion — was unanimous.

So we extend our heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Sceery, an old-fashioned doctor whose has earned the respect, trust and affection of so many families.

Barbara Meehan says it best in her nomination:

"Professionally and personally, Dr. Sceery represents all that is good about Cohasset....his kindness and attention to goodness and the well-being of Cohasset and its citizens is unmatched."

With this award, we offer recognition for making a difference. In our society too many role models go unacknowledged. Too often people today look to the sports, rock, or movie star with envy when the real hero is the local police officer, doctor, parent, firefighter, teacher, or church leader.

The annual Citizen of the Year award is our way of taking our hats off to those unsung heros among us who help make Cohasset a better place.

— Mary Ford
Editor.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Our schools need attention

To the Editor:

Believe me, I am not trying to convince anybody how to vote on the new school issue, but I have been asked and I am sure other people wonder "How you, the chairman of Cohasset Elder Affairs and an advocate for seniors, can support a new school for Cohasset?"

When I was asked to join the School Facilities Board this summer, I did thinking there was no need for a new school. After two tours of Joseph Osgood and many hours of studying the alternatives, I have changed my mind and believe the new school is the way to go. There is no way of doing nothing, and spending $3.6 million for a band-aid solution does not make fiscal sense when for $2 million more you can have a new school and renewed Deer Hill School for 50 more years.

Doing the new school first and then renovating Deer Hill would only add to the cost and stretch out the agony that much longer. People ask why everything at once (sewer, garage, athletic field, new school)? Remember, we have been putting these things off for the last 25 years and now it is catching up to us.

I will not be here to receive the benefit of the lower taxes in future years, but if the new school is built I can feel better about the safety of the children and the value of my house.

For seniors, who qualify, there could be some aid with real estate taxes through abatements or deferments. Call Elder Affairs or the Assessor's Office.

Please vote Feb. 10, and remember something has to be done about the schools, and whatever way we go it is going to cost money.

Joe Buckley
28 Linden Drive

People need the entire picture

To the Editor:

Open letter to the Cohasset Capital Budget Committee:

I am disappointed with the Capital Budget Committee's not having made available to the taxpayers a written schedule of proposed and pending capital outlays and their impact on future tax rates in advance of the Jan. 22 town meeting on raising funds for a new school.

Aside from the merits of the school issue (and I have no quarrel with those) the effect of this neglect by the Capital Budget Committee was to deny the taxpayers an opportunity to carefully consider the significance of their vote by the presentation of a single issue completely isolated from other ongoing and inescapable tax obligations.

I do not mean that it was wrong to vote for a new school. I do mean that it was wrong to be expected to contemplate a capital expenditure of this magnitude without considering existing and future obligations such as athletic fields, sewers, etc. This combination of debt will subject the taxpayer to an unanticipated tax burden and one which may become a real hardship for some.

Forty odd years ago, when the town faced a similar log-jam of capital needs, the Capital Budget Committee was created to deal with it by anticipating and scheduling those needs. A schedule was drawn up, and the yearly tax impact published and mailed to the voters of the town who could then vote to raise funds with full knowledge of the likely effect of their actions. Until recently, this had been standard procedure.

Jan. 22, Mr. Whitley, chairman of the Advisory Committee, did his best to mend this oversight from the podium. However, there was neither time nor opportunity to digest or contemplate the significance of this complex of figures.

I hope the Capital Budget Committee will soon return to its assigned task.

David C. Cotton
27 King St.

Support of new school urged

To the Editor:

The time is now! A window of opportunity exists for us to make a wise, cost-effective investment to our town's infrastructure.

Approval of the town meeting endorsed school construction plan will enable the town to be placed on the state's funding priority list. Currently 90 projects are on the list and by June 1996 approximately 75 projects will be added. If we meet the June 1 deadline, the town will be placed on the list and we expect to begin receiving 60 percent state reimbursement for total project costs in four to five years. If we do not meet the deadline, reimbursement could be delayed for another four or five years. Presently the state legislature is reviewing the method of reimbursement for school construction. It is possible that Cohasset could be adversely affected by a change in the reimbursement process.

If construction is not approved, the town will face the problem of bringing the two elementary schools into minimal compliance without any state reimbursement. This will mean that Cohasset would have to pay 100 percent of these costs. In other words, the town would expend approximately $3.3 million and not have solved its facilities' problems.

The infrastructure of the town must be maintained. School buildings are assets that we must protect. Cohasset's reputation for excellent schools helps maintain our property values.

Any delay in the project will result in additional costs to the town. It is estimated that school construction costs will escalate by 5 to 8 percent per year. The 70-year-old Osgood School is overcrowded, unsafe and deteriorating. Any delay in construction will only exacerbate this deterioration. If construction is not begun, portable classrooms will be necessary to accommodate overcrowding at the elementary level and will result in additional expense to the town.

This project, when completed, will replace a costly, aging, inadequate facility with a new building that will have an estimated useful life of at least 50 years. The Deer Hill School will also be upgraded and added to and the result will also be a facility with a useful life of 50 years. These new and upgraded facilities will provide flexibility to accommodate future enrollment variations in our PreK-Grade 6 student population. Additional community space will also be made available.

We urge you to support the override Feb. 10, and as our long-time school physician stated at the Special Town Meeting, "Think with your head and heart and do what is right for the children."

Cohasset School Facilities/School Building Committee

Leadership is seriously lacking

To the Editor:

As long time residents of the town, we have tried not only to keep informed on relevant issues but also to express our opinions when we have felt it necessary.

It is for this reason that our experiences last week, when we attended two different meetings, are of serious concern. We wonder, for instance, why town meeting was held up for more than an hour after it was scheduled to begin. Like many others who sat waiting with us, we had rushed to be there at the appointed time. Was there a reason other than that of accommodating latecomers for the delay?

Even more disturbing was the treatment inflicted on some of the speakers. It is a sorry state of affairs if hissing and booing an individual has become an acceptable way of dealing with his or her differences of opinion. Are we wrong to believe that it is one of the responsibilities of our town moderator to prevent this?

Our next rude awakening was the manner in which the first hearing, on the proposed extension of the private landfill, was conducted. We found Attorney Shea's behavior to the landfill's representatives disgusting and his conduct of the meeting both arbitrary and insulting. To be told that private residents did not have the right to speak at a public meeting was far more than disappointing. It was alarming, especially since, as we understood, he is supposed to be serving as an impartial arbitrator hired to assist our own board of health and paid for with our tax dollars.

It is for these reasons we ask the questions so often heard in our community of late: what is happening to our town and where is the leadership and direction we have a right to expect from our elected representatives?

John J. Doherty
Laura Doherty
36 Cedar Acres Lane

Senator Hedlund opens Jan. 25 landfill session

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

A sparser second session audience at Thursday (Jan. 25) evening's Board of Health hearing on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion of the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL) heard testimony in favor of, as well as rebuttal information on, the CHL application.

The hearings are held Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the town hall auditorium and the hearing process is expected to take approximately four more weeks before a decision is rendered.

State Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, opened the session by telling board members his office has received "hundreds of letters in opposition from residents of Cohasset and Hingham" to the proposed landfill expansion.

He cited complaints concerning increased noise and potential traffic problems, possible water contamination and overall quality of life issues.

Concluding his brief statement, Hedlund told both sides that he had expressed his opposition of the project to the commissioner of the state Department of Environmental Affairs.

Opening witness for Cohasset Heights, Raymond Quinn, manager of the Environmental Engineering Division of SAIC Engineering, Inc., then went into a lengthy and detailed overview of the proposed expansion.

Of the 27.5 acres for which Cohasset Heights have applied, only slightly more than half (14.2 acres) would be used for the actual dumping of refuse materials. The remaining acreage (13.3) would comprise access roads, buffer zones and ponds for storm water retention.

The Material Processing Operation aspect of an expanded landfill drew the most attention.

The MPO would take in such construction related materials as crushed asphalt, wood, brick, as well as possible storm debris, items Quinn referred to as "society's waste." The facility would then break up, break down or crush these materials and recycle them by selling the end by-products.

Quinn explained how the MPO running at maximum capacity would have the capability to consolidate and process up to 100 tons a day, six days a week. As to its resale, he anticipated no problems and told the board that the market for such material would determine its subsequent monetary value.

Michael Leon, attorney for the Board of Health, questioned Quinn at length about the MPO, eventually prompting CHL attorney Anton Moehrke to object.

"There will be ample opportunity to discuss these matters over the course of the proceedings. This is a site assignment hearing and I don't want (it) to get into a cross-examination," he said.

Under questioning from Kenneth Kimmell, attorney for the town of Cohasset, Quinn stated that the landfill at present has a life expectancy of only another one to one-and-a-half years before it would have to be shut down if expansion is denied.

After citing an extensive record of violations against the landfill, Kimmell asked Quinn if he felt its operation over the years had been consistent and handled in a positive manner.

"Yes," he said.

CHL engineer grilled at hearing

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

Undergoing a second evening of detailed cross-examination, Raymond Quinn, consulting engineer for Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL), continued to express his satisfaction with regards to safety measures for the proposed expansion of the privately owned facility.

Tuesday's session (Jan. 30) was the third, of an expected 12, on CHL's application for the 27.5 acre expansion. The Board of Health is conducting the hearings and meets Tuesday and Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Sessions scheduled for Feb. 6 and 8 will be conducted at the Second Congregational Church, adjacent to town hall.

While Quinn spoke on a variety of concerns, the main thrust of opposition questions dealt with the overall safety of an expanded landfill.

Kevin O'Donnell, speaking as a representative of one of the 15 10-citizen groups opposed to the CHL application, engaged in an early exchange with Quinn over safety concerns.

O'Donnell asked for a guarantee that an expanded landfill "would not create any dangers" for the town of Cohasset.

"I don't think that's a fair question," Quinn responded.

This prompted CHL attorney Anton Moehrke to object, stating, "What does a guarantee mean? Can anyone in this room guarantee anything nowadays?"

Undaunted, O'Connell persevered. "I think we're dealing with a very serious issue. Is it absolutely safe?"

When Quinn hesitated, O'Donnell demanded, "Do you lack the confidence in your design?"

"No," Quinn said, "I don't lack confidence."

Asked specifically about certain materials, Quinn stated that Cohasset Heights had not addressed the subject of accepting low-level radioactive waste in their application but had reserved the right to apply at a later date for a special waste permit, issued by the Department of Environmental Protection, to accept asbestos.

Speaking on the make-up of a liner fabric, which would be used to permanently cover mounds of construction and demolition debris and reach a height of 200 feet, Quinn expressed complete reliance in the product.

The polyurethane material, he said, is state-of-the-art and similar to other linings which are currently in use in another section of the landfill. He further stated the manufacturer's warranty on such linings is usually 20 years.

Though O'Donnell got Quinn to admit, as with any product, "There might be some weak points that might fail."

Kenneth Kimmell, attorney for the town of Cohasset, strongly pointed out to Quinn, "Systems designed by humans will fail."

Quinn stated that while there has been some marginal ground water contamination from the current landfill, he foresaw no adverse effects to the surrounding wetlands if expansion is granted.

"There isn't a threat to the public water supply from this landfill," he said.

On a matter of housekeeping, Hearing Officer John Shea denied two motions from O'Donnell on behalf of one 10-citizen group. The motions were for a viewing of the current landfill and the gathering of evidence from within the landfill.

Shea suggested O'Donnell and Cohasset Heights see if they could mutually reach an agreement concerning the two requests.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New school plan is supported

To the Editor:

It is so difficult to understand arguments against building a new school. Town residents needn't even look into their hearts – their heads alone should find the facts compelling.

Educational arguments aside (e.g. classrooms, gym, library, playground all below Mass. Education standards), and ignoring safety issued (a "lethal combination" of fire hazards per the Cohasset Fire Chief), it is still a financially sound decision to build a school now.

CHOICE A: VOTE YES

- $5.6 million spent for $13.9 million worth of school buildings built to last 50 years;
- Tax rates go just above $20/1000 and schools meet the needs for the next 50 years;
- Favorable borrowing rates now;
- Current construction costs, considered low by independent architects/engineers;
- Aesthetic new building on adequate acreage.

CHOICE B: VOTE NO

- $3.3 million needed for $3.3 million worth of band-aids to the Osgood school;
- Tax rates jump to almost $20/1000 due to the sewer, garage and other increases; town still has not addressed educational and enrollment needs;
- Unknown future borrowing rates;
- Inflated construction costs when a new school is eventually built;
- Trailers go up on current limited space.

The numbers have all been printed; taxes are going up anyway. For $111/year more (the average 25/year increase on the median Cohasset home), we could solve our school safety and educational needs for the next 50 years.

Vote with your head, and your heart will feel good too.

Kathy Ofsthun
45 Fair Oaks Lane

State's commitment is questioned

To the Editor:

What is happening to our town and where is it headed? Jan. 22, a Special Town Meeting approved a new school project of $13,985,000 plus interest. The interest cost and the potential for cost overruns were not discussed. These could grow our expenditure from approximately $14 million to $24 million to $28 million or more. The proponents stated that the state may participate with up to 60 percent of the costs.

I called the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation and spoke to Mr. Steve Adams. He stated that the state's outstanding debt in October 1995 was $9.6 billion, this does not include authority debt, i.e. MBTA, MTA, Convention Center, etc. He stated that in 1994 Massachusetts was ranked third in the nation for per capita debt and fourth in the nation for debt per $1,000 of income. He also stated that the debt grew from $4.2 billion in 1988 to $8.6 billion in 1991. Since then the debt has grown at a slower rate to $9.6 billion. He also stated that the "Big Dig" project is projected to cost $7.8 billion and that $4 billion has already been spent and that of the remaining $3.8 billion the state would be responsible for approximately $760,000,000 (20 percent) over the next seven years. However, today's newspapers state that Congress is threatening "....to block funding for the project until the state proves it can pay its share with 'the limited resources available.' "

Because of Mr. Adams' comments and the article in the newspaper quoting U.S. Rep. Frank R. Wolf (R-VA) it made me think about the state's ability to meet the 60 percent level of funding. In this year's budget the governor reduced this line item from $11 million to $9 million, the Legislature hasn't voted on it but, you can see that this is an area that is being reviewed.

At the Town Meeting, our state Rep. Mary Jeannette Murray stated that 89 cities and towns are already on the list of school projects and the state expects an additional 75 projects to be added to the list by June 1, 1996. Our state Senator Bob Hedlund stated at the meeting, that the state had at one time considered not reimbursing for the interest portion of these projects. With unprecedented state debt obligations, I really question that the state will meet a 60 percent participation in these projects and the four or five year lag time before they do participate. Remember that during the lag time we would pay 100 percent of the debt costs, supposedly to be reimbursed when the state participates, if they participate and for how much they participate.

Last week our Town Accountant, Michael Buckley, was quoted as having stated that the tax rate would increase by 40 percent due to projects already voted and projects to be voted on, namely, the new fields, the new public works garage, the new school and the $16,000,000. sewer project to be voted on in the next two years. The Sewer Project is also supposed to have state participation by formula.

I have serious doubts that the state will be able to participate to the current levels. These two projects will cost from $50,000,000 to $60,000,000. It is not known how much the town's participation will be ultimately. If these projects are voted through I feel that our tax rate will ultimately increase by much more than 40 percent because of reduced state participation and cost overruns.

We must proceed within reason. Our town cannot support these projected levels of debt. The proponents of the new school stated that real estate values would increase with a new school. With a huge debt, high taxes and many current residents being forced to sell their homes I think that real estate values will go down.

F. Roy Fitzsimmons
116 Doane St.

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Denial of CHL landfill permit urged

To the Editor:

If your home was found to have structural problems, would you trust the contractor who built the flawed structure to correct the problem or build an addition? Of course not! But this is exactly what CHL is asking Cohasset to allow.

The same firm that told the Board of Health its storm water management systems would function properly to protect the town's water supply and the surrounding wetlands in 1992 is promising similar things for the systems it has designed for the proposed expansion. Had the original system worked, I might feel a lot more confidence in the proposed system for the expansion. Unfortunately, the original system was found to be failed by the Conservation Commission in 1994. The Board of Health is being asked to take CHL's word that adequate safeguards are in place.

CHL's past performance should weigh heavily in the Board of Health's decision. Public records indicate that by 1994 the landfill had been cited for violations more than 40 times! Let's assume for argument's sake that some of these violations were minor. Others, not so minor, were enumerated by the town's special environmental counsel, Kenneth L. Kimmell. These violations began in 1989 and continued through March of 1994.

January 94 ... The D.E.P. stated that "CHL has failed to properly install, operate and maintain the odor control system" at its current operation.

At a May 13, 1991, inspection by a member of the Conservation Commission he found that "It appeared that the tank underneath was simply overflowing." This tank would have been filled with leachate from the current landfill — leachate that is expected to be sent for special processing off site.

February '91 ... The Board of Health found that odor from CHL was a public nuisance. It had received a series of complaints including reports of eye-watering, shortness of breath and nausea.

Siltation, sedimentation, erosion and run-off problems were also mentioned by Mr. Kimmell.

Despite the fact that Mr. Kimmell had little more than a week to study the complex expansion issues, his investigations gave him the confidence to conclude that the Board of Health would find more than enough evidence to find the site unsuitable for expansion.

After listening to just a few of the many violations committed by CHL, I found it difficult to agree with Mr. A. Raymond Quinn, senior project manager from SAIC, when he said that CHL had a "consistent and positive record." Mr. Quinn has been involved with the CHL landfill design since 1988 — during the entire period that these violations occurred!

After explaining all the environmental protections for the proposed landfill expansion, Mr. Quinn stated, "Once constructed then it's up to the operator to maintain these systems to make sure they function as intended." Not only is it up to CHL to maintain these protections, but it is up to CHL to monitor itself!!! CHL hasn't properly maintained its current operation. What proof could it possibly offer that it would maintain/enforce the protections for an expanded landfill?

It makes no logical sense to locate a known pollution source so close to our water supply. Anyone who cares to follow the hearing process is sure to find a myriad of reasons to oppose the expansion.

I strongly urge the Board of Health to deny the site assignment for the proposed expansion of the CHL landfill.

Ansley W. Pearce
23 Forest Notch

Items on state needed

To the Editor:

I'm writing about the great state of Massachusetts in a research report for school. I have chosen your state because I've only heard good things about it. I am 10 years old and live in California. I would appreciate your help in getting information, pictures, maps, letters, postcards, recipes and other information from local residents.

Would you please publish my letter in your newspaper and send me a clipping of it, if you can? I would like to know why it is so terrific to live in Massachusetts.

Thank you.

Shari E. Gonzalez
c/o Lisa Austin's fifth-grade class
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School Notebook

Students learn about dance

Performer Brian Gillie will demonstrate dance through the ages in America to students at Deer Hill School on Feb. 7. In an interactive manner, he will show the important role dance has played in the social lives of people throughout our history, with a focus on religious, ethnic and economic overtones.

Parents are invited to attend, but seating is limited. The program is sponsored by the PSO Curriculum Enrichment Committee.

PSO committee members sought

Anyone interested in serving on the committee to nominate candidates for next year's PSO executive board is asked to call Kathy Ofsthun at 383-9396.

Junior high coffee set

Parents of seventh- and eighth-grade students are invited to meet with Principal Curt Collins for coffee and discussion on Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the school's conference center.

Parents with questions or agenda topics are encouraged to call Allison Ulmer (383-2672) or Monica McKenney (383-1338).

Enrichment program was success

On Jan. 17 and 18, Osgood children in grades 1-3 and parent volunteers participated in activities such as quiltmaking, drawing to music, creative movement, mathematical problem-solving, conflict resolution and cultural awareness projects.

Parents shared their expertise and knowledge in a wide range of subjects, including travel in and outside of the United States, southwestern landforms and artwork, music, dance and cooking. The program was part of a project initiated by the Osgood School Council to reach out to the rich resources available in the community to provide enrichment experiences for children while supporting the need for teacher professional development time.

As students worked with parents, grade-level colleagues had the opportunity to collaborate on common curricular goals, such as enhancing instructional strategies that incorporate Gardiner's Multiple Intelligences and further developing reading and writing themes.

The enthusiasm of the children and parents has encouraged the Council to consider continuing the project in the spring.

PAC to me on Feb. 6

The Parents Advisory Council will hold its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deer Hill teachers lounge. The topic of discussion will be organization and studying skills.

All parents and guardians of children receiving services under Chapter 766 are welcome. For further details, call PAC co-chair Ann Whiteley at 383-9310 or JoAnn Pilczak at 383-0268.

Boosters to present cabaret

The Cohasset Arts Boosters will host its annual Valentine Cabaret at Kimball's By the Sea on Thursday, Feb. 15. There will be a light buffet at 6 p.m., followed by a cabaret at 7:30 p.m.

High school instrumentalists, vocalists and artists provide the entertainment, with proceeds benefitting Cohasset High School and art curriculum enrichment programs. Student art will be on sale, and there will be a raffle to help support the music department's trip to Williamsburg in April.

Tickets are $12.50 and may be reserved by calling 383-0024 or 383-6428 by Feb. 10. Seating is limited. Checks should be made payable to: Cohasset Arts Boosters, 40B Nichols Road, Cohasset 02025.

'About your sexuality'

Sunday, Feb. 3, the First Parish Unitarian Church sponsors its 21st course on AYS (About Your Sexuality) for eighth-graders. The coed class' purpose is to present factual, non-judgmental information over 12 weekly sessions. The course is taught by trained leaders in the Cohasset community in an informal, comfortable setting, Sunday nights from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Please call before Saturday evening, Feb. 2, with enrollment questions. The material fee is $25.

For information call Barbara Henderson, 383-0467, George Kovack, 383-6358, Jackie Clark, 383-6055, or Rhonda Myers, 383-2969.

Derby offers summer program

Registration is now open for the eighth season of "Summer Arts at Derby" at Derby Academy, Hingham. The five-week day program is open to students ages eight- to 15-years old and is staffed by professional artists and teachers. The program has attracted artists from Massachusetts, California, Washington, D.C., New York and Virginia.

Students choose their own schedule from more than 70 courses in drama, music, visual arts, writing, dance, photography, animation, gymnastics, martial arts and sports.

Course offerings include painting, clay, musical theater production, story theater, soccer, ballet, graphic design, rock band, soapstone carving and cooking. A newspaper is printed daily, and a full-scale musical is produced.

Guest artists complement the program with special performances and workshops. The program culminates in an all-day arts festival that celebrates the talents of the students through performances and exhibits of their work.

The program runs from June 24 through July 26, and the hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Tuition for the five weeks is $995. Enrollment is limited. For brochures and applications or information about financial aid, contact Thalia McMillion, director, Summer Arts at Derby, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham 02043 or call 740-4766.

PSO says thank you!

The PSO fundraising committee would like to thank everyone who attended the Art Auction fundraiser in November. Many pieces of artwork were purchased, and many people donated time, talent, goods and services, which all contributed to a successful event in support of Cohasset's schools.

Local students included in "Who's Who"

Ten Cohasset students are included in the 29th Annual Edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students," 1994-95.

They include: Jessica Aronson, Catie Campbell, Ely Kahn, Kristin Niessink, Mary Ellen Rayment, Justin Buckley, Megan Fahey, Karen Niessink, Kevin O'Donnell and Jessica Snow.

"Who's Who," published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest high school recognition publication in the country. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99 percent of "Who's Who" students have a grade point average of 'B' or better and 97 percent are college bound.

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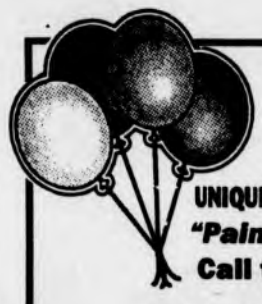

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Mariner Sports

Hardwick is unstoppable in hoop victories

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset High basketball team played two home games last Friday and Saturday and came out with a pair of victories, handily dispatching the Norton Lancers, 76-64, and the Green Wave of Abington, 67-51.

The Skippers were led by a relentless Jared Hardwick, who scored a grand total of 56 points over the two-game stretch. Burke Davis tossed in 17 and 10, and senior point-guard Fred Howard added 10 and 9.

Against Norton, Davis began the game by sinking a three-pointer, after taking a pass from junior center Ryan Bishop (seven points). Hardwick followed with a pull-up jumper and Davis put the Skippers out in front 10-6, with two free throws and a three-pointer. Howard slashed to the hole for a bucket and sophomore Paul-Michael Quintin hit a medium-range jumper. Hardwick poured in four straight points and junior forward J.L. Williams sank a trey from the outside, giving the home team a 21-17 edge. Davis knocked down a three-pointer of his own, and Hardwick dropped in a finger roll and two free throws.

Junior forward Brian Kilroy hit a jumper and fellow classmate Matt Belson hit a layup, despite getting clobbered on the way up. coach Ron Ford would later call Belson's layup "one of the biggest plays of the game." Williams fought his way through traffic to net a layup and Howard hit a jump shot at the buzzer to give Cohasset a 38-32 half-time lead.

Hardwick started the second half with an offensive putback and a layup. Howard

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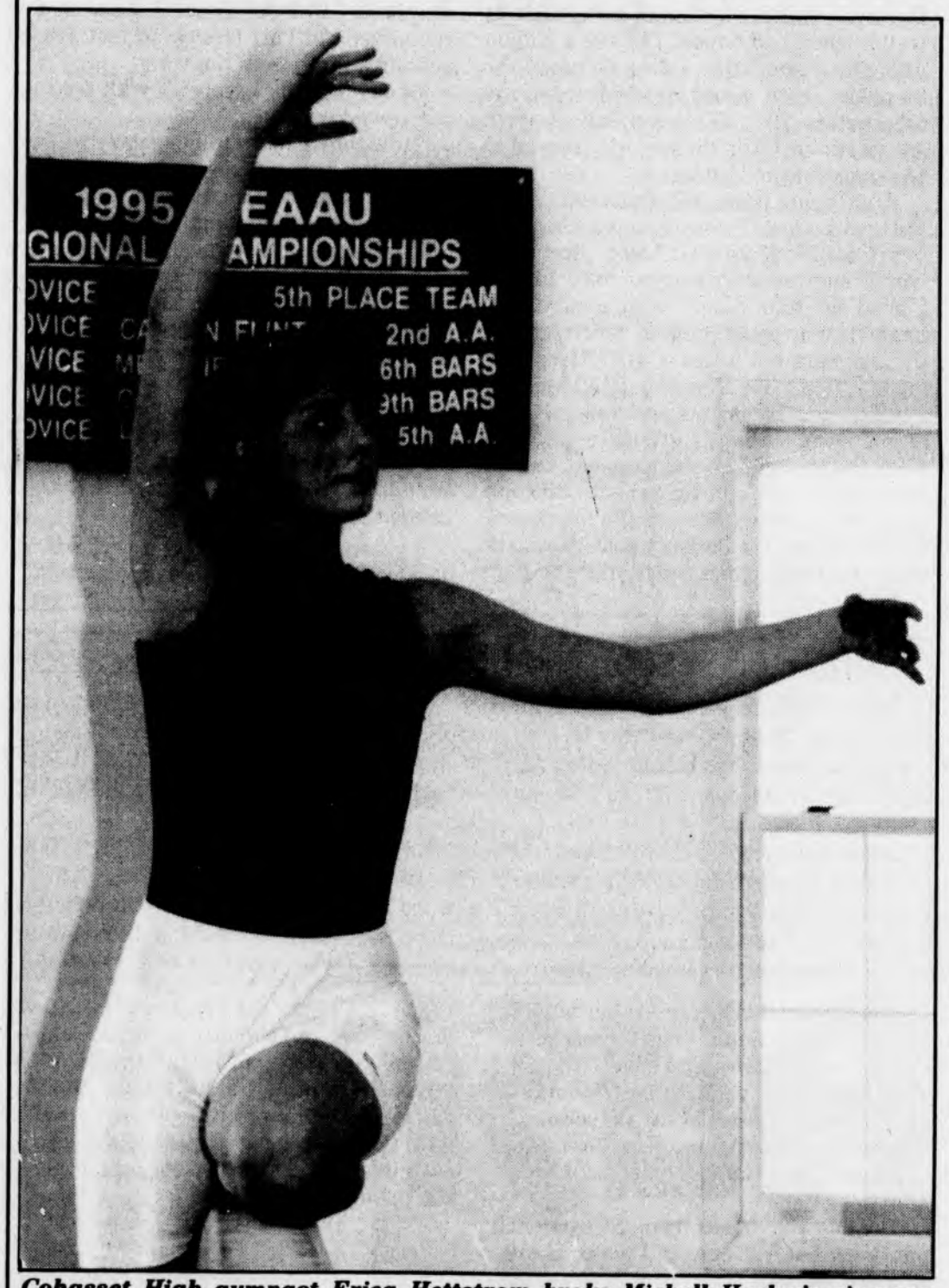
Three-peat is all sewn up



Cohasset High gymnast Erica Hettstrom broke Michell Harley's six-year school record on the balance beam with her 8.6 in Monday's 123.2 — 108.9 win over Duxbury. The victory clinched at least a tie for the South Shore League title, the Skippers' third in a row.

Special to the Mariner/Ruthann Ardizzoni

Gymnasts clinch share of title and extend streak

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The "Three-peat" has been signed sealed and delivered and there'll be another banner going up on the wall of the Cohasset High gym.

Led by Erica Hettstrom's record-breaking performance on the balance beam, and sweeps in three events, the Skippers clinched at least a tie for their third consecutive South Shore League title with Monday's 123.2 — 108.9 victory over Duxbury. The win boosted Cohasset's record to a perfect 10-0 and extended the team's unbeaten streak to 31 meets.

The Skippers won the title without a key member of the squad. Meghan Pratt decided to bypass the meet because of a bad cold. She was expected back in time for Cohasset's tri meet against Hanover and Norwell.

The Duxbury meet featured a slew of personal records and season bests from a handful of Skipper gymnasts.

Hettstrom was the big winner, breaking the school record on the balance beam with an 8.6., as she led the Cohasset sweep. Her score erased Michelle Hartley's six-year record of 8.55.

Second-place finisher Jodi Colwill just missed breaking the record with her 8.5 performance. Colwill's mark was also a personal best. Captain Tafana Fiore rounded out the sweep with a 7.7.

Hettstrom, Colwill and Lauren Genovese took the top-three spots on the bars. Colwill set another personal best with a 7.5 while Hettstrom's 7.6 was her best mark of the season.

Colwill tied for first on the vault at 8.0 and Kristen Reynolds placed third with a 7.8.

On the floor exercise, Tara Hettstrom edged out Erica and third-place finisher Genovese with a score of 8.3. Erica received an 8.2 and Genovese put together a superb performance which netted her a personal best of 8.0.

Erica won the all-around competition in a personal record of 32.0 while Colwill's second-place showing of 31.5 was also her best score ever.

Head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni was certainly pleased with the victory but was concerned so many of the girls had developed colds and weren't feeling 100 percent.

"I'm a little concerned the girls aren't feeling well," she said.

Ardizzoni also said she wasn't completely comfortable with the tri meet format scheduled for yesterday. She explained that with three teams competing it is much tougher to keep an ongoing score through the meet.

"You really just don't know who's ahead," Ardizzoni said.

Beyond the meet setup, Ardizzoni also was concerned with Hanover, which has improved its scores dramatically as the season has continued. The Indians, led by Renee George and Kim Richardson, have been consistently scoring between 120 and 123. George recently set a league best of 33.2 in the all-around. Erica Hettstrom is the lone Cohasset gymnast with a league best. Her new record of 8.6 on the balance beam has yet to be bettered by anyone in the league.

In Cohasset's 30th consecutive victory, last Saturday's easy 122.95 — 83.7 decision over Thayer Academy, Ardizzoni juggled the lineup around, using some of the girls in events they don't usually compete in.

Ardizzoni's experiment proved to be a success as Genovese (28.6) and Carolyn Pratt (27.95) took the top-two slots in the all-around and the Skippers went on to sweep every other event.

Colwill took first on the beam (8.1), vault (7.9), and finished third on the bars (7.15). Tara was second on the bars (7.2) and won the floor exercise (8.25) ahead of Erica (8.2) and Fiore (7.8).

"We were just trying to see where some of the kids could excel in different events," Ardizzoni said.

American Legion baseball team to be resurrected

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

After a 15-year hiatus, American Legion baseball will be resurrected in Cohasset this summer.

A series of four to five tryouts for the George H. Meally Post 118 squad will be held for Cohasset, Scituate and Hull prospects in April or May. A 24-game schedule will get underway in late June after the end of the high schoo! season with playoffs beginning in early August. All the games will be nine innings long, a step up from the seven innings the players from the three high schools are more accustomed to playing.

"I'm very excited about it," said Scott Arnold, a legion member who has been instrumental in forming a team for the summer. "I think we're going to get a lot of fan support and people coming to the games."

Arnold said the players picked for the squad should be ready to commit themselves to playing hard all summer.

But he believes motivation shouldn't be a problem.

"These will be kids who love baseball and have it in their blood," Arnold said.

The team was disbanded 15 years ago because of a lack of interest. But in the past several years the summer baseball programs have flourished in all three towns, paving the way for the new team.

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Hardwick is unstoppable in hoop victories

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then pulled up for another jumper. Hardwick sank two free throws and Davis drove strong to the hole for a layup. Bishop tore down an offensive rebound, put it back in for two, got fouled and made his free throw, igniting both the Cohasset squad and the Cohasset fans. Bishop's block at the other end led to his layup for two more. Howard's drive and layup put the Skippers up 54-43.

Davis twisted his way to the hole for two more and Quintin's swish from beyond the arc all but sealed the Lancers' fate. Kilroy's perfect pass to Hardwick resulted in two more for the big forward and Howard's pass set up Hardwick for a rim-shaking slam dunk. Bishop tore down a rebound and tossed a touchdown pass to Hardwick, who opted to take it easy on the hoop and guided in a layup.

The game was then stalled after a Norton player suffered a lacerated cheekbone with 4:05 left to play. When the game resumed, Bishop sank two free throws. Quintin took a pass from Hardwick on the fast-break and took it in for a lefty layup. He was fouled on the play and hit the free throw. Howard finger rolled a layup and Hardwick's block was picked up by Williams, who threw a long pass to the streaking Davis for the layup. Williams closed out the game with a free throw, making the final score 76-64.

"Tonight, we gave a solid effort," Ford said. "Fred Howard had one of his best games, he really played well for us. Jared proved tonight that he's one of the best players in the league; I think he is the best player in the league. He's certainly playing like it. Belson gave us some strong minutes that we really needed. He played well defensively and did a great job under the boards."

On a rare Saturday night performance, the Skippers and Abington made up a game previously postponed due to snow. Following the JV game, the varsity saw Jamie Buick and Pat Hurley each score 19, and Andy Hamilton chip in 12. Hurley calmly sank two free throws with five seconds left to give the Skippers the win. The game began when Davis knocked down a three-pointer and Hardwick picked up two points with a runner. After several buckets by Bishop and Hardwick, Howard's free throw made it 12-9 and Hardwick tacked on three more the old-fashioned way. Bishop's two free throws and a Quintin three gave the Skippers a 20-17 lead with 5:30 to go in the half. Bishop snaked another rebound and picked up two more with another basket. Hardwick then went on a spurt, scoring on a vicious slam dunk and then picked up a few more points, including a dramatic buzzer-beater from 30 feet.

Bishop dished to Davis, who hit a layup to begin the second half. Bishop then sank two from the charity stripe and Hardwick hit a layup to make it 37-31 in the Skippers' favor. Quintin had a nice move in the lane that got him a bucket. Davis made a rush for the basket, going strong and using some nifty ball-handling to avoid defenders. Hardwick hit a layup and the resulting free throw. Kilroy stood his ground and took a charge, getting the Skippers the ball and firing up the squad.

Howard showed a little flash, squeaking by all five Abington defenders, and finishing his coast-to-coast run with a nifty layup. Howard then dished to Hardwick for two and Williams got on the board with a strong low-post move and nice finishing touch. Hardwick reeled off six straight points and added a finger roll after Howard nailed a free throw. Howard hit two more from the line to make it 63-47. Davis popped in two more foul shots and Belson tore down a rebound to keep Abington from scoring again. The game ended after a hustling Grant Emde, speeding from one end of the court to the other, made a diving save and somehow passed the ball to Davis, who clinched the win with a layup.

Hardwick was pleased with his team's performance and looked forward to playing Scituate. "We played very well," Hardwick said. "I think we stepped it up tonight. I think we're ready to go against Scituate, we've got the momentum. We've improved every game since the Carver game and now we're ready to face Scituate again." Bishop was also pleased, noting that he thought the team had found itself an identity and adding that "now it's time for Scituate to find us."

Ford said that his team had done a lot of "growing up during the game. But, we regrouped at half-time, decided to come out and play like a team and we did; played great team basketball, executed very well. Now, after this win tonight, we've set ourselves up and we'll go out there on Tuesday night with the league title on the line."

Cohasset did face Scituate on Tuesday night, but didn't come out of the contest as well as they had hoped. Despite a gallant effort by Bishop, the Sailors defeated the Skippers, 68-48, a loss which dropped the Skippers to 10-4. Scituate's Sailors were led by senior Chris Brown, who tossed in 18 points for the visitors.

After going down 4-0, Cohasset got on the board when Howard banked a layup in heavy traffic. Hardwick had a nice dunk which knotted the score at four. Bishop picked up four points with a nice left-handed layup and a jumper, which pushed the Skippers out in front, 10-8. Hardwick made a nice move from the right block for a basket and Davis knocked down a three of his own. Bishop's offensive putback made the score 22-17, the Skippers' largest lead. But a 20-3 run by Scituate, despite good defense from Kilroy and a nice block by Bishop, put the Sailors up 37-25 at halftime. Hardwick picked up his third foul on a dubious charging call, and started the second half in serious foul trouble.

Yet, the Skippers came out swinging. Hardwick hit a layup and Bishop added one of his own with a strong move to the hoop. But Scituate proved to be too strong and they were ahead 41-29 until Bishop knocked down a foul shot. Howard made a nice play, following his own shot and hitting a layup over the outstretched hands of three Scituate defenders. Howard hit Hardwick for two layups and Hardwick made a nice steal of an inbounds pass for another layup.

Howard sank a lefty layup despite getting hacked. Hardwick then hit an off-balanced runner from the right side for two. Bishop nailed a free throw and Howard hit two, making it 58-45. Quintin's quick hands got him a steal, which resulted in a Bishop free throw. Quintin scored the Skippers' final points of the game by hitting a pull-up jumper. Heroic efforts by Belson, Emde and Justin McNamara couldn't salvage the game for the Skippers. Belson hustled for a few rebounds and Lutz Grunwald just missed sinking a three from the wing.

Belson was disappointed with the loss, but vowed revenge.

"Tonight we had a tough game," he said. "They didn't want it anymore than we did, but they outplayed us. However, come the tournament, it'll be tougher for them."

Ford praised Scituate for its excellent play. "Scituate proved that they were champions tonight," he said. "They outplayed us in every aspect of the game and did what had to be done to win the game."

Cohasset will trek to Abington on Friday to face the Green Wave for the second time in less than a week. Heading into the game with a 10-4 record, the Skippers are hoping to notch another one in the win column.

Late ski registrations

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept late registrations for Blue Hills ski lessons for youngsters ages seven and over at the recreation office, town hall.

Girls basketball 'spirit night' Feb. 2

Please come to cheer on the girls' JV and varsity teams as they play Abington Friday, Feb. 2, at the high school.

The JV team will play at 5 p.m. and the varsity team at 6:30 p.m. Children will be admitted free with a paying adult.

During the half-times and at the intermission between games, there will be a basketball shooting contest to benefit the teen center. The shootout is for everyone. There will be plenty of prizes. Bruins' tickets will be raffled off that night as well.

Don't worry about dinner. The Cohasset Boosters will be selling hot dogs and Papa Gino's pizza. The girls' teams look forward to seeing you. Call Betsy Connolly at 383-1248 if you have any questions about this special basketball event.

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Ski Waterville Valley

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in a joint effort with the Cohasset Teen Resources, will sponsor a ski trip to Waterville Valley Saturday, March 23.

The cost of this trip is $56 per person which includes motor coach transportation and an all-day, all-trail lift ticket.

The trip is for youth grades 7-9 only and you may register at the Cohasset Recreation Department office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall, anytime prior to March 7.

The bus will depart from the town hall parking lot at 5:30 a.m. and return about 7:30 p.m. Checks are payable to the Town of Cohasset and should you require ski lessons or equipment rentals the fee is $18 each for rentals and a lesson. Should you desire either or both, please inform us at the time of registration and bring cash with you on the trip for rental/lesson payments.

Cohasset/Scituate adult recreation programs

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

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John Carr, a former president of the Cohasset Youth Baseball Association who will be coaching the team, said on Tuesday that he planned to talk with Hull baseball coach Mike O'Donnell later that afternoon to get a bead on prospective players.

Carr will also be speaking with Cohasset coach Ron Ford and Scituate High Athletic Director Leo Liatsos.

"We're looking for input from the varsity coaches from Cohasset, Scituate and Hull," he said.

Carr said the players who do make the team will not be riding the bench the entire season but see ample playing time.

"Of the 18 kids who make that team," Carr said, "all of them are going to play."

Carr will be looking for a seven- to eight-man pitching staff and intends to concentrate on improving the players' fundamentals and the mental aspect of the game. Baserunning and intelligent hitting will be priorities with Carr.

"We're stepping up in terms of intensity and commitment," he said. "We're going to try to put together the best team we can. We want them thinking instead of just going out there and throwing the ball."

Carr knows the team will not be an overnight success and has "realistic expectations" for the first season. Eventually, however, he would like to see the squad compete against the best teams on the South Shore.

"Braintree and Morrisette Post have good teams every year," Carr said. "We're hoping to eventually compete at that level."

Carr in no way tried to sugarcoat the effort and commitment he expected from his players.

"We're going to try to be as fundamentally sound as we can. If the kids work at it they can be as good as any team."

Carr, however, won't be asking for anything more from his players than he himself will be putting in coaching them.

"It's going to be a time commitment and sacrifice," he said, "but I love the game and sports in general.

"We'll battle. I don't care if we're down 10-1. They'll play just as hard as they did in the first inning."

Anyone interested in trying out for the team who will not have turned 19 years old by Aug. 1, should call Carr at 383-0331 or Arnold at 545-1896 immediately.

Mariner Sports

Cohasset soccer coach Keith Clark (Left) congratulates senior co-captain Eric Henry at the Skippers boys and girls soccer banquet. (Right) Seniors Megan McNamara, co-captain Jen Ripley, junior co-captain Katie Campbell and seniors Amber Hopeman, Katie Ross and Tammy Maitland take time out from the banquet festivities for a photo.

Special to the Mariner/Heidi Maitland

Hopeman, Henry named soccer MVP's at banquet

Coaches Keith Clark and Maureen O'Day-Clark presented the team awards at the Cohasset High Soccer Banquet. The girls finished with an 8-6-5 record and travelled to the Division 3 South Sectional semifinals.

Katie Ross won the 110-percent Award, Tammy Maitland was presented the Coaches Award and Amber Hopeman was named the girls MVP. Also receiving awards on the girls squad were Hannah Beggan and Katie Campbell (Best Defensive), Kathleen Fitzsimmons (Best Offensive), Maitland (Unsung Hero), Susan Thompson (Rookie of the Year), Megan MacNamara (Most Improved) and Jen Ripley (Team Spirit).

Hopeman had a big season in her first year as a member of the Skippers squad. She was named to the South Shore League All-Star team, the Division 3 Eastern Mass All-Star team and the Division 3 All-State team.

The boys squad finished at 10-7-2 overall and was led by Senior co-captain Chris McKenna, Jamie Kondrat, Greg Shultz, Ken Leahy, Andy Collins and co-captain Eric Henry. Henry was named to the SSL All-Star team. Justin Buckley and Kevin McKenna were chosen as co-captains for the '96 team. McKenna was also named to the SSL All-Star team.

Award winners for the boys included Ely Kahn (Rookie of the Year), Greg Shultz (Most Improved Player), Henry (MVP), McKenna (Best Offensive Player), Leigh Atherton (Best Defensive Player) and Unsung Hero, Ken Leahy.

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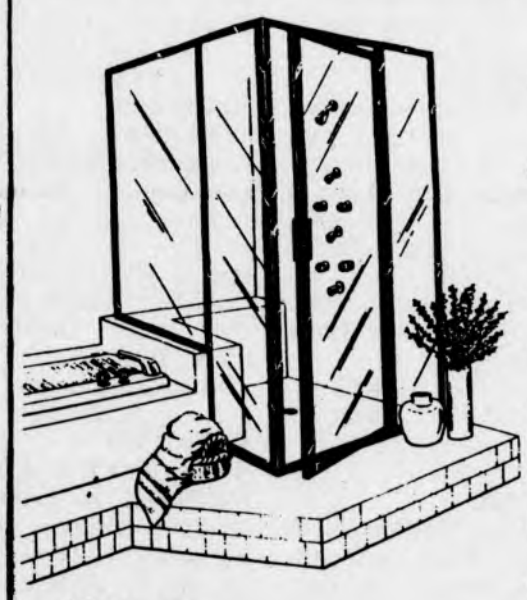

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The owners or occupants of the following described parcels of land situated in the Town of Cohasset in the County of Norfolk and Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the year hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as Collector of Taxes for the Town of Cohasset by the Board of Assessors of Cohasset remain unpaid, and that those parcels of land will be taken for the Town of Cohasset on Thursday, February 15, 1996 at 9:00 A.M. for the non-payment of taxes and interest, if any, unless the aforesaid taxes and interest have previously been discharged.

Elizabeth B. Ripley
Treasurer-Collector

Bill # 101
AYER, ALEXANDER & ALLISON G. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .34 Acre(s) located on 20 BAYBERRY LANE being Parcel #0041-0061-001 on Cohasset Assessors' map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 04232, Page 692.
Water Lien $305.38
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$875.73

Bill #162
BATES, DOROTHY B., TRUSTEE Land with dwelling thereon containing about 1.50 Acre(s) located on 437 BEECHWOOD STREET being Parcel #0053-0005-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 08526, Page 49.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,691.46

Bill #373
CAMPBELL, JAMES B. Land containing about .62 Acre(s) located on 52 RIPLEY ROAD being Parcel # 0018-0066-A-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 05175, Page 15.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$159.23

Bill #558
CONE-AIKENS, NANCY A. Land with dwelling thereon containing about 3.21 Acre(s) located on 23 CEDAR ST. begin Parcel #0005-0028-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 9199, Page 401.
Water Lien $66.29
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,179.92

Bill #635
CUNNINGHAM, BRUCE R. & CAROL A. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .37 Acre(s) located on 52 SMITH PLACE being Parcel #0039-0077-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 07023, Page 478.
Water Lien, $189.24
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$2,033.44

Bill #873
EQUI, MARTHA A. EQUI, MICHAEL P. & MARTHA A. (Present Owner) Land with dwelling thereon containing about .45 Acre(s) located on 9 WOOD WAY being Parcel #0045-0039-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 0536, Page 161.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$2,316.66

Bill #905
FASCIANO, MARY LOUISE Land with dwelling thereon containing about .97 Acre(s) located on 4 BOUND BROOK LANE being Parcel #0054-0007-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 08422, Page 159.
Water Lien $340.05
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$3,134.68

Bill #1082
GONSALVES, GEORGE E. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .55 Acre(s) located on 508D BEECHWOOD STREET being Parcel #0055-0025-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 04660, Page 172.
Water Lien $249.24
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$2,137.98

Bill #1083
GONSALVES, GEORGE E. Land containing about 4.00 Acre(s) located on BEECHWOOD STREET being Parcel #0055-0026-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 04660, Page 599.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$515.52

Bill #1092
GOPIKANTH, MICHAEL L. TRUSTEE Land with dwelling thereon containing about .00 Acre(s) located on 30 DIAB LANE UNIT 7 being Parcel #0001-0002-007 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 048163, Page C114.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$233.03

Bill #1136
GUARINO R.E. & MUELHAUPT T.F. TRS. BERGSON ICE CREAM & FOOD SHOPS, INC. (Subsequent Owner) STOCKBRIDGE MARGE M. TR. OF LRT REALTY TRUST (Present Owner) Land containing about 2.60 Acre(s) located on 773 C.J. CUSHING WAY being Parcel #0050-00012-B-001 on Cohasset Assessors' map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 0542, Page 4.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$781.29

Bill #1152
HAGUE, STEPHEN W. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .00 Acre(s) located on 74 ONE HUNDRED POND STREET being Parcel #0048-0063-074 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 07680, Page 522.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$805.52

Bill # 1162
HAMILTON, FRANK C.J. & JANE M. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .22 Acre(s) located on 240 BEECHWOOD STREET being Parcel #0050-0023-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 05310, Page 601.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$893.85

Bill #1205
HARTSTONE, ELEANOR J. TRUSTEE Land containing about 1.52 Acre(s) located on ELM COURT REAR being Parcel #0027-0053-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 046978, Page.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$41.46

Bill # 1206
HARTSTONE, ELEANOR J. TRUSTEE Land containing about 1.51 Acre(s) located on ATLANTIC AVENUE REAR being Parcel #0028-0044-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 0517, Page 195.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$92.75

Bill # 1462
KENDALL, PETER M. & ELISE L. Land containing about .47 Acre(s) located on C.J. CUSHING WAY being Parcel #0052-0024-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 05901, Page 475.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$314.28

Bill # 1497
KLEINZ, WILLIAM L. JR. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .23 Acre(s) located on 26A ATLANTIC AVENUE being Parcel #0028-0023-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 0542, Page 164.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$775.37

Bill #1524
KULTURIDES, P.C. & J.A. TRS. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .00 Acre(s) located on DEPOT SQUARE UNIT 7 being Parcel #0018-0015-007 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 05594, Page 3178.
Sewer Lien $867.76
Water Lien $1,223.82
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,294.83

Bill #1563
LAUGELLE, LISA ANNE & ROCCO F. Land with dwelling thereon containing about 1.25 Acre(s) located on 71 DOANE STREET being Parcel #0056-0001-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 08157, Page 60.
Water Lien $247.85
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,606.61

Bill # 1576
LAZARIS, GEORGE & KIKI ANGELA Land with dwelling thereon containing about .45 Acre(s) located on 54 HILLSIDE DRIVE being Parcel #0053-0022-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 07553, Page 619.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,930.25

Bill #1699
MACDONNELL, RICHARD L. TRUSTEE Land with dwelling thereon containing about .00 Acre(s) located on 30 DIAB LANE UNIT 3 being Parcel #0001-0002-003 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book OC114, Page 18.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$992.92

Bill # 1941
MORGAN, WILLIAM J. & KATHRYN E. Land containing about 3.03 Acre(s) located on BOW STREET being Parcel #0016-0002-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 05450, Page 441.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$355.14

Bill #1943
MORGAN WILLIAM J. & KATHRYN E. TRS. Land with dwelling thereon containing about 2.00 Acre(s) located on 28 BOW STREET being parcel #0016-0046-A-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 08038, Page 57.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$2,530.34

Bill #1961
MUIR CRAIG D. & JEAN M. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .46 Acre(s) located on 42 OLD PASTURE ROAD being Parcel #0042-0019-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 07934, Page 416.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$3,832.03

Bill #2083
O'KEEFFE, KEVIN O. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .41 Acre(s) located on 255 POND STREET being Parcel #0041-0104-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 07389, Page 664.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$2,479.62

Bill # 2370
ROUKOUNAKIS, GEORGE K. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .64 Acre(s) located on 55 SOUTH MAIN STREET being Parcel #0018-0003-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 0575, Page 114.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,833.54

Bill #2371
ROUKOUNAKIS, GEORGE K. Land containing about 1.5 Acre(s) located on DOANE STREET REAR being Parcel #0056-0011-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 06525, Page 670.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$54.96

Bill #2479
SESTITO, ELENA E. Land containing about 4.10 Acre(s) located on SOHIER STREET being Parcel #0040-0018-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 04589, Page 329.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$1,593.82

Bill #2552
SMITH, CHARLES T. & MARY Land with dwelling thereon containing about .45 Acre(s) located on 3 RESERVOIR ROAD being Parcel #0041-0009-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 03692, Page 224.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$249.33

Bill #2590
SOUSA, RAY J. & MARY C. Land containing about .13 Acre(s) located on 508C BEECHWOOD STREET being Parcel #0055-0024-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 02998, Page 554.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$200.48

Bill #2747
TOWER EDWARD E. & DORIS, CAMPBELL, ELINOR T & JAMES B. (Present Owner) Land containing about 3.00 Acre(s) located on SECOND DIVISION being Parcel #0072-0002-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds.
1995 Real Estate Tax
$66.19

Bill #2825
WALTON, FRANCES C. Land with dwelling thereon containing about .44 Acre(s) located on 8 FOREST AVENUE being Parcel #0005-0033-001 on Cohasset Assessor's map. See Norfolk Deeds Book 06561, Page 40.
Water Lien $402.16
Penalty Lien $50.00
1995 Real Estate Tax .00
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Penny O'Brien Joins Hallmark 100

COHASSET - Consistent multi-million dollar producer Penny O'Brien has joined the Cohasset office of Hallmark 100 Properties according to Chris Ford, the firm's president.

O'Brien, who lives in Scituate, had been with the Hunneman Coldwell Banker Cohasset office for the past ten years. Prior to that she was with the Vin Doyle Company in Scituate for seven years. Penny holds the prestigous GRI designation and is a certified relocation specialist.

"Penny O'Brien joining our Cohasset office is a major addition to our firm," stated Ford. "Penny has developed a loyal following in the Cohasset-Scituate market over the past eighteen years. She has a reputation for providing quality service with great attention to detail. We are very pleased to have her as a member of our "All Pro Team' here at Hallmark 100."

Penny lives on Border Street with her husband Jim. They have two grown children and are members of The Driftway Tennis Club and Hatherly Country club.

Community Center to sponsor Valentine breakfast

The South Shore Community Center is hosting "Women's Counsel," a group offering women an opportunity to exchange ideas and resources, on Wednesday, Feb. 14, from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Lightkeeper's House, off Border Street, Cohasset.

The theme of the Valentine breakfast is "Choosing a Positive Path in a Changing World." Guest speaker Elizabeth A. Lawrence, who holds a degree in pastoral counseling, will focus on promoting the spiritual, emotional and physical wholeness of the individual. Roundtable discussions will follow the gourmet breakfast.

The Women's Counsel invites women to share their experiences, problems and wisdom. The meeting will provide an opportunity for women to air their needs and learn how to network.

Tickets are $6 before Feb. 1 and $8 thereafter. Checks should be made payable to the SSCC and sent to the center at 3 North Main St., P.O. Box 631, Cohasset 02025.

For further information or to register by telephone, call Nina Belsan at 383-0088 or 545-5462.

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Cohasset Business

Recent real estate transactions

The following real estate transactions took place in Cohasset from mid-November to mid-December as compiled by Banker & Tradesman:

321 South Main St. to Jeanne A. King for $485,000 by William R. Lean Jr.;

33 Aaron River Rd. to Paul St Pierre for $245,000 by John P. Rolandelli;

646 Jerusalem Rd. Unit 7 to Evan P. Cook for $155,000 by Peter J. Robinson;

111 Nichols Rd. to Douglas C. Bumstead for $500,000 by Anne Gk Young;

430-432 North Main St. to Gulph River RT for $195,000 by Grand Banks Marine Co.;

48 Deep Run to John B. Ryan for $360,000 by Walsh Richard J Est.;

54 Forest Ave. to Steven A. Braga for $315,000 by Thomas A. Digan Jr.;

19-25 South Main St. to Richard Torsney Jr. for $285,000 by John Hand;

12 Tupelo Rd. to James R. Graham for $170,000 by Donald B. Armin;

12 Talarico Ln. to Benjamin F. Leong for $184,000 by Katherine Talarico;

100 Pond St Unit 82 to John S. Porter for $285,000 by Gerald M. Kelly Tr.

84 Elm St. to Michael C. Davis for $412,000 by David N. Bacino.

Businesses may relocate to old Bergson's

Two Cushing Plaza tenants may relocate to a building across the street, to make way for the shopping center remodelling and the new Shaw's Supermarket on Route 3A.

Cohasset building inspector Robert Egan said Cohasset Harbor Travel and dentist Katherine McArthur may move to this building.

However, the management at Cohasset Harbor Travel and a spokeswoman at McArthur's office said Wednesday, they had not been told anything officially.

Representatives of Shaw's Supermarket could not be reached for comment.

Egan said Shaw's Supermarkets purchased the 2,000 square foot building, located next to the Autohaus car dealership, at the same time it acquired the shopping plaza and Bergson's restaurant site across the street. While it has been used as office space, the building was formerly occupied by Bergson's restaurant.

Egan said he initially was asked about the feasibility of locating the Dunkin Donuts shop at this location. The town's zoning by-laws would require a special permit application to the board of appeals for restaurant, but the use as office space would be allowed without a hearing.

Planning board chairman Alfred Moore said this is an existing retail building, and a change in tenants will not necessarily change the use of the property.

He said the number of parking spaces should be adequate, with 10 spaces required for each 1,000 square feet of building space.

Hallmark names Froio leading producer

Hallmark 100 Properties has again recognized Barbara Froio as the leading producer of all the Hallmark offices for achieving a high volume of repeat business through referrals and satisfied customers.

Froio is a member of the Hallmark 100 Cohasset office and is past director of the Plymouth County Board of Realtors, a relocation specialist and an exclusive agent for Sotheby's International Realty.

BARBARA FROIO
Relocation specialist

Lillian Curley is named independent consultant

Lillian Curley of Cohasset has joined the Longaberger Company sales force as an independent consultant. The company makes and sells Longaberger Baskets and markets a full line of pottery, home accessories and wrought iron products.

Each Longaberger Basket is individually handwoven of hardwood maple and is initialized and dated by the artisan who created it.

More than 28,000 Longaberger independent associates sell Longaberger products through home shows. The Longaberger Company, a family-owned business based in Dresden, Ohio, is represented in all 50 states.

Silvia is promoted to vice president at company

Alyson A. Silvia of Cohasset has been promoted to vice president of The Boston Company Asset Management Inc.

Silvia is a trader in the institutional equity trading department and has been with The Boston Company for 17 years. She is also a member of the Boston Securities Traders Association.

DOROTHY LEPTICH
A top sales producer

Market area is expanded

Dorothy Leptich of Hull, one of Jack Conway and Co.'s top-producing sales associates in the Hull office, has expanded her market area to include the town of Cohasset. She will work out of the company's Cohasset office, which is convenient to both Hull and Cohasset residents.

Leptich has won several Top Seller awards and has been the recipient of several trips to the Caribbean in recognition of her superior performance.

Cooking Studio is offered in Feb.

Chefs from Fireking Baking Company and Tosca Restaurant in Hingham will present three hands-on cooking workshops, sponsored by the South Shore Community Center. The Cooking Studio will be offered on Feb. 12 and 19 at the community center, featuring a presentation of a Fireking bistro menu during the first studio and bakery and dessert fare during the second. On Feb. 26 at Tosca's Restaurant, the studio three class will include a three-course meal with wine, followed by dining in Tosca's private dining room. Classes run from 7 to 9 p.m.

The cost of Studio 1 and 2 is $25; Studio 3 is $45 per person. $75 includes all three classes.

Call Nina Belsan at 383-0088 or 545-5462 to sign up for a class.

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Abington Savings	617-982-3250	6.76	7.24	7.94
Bank of Boston	800-758-8808	6.95	7.24	7.80
Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	6.83	7.34	8.13
Bank of Canton	617-828-5626	NA	NA	NA
BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	6.82	7.19	7.55
Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	6.58	7.08	6.02
Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	6.84	7.21	7.21
Community Bank	508-587-3210	6.69	7.07	7.98
Concord, The Coop. Bank	800-551-4663	7.07	7.71	7.78
E. Bridgewater Coop.	617-378-2672	6.87	7.22	8.78
Hibernia Savings	617 345-0441	7.00	7.50	7.87
Hingham Inst. for Savings	617-749-2200	7.639	7.094	7.957
Mutual Federal Savings	617-447-4488	7.04	7.48	7.68
N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	7.47	7.81	7.43
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	6.70	7.08	7.86
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.05	7.49	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	NA	NA	NA
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	6.84	7.20	7.69
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	6.69	7.07	7.65
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Coop. Bank	617-337-1300	6.83	7.21	7.99
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	6.95	7.38	7.57
USTrust	800-290-8782	NA	NA	NA
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	7.00	7.50	6.09
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	6.67	7.24	7.40

CREDIT UNIONS

Brockton Credit Union	508-895-1000	6.70	7.08	7.71
Crescent Credit Union	800-894-4445	6.79	7.23	7.41
IAG Federal Credit Union	800-234-6698	NA	NA	NA
Mass. State Employees C.U.	617-451-2422	NA	NA	NA
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Rockland Federal C.U.	800-562-7328	6.82	6.88	8.00

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GMAC Mortgage Corp.	617-340-1445	NA	NA	NA
Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	6.603	7.131	6.373

THE 35 MARINER

A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	17.2500	0.2500
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.4300	—
Avitar	0.5000	—
Bank of Boston	45.0000	0.7500
Bradlees	1.7500	0.1250
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	27.5000	0.2500
Computer Identics Corp.	2.5000	—
Clean Harbors Inc.	2.6250	0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	19.3750	0.3750
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.3750	—
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	5.0625	-0.1875
Grossman's	1.1250	—
Ground Round	3.2500	—
Haemonetics	17.5000	—
Hills Stores	10.3750	—
Hingham Instit. of Savings	13.0000	—
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.7500	—
International Electronics	1.9219	-0.1406
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	6.8750	-0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.7500	0.1250
J Baker	4.6250	0.1250
First Years	10.5000	0.2500
Lojack	9.7500	-0.2500
Organogenesis Inc.	15.7500	-0.3750
Peoples Savings Bank	9.3750	—
Plymouth Rubber	9.2500	-0.1250
Reebok	26.7500	0.2500
Software Development	1.7500	-0.1250
Stop & Shop	23.7500	-0.1250
AT&T	66.250	0.6250
Talbots	27.1250	0.1250
Westerbeke	3.1250	0.1250

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Police Log

Friday, Jan. 19

6:54 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

10:37 a.m., vandalism/burglary (B&E), So. Shore Chevrolet, investigated.

11:27 a.m., assist citizen, Dunkin' Donuts lot/Stop & Shop, services rendered.

12:48 p.m., general services, Summer St., services rendered.

2:08 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 228 N-bound by 3A, unfounded.

2:24 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A by Hingham line, services rendered.

2:45 p.m., emergency services, King St./Schofield Rd.

3:10 p.m., officer field investigated, Beechwood St.

3:17 p.m., general services, Gammons Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Rain, 55

4:45 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., referred to other agency.

4:52 p.m., emergency services, King St., services rendered.

4:56 p.m., emergency services, Tedeschi Plaza, services rendered.

5:17 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., referred to other agency.

5:36 p.m., medical, Kimball's, removed to hospital.

5:37 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., no police service necessary.

5:54 p.m., emergency services, Border St./Otis Ave., referred to other agency.

6:20 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., referred to other agency.

6:43 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St., referred to other agency.

6:47 p.m., emergency services, 3A/Lower King St., no police service necessary.

7:12 p.m., emergency services, Doane St./Ball park, referred to other agency.

7:32 p.m., emergency services, Pond/Rte. 3A, general services.

8:46 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

9:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Church/Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:02 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St., services rendered.

11:23 p.m., general services, Fox Run, referred to other agency.

11:25 p.m., noise complaint, Texaco Station, peace restored.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, cook, 38

Saturday, Jan. 20

12:57 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cold, 30

9:31 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd., referred to other agency.

10:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

10:42 a.m., annoying phone calls, Parker Ave., services rendered.

10:50 a.m., emergency services, King St., HDQTS., referred to other agency.

11:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., traffic warning issued.

12:01 p.m., medical, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

12:25 p.m., assist muncipal agencies, Hull St., services rendered.

12:49 p.m., message delivery, Tad Ln., no such person can be found.

1:13 p.m., emergency services, the harbor area, referred to other agency.

1:14 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Forest Ave., departmental action.

1:28 p.m., vehicle accident, Cohasset Plaza, investigated.

3:06 p.m., emergency services, Hdqts., services rendered.

3:44 p.m., assist other PDs, Church St. to Cushing Plaza, services rendered.

4:16 p.m., motor vehicle theft, Majestic Cars, departmental action.

4:47 p.m., general services, Beach St. & Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

5:12 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Cedar St., area search negative.

7:37 p.m., annoying phone calls, Pond St., Hdqts., services rendered.

9:20 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., verbal warning.

9:51 p.m., general services, Tad Lane, notification made/message or summons delivered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 30

Sunday, Jan. 21

12:21 a.m., vandalism, Eastern Edison, N. Main St., departmental action.

12:43 a.m., violation of liquor laws, CJC Hwy by Sohier St., arrest. Ptl. Quigley & Ptl. Lennon in with Robert F. Zitoli, DOB: 1/11/77 of 31 Massasoit Ave., Hull arrested for minor in possession (alcohol); Alexander Mann, DOB: 7/13/77, 26 Veterans Rd., Hull, arrested for minor in possession; William S. Presley DOB: 10/27/75 of 40 D St., Hull, arrested for minor in possession, and Thomas M. White DOB, 9/20/76, of 42 Massasoit Ave., Hull, arrested for minor in possession and minor transporting.

2:22 a.m., general services, Spring St. to Bancroft Rd., services rendered.

7:22 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way, traffic warning issued.

7:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Cohasset Imports), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 28

9:41 a.m., annoying phone calls, Hull St., departmental action.

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Police Log

9:45 a.m., building check, White Head Rd., investigated.

9:57 a.m., disorderly conduct, Elm St., arrest.

10:00 a.m., Ptl. Grassie/Ptl. in with Peter Madge DOB: 3/4/65, 43 Beechwood St., Copahsset, arrested for 209 A violation.

10:57 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (d Sport), traffic warning issued.

11:29 a.m., building check, CJC Hwy. (Cushing Plaza), investigated.

12:22 p.m., animal complaint, Wheelwright Farm, departmental action.

1:15 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Hingham Line, verbal warning.

1:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:04 p.m., suspicous activity, Woodland Dr., area search negative.

5:48 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 39

Monday, Jan. 22

12:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (mary Lou's).

2:29 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

5:08 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Ln., referred to other agency.

5:49 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy. (Tedeschi Plaza), area search negative.

7:28 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square,.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 28

9:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Beechwood St., services rendered.

9:32 a.m., animal complaint, King St., services rendered.

10:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Atlantic Ave., unfounded.

11:56 a.m., burlgary (B&E), Beechwood St., investigated.

1:00 p.m., general services Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

2:29 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Rd. by Plaza, services rendered.

2:40 p.m., larceny, S. Main St. — Red Lion Inn, investigated.

3:22 p.m., medical, Parkingway — Dr. Golden's Office, referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 40

5:10 p.m., medical, Nantasket Ave./S. St., Hull, referred to other agency.

6:40 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cohasset Plaza — Stop & Shop lot, services rendered.

6:45 p.m., officer field investigation, Jerusalem Rd., false call.

6:54 p.m., burglary (B&E), S. Main St., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., 23, very dark.

Tuesday, Jan. 23

1:35 a.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 36

11:50 a.m., assist citizen, Pond St. — High School, services rendered.

11:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Town Square, services rendered.

12:00 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beach St., departmental action.

12:15 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St./3A, services rendered.

12:21 p.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St., services rendered.

1:15 p.m., general services, Tad Ln., unfounded.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 36

4:29 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Mobil Mart, brought to station.

6:35 p.m., general services, Parker Ave., services rendered.

6:55 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:28 p.m., disturbance (general), Black Rock Rd.

9:29 p.m., message delivery, Linden Dr., notification made/message or summons delivered.

9:38 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Forest ave. by Heather Dr., referred to other agency.

10:22 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

10:22 p.m.., assist citizen, Kimball's by the Sea, referred to other agency.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

Wednesday, Jan. 24

12:37 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

6:09 a.m., animal complaint, King St., area search negative.

7:01 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., (Westgate Ln.).

7:06 a.m., general services, Tad Ln., notification made/message or summons delivered.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 46

8:36 a.m., animal complaint, across from King St., services rendered.

8:59 a.m., fire alarm, Elm St. court, accidental/defective alarm.

9:37 a.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

11:45 a.m., officer field investigation, Deep Run, false call.

12:46 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Cedar St., services rendered.

2:26 p.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St.

4:00 p.m., Rainy, 56

4:02 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave. by Heather Dr., investigated.

6:58 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stop & Shop Plaza, area search negative.

10:11 p.m., emergency services, N. Main St. by Cedar, services rendered.

10:13 p.m., assist citizen, Cohasset Plaza, services rendered.

10:30 p.m., emergency services, White Head Rd., referred to other agency.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 46

Thursday, Jan. 25

12:56 a.m., suspicious activity, CHC Hwy, investigated.

1:05 a.m., fire alarm, Old Pasture Rd., services rendered.

1:49 a.m., suspicious activity, Highland Ave. (St. Stephen's), investigated.

7:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., (Library), traffic warning issued.

7:31 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 35

11:14 a.m., fire alarm, Ripley Rd. — Osgood School, services rendered.

12:39 p.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., unfounded.

1:59 p.m., medical, Lamberts Ln., referred to other agency.

2:13 p.m., burglary (B&E), Beechwood St., investigated.

2:20 p.m., assist citizen, Town Square, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 40

4:34 p.m., annoying phone calls, Carousel Antiques, HDQTS., departmental action.

5:12 p.m., violation of court order, Cushing Plaza, arrest. Sgt. Cogill in with Steven R. Rodriques, DOB: 1/10/63, 22 Walnut Ave., Norwell, arrested for violation of 209A.

8:18 p.m., arrest, Cohasset Plaza, Sgt. Jackson in with Eric Kolker, DOB: 6/4/70, 555 Beechwood St., Cohasset, warrant.

11:21 p.m., general services, Elm St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 26

Friday, Jan. 26

1:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Mobil Mart), verbal warning.

1:23 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Pond St.), departmental action.

7:15 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Lower King St.), departmental action.

7:31 a.m., general services, Hillside Dr., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 26

8:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

8:47 a.m., officer field investigation, Old Coach Rd., no police service necessary.

9:20 a.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy., unfounded.

10:37 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:00 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:08 p.m., medical, Clay Spring Rd., removed to hospital.

1:28 p.m., suspicious activity, N. Main St., no police service necessary.

2:13 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood ST., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

3:41 p.m., officer field investigation, Ash St., departmental action.

3:44 p.m., medical, Cohasset High School, removed to hospital.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 40

5:10 p.m., suspicious activity, Grace Dr., investigated.

5:38 p.m., officer field investigation, Aaron River Rd., false call.

5:54 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beechwood St., departmental action.

9:52 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Elm St. 2 Margin St., area search negative.

12:00 a.m, Cloudy, 42

Saturday, Jan. 27

6:49 a.m., larceny, Reservoir Rd., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 48

9:21 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Old Coach Rd., investigated.

10:04 a.m., emergency services, Cohasset Harbor, services rendered.

10:11 a.m., general services, N. Main St., services rendered.

10:23 a.m., annoying phone calls, Linden Dr. HDQTS., services rendered.

10:48 a.m., general services, Beechwood st., services rendered.

11:08 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Ripley Rd., brought to station.

12:24 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy, departmental action.

1:25 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., verbal warning.

2:09 p.m., larceny, King St., departmental action.

2:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, verbal warning.

2:31 p.m., emergency services, Elm St., services rendered.

Correction is noted

A police brief in the Jan. 25 Cohasset Mariner should have listed the address of the man cited following a Jan. 22 single car accident involving a telephone pole on Jerusalem Rd. as 589 Jerusalem Rd. The Mariner incorrectly reported his address as the house (in front of which the accident occurred) at 738 Jerusalem Rd.

Burglaries are reported

Police said they suspect the same individual is responsible for two recent burglaries at homes on opposite ends of Beechwood Street. The first occurred between 10:45 and 11:30 a.m., Jan. 22. The resident reported a VCR and video camera were stolen. The second burglary, in which Sega video games and Sega machine were stolen, took place around noon on Jan. 25. In both incidents, the perpetrator entered through an unlocked door.

Police said people saw a tall, white, teenaged male with light-colored hair in the vicinity. The burglaries are under investigation. Police ask residents to report anyone acting suspiciously and to remember to lock their doors even if they are going out for just a short time.

Limited power outages

Police called in a second dispatcher during Saturday night's wind storm to handle emergency calls about downed trees and electrical wires causing scattered power outages.

Eastern Edison spokeswoman Ruth Stetson said the company went into its public safety phase and sent repair trucks to area towns to be there "when the winds hit the fan." However, the winds were "sectionalized" with the highest gusts in cells. Cohasset and Scituate were not hard hit, she said.

Peak wind gusts were estimated between 45 and 65 mph, knocking down many tree limbs and even some weakened trees in the area, according to weatherman Bob Skilling of Hingham.

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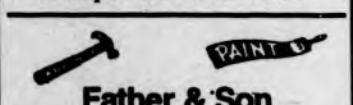

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Concert at CHS, Feb. 16

On Friday, Feb. 16, Force Productions will present music by J-Bass, Fun in the Kitchen, Drain, Stick Figure Stanley, Blind, Industrial Dance from Boston and Pugg at Cohasset High School Auditorium. Admission is $5.

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The Tablescapes exhibition runs Feb. 6 to 11 in the Bancroft and Dillon Galleries at 119 Ripley Rd. The event is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Tickets are $10 at the door.

A special champagne reception will be held Friday, Feb. 9, from 7 to 9 p.m., and will feature hors d'oeuvres and a pianist. Tickets are $15 and available by calling the center at 617-383-ARTS.

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Music theater to hold 'Sound of Music' auditions

Hingham Civic Music Theatre will hold auditions for "The Sound of Music" on Monday, Feb. 5 for children and Wednesday, Feb. 7, for adults at 7 p.m. in Hingham High School Auditorium.

"The Sound of Music" tells the true adventure of the world-famous Trapp Family singers, who escaped to America and finally settled in Vermont, where they continue to live.

Men and women of all shapes and sizes and vocal ranges are needed. Adults will play neighbors of Captain von Trapp, nuns, novices, postulants and contestants in the Festival Concert. The von Trapp children consist of two boys and five girls.

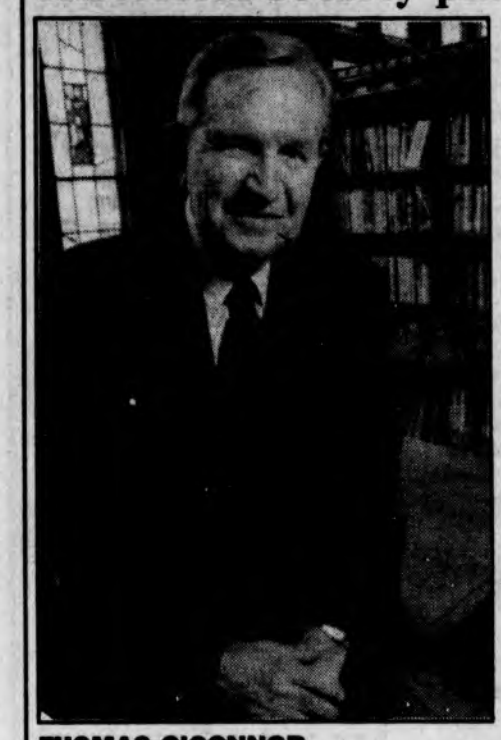
Auditioners will be asked to sing 16 measures of an upbeat song and 16 measures of a ballad. Neither song has to be from the show.

The play will be presented in Hingham High School Auditorium on April 19, 20 and 26 at 8 p.m. and April 21 and 28 at 2 p.m.

For further information, call Annabelle Berlenbach at 749-7254.

Hingham Civic Music Theatre is a non-profit organization serving the entire South Shore community.

Historical society plans social



THOMAS O'CONNOR
Historian and author

The Cohasset Historic Society will h a Sunday Soc at Kimball's By the Sea on Sunday, Feb. 11, at 5:30 p.m. There will be a cash bar followed by supper and a presentation by author, historian and raconteur Dr. Thomas O'Connor, who will give a talk entitled, "The Boston Irish," which will draw upon highlight from his recently published book, "The Boston Irish: A Political History."

Dr. O'Connor, a native of South Boston, has been associated with Boston College since he began teaching there in 1950. He has written several history textbooks and general works and has produced a number of studies on Boston history. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Bostonian Society, a director of the Freedom Trail Foundation and a resident fellow at the Massachusetts Historical Society.

For reservations, call the society at 383-1434. The cost is $15 for members, or $25 for non-members. Reservations are limited.

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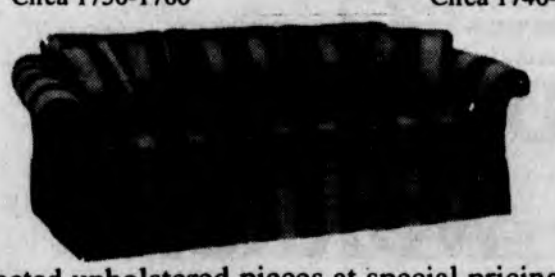
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Override vote is Saturday

70 percent turnout predicted

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Town Clerk Marion Douglas went out on a limb this week by predicting that about 70 percent of Cohasset's 5,049 registered voters will cast ballots in Saturday's special election.

Voters will decide whether or not to hike their taxes to pay for a new elementary school and additions and repairs to the Deer Hill School.

Payment for the $13 million project — which officials say will be reimbursed 60% by the state — requires a debt exclusion Prop. 2-1/2 override.

If the ballot question authorizing the town to borrow to pay for the project passes muster with the voters, owners of the typical home valued $242,000 will see an increase of about $111 a year in their property tax bill averaged over the life of the bond issue.

The tax bill will be higher in the early years of borrowing and would gradually decline thereafter as state aid kicks in and the debt is paid off.

The polls are open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Town Hall.

Douglas couched her prediction by saying she wishes everyone would vote while at the same time showing some concern about what the weather might do to the turnout.

She said absentee voting was high which is often a barometer of voter interest.

The override is necessary because the price tag of the project cannot be absorbed within the constraints of Prop. 2-1/2, the state law that caps the annual tax levy for municipalities at 2-1/2 percent.

Under Prop.2-1/2 rules, debt exclusion override ballot questions do not include the dollar amount because the figure cannot report the true cost of borrowing plus interest charges.

Money plowed into snow budget

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Although it won't make the snow go away faster, state officials said Cohasset will receive assistance with its snow plowing expense.

State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray said this week, Cohasset will receive $12,805 from a supplemental budget approved to help towns that have exhausted their snow removal budgets.

In addition, the Federal Emergency Management Agency said towns in Massachusetts are eligible for reimbursements for snow plow expenses that resulted from the blizzard on Jan. 6 & 7, and a subsequent snowstorm on January 12.

FEMA spokesman Carl Suchocki said towns can apply for up to 75 per cent reimbursements of their expenses for clearing snow from emergency routes, such as those used by

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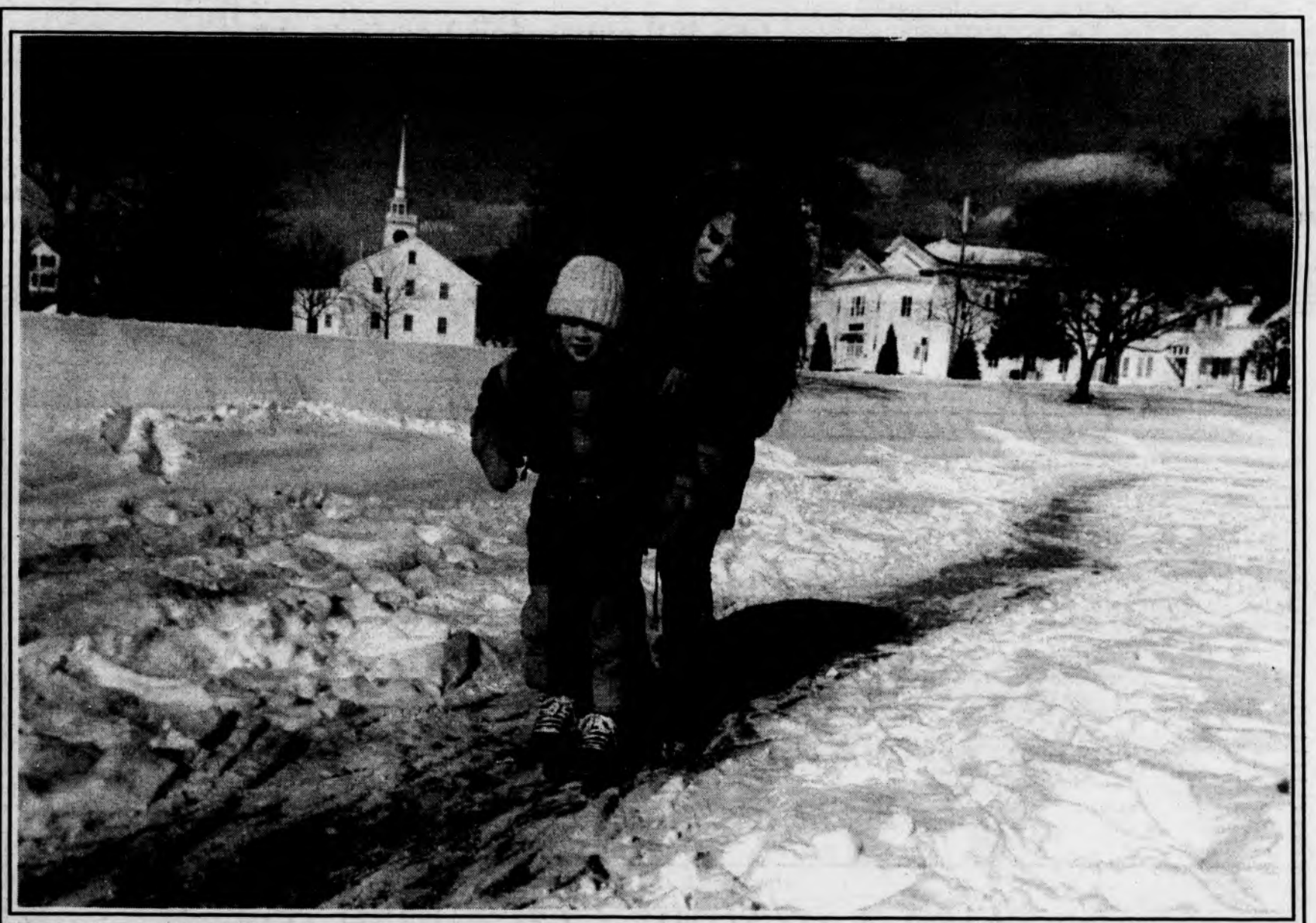

Jordan Berry gets his first skating lesson this week from his aunt Elise Freda at the duck pond on Cohasset Common.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Accountants award town 'A' for money management

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Cohasset is an unusually well-run town, according to independent auditors who have examined the town's books for the past several years.

A 12-page report by the accounting firm of Tucci & Roselli states, "The town in our opinion is efficiently managed."

Tony Roselli, a principal of the Lexington firm, told selectmen Monday night that he was pleased to see that officials have corrected various problems he had cited in past reports.

In many other towns, the audits end up in drawers ignored and accountants face the same problems year after year, Roselli said.

But Cohasset has been different. "The financial results were staggering," he stated.

"You're doing a lot better," he said. "I had to search for things (to complain

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Gymnasts coast to third consecutive league title

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset High gymnastics team accomplished its first and foremost goal of the winter season. And along the way the Skippers turned in the greatest team performance in the school's gymnastics history.

The Skippers won its first South Shore League title two years ago, finishing in a tie with Scituate. The Sailors had a virtual lock on the league championship since 1982. Cohasset has since won the title outright the past two years.

Cohasset swept all four events and finished 1-2 in the all-around to capture its third consecutive SSL championship with a 125.7 — 111 victory over Duxbury.

The winning score broke the all-time school record (125) set by the '94-95 squad.

Tara Hettstrom turned in a strong showing, winning the bars (7.5), floor routine (8.5) and finishing second to her

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Cohasset's Week

Census forms mailed

The town census has been mailed to each household, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said. The local census is primarily used to maintain voting and jury lists but it also aids in school enrollment projections and public safety and senior citizens' needs, she said. The local census also establishes proof of residency, which is often needed for certain privileges, such as transfer station stickers and cemetery rights, certain veterans' benefits, and reduced tuition rates at state colleges and universities.

Dog forms were enclosed. The license are valid through Dec. 31, 1996. If you did not receive a census form, contact the town clerk's office at 383-9900. Forms are due back by Feb. 23.

Charter school money

Cohasset will receive $37,000 in state money as reimbursement for tuition the town spent sending local youngsters to the charter school, selectmen announced this week.

Clarification on billing

Last week's article on the town ambulance incorrectly reported that the town has written off $6,000 in ambulance bills because they were duplicate bills.

According to Jane Henderson, who handles ambulance billing, the contract between the hospital and the town allows the hospital to take a 20 percent share of the Medicare transportation cost paid the town.

Most of the accounts included in the $6,000 fall in that category, Henderson told selectmen in a recent memo.

Primary voter registration

The last day to register to vote for the March 5 presidential primary is Wed., Feb. 14, when the town clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration forms are also available from the Cohasset Post Office and Paul Pratt Memorial Library. This form may be mailed or hand-delivered to the clerk's office but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

Louis Bailey thanked

With DPW crews working hard to keep ahead of all the snow this winter, the volunteer plowing done by resident Louis Bailey, has been greatly appreciated.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby said during Monday night's selectmen's meeting that Bailey should be publicly commended for helping the town out.

Memorial tree planted

Selectmen Monday night agreed to allow a Quincy family to plant a tree in town in memory of Scott Sandblom who grew up in Cohasset, but passed away suddenly in California last fall.

The location of the tree has yet to be decided upon.

Sandblom "was a wonderful young man with many ties to the town," said selectman Jane Goedecke.

Water fees skyrocket

The 300 households in the Forest St., Jerusalem Road, area, north to Hull St., which receive water from the American Water Co. in Hingham face a 164 percent increase in fees, selectmen reported Monday.

Selectmen deplored the size of the increase and suggested that eventually the affected residents could be tied in to the town's water supply instead.

Winter reminder is offered

The Cohasset Highway Department reminds all residents that it does not have the funding or the manpower to open up driveways that have been plowed in by snow plows while clearing the roads.

It is suggested that residents wait until the roads are cleared before shoveling the ends of their driveways, whenever possible. The Highway Department regrets any inconvenience this might cause.

Landfill expansion hearings set

Site assignment hearings by the Board of Health on the proposed 27.5-acre "Area V" expansion of Cohasset Heights landfill have been scheduled. Hearings are held on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at either Cohasset Town Hall or the Second Congregational Church. Meetings are as follows:

Feb. 8, Second Congregational: Traffic & Hingham impacts; Feb. 13, Town Hall: Wetlands, Whitney Woods impacts, Weir River ACEC, wildlife; Feb. 15, Town Hall: Wetlands, Whitney Woods impacts, Weir River ACEC, wildlife; Feb. 20-22: No hearings; Feb. 27, Town Hall: Water supply protection issues; Feb. 29, Town Hall: Water supply protection issues; March 2 (place and time to be determined): Statements of individuals who on Jan. 23 requested to speak; March 5, Second Congregational: Need for facility and recycling issues; March 7, Second Congregational: Closing statements by parties.

It should be noted that the meetings are not public hearings. The only people allowed to speak are the parties, who may present evidence for the record through expert and lay witnesses. Parties who have been accepted for the hearings are: Cohasset Heights; Town of Cohasset (Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Water Commission), represented by environmental attorney Ken Kimmell; Town of Hingham (Board of Health and Conservation Commission); Trustees of Reservations and a consolidation of the Ten-Citizen Groups, represented by Kevin O'Donnell, John McNabb, Jim Kinch and David McMorris.

The Board of Health, since it is now in a quasi-judicial role, is taking no advocacy role in the proceedings. On March 2, Cohasset and Hingham residents who petitioned to participate in the hearings will be allowed to speak.

The hearings will be broadcast live on Cohasset Cable Channel 3.

Tide Chart

BOSTON TIDES
EASTERN STANDARD TIME

February 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 8	1:21	9.7	7:27	1:35	9.9	7:48
Fri. 9	1:59	9.8	8:10	2:17	9.7	8:30
Sat. 10	2:41	9.9	8:57	3:04	9.5	9:16
Sun. 11	3:27	9.9	9:48	3:55	9.2	10:06
Mon. 12	4:19	10.0	10:44	4:53	9.0	11:02
Tues. 13	5:16	10.1	11:45	5:54	9.0	——
Wed. 14	6:17	10.3	12:02	6:58	9.1	12:47
Thurs. 15	7:18	10.7	1:04	8:01	9.5	1:49

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Buttonwood readies for temporary move in plaza

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Renovations of Cushing Plaza on Route 3A are underway, with the remaining tenants relocating their businesses in preparation for the new Shaw's Supermarket that is planned for the property.

Buttonwood Books & Toys owner Betsy Detwiler said her business will move within the month to a store next to Walgreens. She expects business as usual following the move and during the shopping center construction.

"We're a destination store for a lot of people," she said, explaining her confidence that customers will follow them to the new, temporary location. She noted that her sales for this past Christmas and her after-Christmas book sale did not suffer while the shopping center is being renovated.

To alert her customers to the move, Detwiler said flyers were distributed at the counter, with a map showing where the store will be. She expects to occupy the temporary store at least through the Christmas shopping season.

With good visibility from Route 3A and ample parking immediately in front of the store, she's very pleased with the location, and noted that Shaw's management has been very cooperative throughout this process.

"They've been wonderful," Detwiler said. "They've been responsive to our needs and they're always accessible."

As part of construction of the new Shaw's Supermarket, the block of buildings where the Buttonwood Books is presently located will be demolished. From plans Shaw's has shared with the businesses, Detwiler said the new supermarket will be built at the rear of the property, facing Route 3A. The new Buttonwood Shop will be located to the left of the supermarket; a new Walgreens will occupy a store to the right of the supermarket. The Cohasset Consignment shop with eventually open its store to the left of Buttonwood Books.

Last summer, the Consignment Shop was one of the first shops to be temporarily relocated within Cushing Plaza.

But an actual construction date for the new building has not been determined at this time, delayed due to a neighbor's appeal of the special permit Shaw's received from the board of appeals.

Shaw's spokesman Bernard Rogan said the company is anxious to begin construction of the new supermarket in Cohasset, but he does not know how close the parties are to resolution of the appeal.

He would not comment on plans to relocate two Cushing Plaza businesses to a building Shaw's owns across Route 3A.

Last week, building inspector Robert Egan said he has had inquiries about a local dentist and a travel agent moving to the building next to Autohaus, formerly occupied by Bergson's Restaurant.

Rogan did say that these two businesses moving to the old Bergson's property, "sounds like a logical step," but would not elaborate.

Once construction begins, the new supermarket is likely to be open six to seven months later.

"We're anxious to have it move along," Rogan said. "It's costly to the town and an inconvenience to the customers."

Edison efforts praised

Eastern Edison Co. officials will be invited to attend an upcoming selectmen's meeting and will be told that the town appreciates the improved service from the company.

Last summer's extensive tree pruning effort has reduced the number of branches along power lines which has helped the situation this winter.

"Good work has been accomplished," said selectman Peter Pratt. "They moved the whole issue forward dramatically."

In the past Cohasset officials have been less than pleased with the performance of Eastern Edison Co. during storms, charging that the town was frequently left without power days longer than other communities.

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Accountants award town 'A' for money management

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about.) This was a difficult letter to write."

The report, which covered the 1995 fiscal year, which ended last July 30, specifically cites several areas of financial health:

• the $1.2 million in the general fund "is considered healthy by the bond rating bureaus, given the size and budget," of the town;

• the water department's $103,000 surplus was called "a big turn around," considering the department had a $400,000 deficit a couple of years ago;

• a tax collection rate of 98 percent by June 30, which is "very healthy," and favorably contrast with other towns the firm audits, which average 3.7 percent of taxes uncollected;

• Cohasset's asset to liability ratio is 2.1 to 1, which is one of the highest of the 16 municipalities audited by the firm;

• the town's $821,000 in recent contributions to the retirement trust fund represents 13 percent of that unfunded liability and is "healthy;"

• accounting of police special details has caused problems in other towns, but in Cohasset the system is now computerized.

Roselli did say that the $1.3 million estimated cost of capping the town dump and an additional $20,000 per year in post closure costs should have been listed as liabilities.

The board of health has not been audited separately and should be reviewed in the future, the auditor said.

Cohasset's bond rating is A1, below AA.

Because Roselli is familiar with the town, the report cost less than in past years, some $8,000.

Selectmen were delighted with the report and praised town accountant Michael Buckley and treasurer/collector Elizabeth Ripley.

In other business, selectmen awarded Tucci & Ross an additional audit of the treasurer/collector's department.

The audit's cost will not exceed $2,000.

Ripley explained that since she is leaving Feb. 16, (see related story) state law requires an audit to verify the status of the various accounts for the incoming treasurer/collector.

Wastewater treatment facility not required at new school site

The Cohasset School Facilities Committee and the Cohasset School Committee conducted a further investigation of the need for a new wastewater treatment facility to be built on the site of the new Pre-K-3 elementary school.

As a result of a study prepared by Judith Nitsch Engineering, Inc., the site engineer for the new school study, and review of the State Environmental Code – Title 5, and contact with the Cohasset Board of Health and the Department of Environmental Protection's Southeast and Northeast Regional Offices, it was concluded that the $525,000 wastewater treatment facility will not be necessary to build on the new school site. The elimination of the treatment facility reduces the overall cost of the $13.9 million school building program. It will also reduce the town's $5.6 million share of this new school project.

For further information, call Robert Beggan, Chairman of the Cohasset Schools Facilities Committee, or Stephen Hart, Superintendent of Schools in Cohasset, at 617-383-6111.

Treasurer/collector organization plan approved by selectmen

Until a new treasurer/collector takes office, assistant treasurer Sally Lincoln and assistant collector Linda Litchfield will split the job.

The change starts Feb. 16, when treasurer/collector Elizabeth Ripley departs for a similar position in Marshfield, and will last until the April 6 election.

Selectmen approved the policy Monday night, after Ripley praised her assistants, saying that each could concentrate on the areas of expertise while treasurer/collector's post is vacant.

"They both do their jobs very well," she said.

In addition, Ripley will return to help out on Thursday nights to answer questions and probably take care of accounts payable, including the town payroll.

Ripley also said that she will handle the trust fund transfers, making short-term investments, so the money can earn interest while the position is vacant.

Selectmen plan to make the position an appointed one, which may not require approval by the state legislature if no candidate runs for the post.

Local television personality Wigmore Pierson has taken out nomination papers for the April election, however.

Money plowed into snow budget

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ambulances to reach regional hospitals.

Cohasset town administrator Gregory Doyon said Cohasset will apply for the funds, but he had not seen the application form as of Monday.

So far this winter, Cohasset has spent almost $100,000, excluding the costs for the recent weekend snow. This amount is $55,000 beyond the original appropriation of $45,000.

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Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving.

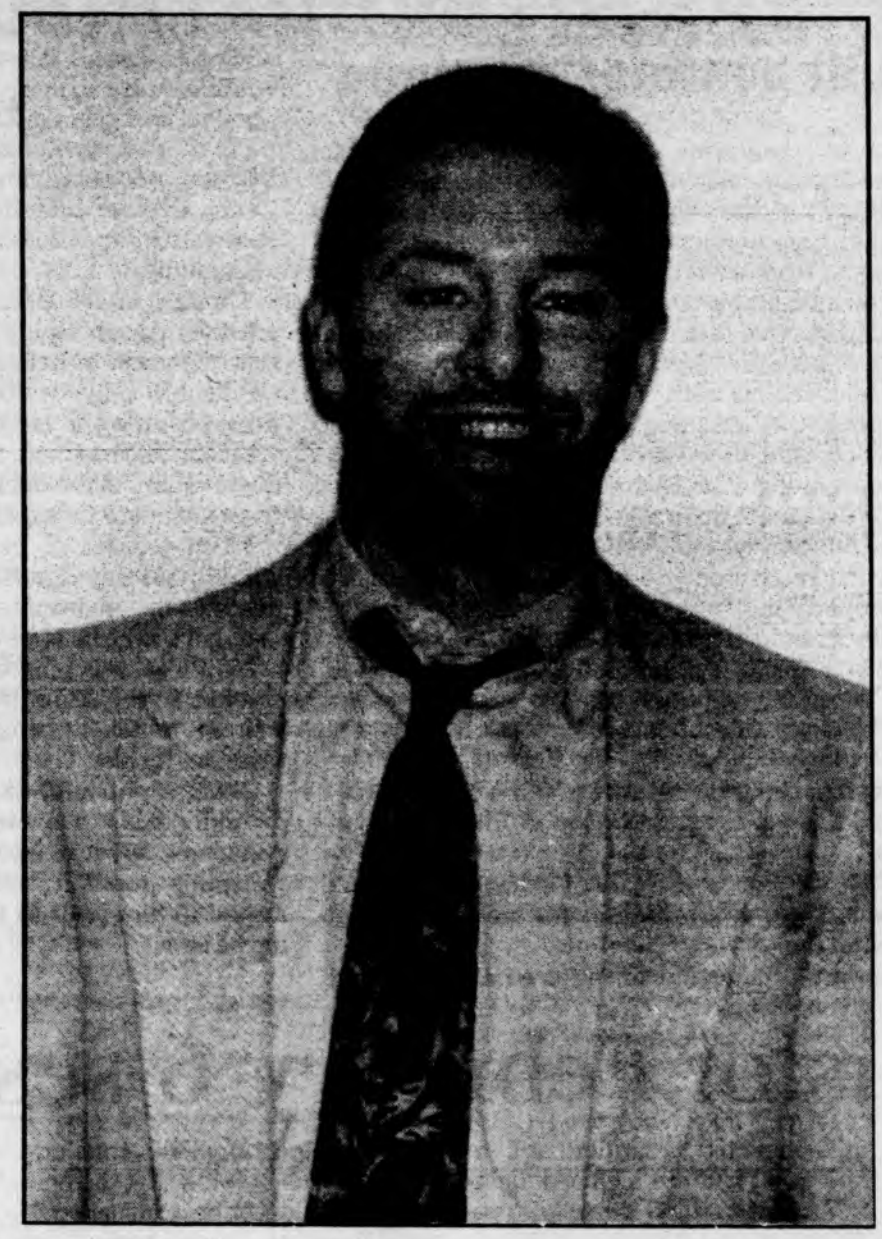
Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite TV show: It's a tie between 'Frasier' and 'Seinfeld.'

Favorite movie: 'Field of Dreams.'

Favorite book: 'Moby Dick,' by Herman Melville.

Favorite junk food: Potato chips.



Most embarrassing moment: Being told I had halitosis by a three-year-old at a Christmas party.

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Noise pollution threat discounted by expert

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

While the outside frigid air provided a deafening silence to an early February evening, inside Cohasset's Second Congregational Church the topic of noise levels warmed the Feb. 1 session of the Board of Health's hearings on the proposed 27.5 acre Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL) expansion.

Wrapping up the second of an expected six weeks of hearings, the board heard further testimony from CHL's engineering consultant, Raymond Quinn, and acoustical expert David Keast.

Speaking to the subject of potential nuisances, Quinn outlined five areas CHL has designated, as well as solutions which the landfill would take to control these situations.

The areas are: dust, litter, vectors (vermin), bird hazards to air traffic and the Materials Processing Operation (MPO).

Quinn stated dust would be controlled by watering down debris on a needed basis and because the landfill would accept only construction and demolition debris, not trash or solid waste, litter would pose no problem in the new facility. Consequently, vectors would have no food sources to feed off, thereby eliminating their presence. The application of a daily cover to landfill debris would also be added. As the current landfill offers no hazard to air traffic, Quinn basically rendered this point moot. The MPO, the recycling arm of an expanded landfill, would be policed daily by employees assigned to the facility.

Landfill hearings continue

Keast, a self-employed acoustical consultant, then detailed his findings on potential noise problems. A graduate of MIT, with more than 40 years in the acoustics field, he stated his findings, revised for these expansion hearings, were from an original study CHL's engineering firm (SAIC) had commissioned from him in 1992.

His conclusion was that noise from an expanded landfill would not have an adverse impact on area residents. In fact, he said, vehicle traffic at peak volume hours along adjacent Route 3A generate more noise than would machinery operating in the MPO of the landfill.

Under questioning from Kenneth Kimmell, counsel for the town of Cohasset, Keast did say that at certain locations noise would exceed acceptable Department of Environmental Protection levels but "that would be at the (landfill) property line."

He further stated that seasonal conditions would also play a part in noise or lack thereof. Winter's crisp conditions tend to amplify sounds while the summer season, with lush foliage and softer ground, tends to muffle sounds.

When asked to describe the type of noise an MPO rock crusher would make, Keast described it "like a giant eating Doritos."

Attorney for the Board of Health, Michael Leon, asked whether Keast knew of any hazards for area wildlife due to increased noise.

"I'm not aware of any guidelines for wildlife," he said, adding to Leon's follow-up question if he (Keast) was a wildlife noise expert, "No, and there aren't any. I'm as good as anybody you'll get."

Leon then produced his own noise expert. Marc Wallace, an environmental scientist from the firm of Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc., refuted Keast's testimo[illegible] stating that landfill noise levels would be much greater in his opinion.

Though under biting cross-examination from CHL attorney Anton Moehrke, Wallace admitted he had less than a quarter of Keast's working experience and that his (Wallace's) only viewing of the landfill had been on his drive past the site en route to the hearing.

Moehrke reasoned this "little more than a drive-by observation, in the dark, with rolled-up windows" was far from adequate for an effective study on the subject.

When pressed if, in his opinion, the MPO operation would pose any significant dangers to the safety of residents or the environment, Wallace was subdued.

"I can't say," he stated.

On a housekeeping matter, Hearing Officer John Shea stated that the 267 individuals who had petitioned to participate in the hearing proceedings "propose a unique problem for us."

Citing a potential 22-hour Saturday, March 2, session for individuals to speak their concerns, Shea asked anti-expansion advocates to seek a "creative solution" to alleviate this possibility. He requested suggestions be submitted to him prior to the beginning of the Feb. 13 hearing session.

Landscaping is focus of February 6 session

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The ability to see as well as the potential to smell a landfill dominated the Board of Health site assignment hearings Tuesday, Feb. 6, on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion to the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL).

In the longest session to date, nearly four hours, board members heard testimony from experts on what an expanded landfill might look like at its closure (approximately five to six years) and what the potential for hazardous/dangerous gasses might be at that same time.

Local architect Keith Moskow, testifying on behalf of the Consolidated 10-Citizen Groups, stated that it was his opinion CHL's landscape renditions of an expanded landfill were not true to scale.

Speaking to the 200-foot mounds of covered construction and demolition debris which would eventually be CHL's legacy, Moskow stated that they would be "overscaled for the environment."

"The shape does not represent a true natural shape. The view will be aesthetically unpleasing to the residents of Cohasset," he said, adding, "It will absolutely be visible to those who use Route 3A."

As to Moskow's drawings of a future landfill, CHL attorney Anton Moehrke challenged the perception of a visual eyesore. Noting that his (Moskow's) drawings depicted a landfill still in operation and not a closed facility, Moehrke called Moskow's rendition into question.

Moehrke stated the grass and natural vegetation covering which CHL's engineers have designed for the landfill at the time of its closure would be beneficially appealing to the surrounding area.

At various points the cross-examination grew a bit testy. Moehrke took exception to Moskow's testimony as an expert witness, as well as being on the list of 267 individuals who have petitioned to participate in the hearings.

"You are opposed to this proposal for a whole bunch of different reasons," Moehrke bluntly stated.

"Do you have any special insider knowledge to look at the picture you've drawn and say it is aesthetically unappealing? Are you a Registered Landscape Architect?" Moehrke demanded.

"No, I'm not," Moskow replied.

Undaunted, Moskow concluded it was his opinion that the end result would not be a visual contribution to the town of Cohasset.

Testifying for Cohasset Heights was landfill gas management specialist Frederick Rice. A self-employed consultant who has worked for the past 22 years in the field of collection and dispersal of landfill gasses, Rice offered testimony on the possibility of gasses escaping from the landfill.

Saying that on review of existing opinions gathered from within documents provided him by Cohasset Heights, he foresaw no significant danger to the surrounding area from escaping landfill gasses. Rice based his testimony on the relatively small scale of CHL's proposed expansion, as well as the absence of any municipal solid waste in the new area. These two factors, he reasoned, would generate gas emissions in only a very limited capacity.

Though under cross-examination Rice admitted that he had not undertaken a specific study of potential gas hazards at the landfill, in fact his only site inspection had been on the previous day.

Still, when asked by Board of Health attorney Michael Leon if the landfill would pose any type of threat to the public health, Rice responded that it would not.

When pressed as to how he could be so sure of this point, Rice stated that, once it was installed and properly running, an enclosed burn-off flare would eliminate 99 percent of all potential gas hazards and subsequent odors.

Rice further detailed his comprehensive knowledge of landfill gas techniques and standards, but under questioning from citizen group representative attorney Kevin O'Donnell admitted there were no hard figures for his totals and that presented percentage estimates were little more than guesses based on his years of experience.

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Greenbush train advisers have identity crisis

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

After more than a decade of meetings, the Greenbush train advisory committee is nevertheless again seeking to define its role.

During a recent meeting at Cohasset Town Hall, Terry Fancher, chairman of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, agreed to write secretary of environmental affairs Trudy Coxe, seeking clarification of the group's role.

Fancher, and other committee members who favor restoration of rail service to Greenbush, maintain that the committee's role is to review and comment on the environmental report made by the MBTA.

"Our job is to see whether the T has done its job or not," said Fancher, who is also general manager of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce.

He read from a letter from Coxe stating that she will not take a position on the train.

In particular, the committee expects to consider whether specific local situations, such as grade crossings or proximity to wetlands and buildings needs further attention from the T.

However, the appointment of three new members to the CAC could change the scope of the committee, as anti-train activists seek to keep alternatives to the train, such as expanded bus or boat service to Boston, in the public eye.

Ilana Marks of Scituate, Brian Noble of Hingham and Kevin Dasey of Braintree were recently named by Coxe to serve on the CAC.

Also a candidate for Scituate selectman, Marks has been a leader of the anti-train movement.

During the meeting she repeatedly stated that other alternatives should be considered.

She criticized an MBTA study which listed nine transportation alternatives, and rejected expanded bus and boat service because projected ridership would be too low to justify their cost.

"We're only looking at the train, we should be looking at the alternatives," said Marks, who was periodically applauded by some 75 people in the room.

Marks also claimed that Coxe had also criticized the MBTA report for making conclusions based on insufficient data.

She said that was evidence that more information was needed before the $215 million Greenbush rail project is approved.

However, some committee members pointed out that Gov. William Weld announced before Christmas that he would support the rail service.

Alexander Macmillian of Hingham asked whether legislation creating a private commuter rail authority would change the financing of the project.

"Under current law there will be no cost associated with having a train in your communities," he said. "We would be interested in knowing what those costs are."

Other speakers said they feared that the communities through which the train will run - Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham, Cohasset and Scituate - will wind up paying a disproportionate share of the costs.

Marks also asked about the governor's plan to turn the MBTA into a private agency.

Martha Gjesteby of Cohasset stated that privatizing the T is very speculative. She pointed out that the legislature is reportedly "cool" to the governor's reorganization plan.

Joseph Connor of the MBTA called any potential reorganization speculative and said the committee could not base its work upon uncertainties.

Consultant Barry Faulkner stated that the existing commuter railroads in other Boston suburbs are already run by private companies.

Several committee members did not want to discuss the finances.

Jean Oulette said the group should concentrate on local mitigation to the train. "That's where we're the strongest."

Duxbury's Richard Prone urged that the meeting follow its agenda.

However, Deborah Cook of Cohasset felt the finances were important.

"We supported on the train on the economic aspects," she said. "We absolutely have to have the financial information."

There was also considerable discussion about the proposed train yard at the end of the line at Greenbush.

Kathy Donohue of Scituate, who does not live far from the location, presented photographs showing the area slated for the train yard is often under water.

She said the site is inappropriate because it is in an environmentally sensitive wetlands area, subject to regular flooding and is near residential areas.

Donohue said she showed Coxe photos of the site last fall, and that the environmental secretary said, "Why are they putting it there?"

Connor and Faulkner said that the entire site is not considered a wetland.

Connor also passed out a tentative schedule, showing that the MBTA plans to send letters to selectmen in affected towns asking them to designate a contact person on train issues.

By early March, the MBTA hopes to meet with selectmen in the five Greenbush towns.

A report on local mitigation steps should be ready by July, with a final environmental impact report likely by Labor Day. The public comment on the report will end in early December.

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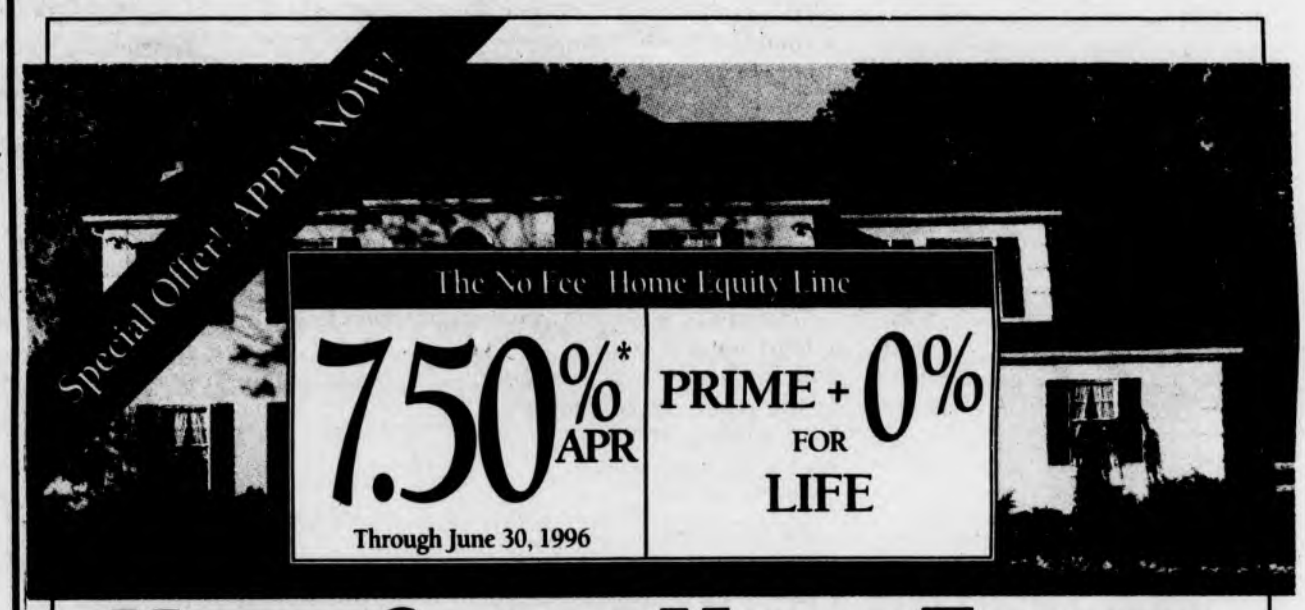

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Tara Volungis, a first-year law student at the University of Florida in Gainesville, received the Book Award (highest grade) in her first year writing class and has been invited to write for "The Journal of Law and Public Policy." Tara, daughter of **Judy** and **Dan Volungis** of Forest Avenue, is a 1990 graduate of Cohasset High School and a 1993 graduate of Boston University.

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Congratulations to **Dean Volungis**, who made the dean's list for the first semester at Boston University where he is majoring in computer engineering. Dean also was recognize for his outstanding academic performance on the basis of his Advanced Placement achievement exams, earning the designation of Advanced Placement Scholar with Distinction. The award is granted to students who achieve grades of 3 or higher on at least five full-year AP examinations and whose average AP exam score is at least a 3.5.

You can congratulate Dean in person on Feb. 16, when Fun in the Kitchen, featuring Dean, **Kevin O'Donnell** and **Mike Equi** will perform a concert at Cohasset High School auditorium. There will be five local bands serving up a mixture of funk, punk, industrial, dance and hard core music. The cost is $5 at the door.

Megan Chastain, a pupil at Deer Hill, is performing as an orphan girl in Boston Ballet's production of 'Tales of the Arabian Nights' through Feb. 11 at the Wang Center. Megan, who has always had a love of dance and has performed with the Nutcracker for three years, started ballet training in Atlanta and has been a student at Boston Ballet school in Norwell for four years.

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Patricia Barbara Bigham could be part of the procession! She was born Jan. 12 to proud parents **Peggy Litchfield** and **Carl Bigham**. She joins big brother **Jamie**, who is nine years old. Patricia's grandfather, **Harold Litchfield**, will now have both snowstorms and crying to keep him awake at night!

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From Thayer's Middle School comes word that **Matthew Verrochi** made the achievement honor roll and effort high honor roll and that **Jeffrey A. Schneider**, the son of **John J. Jr.** and **Jeannette Schneider**, made the honor roll. Matthew is in the Class of 1999 and Jeffrey is a member of the Class of 2001.

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Please give a nice Cohasset welcome to **Jacob Joseph Masci ("Jake")**, who was born Dec. 18 at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Brighton. Jake's parents, **Joe** and **Mary Beth Masci**, are thrilled of course, and tell us that he weighed seven pounds and measured 19 inches at birth.

Proud grandparents are **Mr.** and **Mrs. Joseph Neville** of Concord, N.H., **Mr. Nicholas Masci** of New York, N.Y., and **Mrs. Esperanza Masci** of Wycoff, N.J. Jake and his parents live on Doane Street.

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Noble and Greenough School Headmaster **Richard H. Baker** is pleased to announce that the following Cohasset residents have achieved academic honors for their first semester grades. Receiving high academic distinction (A-, B+ average) were: **Geoffrey D.Chamberlain** (junior class), son of **Doug** and **Evelyn Chamberlain**, and **Margaret A. Goedecke** (freshman class), daughter of **Peter** and **Jane Goedecke**.

Those earning academic distinction (B, B+ average) included: **Taylor S. Devin**, a sophomore, who is the son of **Robert Devin** of Cohasset and **Sheila Sullivan** of Cohasset; **Maura MacLeod**, also a sophomore, who is the daughter of **Donald** and **Virginia MacLeod**, and seventh-grader **Joseph M. Palone**, son of **Michael** and **Margaret Palone**. Congratulations to all of you!

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Hats off to **Ed Mulvey**, who said he would replace the missing girls' basketball banner — Champs of State, 1988. **Marge Murphy** was the one who called, asking where it had gone. Ed, a basketball fan from way back, wanted to be sure that the banner would hang in the gym to honor the state champs and their efforts. Everyone thanks you, Ed!

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Obituaries

Arthur Vecchione Sr.

50-year resident

Arthur V. "Tudy" Vecchione Sr., 81, of Cohasset, died Feb. 2 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Born in East Boston, he attended East Boston schools and was a graduate of Boston Trade School. He lived 50 years in Cohasset.

Mr. Vecchione was a former press room foreman at Keystone Cameras, retiring in 1970. HE later worked for Talbots clothing store chain in Hingham.

He was a past grand knight of Cohasset Council Knights of Columbus and a former sexton at St. Anthony's Church.

Mr. Vecchione was the husband of Gertrude (Schultz) Vecchione and leaves three sons, Frederick Vecchione and Francis Vecchione, both of Marshfield, and Joseph Vecchione of Newburyport; four daughters, Mary Derochea of Norwell, Claire Vecchione and Margaret Wheelwright, both of Cohasset, and Anne Currier of Quincy; five sisters, Helen Kearney of Plymouth, Geraldine McCarthy of Malden, Adelina Carter and Laura Geary, both of Dedham, and Jean Wisniewski of Holbrook; 12 grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. He was the father of the late Arthur V. Vecchione Jr.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 5 in St. Anthony's Church. Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Donations in his memory may be made to St. Anthony's Church, 129 S. Main St., Cohasset 02025.

Jean C. Williams

Member of Cohasset Garden Club

Jean C. (Lekberg) Williams, 71, of Cohasset, died Feb. 2 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Mrs. Williams, who was born in Worcester, was a member of the Cohasset Garden Club.

She leaves two sons, Scott R. Williams of Texas and Christopher A. Williams of Ohio; a daughter, Donna J. Williams of Cohasset; a brother, Donald Lekberg of East Wareham; her former husband, Robert E. Williams of Alexandria, Va., and five grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Feb. 6 in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church. Burial was private.

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EDITORIAL

Support the new school

You've let the upkeep to your house slide. Now, the roof leaks, the paint is peeling, appliances are on the blink and when the cold weather hits, you hope the furnace will hold out.

There's no question, the time has come for some major, expensive repairs.

Just like the owners of that old house — Cohasset residents are faced with paying for several large projects at once. Projects that have been delayed so long that now there isn't any choice.

The town is under a court order to solve its sewer woes, its current highway garage is so rickety it may not last under the new one is constructed, and it's too late to take back the athletic field, which is built.

There's no question the Osgood School needs to be replaced. It's inadequate and outdated.

Saturday, voters will be asked to dig into their pockets and support borrowing upwards of $13 million for the new elementary school.

With current state reimbursements, the town's share of the project is about $5.5 million.

The argument we hear most often against the new elementary school is timing. There's no doubt paying for the new school on top of the other projects, which the town is obligated to, will be painful.

To some, the pocketbook issue is enough to earn a 'no' vote. And while we are sensitive to the legitimate fear that many residents have about their tax bills rising — the fact is, a new school is needed and putting it off won't make it any cheaper.

The tax rate is going up with or without the new school.

And we can assure you that potential Cohasset home buyers will be turned off far more quickly by inadequate and deteriorating school buildings than higher property taxes.

While the new school proposal appears to have come up quickly — we are confident that the school facilities study committee did its homework. Yes, it would have been nice for the taxpayers to have more time to digest the project, but the committee apparently realized quickly that the situation has reached the critical stage.

Cohasset Common is so pristine that movies are filmed there.

Don't let the schools reveal an ugly side to this lovely town. The Osgood School is in appalling condition.

It's not now or never to replace Osgood. It's now or *later*.

So bite the bullet, Cohasset and make the right choice Saturday. With the state's share, this may be the best deal you're going to get.

— Mary Ford
Editor

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

School shouldn't be delayed

To the Editor:

Like the child who won't eat his vegetables unless his mother makes him, over the years this town has shown its unwillingness to spend money for the things that it needs to stay healthy unless the state delivers a mandate, or it's shamed into action.

Well, the state has mandated that Osgood School "is not a feasible educational facility" and our fire department has determined that the state of its condition is "lethal." Money will have to be spent, and it will be a burden (at least in the first few years of the loan) felt by almost everyone in Cohasset; a burden the citizens have chosen to put off for years so that they could continue to enjoy unusually low property tax rates.

The letters to the editor I've read against the upcoming override have had one thing in common; all agree that Osgood needs to be replaced. An independent committee of nine citizens, representing every varied perspective in Cohasset, examined many options which we were all able to consider at open meetings. They, too, saw the need and made their recommendation for a new school. In addition, they demonstrated the kind of intelligent foresight that sees a need to make upgrades at Deer Hill in order to maintain the building and accommodate changing educational and student population needs that will be felt as soon as next year.

Neither of these are needs that can be delayed, or met piecemeal. To do so will only cost us more overrides, more money, and put more "temporary" classroom trailers in the Osgood and Deer Hill parking lots. In fact, we'll have a lot less to show for those greater expenditures because we won't get the state's 60 percent reimbursement.

Rather than welcoming a new trailer park to our bucolic town, we have the opportunity to correct the mistakes of the past and make a wise investment in our fiscal future and the future of our children. They don't understand that vegetables are good for you, but we should. Please vote "YES."

Richard Ofsthun
45 Fair Oaks Lane

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What was not disclosed at town meeting

To the Editor:

FACTS

1. New school driven by a 40 percent cost and the state is supposedly paying 60 percent. Nothing in Article II said the school committee has to even apply for state funding. Once we vote an override the town will be totally responsible for the entire $25,000,000 cost of the project.

2. The Town of Cohasset's debt payments will more than quadruple in two years, from $572,952 in 1996 to $2,005,533 in 1998 per year. Debt service is the principle and interest the town pays for completed projects. The average Cohasset taxpayer will see an additional $425 per year added to his tax bill for five to 10 years until the state starts paying its share for the new school.

3. Before town meeting, the school committee, advisory board, and town accountant all agreed to use 6.1 percent interest on figuring the cost of the school. At town meeting the school group went against the professional advise and used 5.6 percent interest rate to make the project appear less costly to the taxpayer.

4. Architects' fees for the new school are $850,000 to $1,100,000 for the project. How can they be impartial?

5. The architects and engineers will have less than three months to do the site studies and development of plans for a $14,000,000 school. This small window leaves no opportunity for impute from the taxpayer.

6. The town's cost to operate our schools is approximately $8,000,000 or 53 percent of our operating budget in 1996. In 1998 it could be approximately 55 percent, or approximately $9,600,000.

7. The actual cost of the new school to the taxpayer over 20 years will be approximately $25,000,000 not $14,000,000 as you have been told. Forty percent of this cost will come from your real estate taxes and 60 percent from your income taxes when and if the state has the money.

8. Construction costs and interest costs are very important to a large project like a new school but the ability to pay by all members of the town is much more important.

9. If the school supporters could wait and develop a new school design we all can live with and fit the project into the town budget when we pay off the town hall, fire station, high school, science labs, school classrooms, transfer station, ambulance, and two other school projects in a little over four years from now, the whole town would support the new school. And the net effect of the cost would only increase the tax rate approximately $00.20 per $1,000.

10. As our tax rate approaches $20 per $1,000, new potential home buyers will not be looking at our new school, they will be looking elsewhere thus causing the value of your homes to go down and very difficult to sell.

Leland H. Jenkins
198 Jerusalem Rd.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New school is long overdue

To the Editor:

Even though we no longer have children enrolled in the Cohasset public schools, we wish to endorse the construction of a new elementary school and the renovations of the Deer Hill School. In our opinion, this has been a much-delayed project which requires immediate attention.

In 1972 we were members of the School Facilities Committee which attempted, to quote from the 1972 Town Report, "to solve the space problem at the elementary level...a space problem which involves not only enrollment projections, but also the need to accommodate modern educational methods." Our committee recommended renovations and additions to the Osgood and Deer Hill Schools at a cost of $1.4 million. The committee's recommendation did not receive the required two-thirds vote at Town Meeting.

Twenty-five years have passed, educational space requirements make existing school space even less appropriate, and the buildings have deteriorated further. Leaving the schools as they are is not an option. The proposal before us is the most cost effective solution to the school facilities needs for the children of Cohasset, for today and for many decades ahead.

We urge all concerned citizens to support this project at the Feb. 10 override election.

Barbara W. Bliss
Sheila S. Evans
John F. Keane
Robert L. Julian
Sumner Smith, Jr.

No vote on override urged

To the Editor:

At the recent Cohasset Special Town Meeting, fewer than 10 percent of Cohasset's registered voters set in motion an expenditure package that, together with already committed and/or mandated tax obligations, will prove burdensome to many of our taxpayers and a real hardship for some.

Most of us are satisfied that our town officers and employees do a conscientious job in running our town – and they do. But occasionally a board, working enthusiastically and hard to solve a particular problem, fails to consider the effect of that problem in conjunction with all the other problems that simultaneously confront us; they cannot see the forest for the trees.

As was pointed out at the meeting by Roger Whitley, chairman of the advisory committee, the median assessed house (an equal number of houses above and equal below) is $242,000. At today's rate of $14.50 per $1.000, its tax bill is $3,509. The $2.6 million bond issue for playing fields, DPW garage, and the Hagerty property, to all of which we are presently committed, will add $111 to that tax bill next year. The landfill capping should add $39. The $4 million sewer project will add $43 and the $12 million sewer project will add $155. (The state's share of sewer funding differs from the rest and users will be paying betterments.) These last three outlays are mandatory.

Because the town must fund the state's agreed upon share for the school project at least through 2001, the school override will add $288 per year to fiscal 1998-2001. Together with the allowed 2-1/2 percent tax increase to cover town employee contracts and other contingencies, that present $3,509 tax bill will have increased during that five-year period to $4,564 without the school override, a 30 percent increase; with its added $288 that tax bill would become $4,852 for a total increase of well over 38 percent.

The initial publicity on the school project offered the voters a choice ranging from immediate approval of the whole package to spreading out the cost, thereby lessening an already dangerously heavy tax load. That choice was denied to us.

Despite the school people being prepared to offer several alternatives in the event the original article failed to pass, they presented the voters with a single all or nothing article – immediate acceptance of the entire package, the alternative being to deny our children a decent education.

Most of us agree that the Osgood School needs to be replaced – and soon. Would most of us agree that it was wise to shoot the works without regard for the consequences, had we been fully aware of those consequences? Might we not have opted for doing the most needed part now and the remainder when the state has begun to pay its share?

That can only be brought about by the taxpayers turning down the override Feb. 10 and bringing about a reconsideration of the issue at the Annual March Town Meeting. The stakes are high for everyone. They are especially high for people paying off a mortgage while raising a family and for people on a fixed income.

We are rightly responsible for the education of all of our town's children and we are responsible for the well-being of all of our people. It will not be easy, but surely a way can be found to spread out the tax burden to make it a little more bearable. I think we are entitled to expect that from those to whom we entrust our town's affairs, and I think we are entitled to be fully informed in advance as to what we are voting for.

Daniel C. Cotton
27 King St.

Too many questions need answers

To the Editor:

The School Facilities Committee and their consultants are claiming that our town's school population will increase to 1,448 by the year 2005 and there have also been statements made that our town population will increase to 7,700 by the year 2005. Our 1994 Town Report lists our census as 7,055 and our school department lists our school population as 1,177.

What formula was used by the committee to project our town population and school population? The last time our town and school populations reached what they are projecting was in the year 1981. That means that by 2005 they feel that something will happen to our town to increase our census to what it was back in 1981. Will it be the sewer project? Will it be the train? What if our taxes increase by 40 percent (per town accountant Michael Buckley) or by a greater percentage because the state and federal governments may not be able to participate to the levels stated? The state has $9.6 billion in debt with an additional $760 million coming on the books for the "Big Dig" alone (per the Mass. Taxpayers Foundation). If the state doesn't come through with their percentage how many homes will we see for sale in our town? If the tax rate increases by the projected 40 percent how many of our fixed income neighbors will have to sell and move out? Will this cause our real estate values to increase, as the committee stated? Or will we see real estate values plummet because of the number of homes on the market and the high taxes? Can this town support $50 million to $60 million in debt from just two projects, a school and the sewer? We know we will have cost overruns with both of these projects. Look at the "Ted Williams Tunnel," some congressmen are threatening to withhold federal participation because the costs are out of control, what would we do?

The committee has not really explored or told us what the impact will be from charter schools in the area or from a voucher program, if one is adopted. What will happen to education if the level of communications change? How will that impact on teachers and students? What happens if we build a school and the population projections are not met? Our high school is underpopulated now.

According to an article in the February 1996 Reader's Digest titled "How Fair Are Our Taxes" by Rachel Wildavsky, she claims that most Americans feel that 25 percent of a family of four's total income is fair to be paid for all taxes. She shows that Americans are now paying, on average, 39 percent of total income for all taxes. We are standing on the precipice. Do we let this committee push us off into the abyss or do we turn around and say no so that we can really review what is happening and make a well informed decision instead of being forced into a quick decision with many unanswered questions?

I urge everyone to VOTE NO Feb. 10. This is the most costly project ever put forth in the town's history and we must look at all aspects of this proposal and what the impact will really be on our town when combined with current and future projects that are being contemplated.

F. Roy Fitzsimmons
116 Doane St.

Time is right for new school

To the Editor:

When is the right time?

The year is 1972 and the Town of Cohasset commissions an independent study of their school facilities. The study results in a recommendation to replace or completely renovate the Osgood School and to upgrade the Deer Hill School. The cost of that project would have been $1.3 million with 65 percent state reimbursement. The town voted this project down.

The year is now 1996 and again we face the same issue. Unfortunately, the Osgood has deteriorated to a degree that the state will not support any renovation and the cost of the project is now $13.9 million with 60 percent reimbursement.

The opponents to this project in 1996 say on one hand that we need more study to find a better economic solution and better assurances about state funding, while on the other hand, complain about local officials that have not managed our town's public works schedule properly. We hear politicians say that we are pushing into the future our burden of debt onto our children.

Well, the future is here! I was a fifth-grade student at Deer Hill School. Feb. 10, a "yes" vote will begin to correct the errors of the past, make the present better and ensure an adequate educational facility for our children for the next 50 years.

Susan C. Spofford
14 Hearth Drive

Water rate hike protest urged

To the Editor:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities held a public hearing in Hull to allow ratepayers to discuss the 165 percent increase proposed by the Massachusetts-American Water Company.

There are approximately 220 Cohasset residences from the northern side of Forest Avenue to the Hull Street section of Cohasset who will be affected by this 165 percent increase.

This exorbitant amount is to pay for a new $39 million water treatment plant, originally expected to cost $17 million, until "a change in location of the new plant from Free Street to Main Street" increased the facility costs.

State Sen. Robert L. Hedlund attended last week's hearing and called the rate increase "overly exorbitant" and questioned the Massachusetts-American Water Company's "excessive spending." Sen. Hedlund and state Rep. Murray are drafting a letter to the DPU to oppose the rate hike.

As of Sunday, Feb. 4, I am the only Cohasset resident rate payer who contacted Rep. Murray to express my opposition to this rate hike.

If you are one of the 220 Cohasset residents who are customers of the Massachusetts-American Water Company, please call Sen. Hedlund at 617-722-1646, and/or Rep. Murray at 617-722-2400.

Maria A. Plante
798 Jerusalem Rd.

'Shocked' by state CHL action

To the Editor:

When I received the informative leaflet left at my door by members of S.A.F.E., I was at first stunned, followed by unbridled anger, disgust and helplessness. The CHL expansion issue dragged on so long and was so outrageous, I wrongfully thought it had been stopped in its tracks or "was being taken care of," as we would expect our elected officials to do. It is unthinkable that our water supply is threatened (where is our board of health?). But just ponder the sight of a huge pile of waste as one leaves Hingham and enters Cohasset. Also, think of potential odors and possible vermin. Will Cohasset become known as the town one holds its nose while passing through?

Lastly, if none of this horror impresses you, what of your real estate values? Who would buy a house in Cohasset? The CHL must be stopped in their expansion before a picture appears on the front page of The Boston Globe — not of a woman trapped in an elevator as happened a short while ago, but of a huge pile of waste pointing to the sky.

Estelle M. White
67 Forest Ave.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Blood drive help appreciated

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Red Cross, the organizers would like to express their thanks for the generous number of donors and workers who participated in the Cohasset Community Blood Drive Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the Unitarian Parish House. The Red Cross had experienced a decrease in blood donations because of storms in December and early January. In Cohasset, more than 120 individuals arrived to donate blood that day. The list contained a few students from Cohasset High School.

In addition to the donors themselves, many workers assisted with this successful drive. The roster of promoters who individually called prospective donors to schedule appointments contained Bill Adams, Mary Brennock, Vernita Bryant, Retta Dwyer, Karen Gammon, Charles Mundhenk, Carol Riley, Wayne Robbins and Jen Vacca.

Workers at the blood drive helping with administration and the canteen included Mary Brennock, Mary Davis, Polly Doggett, Tony Finnegan, Jean Higgins, Ozzie Ingraham, Lynn Layman, Patsy Leggat, Shirley Marten, Mary McCarthy, Frances O'Toole, Jeff Steele and Joan Trask.

Carol Cicciotte, school nurse at the high school, organized a number of workers as escorts, including Courtney Brown, Kate Buckley, Stefanie Hubbell, Liz Kidder and Kristen Moore who also helped out on the canteen and did some babysitting as well.

Girl Scouts Dierdre Bigley, Kristen James and Rachel McElroy from Junior Troop 4773 were organized by Mary McElroy and provided babysitting for some of the mothers and dads who donated. As always, Corinne Cahill and Al Odermatt provided tireless support and enthusiasm both in preparation and on the day of the blood drive itself. Everyone has reason to be proud of their part in this successful community event.

Kevin O'Connor
Chairman

Citizen selection of Dr. Sceery is applauded

To the Editor:

Although there were many deserving people on your list for "Citizen of the Year," I applaud your choice of Dr. Sceery. Since I was his office nurse for 15 years and school nurse 10 years prior to that, I know firsthand about his expertise as a physician, his compassion and his generosity. It was a privilege to work for him. Our children, and now two of our grandchildren, are cared for by Dr. Sceery. We all love him and wish him only the best.

Jean Thompson
Cohasset

Police, fire are praised

To the Editors:

Once again we cannot praise highly enough the efficiency of both the Cohasset Police and Fire Departments.

They performed their jobs with speed and courtesy and we will never be able to thank them enough.

We hope everyone realizes the need to have an ambulance in Cohasset when it is essential to have the response to an emergency as quickly as possible.

Constance and Ashley Jones

Thanks to Deer Hill band sponsors

To the Editor:

The Deer Hill Music Parents' Association wishes to express its appreciation to this year's Deer Hill School Band sponsors.

A special thank you to the following businesses and organizations: American Legion Post #118, Bank of Boston, Cohasset Permanent Firefighters Local 2804, Cohasset Police Association, Inc., Goodwin Graphics, Inc., and Wilbur's Ice Cream.

The donations contributed by these organizations will be used to purchase 90 new T-shirts for the fifth- and sixth-grade band members, which will be worn in the upcoming baseball and Memorial Day parades in Cohasset.

So, when you make a deposit at Bank of Boston, or see a Cohasset Firefighter, Cohasset Police Officer, or a Veteran, see Ron Goodwin around town, or stop by Wilbur's for your favorite cone, don't forget to thank all of these generous and thoughtful people.

Established in 1994, the Deer Hill Music Parents' Association has a membership of more than 100 members and provides support to the band and chorus directors and programs of the Deer Hill School.

Jane E. Henderson
Deer Hill Music Parents' Assoc.
291 Fair Oaks Lane

Thanks for help finding Bubba

To the Editor:

The day before Thanksgiving our year-old Chow, Bubba, broke his collar near the Cohasset golf course and ran into the woods. We asked for help to find him through this newspaper and with flyers left on countless doorsteps in Cohasset and Hingham.

The good news is, on the Friday before Christmas, due largely to the efforts of Christine from Cohasset Kennels and my brother Bill from Vermont, Bubba was found in good shape in the woods in Cohasset and has been returned to us.

During the month he was gone, we received help and support from neighbors and friends, from dog owners, from animal control people in Cohasset and Scituate, and from many, many people who live or work here. We'd like to thank you all for giving us the best Christmas present possible.

Mike & Paula, Meaghan & Christopher Donahue
148 First Parish Rd.
Scituate

Landfill contracts are awarded

As the battle over the proposed expansion of the Cohasset Heights Landfill, continues, selectmen this week awarded two more contracts for engineering studies to press the town's case.

McDonough & Scully, a traffic engineering firm, has been awarded a contract of between $4,500 and $6,000 to study the traffic impact of the expansion.

The money will come out of the budget already set aside for Camp Dresser & McKee, the main engineering firm representing the town's interests.

Generosity is truly appreciated

To the Editor:

The family of Anne Curley would like to extend their sincere gratitude for the outpouring of help and generosity during the time of our loss.

Many people gave of their time to assist us during the inclement weather, and we truly appreciate it.

Benjamin F. Curley
Norfolk Road

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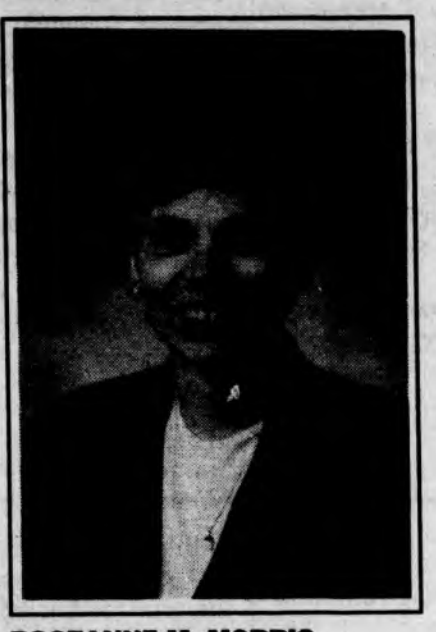
Candidate's Corner

McMorris announces candidacy for selectman

Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris announced that she is a candidate for the Cohasset Board of Selectmen. McMorris is the mother of four school-age children and has served on the Parent School Organization (PSO) Executive Board in fundraising and community relations. She currently serves on the Conservation Commission and is its past chairman.

"My priority on the Board of Selectmen will be a planned approach to policy as well as financial matters. Given the town's fiscal constraints, it is necessary to prioritize needs and phase in improvements. Taxpayers deserve this degree of security and fiscal responsibility."

She also stated, "This is a time when our community is facing major challenges. I see a greater role for the selectmen in coordinating the expertise of the town's boards and committees. By focusing on the overall picture, we can manage money and achieve goals more effectively."



ROSEANNE McMORRIS

"While on the Conservation Commission," McMorris said, "my priority has been respect for the property rights of homeowners. At the same time, I have worked to protect our valuable natural resources."

An attorney, McMorris is a graduate of the New England School of Law and is trained and certified in mediation. She has a B.A. in political science from the SUNY College at Brockport.

Ronnie and her husband, David, have lived with their children at 89 Doane St. for the past 10 years. For more information, call Ronnie McMorris at 383-1219 or call the Committee to Elect Roseanne McMorris, Ned Tebbetts, treasurer.

Richard Shea is school committee candidate

Richard "Rick" Shea has announced his candidacy for the Cohasset School Committee. With three children, one in each of the Cohasset schools, he is deeply committed to excellence in public education.

As a founding director and President of the Cohasset Education Foundation, he has worked to develop innovative resources for the public schools, raising more than $65,000 for major projects.

Shea offers a strong business and financial background. He is the Controller at Genetics Institute Inc., a major biotechnology firm and is a C.P.A. He worked previously with the accounting firm Coopers & Lybrand for 10 years, two years in Europe.

"I believe that the goal of the School Committee is to provide all Cohasset students with the highest quality education, but cost effectively, recognizing the town's budgetary constraints," Shea said. "I intend to provide leadership in applying the best current management practices toward achieving this goal. The combination of my financial experience and my public management and teaching background will help me to meet this challenge."

While working as a financial analyst for the Mass. Dept. of Social Services, Shea attended Boston University's Public Management Program and earned an M.B.A. with high honors. He received his B.A. and teacher certification in social studies from Princeton University. Following graduation, he taught for two years at the Burke High School in Dorchester.

Shea volunteers as a coach in the local youth soccer and basketball programs. He also continues his lifelong interest in music, playing bass guitar with "The Grateful Dads," a local rock group, which has performed at numerous community benefits.

Rick and his wife Gitte have lived in Cohasset for seven years.

"Gitte and I have established our roots here, and I would like to contribute my skills toward providing an excellent public education system for our students and for our town."

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Town election continues to draw interest

John P. Rafferty, 4 Stoneleigh Lane, has thrown his hat into the ring for the seat on the water commission.

The April 6 election is drawing interest as citizens continue to take out nomination papers for a range of offices.

Wigmore Pierson, 123 Atlantic Avenue, has taken out papers to run for the position of treasurer/collector.

Richard Shea, 52 Margin Ct. and Owen O'Malley, 29 Sohier St., and Keith Knowles, 15 Border St. have taken out papers for the school committee seat currently held by Nancy Sandell, who is stepping down after three terms.

There is a three-way race for two seats on the board of selectmen. Incumbent Martha Gjesteby, 81 Old Pasture Rd., has taken out papers for a third term. Former advisory committee chairman Nancy A. Roth, 7 Highland Ave.,

Last day to take out papers is Feb. 15

and conservation commissioner Roseanne McMorris, 89 Doane St., have thrown their hats into the ring. Incumbent Jane Goedecke announced recently she will not seek re-election.

Political newcomer, Roger Lowe of 90 Beach Street has taken out papers for library trustee and so have trustees Sheila Evans of 72 N. Main St. and Doris McNulty, of 80 Nichols Rd. As of Tuesday, Trustee Lucille McLaughlin had not announced her plans.

Other incumbents seeking re-election are sewer commissioner Edward M. "Ted" Guild of 365 Jerusalem Rd. for a fifth, three-year term and Town Moderator George L. Marlette Jr., 31 Rustic Dr., who seeks re-election to a three-year term.

Tom Wigmore, 32 Ash St., will seek re-election to a five-year term on the recreation commission; Town Clerk Marion Douglas, 404 A Beechwood St., has taken out papers for another three-year term; and James Lagrotteria, 104 Howe Rd. will run for re-election to the board of assessors. Other available positions are: health board (one position, three years); assessors, one for three years; Cohasset Housing Authority one position five years; and planning board, one position five years.The last day to take out nomination papers is Feb. 15. They must be returned with a minimum of 50 signatures of registered voters by 5 p.m., Feb. 20, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said.

Cohasset's Week

New DPW machine

Special town meeting voters will be asked to consider the purchase of a $27,000 lawn mower which will also be used as a snow blower and sidewalk sweeper.

Peter Laugelle, tree, park and cemetery superintendent, and Harold Litchfield, highway supervisor, explained to selectmen Monday night that the new machine will be more efficient since it can perform various duties.

All aboard at Osgood?

If the outcome of Saturdays Proposition 2 1/2 override is favorable and the town proceeds with plans to replace it with a new school building, selectmen plan to appoint a committee to study how to put the Osgood School on the tax rolls.

Selectman Michael Sullivan, who made the suggestion at last week's selectman's meeting, recommended that the property be used for some type of condominium housing, either market rate or subsidized.

Selectman chairman Merle Brown wondered if the property might not make a good train station.

The rail line will run next to the school and many residents have requested a station in nearby Cohasset Village, which the MBTA has said may not be possible because of limited space for a station.

Police academy costs

The Commonwealth will soon start billing communities $1,800 for every new police officer who attends the criminal justice training program.

Monday night selectmen agreed to ask Police Chief Brian Noonan to discuss how the town should handle the new policy.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon recommended requiring each new police officer to remain on the Cohasset force for five years or to reimburse the town for the $1,800.

Doyon said that would allow the town to spread the cost of training out over five years.

Selectman Michael Sullivan felt that five years is a long time.

After some discussion the other selectmen agreed to seek Noonan's opinion on the matter.

Flagpole article approved

A town meeting article proposed by Wayne Sawchuk has been placed on the warrant by selectmen.

The article would amend the current height restriction of 35 feet and allow flagpoles of up to 75 feet high to fly non-commercial flags.

Sawchuk wants to erect a 65 foot high flagpole at Milliken Field at the high school.

Since five feet of the pole would be in the ground, the total visible height would be 60 feet.

The article would require flagpoles to be an equal distance from the lot line as their height.

The planning board will hold a hearing on the article prior to town meeting.

Sewer article slated

Authorization to make $200,000 in "value effective repairs" to the sewer system will also face voters at the upcoming March 30 town meeting.

Mosquito board openings

Calling its work important, selectmen Monday night announced that the mosquito control committee has two openings.

They accepted with regret the resignation of Vincent Dunn from the committee and urged interested citizens to contact town hall immediately.

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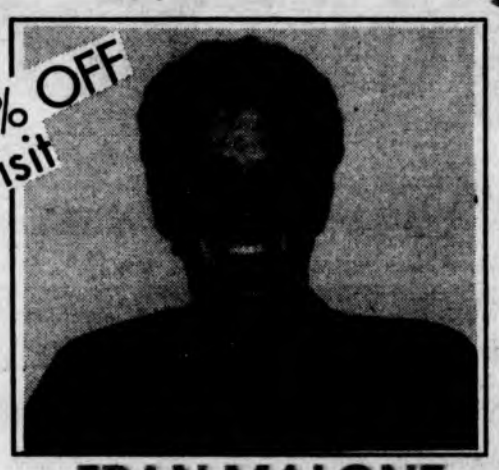

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Cohasset editor receives award

Mary Ford, editor of the Cohasset Mariner and The Hingham Journal, has won an award in the 1995 New England Press Association Better Newspaper Competition.

Contest winners were announced to newspaper publishers, editors, staff, and guests at the awards banquet Feb. 2 at the Boston Marriott, Copley Place.

The contest, the largest regional competition in the nation, presented 538 awards to New England Newspapers. More than 200 newspapers throughout New England submitted 4,379 entries in the 1995 competition.

Ford won second place in the best Editorial Writer category in the Weekly 1 Class (weeklies up to 5,999 circulation). Ford submitted a sample of three editorials she wrote for The Hingham Journal in the 12 months of the contest period from August 1994 through July 1995.

In commenting on Ford's award, judges said: "Well-rounded writing. Writer shows ability in tackling a range of subjects. After reading other editorials on the dog issue, her column 'Dog Etiquette' provided a refreshing alternative view. Owners should manage their own dogs. How novel!"

Ford's 'Dog Etiquette' editorial about problems with dogs at World's End also appeared in the Cohasset Mariner.

The Hingham Journal also placed second in the best Sports Page or Section category in the Weekly 1 Class. The sports section is edited by Dave McKee and designed by graphic artist Nancy Small. Photographers for the winning issue were Alan Chapman and Buzz Wadsworth.

Mariner Community Newspapers, the parent company of the Cohasset Mariner and The Hingham Journal, won a total of 13 awards. Other winning categories included feature writing (Braintree Forum & Marshfield Mariner), best editorial (Hanover Mariner), column writing (South Look), and photography (Norwell Mariner, Braintree Forum, & Weymouth News).

This year's award is the second for Ford, who also won for a story in the Norwell Mariner in 1989.

The New England Press Association is a 47-year-old professional newspaper trade organization of more than 370 weekly and daily newspapers.

Historical society plans social

The Cohasset Historical Society will hold a Sunday Social at Kimball's By the Sea on Sunday, Feb. 11, at 5:30 p.m. There will be a cash bar followed by supper and a presentation by author, historian and raconteur Dr. Thomas O'Connor, who will give a talk entitled, "The Boston Irish," which will draw upon highlight from his recently published book, "The Boston Irish: A Political History."

Dr. O'Connor, a native of South Boston, has been associated with Boston College since he began teaching there in 1950. He has written several history textbooks and general works and has produced a number of studies on Boston history. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Bostonian Society, a director of the Freedom Trail Foundation and a resident fellow at the Massachusetts Historical Society.

For reservations, call the society at 383-1434. The cost is $15 for members, or $25 for non-members. Reservations are limited.

'Super Subs' a winner for project

Cohasset High School student volunteers for the Appalachia Service Project prepared more than 360 submarine sandwiches, Greek salads, and bowls of chili for Super Bowl Sunday to raise funds for their summer project. The project thanks everyone who placed orders and to the students and adult advisors who prepared and delivered the food. Special thanks are due to Carmine from the Strawberry Parfait, who donated the Greek salad dressing, also to Stop & Shop for donating the containers for the salad, dressing and chili.

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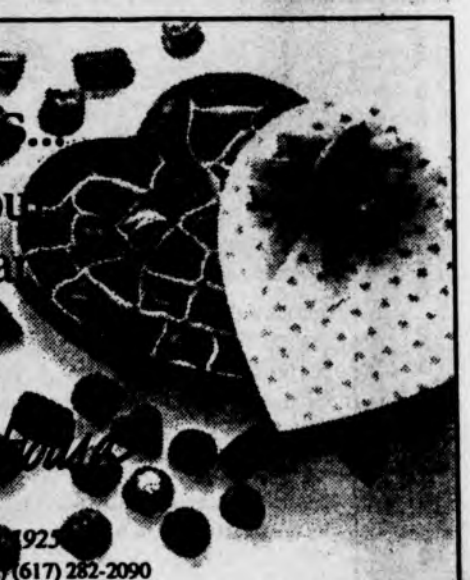

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New production company is the Force

Cohasset High grads start new venture

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Special to the Mariner

Three college students relax in a large room cluttered with instruments, speakers, original paintings, couches and a phone — their jamming room/ office.

The trio, who all go to college in Boston, use a Cohasset home on Wood Way as the base for their independent record label and booking company, Force Productions, and their punk/ funk/hip hop band, Fun in The Kitchen.

As Kevin O'Donnell and Dean Volungis, who both graduated from Cohasset High last year, and Mike Equi, who graduated two years before them, talk animatedly about their company and band, it is clear that they have forged a close, supportive relationship.

"We all skateboarded in town, part of a select outcast few," said O'Donnell with a smile. "We were basically forced to know each other."

They teamed up about three years ago and formed Fun in The Kitchen. O'Donnell plays the guitar, Volungis the drums and occasionally bass guitar, and Equi the bass guitar. In fact, Volungis taught Equi how to play the bass. Volungis' family also supplies the basement.

Though they all contribute, O'Donnell is the backbone for the vocals; however, in terms of writing lyrics and music they all create equally.

Volungis said that one band member usually comes up with an idea and the other two add on until the lyrics and music work together as a song. The songs on their last album were mostly "goofy," which one of their titles, "I Love My Sk8 Better Than You," hints at, but had deeper elements to them as well.

"(The songs) have underlying meanings, completely serious yet completely unserious," said Equi.

The bands newer songs, for which they solicited the help of an additional drummer Dave Norton, differ markedly from their old songs.

"We like to keep people on their toes," Volungis said. "The newer (songs) are more serious, but we still like to have fun."

Band members said that their style appeals to all ages and that there are at least 350 people on their fan list.

To better showcase their unique sound they formed their own booking and production company last year. The company wasn't only formed to front Fun in The Kitchen. The idea behind the company is to empower all bands to exist on the basis of their own individuality, without tampering from outside sources.

Equi said that Fun in The Kitchen had been approached by "X" record company.

" (X) tried to pigeon-hole our sound, forcing us to play a certain style," Equi said.

The group turned down the contract and decided to create an independent record label. A label "where complete individual freedom" is encouraged, said Equi.

O'Donnell added, "Force Productions, in a way, is a life preserver in a business where the band is at the bottom of the totem pole. "

In addition to Force

Mike Equi (at left) and Kevin O'Donnell jam in the Volungis' basement. Equi, O'Donnell and Volungis said they formed Force Productions to empower all bands to exist on the basis of their own individuality.

Mike Equi rehearses one of the band's new numbers.

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behind Cohasset band

Dean Volungis studies engineering at Boston University when not playing drums for Fun in the Kitchen.

Productions being a record label, which will record Fun in The Kitchen's upcoming 14-song album as its first project, it also books shows for local bands.

The company works with bands and puts dances together on the South Shore by booking high school auditoriums and Knights of Columbus, Sons of Italy, and Veterans of Foreign Wars halls.

Equi said that it is often difficult for a band to secure a "gig", especially if a band member calls up. He said it is a lot easier when the band is represented by a company. Force Productions has a Cohasset "doing business as" certificate.

"So we are legal," Equi said.

He added that a lot of bands are content just playing for themselves.

"They are all sitting on their buts in basements," said Equi.

"Which is what we were doing for two years," interrupted O'Donnell.

Until, the three agreed, they decided to take some initiative and make things happen for themselves.

So far the strategy seems to be working, Fun in The Kitchen has played at The Rat and The Middle East twice, as well as other Boston spots. Force Productions has also set up close to 10 local shows.

Volungis said that for most of those local shows Force Productions donates some of the proceeds to a charity or a worthwhile organization. For example, the company donated money to the Alternative "Alt" School at Cohasset High and to the skate park in Scituate.

"We like to give back to the community, they let us play and they support us," said Volungis.

O'Donnell added that sometimes it wasn't easy to book a place because of the negative labels some people attach to bands. Force Productions is extremely careful in making sure that its shows are safe and well-run.

Because if they aren't, said O'Donnell, "another arrow goes towards not letting bands play. Not letting kids go somewhere on a Friday night. "

All three said that they took the business of Force Productions and the band very seriously.

"More than I've ever learned in school, more than anything else in my life I've learned through this band," said O'Donnell.

All money that the band or Force Production earns goes right back into the company.

The three also use their individual talents and schooling to promote the band. Equi is a third-year film/video major at the Museum School and creates music videos of the band and also takes care of other promotional aspects. He also painted the artwork that adorns the walls of their office.

"It is a beautiful medium of expression," said Equi. "The band with art."

Volungis, who is a computer engineer major at Boston University, views the band in a more practical light.

"It is a good stress reliever," he said.

Volungis added that he would have no problem playing in the band as a career, but has other options to fall back on. He has created a Fun in The Kitchen web page on the internet.

"All the college kids have accounts on the internet — they click on things all day," said Volungis. "This is easy way to get in touch with (the band.)"

O'Donnell, who is a film major at Emerson College, has taken public relations and business courses to be better prepared.

"I'll always be involved in music, I could never work for someone else," he said. "This is a great learning experience. It is up to us, no one else but us."

For more information on Force Productions, call 824-7680, or 748-9727. To view the web page, type http://acs.bu.edu: 800/~spl/ fitk. html.

Concert at CHS Friday, Feb. 16

On Friday, Feb. 16, Force Productions will present music by J-Bass, Fun in the Kitchen, Drain, Stick Figure Stanley, Blind, Industrial Dance from Boston and Pugg at Cohasset High School Auditorium. Admission is $5.

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Junior high coffee planned

Parents of seventh- and eighth-grade students are invited to meet with Principal Curt Collins for coffee and discussion Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 9:30 a.m. in the school's Conference Center. Parents with questions or agenda topics are asked to call Allison Ulmer, 383-2672, or Monica McKenney, 383-1338.

Carriage House openings

Applications are now being accepted for the 1996-1997 Carriage House Nursery School year. Registration forms may be obtained in the school office at 23 North Main St. or by calling 383-9785. Enrollment preference is given to Carriage House families.

Remaining openings will be filled as necessary by lottery Monday, Feb. 12. Separate classes are offered for 3- and 4-year-olds. Children must be three by Sept. 1. Scholarships are available. For further information, call 383-9785 and speak with the director, Sally Atkinson.

Computer night is slated

The Cohasset P.T.O. will present a computer night for parents Thursday, Feb. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Computer teachers Bob Knurek and Marge Murphy will discuss how computers are being integrated into Osgood, Deer Hill, junior and senior high school curriculum. A present comparison of our system to other towns will be made. Changes and goals for computer education in the future will also be addressed.

Information on how to include computer hardware as well as recommended software programs for each grade level will be provided.

Potential access problems on the Internet will also be addressed.

The evening will conclude with a question and answer period.

Jan Brett, author of 'Armadillo Rodeo,' visits Derby Academy in Hingham. With Brett is Emily Larson, a sixth-grader from Cohasset who rides horses and was the model for Harmony Jean, one of the book's main characters.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Derby hosts Jan Brett

Derby Academy students from prekindergarten through Grade 3, wearing their finest Western gear, welcomed Jan Brett, author of "Armadillo Rodeo," on Jan. 19. Sarah Derby Hall was decorated with cowboy boots and rodeo scenes drawn by the students.

Helping children understand the creative process is a highlight of Brett's presentations, and animals are her favorite topics for stories and pictures.

Students were interested to learn that Emily Larson, a sixth-grader at Derby who rides horses in her spare time, was the model for Harmony Jean, one of the main characters in "Armadillo Rodeo." Faculty and students presented Brett with a Western shirt hand-appliquéd by Derby sewing teacher Alice McWilliams with scenes from the book.

Cultural events at the school are sponsored by the Derby Academy Parents' Association, which works with the faculty to select programs that supplement the curriculum and fulfill the school's mission to promote an appreciation of cultural diversity.

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Pilgrim Arena offers scholarships

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This is the 23rd consecutive year that the Pilgrim Skating Arena is awarding college scholarships to area high school seniors planning to further their education. Interested seniors must pick up and sign for the application in person at the arena pro shop. Completed applications must be returned by Saturday, March 23.

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Guest artists complement the program with special performances and workshops. The program culminates in an all-day arts festival that celebrates the talents of the students through performances and exhibits of their work.

The program runs from June 24 through July 26, and the hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Tuition for the five weeks is $995. Enrollment is limited. For brochures and applications or information about financial aid, contact Thalia McMillion, director, Summer Arts at Derby, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham 02043 or call 740-4766.

Mariner Sports

Hoopsters continue SSL tear with easy wins

JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

After wins against the Norwell Clippers and Abington Green Wave last week, the Skippers marched into Hanover Tuesday night and challenged the Indians. Norwell's game saw the Skippers triumph 54-42, and the JV win in double-overtime, with heroics from Pat Hurley and some superior three-point shooting by Eric Wenmark. Cohasset controlled the Hanover game as well, defeating the Indians 72-62.

The game was never in much doubt.

Fred Howard started the game with a layup and Jared Hardwick followed with one of his own, followed by a free throw. Ryan Bishop and Paul-Michael Quintin both made nice moves to toss in layups. Bishop took a nice pass from Burke Davis and hit the turnaround. Davis sank two free throws to make it 11-9, Cohasset. Brian Kilroy, threaded a perfect pass to Hardwick, who capitalized with an easy basket. J.L. Williams nailed a three-pointer to put the Skippers up by five.

Hardwick pulled up for a jumper over Hanover's Brad Baronas, then drove to the hole for two on his next trip downcourt. Williams swished another trey and Kilroy again found Hardwick for a pair. Hardwick made the halftime score 30-26 with a three-pointer and a layup.

Davis hit a jumper and Quintin knocked down two three-pointers in a row to put CHS up by seven. Howard found Hardwick for two points and Hardwick scored again with a drive on the Skippers' next possession. Davis iced a three and Howard hit a nice pull-up jump shot. Hardwick hit a foul shot, a three-pointer, hit his layup and drew a foul. His shot was good, running the score to 54-43.

Bishop and Quintus both made layups, Quintin getting his after some great fast-break passing by Howard. Davis tossed in a jumper and Bishop hit a teardrop in the paint. Davis made a nice pass to a slashing Williams, whose layup made it 64-45. Good passing by sophomore Justin McNamara set up Davis for two from the line. Howard then hit two from the same spot. Howard and Hardwick both sunk two more each.

Cohasset's Matt Belson, Grant Emde, Lutz Grunwald and McNamara helped stifle a mini-run by Hanover and preserved the victory, 72-62. The Skippers' next game will be Friday, when they host the Hull Pirates.

Bittersweet week for grapplers

Skippers win two meets, lose Gledhill for season

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

They scored a 48-point victory and rang up eight pins in the process, but you can bet the stomachs of the Cohasset High wrestling team were in knots during Monday's 54-6 drubbing of Don Bosco.

The Skippers, now 10-4 on the season, will be without teammate Tucker Gledhill for remainder of the winter campaign after the popular grappler sustained a broken cheekbone during practice last Sunday.

Gledhill, a South Sectional champion and fifth-place finisher in the All-State meet last season was on pace for even bigger things this time around, according to head coach Torin Sweeney.

"I don't think there was any question he was going to be in the top four this year," he said. "This is a major blow to the team."

Gledhill, who finished second in the Cohasset Wrestling Tourney, had registered 16 wins on season before the injury. He wrestled at a higher weight class on several occassions when Sweeney needed a quality man to fill the capacity.

Sweeney said the injury is a first in his 13 years of coaching.

"It's the first time I've been since I've been coaching that I've lost a kid to a season-ending injury," Sweeney said. "He's in a lot of pain right now."

The Skippers obviously didn't bide their time in defeating Don Bosco. The meet turned into a blitzkreig from the start.

Mike Baird (112 pounds) raised his dual-meet record to 13-0 with a pin victory, kicking off what was to be a long night on the mats for Don Bosco.

Eighth-grader Adam Friedman (119) recorded a pin victory along with teammates Ben Littauer (125), Jordan Fiore (130), Kevin Duffy (135), Doug Sheerin (140), Kevin DeVito (145), Mike Rossi (152) and Adam Sasso (189).

Cohasset did much of the same against Hanover in a South Shore League showdown last Wednesday. The Skippers won eight of 10 matches by pin to drop the Indians, 54-18.

Baird overwhelmed his opponent for an 8-1 win and Heavyweight Nate Caldwell won a close 2-1 match.

Gledhill, in what turned out to be his final match of the season,

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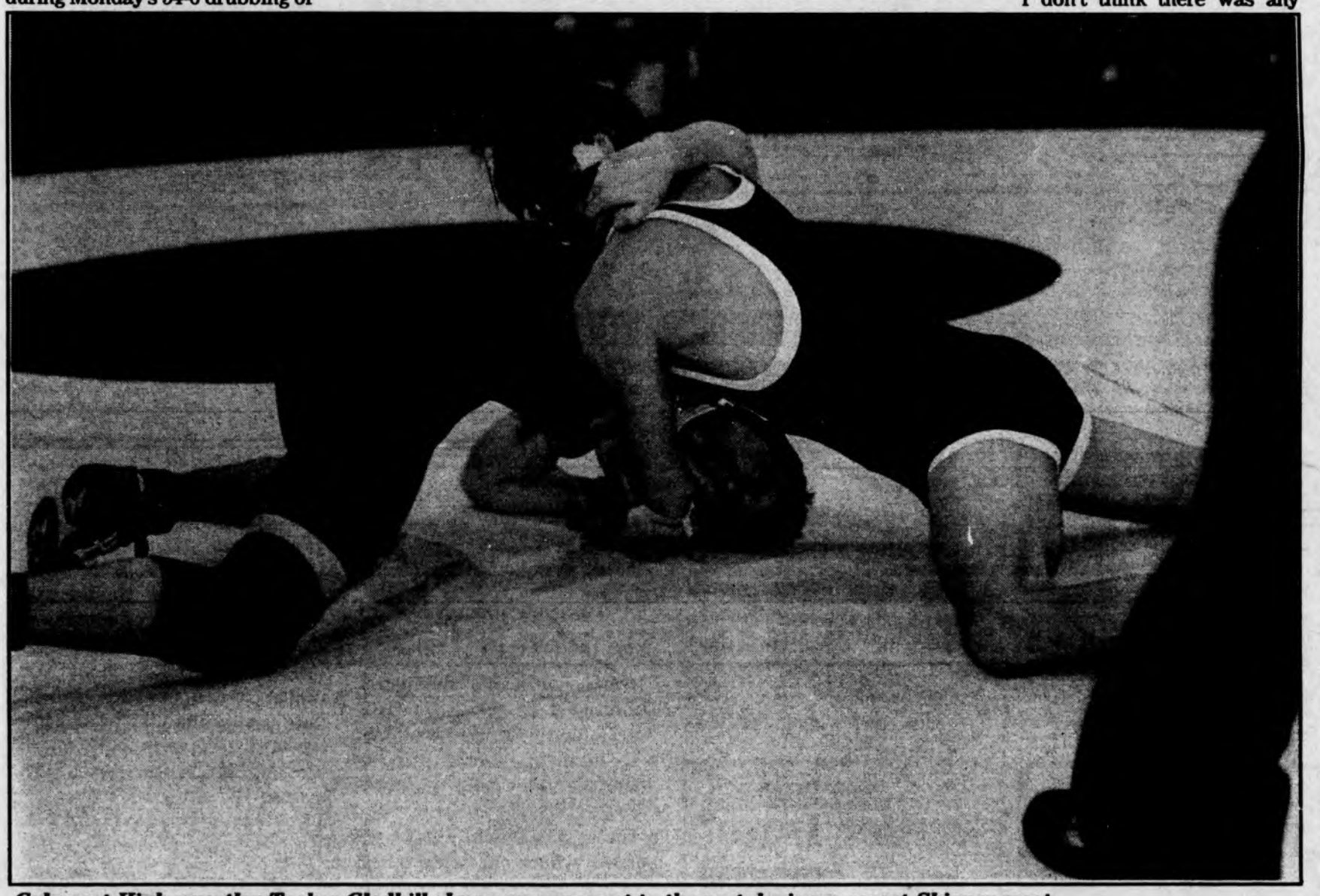

Cohasset High wrestler Tucker Gledhill slams an opponent to the mat during a recent Skipper meet.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

EXTRA POINTS/Dave McKee & Joe Reardon

Time for Cohasset to follow Hanover's lead

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

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Let me tell you about a tale in a land not so far from Cohasset. The place is called Hanover and its residents are true backers of their youth sports programs.

What makes Hanover different from Cohasset you may ask? Every Monday, I come to work and Hanover editor Helen Graves dumps a pile of envelopes from the town's various drop boxes on top of what I'm doing. And that's just the first wave. Later in the afternoon Helen comes by again on her second sortie with even more mail.

Take a guess what's in those envelopes?

First-grade basketball results.

Squirt hockey results.

Girls basketball travelling team results.

Second-grade basketball results.

The result is at least a full 1-1/2 pages of young sports action. We get so many game results, when it comes time to put the paper together the paginators are forced to drop the print size down to nine instead of the 10 point you're reading now.

Should I go on? Are you starting to get the message folks?

Coaches, parents, league directors and fans of the sport are taking the time to

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Mariner Sports

Gymnasts coast to third consecutive title

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sister Erica in the all-around (30.9).

Erica Hettstrom led the Skippers to a sterling all-around effort on the beam with her winning score of 8.4. Cohasset was close to flawless in the highly difficult event, easily the team's best performance on the apparatus all season. Not one gymnast fell off the beam and the Skippers had the top-four scores.

Kristen Reynolds and Jodi Colwill tied for second with fine 8.2 scores and senior captain Tafana Fiore grabbed the third position with an 8.0.

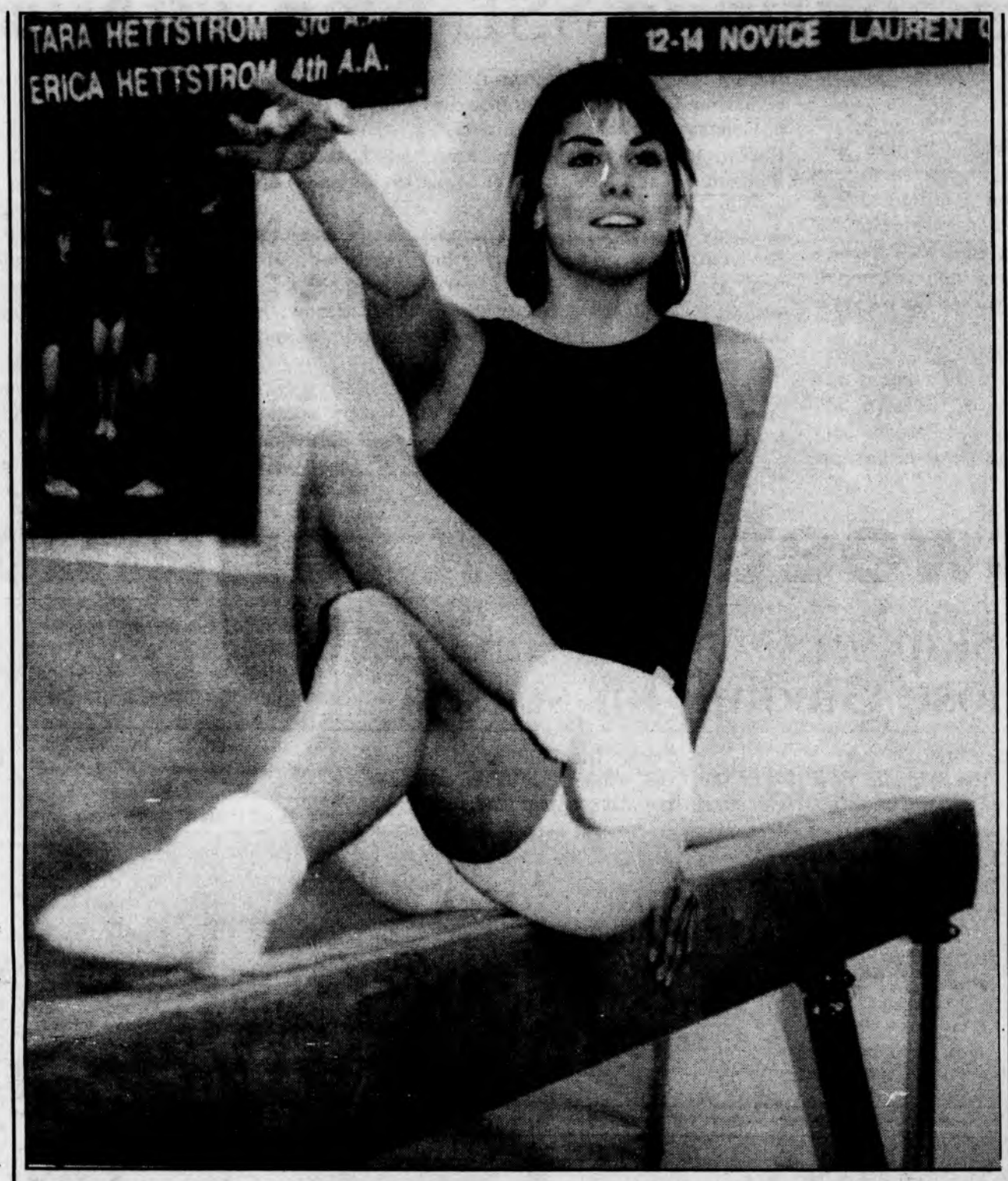
Colwill was the winner in the vault (8.0) with Reynolds taking second (7.8) and the Hettstroms finishing in a tie for third with their 7.7 score. Carolyn Pratt pulled off her prettiest vault of the season which scored her a 6.8.

The Skippers were equally dominant on the floor exercise as Lauren Genovese's third-place score of 8.2 netted her a personal best. She finished just behind Tara Hettstrom's 8.3. Erica Hettstrom took first and Megan Pratt recorded a solid 8.0 for fourth.

Erica Hettstrom's 31.7 in the all-around beat out Tara Hettstrom's 30.9 second place.

Head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni said the title-clinching win takes the pressure off the team which could lead to even better performances.

"They want to make sure they have a high average," Ardizzoni said. "We'll be pushing to hit another 124 to 126 in the All-League meet for a good standing in the South Sectionals."



Cohasset gymnast Erica Hettstrom appears relaxed on the balance beam during a recent Skippers' workout. Hettstrom played an instrumental part in Cohasset's third consecutive South Shore League title.

Special to the Mariner/Ruthann Ardizzoni

Cohasset scored a 123.8 in its next meet against Hanover, but a rough night on the balance beam allowed the Indians to pull out a 124.1 score and the victory.

The loss snapped the Skippers' 31-meet winning streak and left them with a final regular-season record of 11-1.

The Indians have improved steadily all season after there was a fear that the program would be cancelled because there was no coach. But Dan Hannigan stepped forward and Hanover has gone from scoring in the 116 range to consistent results over 120.

Ardizzoni said she has a great deal of respect for Hannigan and the Hanover gymnasts, and is happy with the way their season has taken shape.

"We were happy it was Hanover who beat us because they improved so much over the season," Ardizzoni said.

The Skippers' only win came on the floor exercise where Erica and Tara Hettstrom tied the Indians' premier gymnast, Renee George, with an 8.4. Genovese took third at 8.0.

Colwill placed in three events with a second on the beam (8.2), third on the vault (8.2) and one of her best all-around performances ever (31.2) which gave her third place. Colwill's score was just short of her 31.5 personal best. Colwill has the distinction of being the lone Cohasset gymnast to set a personal best in every event this season.

Erica Hettstrom finished third on the bars (7.6) and Fiore's 7.9 on the beam

Ski registrations

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept late registrations for Blue Hills ski lessons for youngsters ages seven and over at the recreation office, town hall.

Adult recreation programs open

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

Ski Waterville

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in a joint effort with the Cohasset Teen Resources, will sponsor a ski trip to Waterville Valley Saturday, March 23.

The cost of this trip is $56 per person which includes motor coach transportation and an all-day, all-trail lift ticket.

The trip is for youth grades 7-9 only and you may register at the Cohasset Recreation Department office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall, anytime prior to March 7.

The bus will depart from the town hall parking lot at 5:30 a.m. and return about 7:30 p.m. Checks are payable to the Town of Cohasset and should you require ski lessons or equipment rentals the fee is $18 each for rentals and a lesson. Should you desire either or both, please inform us at the time of registration and bring cash with you on the trip for rental/lesson payments.

Legion baseball

The George H. Meally American Legion Post 118 has committed to reinstate a team into the American Legion 1996 baseball program. The post will draw players from Scituate and Cohasset. Players should call either John Carr at 383-0331 or Scott Arnold at 545-1896.

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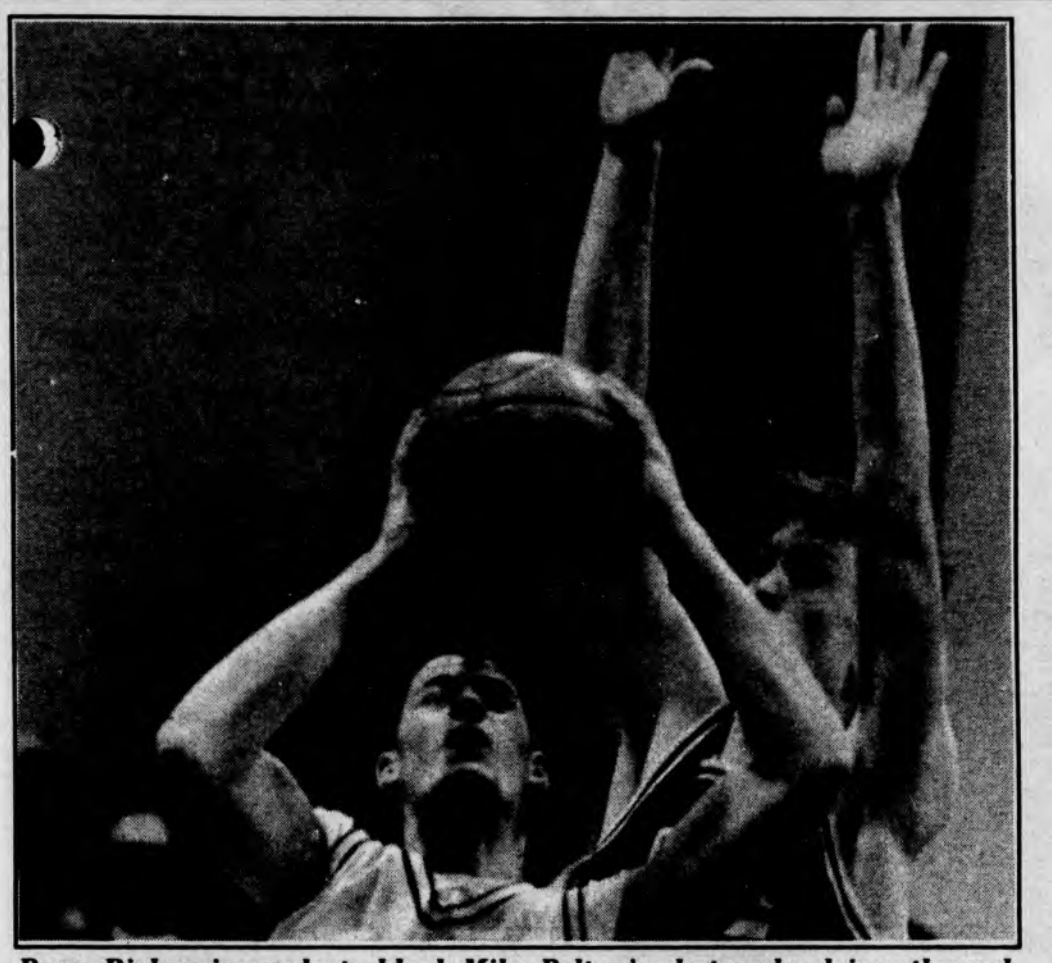
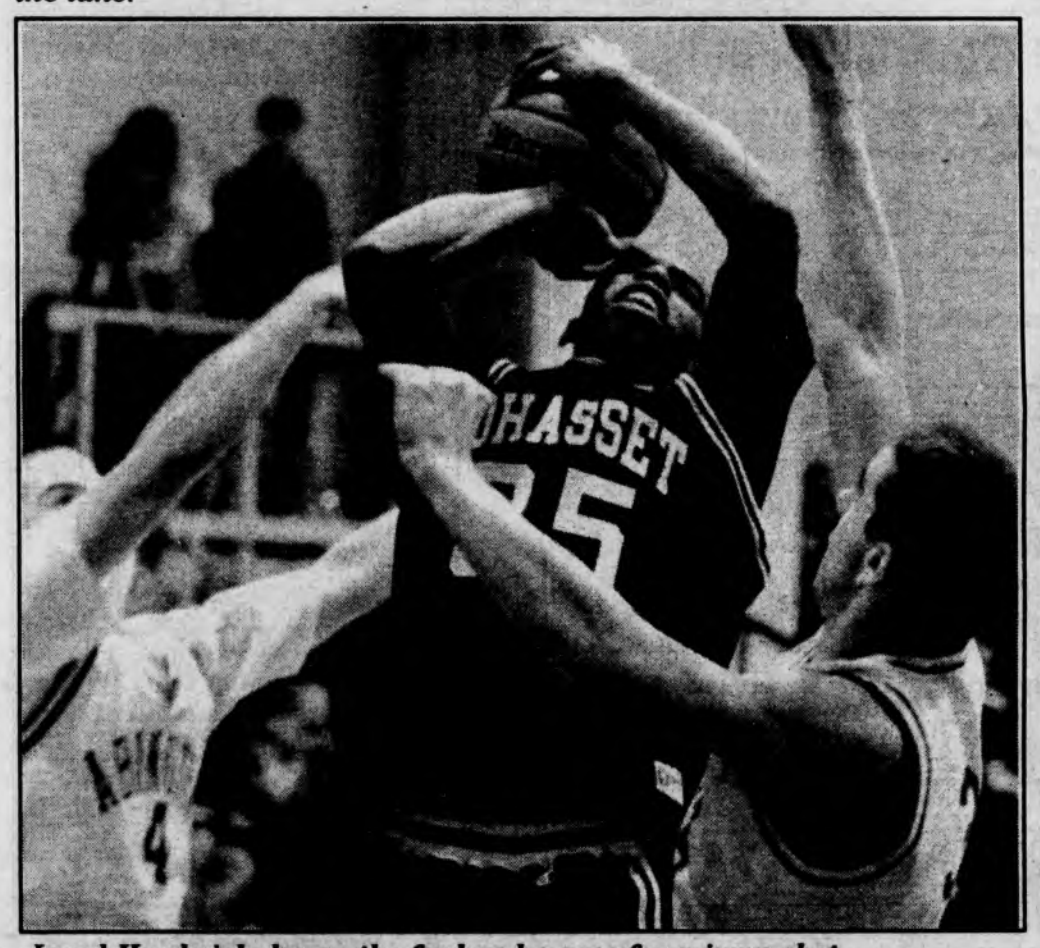


Ryan Bishop is ready to block Mike Pelton's shot as he drives through the lane.



Jared Hardwick draws the foul as he goes for a jump shot.

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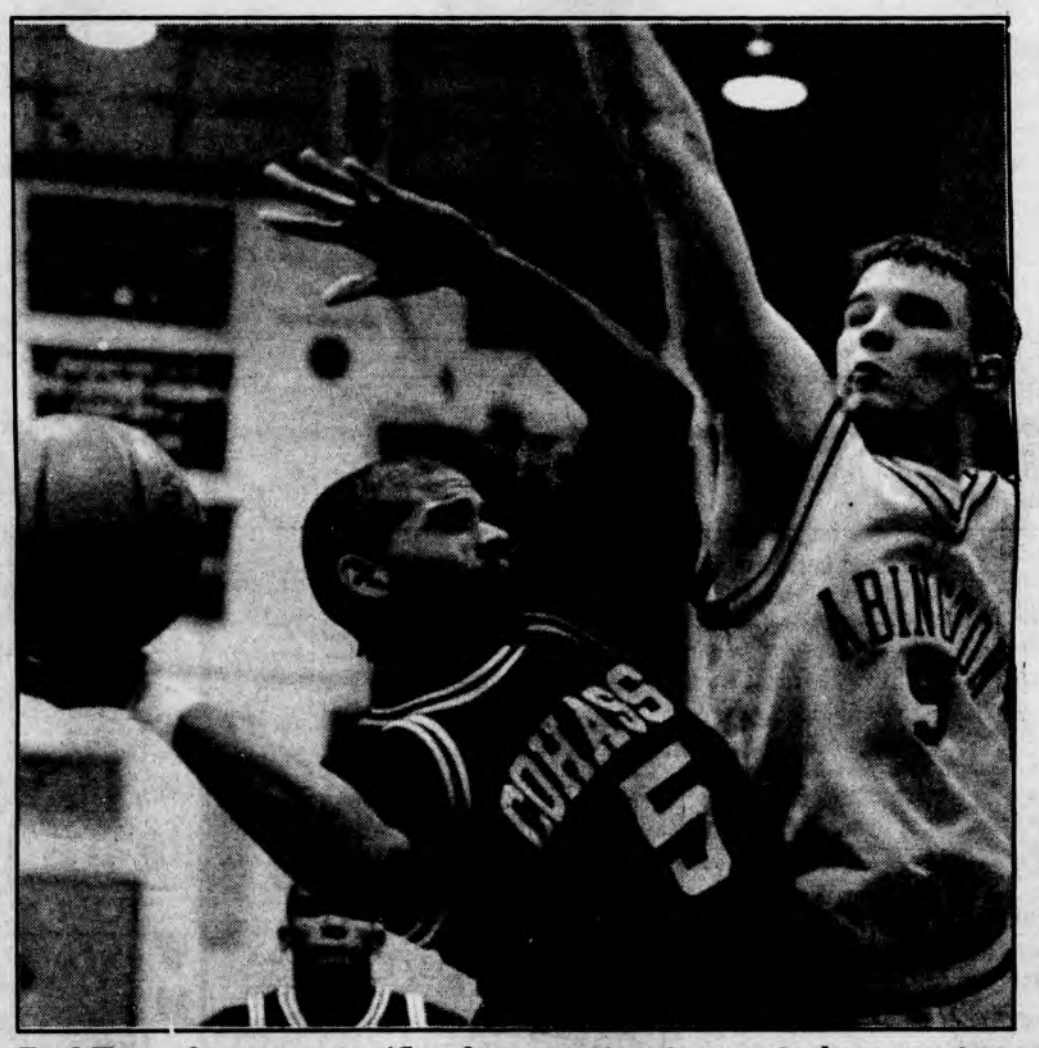

Fred Howard prepares to rifle a long pass to a teammate down court as an Abington player tries to block it.

The Skippers' Fred Howard shows total concentration despite the fact he is about to be fouled by the Green Wave's Steve Horsman.

Cohasset's Ryan Bishop takes to the air to block a shot by Abington High's Peter DiMartino.

Justin Buckley fights off a pin during a scrappy Cohasset High wrestling match.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes heal balance, relaxation, and fle bility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Extra points

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write game highlights on a weekly basis and getting them to us, whether it be faxing them or dropping the articles in the boxes.

I would be wrong to say Hanover cares more about its young athletes than Cohasset. But I do believe those associated with youth sports in Hanover go that extra yard to give the high school stars of tommorrow the credit they deserve.

So what do you say folks? The fax number is 1-617-837-4843. As long as you're going to be at the next game, why not jot down some names, scores and highlights.

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Youth coaches, we want to hear from you! Fax your team's results to Joe Reardon at (617) 837-4843.

SS Baseball Club happenings

SSBC "SEADOGS" AAU/JUNIOR OLYMPICS CLINICS — The club will hold a series of indoor clinics for young men, 11 to 16 years of age (July 31), interested in playing on one of its 1996 AAU/Junior Olympics "Seadogs" Baseball teams. Clinics will be held Feb. 10-11 at Revere High School, Revere; Mar. 9-10, Stonehill College, Easton; and Apr. 27-28 at Bentley College. Please call 617/740-2240 or 1-800-GO-4-HITS for a program brochure.

Skippers win two meets

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went out on a high note with a victory by pin at 119 pounds.

The other pin victors included Fiore, Duffy, Sheerin, Rossi, senior captain John Whitehouse, Luke Caldwell and Justin Buckley.

Cohasset faced Rockland and Holbrook in a tri meet, yesterday in Holbrook. Sweeney said earlier that morning that Rockland would provide the stiffer competition of the two teams.

"If everything goes right we could nip Rockland," he said. "It's going to be tough."

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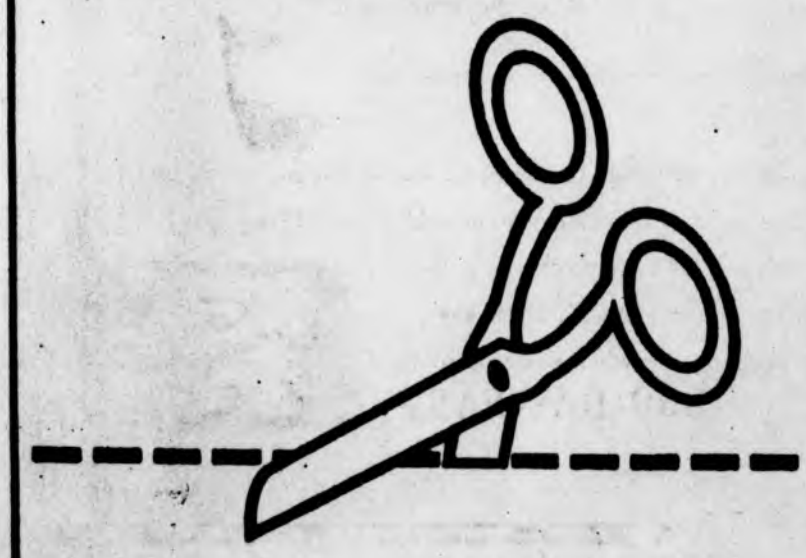

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Cohasset Business

Cohasset jobless rate for Nov. is 3.1 percent

In Cohasset, the November unemployment rate was 3.1 percent (3,820 employed and 121 unemployed.)

A month earlier, the Cohasset jobless rate had been 3 percent. In November, 1994, it was also 3 percent.

Overall, the Massachusetts unemployment rate dropped to 5.1 percent in November.

Deputy Commissioner Richard T. Sullivan of the state Department of Employment and Training said that the jobless rate had decreased from the 5.3 figure in October.

Meanwhile, the national rate of 5.6 percent rose slightly from 5.5 percent in October.

Sullivan said, "This monthly survey, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, shows 6,000 more people in the labor force, 10,000 more working, and 5,000 fewer unemployed than there were one month ago."

Sullivan also noted that the payroll survey of Massachusetts jobs in October showed an estimated total of 2,974,800 jobs. This represented 34,900 more than in October of 1994, or a 1.2 percent growth.

In Norfolk County, the November unemployment rate was 3.9 percent (326,507 employed and 13,287 unemployed).

Norfolk County's unemployment rate a month earlier was 4.2 percent (324,162 employed and 14,086 unemployed.)

This had represented an decrease from the August rate of 4.3 percent and the November, 1994 rate of 4.4 percent.

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A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies

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DM Management	2.3750	0.0625
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Grossman's	1.0313	-0.0313
Ground Round	3.7500	0.4375
Haemonetics	17.6250	-0.1250
Hills Stores	10.0000	-0.1250
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SSAC appoints new director

David Lloyd Brown has been appointed executive director of the South Shore Art Center. Brown, who served as executive director of the Brush Art Gallery and Studios, Lowell, was a founding member of the 249A Street cooperative in South Boston, an artists-owned and operated studio live/work residence for 35 visual artists. Brown has a first-hand knowledge of the current state of the arts.

He received a master of fine arts degree from Cornell University after graduating from the Mass. College of Art. He has served in various teaching positions at the New England School of Art and Design, Yale University, the Mass. College of Art, Bunker Hill Community College, MIT and several secondary schools.

Brown has been actively exhibiting his art since 1979 and his work is currently on display at Owen/Patrick Gallery in Philadelphia. He has been an adviser, planner and participant in many projects, including First Night, Boston, the Haunted House Exhibit, Boston Children's Museum and the Mentor Program, Charlestown High School/Boston Public Schools.

Women's Counsel to meet Feb. 14

The Women's Counsel, which provides the opportunity for women at every stage of life to exchange ideas and resources, sponsors a reakfast Roundtable Discussion Wednesday, Feb. 14, from 8 to 9:30 a.m. at the Lightkeeper's House, off Border Street, Cohasset. The theme will be "Choosing the Positive Path in a Changing World." Call Nina Belsan at 383-0088 or 545-5462 for reservations. Tickets are $6 if reserved by Feb. 1, $8 at the door.

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Saturday, Jan. 27

3:36 p.m., recovered stolen MV, Old Pasture Rd., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

4:57 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St., investigated.

6:16 p.m., general services, Church St., services rendered.

6:12 p.m., emergency services, Nichols Rd., referred to other agency.

6:46 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

7:08 p.m., emergency services, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:33 p.m., emergency services, Howe Rd., investigated.

7:42 p.m., emergency services, Beechwood St., investigated.

8:01 p.m., emergency services, Howe Rd., services rendered.

8:01 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., referred to other agency.

8:13 p.m., N. Main St, referred to other agency.

8:22 p.m., emergency services, Linden Dr., referred to other agency.

8:57 p.m., emergency services, Fair Oaks Lane, HDQTS., referred to other agency.

9:08 p.m., emergency services, S. Main St., HDQTS., referred to other agency.

9:48 p.m., emergency services, Rustic Dr., referred to other agency.

10:01 p.m., emergency services, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

10:50 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Stop & Shop, departmental action.

11:19 p.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 40

Sunday, Jan. 28

12:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood Ball Park, verbal warning.

1:03 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood Ball Park, verbal warning.

3:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main/Jerusalem Rd., traffic warning issued.

3:41 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Sohier St., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 34

8:12 a.m., medical, Norman Todd Rd.,

9:05 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd./Howe Rd., departmental action.

10:11 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St./Red Gate Ln., no police service necessary.

10:13 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave./Whitehead Rd., departmental action.

11:11 a.m., officer wanted, Stevens Ln., investigated.

12:07 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Margin St. Dock HQ, departmental action.

12:40 p.m., officer wanted, Brook St., investigated.

12:44 p.m., suspicious activity, Hillside Dr., investigated.

3:47 p.m., fire alarm, N. Main St., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 38

4:01 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

4:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

4:51 p.m., violation of civil rights, CJC Hwy/Tedeschi's Plaza, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:08 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Norfolk Rd., unfounded.

5:42 p.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

6:05 p.m.., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:38 p.m., message delivery, Nichols Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

8:30 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., (Common), traffic warning issued.

9:52 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), verbal warning.

10:25 p.m., disturbance (family), Lamberts Lane, no police service necessary.

10:45 p.m., general services, HQ N. Main St., departmental action.

10:54 p.m., medical, King St., removed to hospital.

11:26 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St./Mill Ln., verbal warning.

Monday, Jan. 28

12:19 a.m., general services, Sandy Beach, investigated.

1:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Bancroft Rd. (ball field).

1:46 a.m., Ptl. Small in with Mark McCarthy, 6 Bancroft Rd., Cohasset, DOB: 11/22/56, Charges: OUI, Failure to stop at stop sign.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 28

9:05 a.m., general services, Nichols Rd., services rendered.

10:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, The Square.

10:28 a.m., leaving scene, [redacted] Gino's, investigated.

11:09 a.m., officer field investigation, Pond St., false call.

3:24 p.m., animal complaint, Ash St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 38

5:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., verbal warning.

6:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Brewster Rd., verbal warning.

9:50 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy., referred to other agency.

10:13 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy.

10:34 p.m., Ptl. Abbadessa in with James R. Sexton, 54 Norwell Ave., Scituate, COB: 6/23/52, Charges: Oper. w/defective equipment, seat belt violation, OUI alcohol.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 32

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Tuesday, Jan. 30

12:26 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy., no police service necessary.

4:01 a.m., general services, Icy Roads, referred to other agency.

7:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Windy Hill), investigated.

7:38 a.m., general offenses, CJC Hwy (Mary Lou's), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 34

8:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem R.d/Black Rock Rd., unfounded.

12:20 p.m., animal complaint, Stop & Shop, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 40

5:14 p.m., burglary (B&E)/suspicious activity, Linden Dr., investigated.

8:44 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Church St., unfounded.

12:00 a.m., 33

Wednesday, Jan. 31

5:56 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (S. Main), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square, departmental action.

7:43 a.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy., (Cohasset Plaza), services rendered.

7:58 a.m., suspicious activity, Pond St., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 30

1:16 p.m., general services, Majestic Auto — CJC Hwy., investigated.

2:32 p.m., annoying phone calls, Linden Dr., departmental action.

3:17 p.m., disturbance (general), Tedeschi Plaza, unfounded.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 28

4:38 p.m., animal complaint, Beach St., referred to other agency.

5:06 p.m., animal complaint, Norfolk Rd., referred to other agency.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 20

Thursday, Feb. 1

8:00 a.m., Sunny 18

9:03 a.m., suspicious activity, Pond St./3A, investigated.

9:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hingham Inst. for Savings, services rendered.

10:30 a.m., annoying phone calls, Stevens Ln., departmental action.

1:00 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Locust Rd., services rendered.

3:24 p.m., assist citizen, Parkingway, services rendered.

3:54 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), N. Main St. outbound, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 25

4:07 p.m., assist citizen, Post Office, services rendered.

5:00 p.m., animal complaint, Hammond Rd., referred to other agency.

5:04 p.m., fire alarm, Bancroft Rd., services rendered.

6:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. @ Hingham Line, traffic warning issued.

7:26 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St., traffic warning issued.

7:52 p.m., assist other PDs, Beechwood St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 26

Friday, Feb. 2

1:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave. (Black Rock), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:22 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Cedar St.), departmental action.

3:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Hingham Line).

3:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Mobil Mart.

5:10 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Depot Ct., verbal warning.

5:15 a.m., traffic/MV complaint Ripley Rd.

7:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), verbal warning.

7:18 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St.

7:21 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Rectory).

7:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Stop & Shop).

7:33 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), CJC Hwy. (Stop & Shop), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Snow, 28

9:32 a.m., larceny, Cohasset Service sta., field interrogation report prepared.

2:41 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Beechwood St., departmental action.

3:10 p.m., vandalism, Lothrop Lane, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 22

4:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy by Pond St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

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T-2/8

January kept police department busy

Police Chief Brian Noonan said January was an "extremely busy" one for the police department.

"The blizzard of the eighth, the rain and wind storms of the 19th and 27th caused numerous power outages throughout the town," he said. "The outages were caused by fallen trees, damaged utility poles and exploding transformers."

Noonan said dispatchers received 106, 9-1-1-calls last month along with all the other business.

"We were also forced to double up on our personnel on the eighth, 19th and 27th," he said.

In January the police department made 11 arrests: three for outstanding warrants, four for minors in possession of alcohol, two for operating under the influence of alcohol, one for violation of a 209A restraining order, and one for a major motor vehicle violation.

"There were three breaking and enterings at residences," Noonan said.

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The department has a practice of handing out teddy bears to young children shaken by an injury or domestic troubles. When the department recently ran out of teddy bears, long-time Cohasset resident Donald Staszko stepped in and donated a new supply — colorful, cuddly OshKosh B'gosh bears, police said.

"The teddy bears work great," Officer Lisa Matos says. Matos is assigned to domestic violence cases. "Once a threat is over, the children are confused; the bears help settle things down."

Matos says the bears are a wonderful distraction.

"Often children don't remember the injury or the incident; they just know that a friendly police officer gave them a bear."

Bears work wonders at the scene of an accident, says Chief Brian Noonan. "I would like to thank Donald Staszko for this thoughtful gift. It is encouraging when civic-minded people come forward to assist. It is donations like this that help the police department go beyond just responding to a call."

Last year, Staszko donated $2,000 towards the department's PALS for Wellness program, which works with school children on a variety of issues — from preventing abuse to discouraging the use of drugs, alcohol, and tobacco.

Chief Noonan will gladly accept contributions from the public.

"It is difficult to put something like teddy bears in a budget and yet they have such an important impact on the children.

"We are always grateful when a resident steps forward to help," he says.

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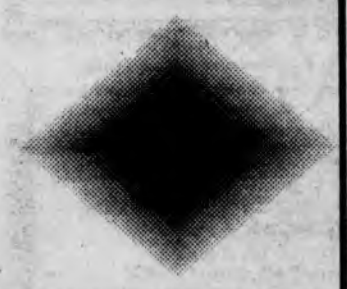

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Boosters to present cabaret

The Cohasset Arts Boosters will host its annual Valentine Cabaret at Kimball's By the Sea on Thursday, Feb. 15. There will be a light buffet at 6 p.m., followed by a cabaret at 7:30 p.m.

High school instrumentalists, vocalists and artists provide the entertainment, with proceeds benefitting Cohasset High School and art curriculum enrichment programs. Student art will be on sale, and there will be a raffle to help support the music department's trip to Williamsburg in April.

Tickets are $12.50 and may be reserved by calling 383-0024 or 383-6428 by Feb. 10. Seating is limited. Checks should be made payable to: Cohasset Arts Boosters, 40B Nichols Road, Cohasset 02025.

Help restore Cohasset's history

The Cohasset Maritime Institute is a newly formed non-profit organization whose goal is to restore the historic boathouse on the former Haggerty property and a lifeboat currently located in the CHS, and to bring back to life the rowing community which has played an important role in Cohasset's history. The Institute is in need of volunteers to contribute tools, labor or other services to the restoration of the rowing community.

Interested individuals are invited to help restore the 26-foot lifesaving boat on Wednesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. at CHS. Call Corrine Leung (383-6100) or Jack Buckley (925-1284) for more information.

Teen Center open house

The Cohasset Teen Center and Cohasset Youth Resources sponsor an open house at the Teen Center, 24 S. Main St., from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Sunday, Feb. 11. Come by for refreshments and to meet the center staff and board members. Upcoming events include a bus trip to the Providence Bruins and a ski trip for seventh-to-ninth graders.

Chris Johnson, owner of the Barn at Bound Book, selects pieces for his installation at 'Tablescapes,' the annual winter fund-raiser for the South Shore Art Center.

Tablescapes opens at Art Center

The South Shore Art Center presents tablesettings by New England artists and designers inspired by art work or an artistic period. Admission is $10 and includes admittance to daily lecture series.

Friday Phil Smith, of Phil Smith Interiors, will speak on "Unique Interiors" at 11 a.m. Saturday, Alex Pappas of Shreve, Crump and Low will speak on "Fine China" at 10:30 a.m., and Josef Espinola will present "Faux Finishes" at 1:30 p.m.

The Champagne Reception, Friday evening from 7 to 9 p.m., is $15 and includes champagne, wine, hors d'oeuvres and a pianist.

Tablescapes participants include Barbie Bowman, Barn at Bound Brook, Custom Decorator, Country House Antiques, Barbara Henderson Interiors, Gatherings, Mary Larson, Les Olivades, Lovells Florist with Directions, No Place Like Home, Octavia's, Jeanne Replogle, Roundhill Designs, Sandy Tuthill Interiors, Shreve, Crump and Low, Specialties, Treasures and Victoria's by the Sea.

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Winter break must wait

School vacation week is in March this year

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

As the traditional February vacation quickly approaches, Cohasset students have one thing to look forward to — March.

For educational reasons the school committee unanimously voted in November of 1994 to combine the February and April vacations into one March vacation.

Lack of support in virtually every quarter convinced the committee to switch back to the two-vacation model this November. The two-vacation system will be re-instated for the 1996-1997 school year.

"We feel educationally (the one vacation) is a better schedule," said Supt. Stephen Hart. "But obviously the majority of people did prefer the traditional (vacation schedule)."

The school committee stands by its decision that the one-week system made more educational sense, but the divisiveness of the issue outweighed the benefits.

At a school committee meeting last May, more than 50 students and a few parents gathered to express outrage at the switch to a March vacation and the fact that they had no say in it.

Nichole Santoro, student body president then and now, spearheaded the student protest.

"The major problem," she said, "was

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Osgood School third grader Allison Dean presented a Valentine to Jacqueline Moores at the Community Center's Intergenerational lunch Tuesday.

Staff photo /Alan Chapman

Cohasset wins with lottery aid boost

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Over the years, the state Lottery Commission has made winners of thousands of Massachusetts residents.

And if Gov. William Weld's proposed fiscal year 1997 budget, which includes a $42 million boost for local communities in state lottery aid gets the green light from the legislature, cities and towns all over the Commonwealth will win big too.

Originally created to generate more state revenues for local communities, lottery revenues have been diverted since the late 1980's from Massachusetts 351 cities and towns and into the state's coffers.

Lottery Commission Media Director Deirdre Coyle explained that since 1988 there has been a cap on lottery revenues that has limited the amount of funds that go back to communities throughout the Commonwealth.

Governor Michael Dukakis instituted the cap that year, allowing $306 million in lottery revenues to go to local cities and towns, said Coyle who noted that

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School loses by inches

Proponents may call for vote

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The photo finish didn't make defeat any easier for the handful of school officials and citizens Saturday who stayed until the final tallies were read.

But the electorate had spoken and the $13 million new school project appeared dead, at least for the time being.

"As a parent I'm very disappointed," said school committee member Jim Kirk.

"As a school committee member, I'm frustrated that a good investment in education was not recognized by the town and as a taxpayer I'm angry because my home will be worth less and this would have saved money in the long run."

School officials said the state will not reimburse the town for upgrading the 70-year-old Osgood School because it would not have a useful life of 50 years.

Saturday's vote was 1162 to 1134. Precinct one voted 606 to 537 in favor of the override and precinct two voted 625 to 528 opposed. The school proposal lost by 28 votes. There were 40 blanks, which prompted a call for a recount.

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said

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Cohasset's Week

Census forms mailed

The town census has been mailed to each household, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said. The local census is primarily used to maintain voting and jury lists but it also aids in school enrollment projections and public safety and senior citizens' needs, she said. The local census also establishes proof of residency, which is often needed for certain privileges, such as transfer station stickers and cemetery rights, certain veterans' benefits, and reduced tuition rates at state colleges and universities.

Dog forms were enclosed. The license are valid through Dec. 31, 1996. If you did not receive a census form, contact the town clerk's office at 383-9900. Forms are due back by Feb. 23.

Osgood School on table

Selectmen will meet with the school committee and the school facilities committee to discuss what to do about the Osgood School on Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the high school audio visual room.

During Monday night's meeting, Merle Brown, selectman chairman, told several people who apparently wanted to discuss the defeat of the override, that the subject would not be brought up at that time.

Last weekend voters narrowly defeated the proposal to build a new school (see related article.)

Mosquito vacancy has selectmen buzzing

For the third week in a row, selectmen have asked for volunteers to serve on the mosquito control committee, which monitors the mosquito situation and helps coordinate any remedial measures such as spraying or the unblocking of stagnant waterways.

There is one vacancy on the committee and anyone interested is urged to contact selectmen immediately at 383-9900.

Some of the 46 percent of Cohasset voters who cast ballots in Saturday's special election wait to sign in at the polls at town hall. The override question allowing the town to borrow for a new school was defeated by a margin of 28 votes.

Staff photo/ J. Paul MacDonald

Red Cross month noted

March will be Red Cross month in Cohasset, according to a selectman's proclamation Monday night.

Eastern Edison progress noted

Stating that they are pleased with improved service offered by the utility company, selectmen plan to send a letter to Eastern Edison. Earlier, they had intended to meet with Edison representatives, but recently received a letter from the company answering many of their questions.

Professional bills approved

Selectmen this week approved bills from Civil Designs, Inc. of about $1,000 for work connected to the Hagerty Property project. In addition, a bill from RDA Construction for $38,430 was also approved.

Town history to begin

Voters at the upcoming annual town meeting will be asked to support a resolution calling on the historical commission to begin work on a new town history.

The current history ends some years ago and must be updated.

Noel Ripley, historical commission chairman, asked selectmen to accept the resolution on Monday night.

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Cohasset's Week

MBTA officials discuss train

In what could become a lively exchange, MBTA officials will discuss the restoration of train service to Cohasset with selectmen Monday, March 4 at 9 p.m.

According to Gregory Doyon, town administrator, MBTA engineers have been in Cohasset recently to preliminary work on the construction project.

Treasurer/collector reorganization is finalized

It's now official: Sally Lincoln has been appointed acting treasurer and Linda Litchfield is the acting collector. Selectmen made the appointments Monday night.

An opinion from town counsel Richard Henderson is still needed in order to determine when the treasurer/collector position may be made permanent.

An act of the legislature may be required, but that body has been traditionally reluctant to make a change if someone is running for or has been elected to a position.

Wigmore Pierson, Judy Volungis, and Joseph Buckley have taken out nomination papers for the post, which is now vacant because Elizabeth Ripley resigned to take a job in Marshfield.

Speeding concerns addressed

In response to a question from selectman Martha Gjesteby during Monday night's selectman's meeting, Police Chief Brian Noonan agreed that a sign should be posted along Jerusalem Road near Windy Hill Road.

Noonan said the sign will probably say "slippery when wet/icy."

Residents in the area have been concerned about the dangerous curves along Jerusalem Road for years and long sought remedial action from the town.

Water increase fight is on

Town counsel Richard Henderson will be asked to file a brief with the state Department of Public Utilities in an effort to stop a 165 percent rate increase facing the 300 Cohasset households receiving water from the American Water Co. in Hingham.

Selectman Peter Pratt recommended fighting the proposed increase, stating that because the pipes are so bad, Cohasset consumers should pay less than those in other towns.

Term limits are opposed

Although they accepted the article for town meeting consideration last week, selectmen this week decided to oppose a by-law limiting those serving on town committees and boards to three terms.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said if someone is serving too long, then selectmen should not reappoint him.

"We need to make judgement calls on who should step down," he said.

The vote was unanimous, with selectman Jane Goedecke absent.

Jerusalem Rd. subdivision hearing is 8 p.m., March 6

The planning board will hear plans for a potentially controversial subdivision, called Jerusalem Road Estates, on Wednesday, March 6 at 8 p.m.

Developing the 45-acre parcel of land has already aroused some opposition from neighbors.

Houses in the proposed development will likely hook into the sewer line once it is extended to the Strait's Pond area.

Windy Hill Road resident Virginia Ferenz has written to planning board chairman Alfred Moore suggesting that existing houses should be connected to the sewer line before new construction is approved.

She said that if the sewer line reaches capacity before all existing homes are connected, then the project will not reduce pollution in the pond.

The subdivision is being proposed by Steven Cory of Jerusalem Road Ltd. Partnership, Liberty

Snow deficit increases

Town administrator Gregory Doyon reports that the snow budget is now overspent by $63,000, according to the latest figures.

Fire department overtime request is put on hold

At the request of selectman Michael Sullivan, selectman have postponed approval of an additional $17,000 in overtime for the fire department for the current fiscal year.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln is seeking the money in a transfer request at the special town meeting which will be held prior to the annual.

But, saying that he wants to hold costs down, Sullivan said he wants time to discuss the overttime with Lincoln.

Lincoln explained that originally, he had requested $110,000 for overtime. With the ratification of the new contract, that amount was increased to $118,000.

But because of the snow storms and the early Janaury fire on Highland Ave., the overtime budget is being used up faster than anticipated.

"I call it a bad year all around," Lincoln said.

However, Sullivan questioned the policy of calling in additional firefighters in anticipation of a major storm.

Lincoln replied that the policy is standard in most communities because fire fighters often cannot arrive at work during snow storms and must be on hand in the event of emergency.

Police training policy ok' d

With selectman Michael Sullivan dissenting, selectmen agreed Monday night to require new police officers to stay on the job for five years or agree to reimburse the town for the training costs.

Police Chief Brian Noonan explained that the state now charges municipalities $1,800 for each cadet attending the police academy.

The town has the right to seek reimbursement of that cost.

He said that Scituate deducts the cost from the officer's pay.

However, he recommended that Cohasset require the officers to stay with the town for five years or be liable to repay the fee.

Sullivan said that the town does not charge other employees for training.

Selectmen Martha Gjesteby, Peter Pratt and Merle Brown voted to institute the agreement. Selectman Jane Goedecke was absent.

Tide Chart

BOSTON TIDES
EASTERN STANDARD TIME

February 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 15	7:18	10.7	1:04	8:01	9.5	1:49
Fri. 16	8:21	11.1	2:05	9:01	10.0	2:48
Sat. 17	9:20	11.5	3:04	9:58	10.5	3:43
Sun. 18	10:16	11.8	4:00	10:50	10.9	4:36
Mon. 19	11:09	11.9	4:54	11:41	11.2	5:26
Tues. 20	——	——	5:46	12:00	11.8	6:14
Wed. 21	12:29	11.3	6:36	12:50	11.4	7:01
Thurs. 22	1:17	11.2	7:26	1:40	10.9	7:49

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New school proposal fails at ballot box

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Tuesday that school proponents have inquired about a recount. The petition must be signed by 10 registered voters in each precinct and submitted by 5 p.m. the 10th day following the election, which is Feb. 20.

Douglas said it could cost about $500 to pay registrars and town counsel to conduct the recount in which all the ballots are counted by hand.

Once the petition is submitted and signatures verified, the recount must be conducted within 30 days, Douglas said.

"But I would do it as soon as possible," she said.

Douglas explained that the voting machines do not read ballots that haven't been punched through but the machines will pick up "any light at all."

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder said he was very disappointed by the vote.

"It just makes replacing the Osgood School much more difficult and costly," he said. "We will replace it, it is just a matter of time."

School officials said the state would reimburse the town 60 percent of the cost of building a new school if the project was filed before the end of this fiscal year.

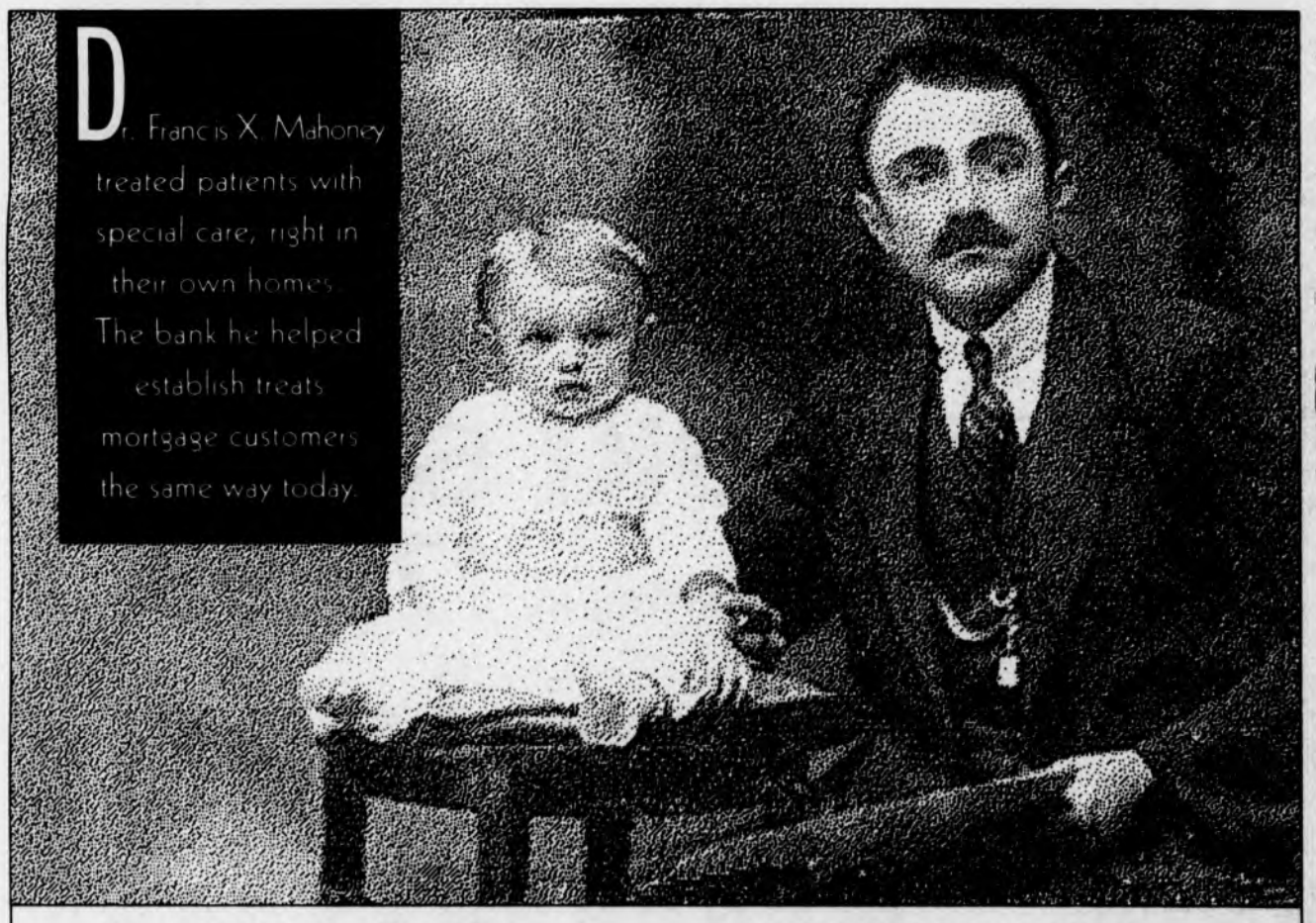
Kidder that the school committee will meet with the school facilities committee this week to determine the best way to proceed.

The school project would have added about $111 a year, averaged over the life of the bond issue, to the property tax bill of the typical Cohasset home valued at $242,000.

The tax hike would be in addition to other projects the town is committed to such as capping the landfill and upgrading the town's sewer plant.

Clark Chatterton, who lobbies for the new school, greets voters on the way to the polls Saturday. Behind him is Roy Fitzsimmons who has been an outspoken opponent of the project. When the votes were tallied Saturday evening, the school project had lost by 28 votes. Forty-six percent of the town's registered voters went to the polls.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald



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More citizens opt to run for elected office

Last day to take out papers is Feb. 15

The April 6 election continues to draw interest as citizens take out nomination papers for a range of offices.

This week Joseph D. Buckley, 28 Linden Dr., and Judy Volungis, 234 Forest Ave., have taken out papers for the treasurer/collector's post. They join Wigmore Pierson, 123 Atlantic Avenue, in seeking the position being vacated by Elizabeth Ripley who recently resigned.

Terry Atherton, 34 Clay Spring Rd., has taken out papers for an open seat on the planning board. Incumbent Jean Simonds has decided not to seek re-election, town clerk Marion Douglas said this week.

Richard Shea, 52 Margin Ct. and Owen O'Malley, 29 Sohier St., and Keith Knowles, 15 Border St. have taken out papers for the school committee seat currently held by Nancy Sandell, who is stepping down after three terms.

There is a three-way race for two seats on the board of selectmen. Incumbent Martha Gjesteby, 81 Old Pasture Rd., has taken out papers for a fourth term. Former advisory committee chairman Nancy A. Roth, 7 Highland Ave., and conservation commissioner Roseanne McMorris, 89 Doane St., have thrown their hats into the ring. Incumbent Jane Goedecke announced recently she will not seek re-election.

John P. Rafferty, 4 Stoneleigh Lane, has thrown his hat into the ring for the seat on the water commission and could get some competition from Richard Muncey, 377 S. Main St., who has also taken out papers for the seat held by William Montuori, who has decided not to seek re-election, Douglas said.

John Muncie, 377 S. Main St., has taken out papers for re-election to the Cohasset Housing Authority.

Incumbent sewer commissioner Edward Guild may get some competition from Jack Noble, 80 Summer St., who has taken out papers to run for Guild's seat. Guild plans to seek re-election.

Roger Lowe of 90 Beach Street has taken out papers for library trustee and so have trustees Sheila Evans of 72 N. Main St. and Doris McNulty, of 80 Nichols Rd. As of Tuesday, Trustee Lucille McLaughlin had not announced her plans.

Incumbent Town Moderator George L. Marlette Jr., 31 Rustic Dr. is seeking re-election to a three-year term.

Tom Wigmore, 32 Ash St., will seek re-election to a five-year term on the recreation commission; Town Clerk Marion Douglas, 404 A Beechwood St., has taken out papers for another three-year term; and James W. Lagrotteria, 104 Howe Rd. will run for re-election to the board of assessors. The board of health board has one position for three years on this year's ballot. That seat is held by Robert V. Davenport of Sohier Street.

The last day to take out nomination papers is Feb. 15. They must be returned with a minimum of 50 signatures of registered voters by 5 p.m., Feb. 20, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said.

Cohasset wins safety award

For the second year in a row, the town of Cohasset has been awarded a Certificate of Achievement for its superior commitment and effectiveness in risk management by the Massachusetts Interlocal Insurance Association. Cohasset was one of three towns chosen for the award from among 280 municipal entities participating in MIIA's workers' compensation program.

Cohasset was praised for its initiative and leadership in loss control activities, including thorough investigation of accidents and extensive employee training in safe practices and preventive measures. MIIA commended Executive Secretary Greg Doyon for developing the town's safety program and the town's safety committee for its commitment to inspect town buildings twice annually.

The efforts of communities like Cohasset have enabled MIIA to reduce workers' compensation costs for its members and return surplus in the form of dividends. Cohasset will receive more than $5,700 as its share of the dividends announced at the MIIA annual meeting.

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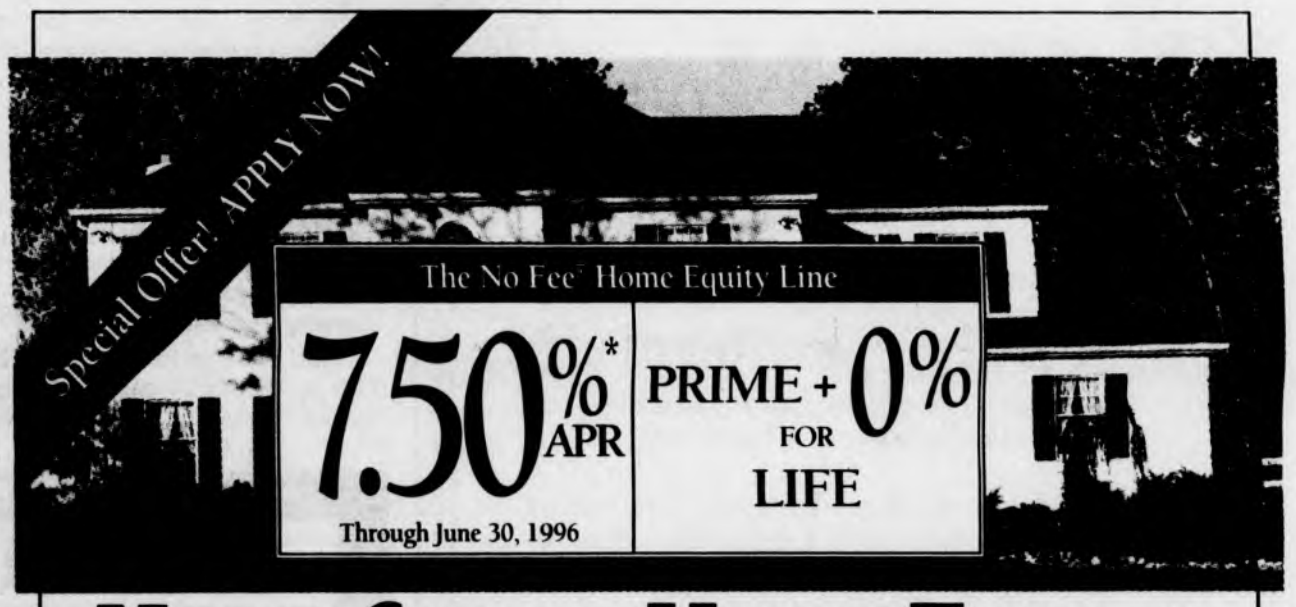

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Cohasset wins with lottery aid boost

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every year since then, the cap has allowed for a greater portion of the funds to go where they were originally intended.

For fiscal year 1996 the cap was up to more than $442 million and Coyle said by the year 2000 the cap will be lifted altogether.

Locally, Hingham's slice of the 42 million will be about $944,239 in 1997 which represents a nine percent increase over last year. In Cohasset, which will also receive a nine percent increase, the lottery aid will add up to about $287,310. Both Hingham and Cohasset's town administrators said the increased aid will be welcome.

"It's always nice to have additional state aid," said Hingham Town Administrator Charles Cristello, who hopes the figures are solid before town meeting so that the impact on the town's budget picture will be more clear."

Cohasset's Town Administrator Greg Doyon agreed.

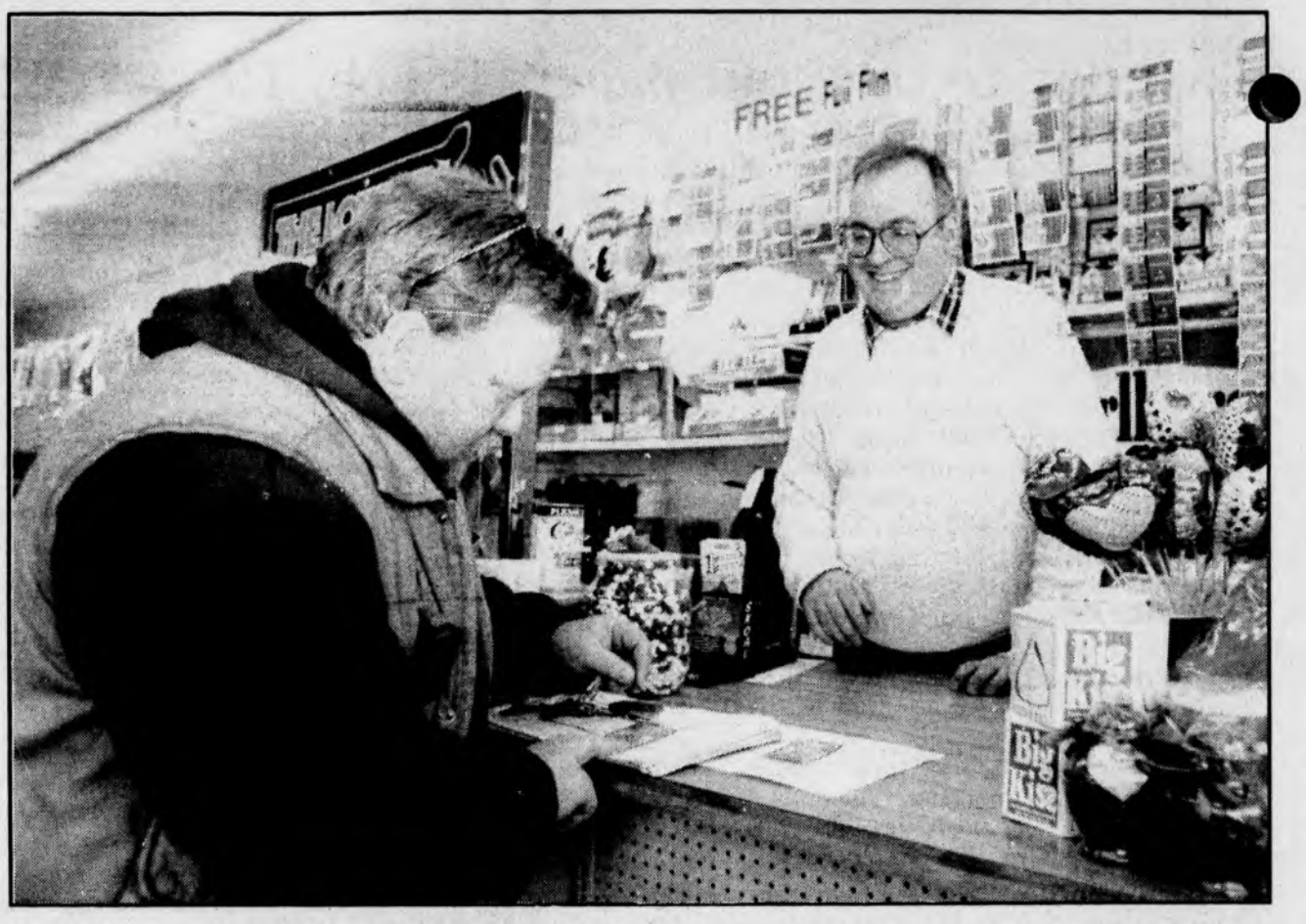
"The additional aid is welcome. I can't say it will have a dramatic impact on our budget this year, but the additional monies will help," Doyon said.

The formula for figuring how big of a slice of that lottery pie local towns receive is based on property values and population figures said Coyle, who noted the idea behind that is to give larger entitlements to less affluent communities. The amount of aid has nothing to do with a community's lottery sales figures, Coyle added.

Last year Cohasset lottery retailers brought in $1,974,900 and the town received $233,512 in state lottery aid. In Hingham, those figures were $6,192,570 and $775,158 respectively.

Josie Boles, owner of Cohasset Food Mart said her business couldn't survive without the lottery.

"Without it, trust me customers would go elsewhere," she said.



Todd Sorgman plays his scratch ticket and Don Moran waits to see if he's a winner at Cohasset News on Brook Street.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

In addition to the five percent Boles and other lottery retailers receive on sales and the one percent cut they get on redemptions, Boles said scratch and lottery tickets bring her constant business.

Customers, playing Megabucks or scratch tickets (Boles has 24 varieties), often buy a cup of coffee or something else while they're in the store.

And patrons just stopping in for a gallon of milk aren't held up because Boles is sure to have additional staff on hand to handle all customers.

"Lottery sales are very labor intensive," she said.

Owner Rick McGaughey of Hennessy News in Hingham said his store was one of the area's first lottery agents and like Boles, McGaughey said selling lottery tickets brings in business.

"No one's going to get rich on it," said McGaughey of the commission retailers receive for being an agent.

"Still, I wouldn't want not to have it," he added.

Weld's budget proposal, which also includes a $243 million increase in state education aid and a $7 million increase in water and sewer relief, is on its way to the House Ways and Means Committee for review and re-drafting where the committee is expected to finish its work on the proposed fiscal 1997 budget by the end of March.

Turkey Hill purchase near

Cohasset's share of the Turkey Hill land purchase will likely be between $100,000 and $120,000, conservation commission chairman Thomas Callahan told selectmen Monday night.

He said the 55-acre parcel will likely cost between $800,000 and $900,000 to purchase and create trails for public use.

Some 25 acres of the land are in Cohasset, the other 35 acres are located in Hingham.

That town's share will likely be close to $200,000.

The remainder of the money will come from a state grant and from the Trustees of Reservations and other private conservation groups.

Callahan also said that it is unlikely the sale will be ready for town meeting approval until the fall, but recommended selectmen leave the article on the annual town meeting warrant in case the situation changes.

In addition, conservation commissioners will seek $12,000 to conduct an open space plan which is required for state aid to purchase open space land.

The plan need not be completed while the Turkey Hill purchase is underway because Hingham already has an open space plan.

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Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite TV show: 'Home Improvement.'

Favorite movie: 'Terminator.'

Favorite book: 'Hunt for Red October,' by Tom Clancy.

Favorite junk-food: Pizza!

Most embarrassing moment: Dropping a pizza in the dining room.

Person you'd most like to meet: Ray Bourque.

Pet peeve: Clock watchers.

Regional waste request

After some discussion Monday night, selectmen agreed to support at town meeting article requesting $4,000 for the regional refuse program.

John McNabb, who represents Cohasset on the board, explained that the ten towns in the district have some grant money and additional funds to pay for a solid waste consultant who is examining the issue from a regional perspective.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said he was concerned that the project has been going on for ten years and hasn't shown any results.

McNabb said they should not stop in the middle of their work.

The other selectmen agreed to make Cohasset's expenditure contingent upon the participation of at least seven other towns.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

B-E-E Prepared all you top spellers out there!

The president of the **Cohasset Education Foundation, Rick Shea,** has announced — B-E-E Prepared for the second annual Cohasset Spelling Bee sponsored by CEF, which will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 28, in the CHS cafeteria at 7 p.m.

The spelling bee is organized in teams of three members each, composed of neighbors, alumni groups, professionals and companies. Each team pays $150 to play (tax-deductible), and CEF expects to raise more than $3,000 to support teacher training and curriculum enrichment programs.

Pizza and soft drinks will be served. Entry forms may be picked up and mailed to CEF. If you have questions, call **Pamela Speed** at 383-2572 or **Midge Stone** (383-2281).

Alexander Gaston, a freshman at the Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H., has been named to the honor roll for the fall semester. Alexander also took part in the school's campus-wide student jobs program, sang in the school chorus and ran as a member of the boys cross-country team that won a league title and placed seventh in the New England prep school championships. He is the son of **Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gaston III** of Cohasset.

We really do have a super-sleuth in this town who is always on the look-out for a good story. **Mr. Ingram** called last week to ask if we had seen the column in the Boston Globe asking if there was any way to repair an old yearbook. There had been a flood in the individual's basement and all of the pages had stuck together, ruining the entire yearbook.

The year was 1985, the owner of the yearbook lives in Washington, D.C. and the initials are "P.C." Okay, would-be detectives, I am sure we can find another yearbook if you can find P.C. in Washington, D.C. Let us know!

Boston University awarded academic degrees to 1,060 students this winter, and there were two Cohasset residents among them! Congratulations to **Richard D. Pierce,** who earned a BA in English, and **James F. Rosano Jr.,** who now holds a BA in economics.

We recently let an important day go by. Feb. 1 was **National Women and Girls in Sports Day,** founded to celebrate the girls and women who participate in sports and their contributions to athletics. On Friday, Feb. 2, this special day was celebrated in Massachusetts. Hundreds of high school athletes chosen to represent hundreds of eastern Massachusetts high schools packed Boston University's Case Center to take part in the event.

Representing Cohasset High School were seniors **Chloe Chittick** and **Tammy Maitland,** who were individually recognized and received certificates of appreciation. It is really a great thing that our successful women in sports are recognized, and we applaud them!

We all join the President of the United States, Bill Clinton, in wishing **Bob Leonard** a happy 80th birthday. Mr. Leonard and his family went to Stars for their celebration, and a great time was had by all! He really is a living legend. He played baseball for Gillette (remember the "blue blades" safety razors?) and is in the Hall of Fame museum. He's an awesome man, and we are ever-so-proud of you! We most assuredly hope your birthday was the best one yet, with many more to come.

Cohasset's own athletic director will be honored next month. **Clark Chatterton** has won the MSSADA President's Award, in recognition of the fact that his "long and dedicated service to Cohasset High School, the South Shore League and the Pilgrim Conference has not gone unnoticed." The President's Award will be presented to Clark at the awards dinner on Wednesday evening, March 20, in the Bass River Room. Congrats!

Hats off to **Thomas M. Reardon,** who was named Harvard University's new vice president for alumni affairs and development. Tom has held a number of fundraising and development positions at Harvard since 1975, and is a former political reporter for WEEI and one-time press secretary to former Gov. Francis W. Sargent.

Don't forget that applications for the 20th annual **Cohasset Road Race By-the-Sea,** sponsored by the Cohasset Rotary Club, are now available. The 10K race will take place on Sunday, March 31, at 1 p.m. in Cohasset Village. with check-in at the South Shore Community Center. The entry fee is $10, and there will be medals for winners and shirts for the first 700 runners who check in.

Anna Abbruzzese has done it again — another brainstorm! She and her Gourmet Club are going to hold a "Stone Soup Day" Feb. 21, the first day of Lent, at the South Shore Community Center. There will be two varieties of soup served, along with assorted breads and a special dessert. The cost is $5, and those attending are asked to bring a can of vegetable for the Food Pantry. Doesn't that sound wonderful? See you at noon on that appointed day!

Hats off to the **Second Congregational Church** for holding a Valentine's party last Sunday. Guests wrote letters to our soldiers in Bosnia, made cards to send to shut-ins, decorated cookies to give out through the Cohasset Food Pantry and recorded an audio tape of Valentine hits for a shut-in. Isn't all of that the true meaning of love?!

Most of us have heard of the show, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," starring Donnie Osmond. Well, Cohasset will have two stars in the Colonial Theatre production! **Elizabeth** and **David Ingber** will be in the chorus, performing four times per week. Elizabeth is in the seventh grade at CHS, and her brother is a sixth-grader at Deer Hill School.

That's it for this week. Hope to hear from you with your latest happening!

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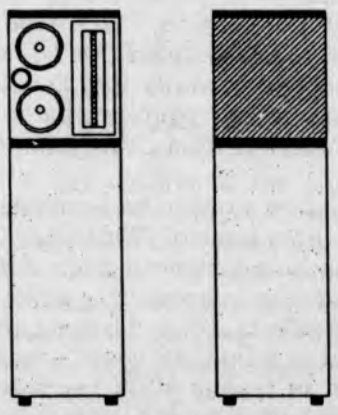

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EDITORIAL

54 percent

Where were the 54 percent of Cohasset registered voters who chose to sit Saturday's special election out?

Could it be so many — more than 2,000 citizens — didn't care or didn't have an opinion about the issue?

We'll never know.

But what is clear is that Cohasset residents — those who vote — are split on the proposal evidenced by the slim 28-vote margin.

We don't believe half the people are dead against the new school. Some who wrote letters to the editor urging a no vote agree that the Osgood School must be replaced.

Now is the time for the school committee and new school supporters to regroup and heal. They worked tirelessly and passionately for their cause and the disappointment was evidenced on their stunned faces when the tallies were read Saturday.

Over the past few weeks, some criticized the proponents as being hasty and over zealous and having disregard for people who can't afford to pay any more taxes.

And some opponents were criticized as not caring enough about our children's future.

Any good fight is bound to generate finger pointing and hard feelings on both sides.

However we can all agree, the group that fought hard for the school did so with the best of intentions.

They are taxpayers, parents, grandparents, town officials and ordinary citizens. They had a dream of a better facility for Cohasset children and no one can fault them for that.

Let's hope citizens on both sides can work together to find a solution to school overcrowding and deteriorating facilities that a majority of the taxpayers will support.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Look behind 'No' vote is needed

To the Editor:

Saturday's "No" vote was not a rejection of replacing the Osgood School by many of us.

It is not a foregone conclusion that "$3.5M has to be poured down the drain" as Committeeman Kirk has stated. At the Special Town Meeting, Sen. Hedlund expressed optimism that the state funding program would be renewed. We should lobby hard for that renewal.

I believe that many voters felt steamrollered and, as Dan Cotton said, were given a "take it or leave it package." The sudden elimination of $600,000 for sewage hook-up wasn't reassuring; it showed how everything was being rushed. I continue to believe that there is more than $1M that can be trimmed from the proposal and that it was shortsighted not to provide for air conditioning. Likewise, the disposition of the Osgood School should have been addressed as part of the package being put before the voters.

Frankly, how can the voters trust a five-year budget projection that didn't have a $13.985M school in it just one year ago? How can we believe a five-year projection that suggests that the Required Tax Levy in the fifth year will be a negative eight tenths of one percent? Annual Town Meeting has warrant articles for gymnasium and auditorium renovations, but at this late date they have no price tags. This vote was a severe repudiation of the town's lack of long-range planning and projection of capital needs.

I appreciate that the town is staffed largely by volunteers who give thousands of hours of their personal time. Nevertheless, there is great room for improvement and it revolves around long-range planning. The number of committees (38) listed in the Special Town Meeting Warrant is ridiculous and Selectmen Sullivan was suggesting another one for disposition of the Osgood School.

We need to replace the Osgood School, not put a band-aid on it. However, at JoAnne Chittick's orientation coffee, pride was being taken in the fact that we were using the same architect who did Nantucket's new school. Some of us can't relate to Nantucket, but we love Cohasset and want to be able to continue living here. Personally, my recent tax bill increased 14.8 percent and North Cohasset faces a 164 percent increase in water service charges and a $12000 to $15000 sewage system betterment charge.

I recommend the school groups reach out to clearly understand the vote. My suggestion is that the School Facilities Committee immediately do a mailing with an enclosure listing its leading alternatives in a standard format. Also attached would be a blank form in the same format so that other alternatives could be suggested. Finally, a form for general comments should be attached. The feedback information would be collated and sent to all residents in the form of a straw poll to get a sense for the most supportable alternative.

Let's understand each other's concerns and replace the Osgood School with a cost effective option.

Joseph R. McElroy
59 Windy Hill Rd.

Health board should stop CHL expansion

To the Editor:

If the idea of a towering mound of construction debris looming over 3A doesn't bother you and thoughts of landfill gases wafting on the summer breeze seem harmless if unpleasant, think again!

Construction and Demolition (C&D) landfills generate fewer toxic substances than municipal solid waste landfills, but they do generate toxins and even Mr. Barry's experts can't guarantee that these poisons won't enter our air and groundwater.

What kind of poisons have been found in other C&D landfills?

In 1991 Community and Environmental Defense Associates (CEDA) studied data from five active rubble (C&D) landfills in Maryland. Using Department of the Environment monitoring data, CEDA found carcinogenic compounds at two of the five landfills. Among the chemicals identified were benzene, carbon tetrachloride, chloroethane, dichlorodiflouromethane, 1,1-dichloroethane, ethylbenzene, 2-heptanol, hexachlorodiflouromethane, mercury, methylene chloride, methyltert-butyl-ether, tetrachloroethane, total organic halide, toluene, trichloroethane, vinyl chloride.

The human health risks associated with these chemicals included cancer, liver/kidney, skin and digestive distress, nervous system problems and lung problems.

Much of the contamination was attributed to hazardous waste being placed in the landfills. CHL's expert, Mr. Raymond Quinn, has previously testified that he had never seen a truck being stopped to verify that its load contained only non-hazardous waste. Who or what will prevent similar hazardous materials from being dumped at the expanded landfill?

Maryland is not the only place to have had problems with C&D landfills. In the January issue of "Waste Age," a September 1991 study of leachate produced from three Houston C&D landfills found that "surrounding groundwater had significant adverse effects..." Yes, the same article said the contaminants found from C&D were "usually less than half of that found in typical MSW leachate." Does that imply that less than half of a toxic substance is acceptable? How much of the leachate from an expanded landfill will make it into our groundwater, and what will prevent it from tainting Lily Pond?

The most alarming C&D story comes from Seattle. Its

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Cohasset Education Foundation marks achievements

By JIM KINCH
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Education Foundation marked the beginning of its fourth fiscal year with a look ahead and a look back. The CEF is designed to expand innovative, non-traditional sources of support for specific projects not funded within the school system budget.

In 1992, the Cohasset Parent Student Organization established a task force and provided seed funding of $500 to develop a local education foundation similar to those in more than 100 cities and towns in Massachusetts. In its first year, a board of directors was recruited, a name chosen (Cohasset Education Foundation) and a successful fundraiser was held at the Bill Cosby show at the Music Circus. The year was largely devoted to getting established as an organization. By-laws were written, non-profit status obtained, a mission statement was developed and a brochure mailed town-wide. At year's end, a grant of $10,000 was made to the CEF's first project, the computer center for the Osgood elementary school.

In 1993-4, the board was broadened and diversified with ten new board members. Committee roles were better defined to assist in fundraising efforts. At year's end the CEF was able to complete the funding for the Osgood Computer Center with a grant of $12,000.

During 1994-5 significant project goals were achieved and advanced,

- the first annual Cohasset Spelling Bee, a combined effort with the PSO, raised $2200 for the project fund;
- $10,000 grant was secured from the Cohasset Conservation Trust, which is funding a year-long Naturalist in Residence program, intended to enhance the science instruction at the middle and elementary levels by using nature trails near the schools.
- the Skillful Teacher Program designed to enhance teacher classroom skills, was supported with a CEF grant of $4000;
- and a $1,000 grant from the South Shore Playhouse was earmarked for a potter's wheel for the Deer Hill School art program.

Fiscal 1995-6 began with a successful fall reception at the South Shore Arts Center which raised nearly $10,000 for the CEF's next major project funding a new Foreign Language Resource Center for the High School. A technology committee of the CEF is working with the High School's Foreign Language Department to ensure that the equipment selected for the lab provides the best value and flexibility for the school. The CEF is seeking to raise $60,000 toward this project. Looking ahead, the second annual Cohasset Spelling Bee will be held Feb. 28, — So BE Prepared!

The CEF is also seeking corporate sponsorships to support its projects and will be working to establish an active Cohasset Alumni Development organization to encourage all alumni/alumnae to support their "Alma Mater."

The excitement the CEF generated at its inception has been validated by its steady growth. The CEF expects to continue to support excellence and innovation in the Cohasset schools.

People interested in learning more about the mission of the CEF and its activities are encouraged to call 383-2833 or to write to the Cohasset Education Foundation P.O. Box 224, Cohasset 02025, for a copy of our brochure and additional information on our programs. As a registered non-profit organization all donations to our project fund are completely tax-deductible and dedicated to enhancing the educational environment for Cohasset public school students.

CANDIDATES' CORNER

Gjesteby announces re-election bid

Selectman Martha Gjesteby has announced that she will seek a fourth term on the Cohasset Board of Selectmen.

At the present she also serves as Cohasset's representative to the Metropolitan Area Planning Council. She has represented Cohasset on the council since 1981 and also has served four years as treasurer. She also served as assistant treasurer and secretary.

Currently she is second vice president of the Massachusetts Selectman's Association, vice chairman of the Public Works Committee and a member of the executive committee of the Massachusetts Association of Cities and Towns. She is also an appointed member of the Governor's local government advisory council.

In addition, Gjesteby has been chairman of the ten-town South Shore Coalition studying such regional issues as solid waste, transportation and shared purchasing.

She is a former member of the Cohasset School Committee (two terms), Planning Board and Capital Budget Committee. While her four children were in the Cohasset public schools she served on the Jr./Sr. High Schools Communication Councils and was chair of the Council Steering Committee. She also is a former member of the health, physical education and athletic subcommittee for the school committee.

All the Gjesteby children graduated from the Cohasset schools and continued their education at New England colleges.

During Gjesteby's tenure, the selectmen have worked to create a more efficient town government. They spearheaded the drive for a new town garage to serve a combined public works department. Civilian dispatchers, trained to handle all public safety calls including the new E-911 emergency system, are now in place, making it possible to use all our fire and police department personnel more efficiently. And the secretarial pool concept is now in its beginning stages at town hall.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby

Gjesteby is committed to keeping Cohasset a safe and healthy place to live. She believes that her support for the water system renovation, the implementation of proposed sewer plans, and a favorable disposition, for the town, of the Cohasset Heights Landfill issue will go a long way towards making this goal a success.

A long-time Cohasset resident, Gjesteby has constantly demonstrated strong interest and commitment to the town. She is a member and past board member of the Community Center and the Community Garden Club. She also is a member of both the Cohasset Historic Society and Friends of Paul Pratt Library.

She is a graduate of Simmons College with a B.S. in chemistry. She lives on Old Pasture Road with her husband Arne.

The committee to elect Gjesteby, Treasurer is Douglas Peck of 63 Windy Hill Road, Cohasset.

Federico speaks at Democratic Institute

Annie Federico of Marshfield, a candidate for Democratic State Committee, was a featured speaker at the Massachusetts Democratic Campaign Institute held Jan. 26-27 in Springfield. More than 500 Democratic activists from across the state attended the Institute. Federico spoke about effective fundraising for city, ward and town committees. She pointed out Co-Op 8, the South Shore's Democratic co-operative of eight town committees, recently held a fundraiser at Barker's tavern in Scituate featuring newly elected Senate President Thomas Birmingham.

U.S. Rep. Joseph Kennedy and U.S. Senator John Kerry were keynote speakers for the Campaign Institute.

Federico's name will appear on the March 5 primary ballot. Her opponent, Karen DeTellis, is from Weymouth.

Health board should stop CHL expansion

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Midway C&D landfill has become a Superfund site that was expected to cost $30 million to close! Perhaps this is a worst-case scenario, but can Cohasset afford to allow expansion of a facility that has the potential to become a bankrupting environmental disaster?

On a more mundane note, did you know that gypsum drywall (sheetrock) can decompose anaerobically to produce toxic, foul-smelling hydrogen sulfide? I'd imagine sheetrock does find its way into most C&D landfills.

CHL's expert on landfill gases, Mr. Frederick Rice, estimated that the gas collection system would capture 70-85 percent of the gases generated by the landfill and that the burn-off flares would eliminate 99+percent of those gases. What about the 15-30 percent of uncollected gases? Do we simply breathe the remainder?

Mr. Rice admitted that there was "no way on God's earth" anyone can corroborate the 70-85 percent collection amount. He said, "Landfill gas management is not a science. It's an art." According to Mr. Rice, the success of the gas collection system depends significantly on the operator. He was very careful to say that a correctly managed system may help with the odor. Once again there are no guarantees.

The longer I listen to these hearings and the more I learn about the potential impacts, the more I feel like CHL is performing an artful dodge. Mr. Barry has the right to use his property as he chooses, but if his choice threatens the public health, the Board of Health has the right and the duty to protect our town and stop this expansion.

Ansley W. Pearce
23 Forest Notch

Red Cross thanks blood donors

To the editor:

The most recent blood shortage caused by severe New England weather led to an appeal for donations by the American Red Cross. It is a reminder to everyone how important blood donation is to the maintenance of our blood supply. We thank members of the community who responded by giving the gift of life.

Across the nation, only six percent of those eligible to participate in the volunteer blood donor program do so. However, many of us will require a blood transfusion at some time during our lives. Clearly, more people are needed to become blood donors, during the winter and all year long. Those who already participate in the blood donor program are asked to try to give as often as they are eligible (up to six times a year).

We thank the selfless heroes in the community who maintain the supply of blood by helping those who are ill. Donors do not know whose life was saved — only that somewhere a patient has been given another chance. They give their blood and their time to an important, life-saving program.

Blood is a life-saving, national resource that must be available each and every day. Blood donated today will save several lives in days to come. Most people believe a unit of blood goes to only one person. In fact, it is separated into components to help at least two, and often three or more patients in need of transfusion. Advances in medicine allow blood and blood products to be used in treating diseases of the heart, kidney, liver and bone marrow, as well as many other illnesses and accident-related traumas.

The American Red Cross invites you to carry the spirit of the holiday season into the New Year, by giving the gift that saves lives. Simply call the Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. You can play a critical part in maintaining a precious, life-saving resource for our community.

Mark Popovsky, M.D.
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Cohasset Jr./Sr. High Council meets

On the agenda of the Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School Council was the proposed budget for this year. The council feels that this budget represents a maintenance of effort. General highlights were as follows:

No new academic positions; slight increase in administration; new coaching positions (football and hockey); some equipment replacement; and computer presenter program set-up.

All departments are looking to increase technology capabilities.

Specific budget items per department were further discussed as follows: math/science department looking to build computer design centers (CAD) for pre-engineering and architecture, five stations requested this year; family and consumer science will become part of the health ed. department. They are requesting software to be used in their department in the areas of health, nutrition and fitness.

The athletic department requested new equipment (i.e. track) and replacement of equipment that is worn and unsafe. If football is expanded to three teams there will be more participants needing helmets and uniforms.

The maintenance entries were mostly problems and repairs as well as the tools necessary to do them.

The library request to add a clerical assistant is not included in the budget at this time.

The School Improvement Plan was finally approved by the school committee, but not without further discussion regarding pursuit of excellence and the expectations placed on the students.

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Air quality problems dominate landfill session

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

Air quality took center stage at the Feb. 8 Board of Health's site assignment hearing on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion to the privately-owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL).

Speaking for the Board of Health were consultants Robert Weimar and Cynthia Hibbard from the engineering firm of Camp, Dresser & McKee. Weimar is a vice-president while Hibbard is the firm's senior air quality scientist.

Weimar stated that, in being asked to determine impacts to the town from an expanded landfill, his firm had found that the use of a Materials Processing Operation (MPO) would be a considerable danger to the air quality of area residents.

Adding that MPO's by nature are continuous dust generators, Weimar noted that the number of years (5-6) which this facility is to operate is of major concern.

The proposed intake of 100 tons per day of construction and demolition debris designated for recycling, in Weimar's opinion, is not a large enough quantity to justify daily running of the MPO and he estimated this stage of an expanded landfill would only be in operation one week out of every month.

Therefore, he reasoned, the stockpiling and subsequent movement of materials awaiting recycling would have the potential to emit large amounts of dust, particularly in the summertime when winds traveling in an east-west direction would transport dust over neighboring wooded areas.

"This type of operation will cause varying conditions depending on weather by creating an opaque cloud leaving the area and causing a danger to Whitney Woods. It could impair the ability to see or smell and cover vegetation," he warned.

"The dust generated at the MPO facility will be a nuisance in the Whitney Woods area in our opinion," he concluded.

Hibbard, in echoing Weimar's observations, offered hard statistical data to back up her argument.

She said that based on Environmental Protection Agency dust emission studies, the MPO facility alone could exceed national air quality standards under certain weather conditions within a radius of the landfill.

Daily dust emission rates would be approximately 5.8 lbs. on average, though on a day in which the MPO facility was operating this figure could be as high as 28 lbs. per day. Stretched out over a year this would translate into 9.2 tons of dust being emitted into the surrounding air (the remaining landfill would generate a further 34 tons of dust) of which 3.1 tons would be breathable, Hibbard stated.

In defining how she came to her totals, Hibbard stated she was extremely careful to give the benefit of the doubt to Cohasset Heights at every possible step of her study, even to the point of estimating the reduction of 75 per cent of potential MPO dust by daily watering.

On behalf of the Consolidated 10-Citizen Groups, local anesthesiologist Dr. Charles Kelly told the board that many of the chemicals emitted by the landfill (provided from a list of 82 substances) are classified by the 1990 Clean Air Act as toxic. He selected several and described their potential effects to humans.

Under cross-examination from Cohasset Heights attorney Anton Moehrke Kelly admitted he could not accurately predict what effects these substances would produce from an expanded landfill based on the information provided in CHL's application.

Moehrke, calling Kelly's testimony "highly prejudicial and inflammatory," demanded the testimony be stricken from the evening's proceedings. Hearing Officer John Shea denied the motion.

On a housekeeping matter, Shea requested all parties leave open Saturday, March 2, as a make-up session to help return the hearings to their initial six-week schedule.

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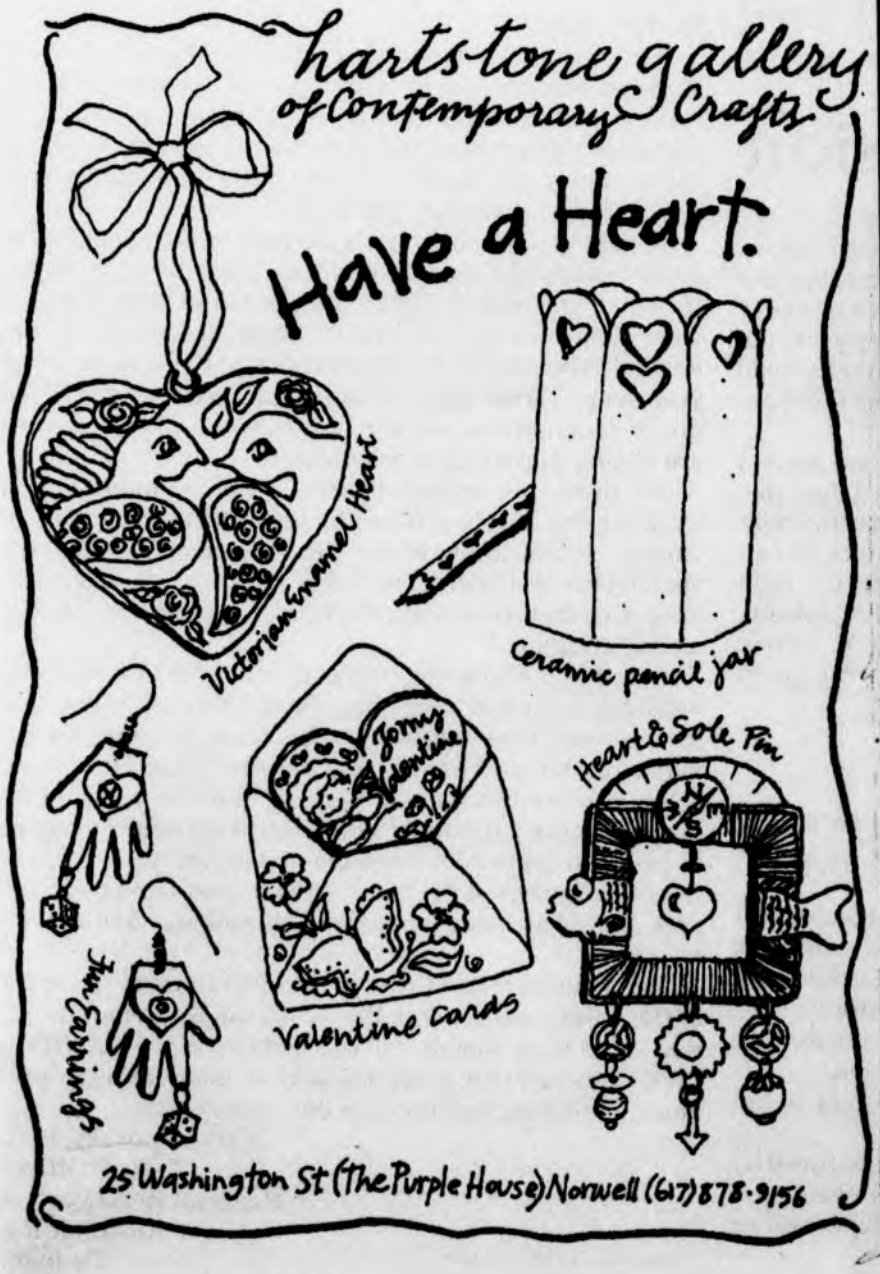

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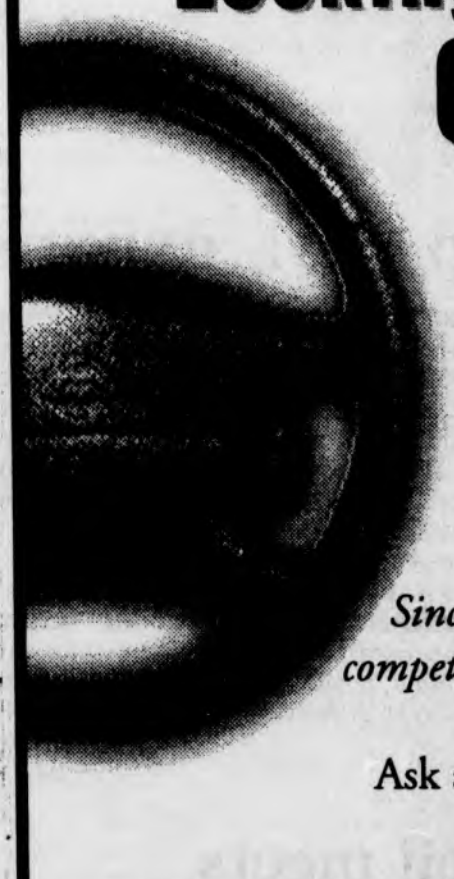

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Landfill expansion hearings set

Site assignment hearings by the Board of Health on the proposed 27.5-acre "Area V" expansion of Cohasset Heights landfill have been scheduled. Hearings are held on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at either Cohasset Town Hall or the Second Congregational Church. Meetings are as follows:

Feb. 20-22: No hearings; Feb. 27, Town Hall: Water supply protection issues; Feb. 29, Town Hall: Water supply protection issues; March 2 (place and time to be determined): Statements of individuals who on Jan. 23 requested to speak; March 5, Second Congregational: Need for facility and recycling issues; March 7, Second Congregational: Closing statements by parties.

It should be noted that the meetings are not public hearings. The only people allowed to speak are the parties, who may present evidence for the record through expert and lay witnesses. Parties who have been accepted for the hearings are: Cohasset Heights; Town of Cohasset (Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Water Commission), represented by environmental attorney Ken Kimmell; Town of Hingham (Board of Health and Conservation Commission); Trustees of Reservations and a consolidation of the Ten-Citizen Groups, represented by Kevin O'Donnell, John McNabb, Jim Kinch and David McMorris.

The Board of Health, since it is now in a quasi-judicial role, is taking no advocacy role in the proceedings. On March 2, Cohasset and Hingham residents who petitioned to participate in the hearings will be allowed to speak.

The hearings will be broadcast live on Cohasset Cable Channel 3.

SandCastles' open enrollment

SandCastles Childcare Center will hold an open enrollment, beginning Feb. 15, for summer and fall programs for infant, pre-toddler, toddler and pre-school programs. SandCastles, located at 152 King St., Route 3A, also has a nursery school program available.

Hours are weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. For further information, call Michelle Manganaro, director, at 383-9987. Space is limited.

SSCC launches capital campaign

The South Shore Community Center, which has served the community for 53 years, has launched a capital campaign, which includes a phon-a-thon during February and March. The purpose of the fundraising effort is to raise capital to help rebuild during a time of increasing financial strain.

Sue DiPesa, president of the SSCC said, "Unless we get financial support, the board will have to take drastic steps to eliminate our standing debt. It's time to rebuild and we can't do it on a foundation of old debt.

". . . We have made every effort to cut back expenses without cutting back services. We have already cut back salaries; any further cutback will involve programs."

Conway Realtors and Hingham Institution for Savings have offered their sites for the fundraising effort. Conway personnel from four South Shore offices and Wearguard telesales employees will contribute their time manning the phones, and WATD-FM Radio is donating air time for the project.

Executive Director Nina Belsan is optimistic about the campaign, while DiPesa expressed her appreciation to members who have already shown their support by being the first contributors.

Anyone wishing to make a donation or volunteer to help with the capital campaign is asked to call the Center at 383-0088.

Vermeer exhibit visited

Juliette G. Reid of Duxbury and Mrs. John Bleakie, Mrs. Edward Guild and Polly Logan of Cohasset had a private tour of 21 Vermeer paintings with Massachusetts native Arthur K. Wheelock, the National Gallery's curator of Northern Baroque, who organized the exhibit of paintings from around the world.

Wheelock said there have not been so many Vermeer paintings assembled in one place since 1696, when one family's collection of 21 of his works was auctioned off in Amsterdam. He considers Vermeer's "View of Delft" one of the great masterpieces in the history of art.

The exhibit closed Feb. 11. The only other showing will be at the Mauritshuis in the Hague from March 1 through June 2.

The four women also viewed the new exhibit of 45 Louis-Leopold Boilly paintings, including "A Game of Billards" and "Moving Day," at the National Art Gallery, which will be exhibited through April 28. Boilly is known as Napoleon's Norman Rockwell.

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Cohasset Business

Community Center launches capital campaign

The South Shore Community Center, which has served the community for 53 years, has launched a capital campaign, which includes a phon-a-thon during February and March. The purpose of the fundraising effort is to raise capital to help rebuild during a time of increasing financial strain.

Sue DiPesa, president of the SSCC said, "Unless we get financial support, the board will have to take drastic steps to eliminate our standing debt. It's time to rebuild and we can't do it on a foundation of old debt.

". . . We have made every effort to cut back expenses without cutting back services. We have already cut back salaries; any further cutback will involve programs."

Conway Realtors and Hingham Institution for Savings have offered their sites for the fund-raising effort. Conway personnel from four South Shore offices and Wearguard telesales employees will contribute their time manning the phones, and WATD-FM Radio is donating air time for the project.

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Anyone wishing to make a donation or volunteer to help with the capital campaign is asked to call the Center at 383-0088.

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Ages Health Services Inc.	0.1200	—
Avitar	0.7813	0.0625
Bank of Boston	46.5000	0.3750
Bradlees	1.7500	0.1250
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	26.2500	0.7500
Computer Identics Corp.	2.1875	0.1250
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.7500	0.2656
Copley Pharmaceutical	18.5000	-0.1250
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DVAM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.2500	-0.0625
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.3750	-0.2500
Grossman's	1.0000	—
Ground Round	3.3125	-0.1250
Haemonetics	17.0000	-0.2500
Hills Stores	8.8750	-0.2500
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.2500	0.5000
Hibernia Savings Bank	16.2500	—
International Electronics	1.9688	0.0938
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	6.8750	—
Instron Corp.	14.2500	0.1250
J Baker	4.6250	0.2500
First Years	10.2500	—
Lojack	9.5000	—
Organogenesis Inc.	14.5000	-0.8750
Peoples Savings Bank	9.2500	—
Plymouth Rubber	9.2500	—
Reebok	27.5000	-0.5000
Software Development	1.5000	-0.1250
Stop & Shop	25.0000	0.2500
AT&T	68.0000	0.5000
Talbots	30.7500	0.2500
Westerbeke	3.1250	—

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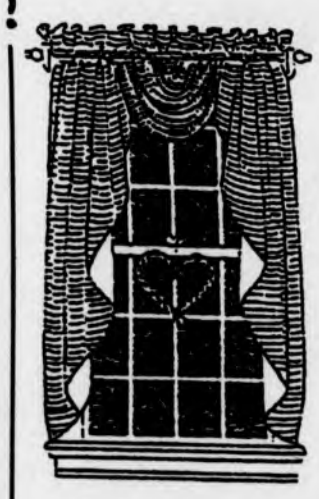

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Senior Scene

Writing class offered

"Working from Memory: Autobiographical Writing for Seniors," an 8-week series conducted by Karen Flood, will help seniors shape their unique story. No writing experience is necessary. Classes will be held Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon from March 6 to April 24 at South Shore Community Center. The cost is $50. Call the Council on Elder Affairs for further information (383-9112).

Winter programs are slated

The Council on Aging is offering a wide variety of programs and activities for seniors, including exercise classes, chi gong, and knitting. A newswriting class is also being offered.

"Phantom of the Opera" tickets are still available for the Aug. 14 matinee performance. To reserve a seat, call 383-9112.

On Feb. 20, John Hart, president of the Gulf Association, will speak on the Gulf River, and on Feb. 27, Sumner Smith will present a "Potpourri" of slides.

Volunteer tax counseling for the elderly is available by calling 383-9112 and leaving a name and telephone number.

Computer workshops are scheduled for Feb. 16 and 23. The cost is $20 per workshop.

On Feb. 21, seniors can enjoy the magic of stone soup prepared by the gourmet cooking class at noon. The cost is $5. To reserve a place, call the COA before Feb. 19.

Pets helping elders program

All Paws Rescue has joined Purina's Pets for People Program, which was created to bring pets and senior citizens together by offering adoption assistance to people 60 years of age and older. Scientific studies show that adding an animal companion to a person's life makes both healthier and happier.

For every senior who adopts a pet, the Purina Company will donate $50 to All Paws and will provide a starter set of pet food and eating bowl, together with pet care, grooming and training brochures. Individuals who adopt pets automatically become a member of All Paws Rescue and are eligible for its Veterinary Assistance Program.

For further information, call 749-0968 or write to All Paws at P.O. Box 569, Accord, MA 02018-0569.

Alzheimer group to meet

"Caring for an Alzheimer Patient at Home" will be the topic of the Wednesday, Feb. 21, meeting of the Alzheimer's Disease Support Group of the South Shore. The location of the 7:30 p.m. meeting is Thaxter Community Life Hall, 30 Thaxter St., Hingham. Representatives form Blue Hills Alzheimer Care Center in Stoughton will suggest ways to adapt an individual's home to the changing needs of Alzheimer patients to enhance their safety.

Judie Patten, director of rehabilitative services, Arlene Gallo, RN, and Cheryl Cronin Sullivan, LSW, will provide information on programs and services that enhance caregiving in the home. A question and answer period will follow the presentation.

All monthly ADSGSS are free and open to the public. Respite care for Alzheimer patients will be available at no charge at Harbor House Day Health Center, 11 Condito Road, Hingham, with supervision provided by Harbor House Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, so that caregivers may attend the support meeting. Call Gervaise Healey or Christina Reed at 749-4774 for additional information. Reservations to attend the meeting should be made by 3 p.m. Feb. 21. In the event of inclement weather, cancelation of the meeting will be announced over radio station WJDA (1300 AM).

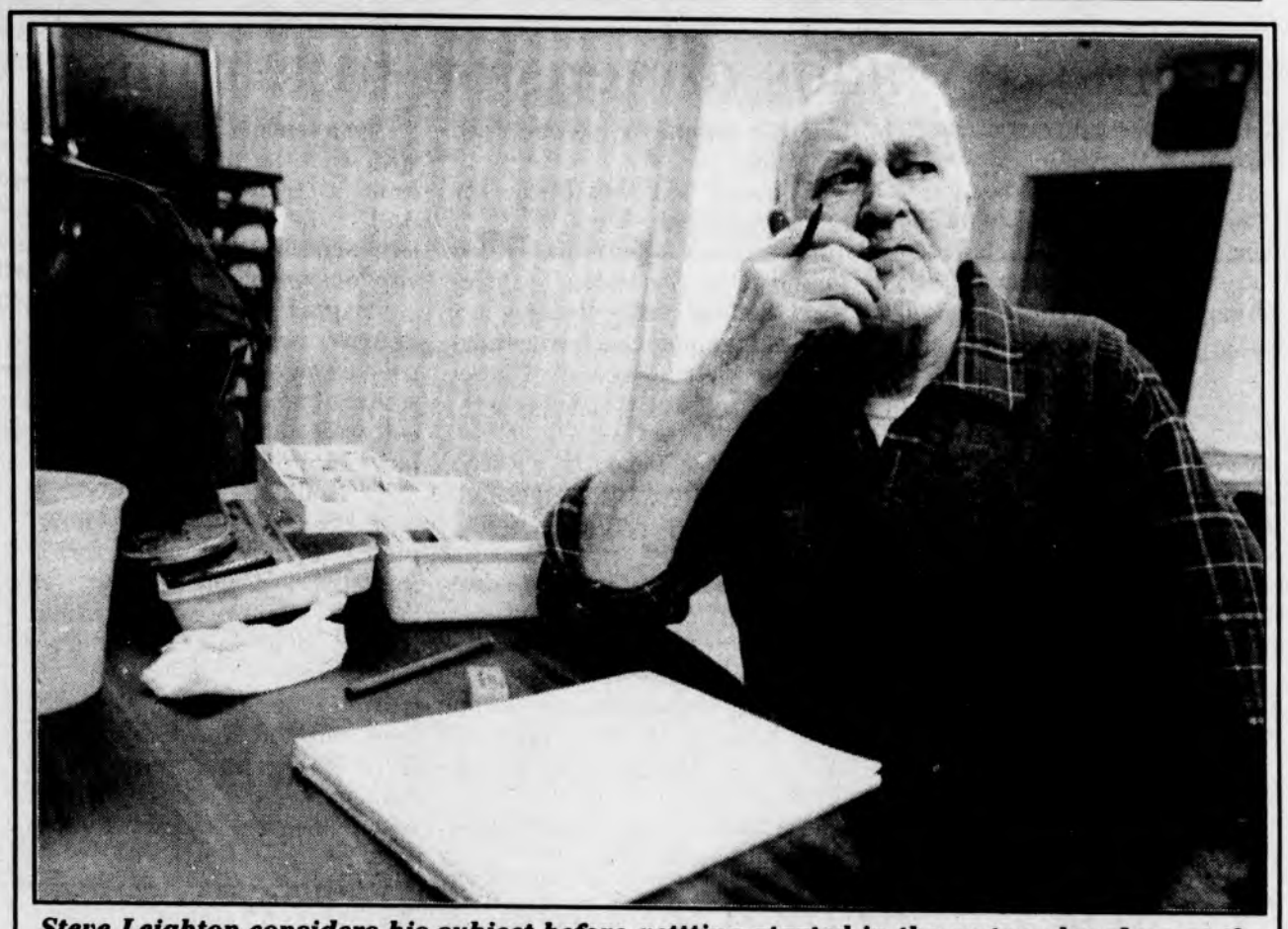
For information on local support meetings and services, call 749-5417.

AARP to meet Feb. 22

The South Shore Chapter #1139 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold a meeting on Thursday, Feb. 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the Sons of Italy Hall, Route 3A, Hingham.

District Attorney for Plymouth County Michael J. Sullivan will speak on "Elder Legal Issues," including elder abuse and financial exploitation.

Any member of the national AARP or NRTA may join a chapter and is welcome at the meeting. Refreshments will be served.



Steve Leighton considers his subject before gettting started in the watercolor class at the Senior Center.

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Class schedule at the COA

Please call 383-9112 for more information.

Monday — Step Aerobics, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. — Mary Jane.

Tuesday — Low Impact Exercise, 7:45 to 8:30 a.m. — Marian.

Crafts, 10 a.m. — Dotty Bryanton.

Easy Exercise, 11 am. — Ginny Waterman.

Lunch at noon

P.M. — Play bridge with friends on your own.

Wednesday — Step Aerobics, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. — Mary Jane.

Line Dancing, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. — Rita.

Men's Breakfast, 8:45 a.m. — Dr. Win Merrill.

Thursday — Low Impact Exercise, 7:45 to 8:30 a.m. — Mary Jane.

Candlepin Bowling, 9:30 a.m., Men and Women — Bill.

Lunch at noon.

Watercolor Class, 1:30 p.m. — Kit Bryant.

Friday — Step Aerobics, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. — Mary Jane.

Chi Kong, 9 a.m. — Janet Barr.

Knitting, 1 to 3 p.m. — Edna Finegan.

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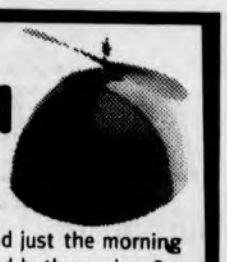

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Computers can give classes a window to the world

Technology adds dimension to learning

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

School committee members filed into a science classroom Feb. 1 to see arthroscopic knee surgery. Seventh-grade students had watched the procedure earlier that day.

The surgery was courtesy of the internet and previously performed at the Orthopedic Institute of Southern California. By clicking on a couple of computer icons, Ken Cisneros, a science teacher, was able to display the surgery on a 27-inch television screen.

The demonstration was a glimpse of how technology can be used to enhance education.

Supt. Stephen Hart said since the schools were often asking for additional computers or software in the budget it was important that committee members see the value.

Cisneros had high praise for the technology.

"It has just been unbelievable for me in the classroom," he said. "And the kids really do enjoy it."

The students have been studying the skeletal system. Carpal tunnel syndrome had been mentioned in the text, said Cisneros. As part of the lesson he showed the condition on the television. And then an operation rectifying the condition.

"It didn't last long," he said with a smile. "They didn't get sick."

Before he received the equipment that demonstration would have been impossible. And, he said, the students understood the condition much better than they would have if they just saw a picture in the textbook.

"As a teacher I'm very pleased with what the school has done in terms of technology," he said. " And the Parent Student Organization (PSO) has been very responsive to teachers."

He gave numerous examples of how the computer could be used as an educational tool. One student had questioned if a plant cell wall only covered a certain portion of the cell.

Of course, it looks that way if one looks at a one-dimensional picture. If you look at a picture in the textbook you see the wall and then all the organelles inside. It even looks that way under a microscope.

The computer, Cisneros demonstrated, shows the cell in a three-dimensional form so it becomes clear that all the organelles are encased in the cell wall.

Cisneros can also zoom in on the image on the screen and use a computer marker to underline or circle certain structures.

"Looking at things on the television is totally different than pointing to the board or a chart," he said. "The students really like it. They really do like to watch television."

Cisneros said technology's place was not only in his classroom. It can be used to enhance all subjects.

"People think of the internet as a grandiose library," he said. "That is not the function."

Students can also work on projects with other children across the globe. At the end of the year they will be involved with several information projects. For one project students gather information on whales and enter it into the computer where it joins data collected by other students.

Students can study all the pooled research on the web page — the "whale net. "

In other school committee business:

* Caitlin Connolly and Ryan Sawchuk were chosen to represent Cohasset High School at the Presidential Classroom program. Presidential Classroom is a non-profit organization that sponsors a week-long political forum where students throughout the country discuss political issues. Connolly and Sawchuk have sent out letters to various groups asking them to help defray the $845 cost.

* Hart said that the budget was up 2.8 percent from last year, but cautioned that the number does not yet include negotiated salary increases. It does include step increases. He added that in the future the budget will be driven by enrollment and state mandates. A public hearing on the budget will be held Feb. 15.

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Parents are critical and invested partners in the SSCS community and in their child's education. Through specially licensed software, parents are able to access their child's progress in all subjects on a daily basis. Parents and students can also contact teachers through e-mail, allowing for timely communication. SSCS works closely with community organizations to develop sites for internships and apprenticeships as well as to serve as valuable resources for in-school development of life and career skills.

To request an application, call 925-3078. Interested individuals should apply before March 16 to be included in the initial lottery, or attend one of the informational meetings at:

Scituate Public Library, Tuesday, Feb. 27, 7-8:45 p.m.; Rockland Chandler Church, Wednesday, Feb. 28, 6:30-8:15 p.m.; Hingham Public Library, Thursday, Feb. 29, 7-8:45 p.m.; or SSCS, Saturday, March 2, at the Primary School, 2 Samoset Ave., from 10 a.m. to noon or the Secondary School, 115 Nantasket Ave., from 1-3 p.m.

PSO nominating committee members sought

Anyone interested in serving on the committee to nominate candidates for next year's PSO executive board is asked to call Kathy Ofsthun at 383-9396.

Derby offers summer program

Registration is now open for the eighth season of "Summer Arts at Derby" at Derby Academy, Hingham. The five-week day program is open to students ages eight- to 15-years old and is staffed by professional artists and teachers. The program has attracted artists from Massachusetts, California, Washington, D.C., New York and Virginia.

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The program runs from June 24 through July 26, and the hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Tuition for the five weeks is $995. Enrollment is limited. For brochures and applications or information about financial aid, contact Thalia McMillion, director, Summer Arts at Derby, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham 02043 or call 740-4766.

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Contaminated harbor silt less than expected

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As Cohasset awaits passage of a federal navigation act that will allow badly needed dredging to take place, there is good news from engineers on the condition of silt material that will be removed within the town and state portions of the harbor.

In a November report from the Army Corps of Engineers, Cohasset was notified of several "hot spots" of heavy metals throughout silt material within town portion of Cohasset Harbor — material that would not likely be suitable for ocean dumping.

According to Selectman Peter Pratt, this report concerned local officials for several reasons. Inland landfill disposal for dredged materials can cost up to nine times more than ocean dumping and Pratt said these disposal costs alone would have exhausted town appropriated funds for the project.

But more recent report showed that a smaller area — about 1,200 cubic yards near Lawrence Wharf between the upper cove and the Chart House was contaminated with mercury. Pratt said how the mercury got there is "a substantial mystery."

At about $100 per cubic yard for inland landfill disposal, Pratt said the cost should run about $120,000. The entire town and state portion should come in under the combined appropriation of $400,000 Pratt said.

The lion's share of the dredging work, more than $1.2 million, will go on the federal government's tab as the area of federal jurisdiction makes up between 65,000 and 90,000 cubic yards, Pratt said.

Funding for federal work hinges on redefining the area of federal jurisdiction which must be accomplished through an Act of Congress.

Pratt spent the better part of the summer working with local and federal legislators to get the process moving and giant strides were made during the summer as senators Edward Kennedy and John Kerry filed legislation on redefining the federal lines of navigation.

Congressman Gerry Studds, a Cohasset native, filed the same bill in the house. Pratt said the Cohasset legislation, which was attached to the Coast Guard Authorization Bill, passed in the senate and is awaiting conference committee to bring it to the House floor for a vote.

While Pratt said he is concerned about the delay in this process, he is encouraged by "bipartisan" support in the House for the bill. In addition to Studds, Pratt said U.S. Rep. Peter Blute a Republican, representing the 3rd Congressional District, also supports the bill.

Pratt believes the bill will pass and as soon as it does, the Army Corps of Engineers will be able to step up the permitting process.

Assuming the act passes this spring, the Army Corps looks to do the dredging in the fall of 1997 but Pratt is more ambitious.

"I'd like to see it dredged in the fall of 1996," he said.

According to Pratt, there is a sense of urgency among Cohasset's commercial fisherman, who have increasing difficulty getting through the federal channel during low tide. Off shore winter nor'easters have made the situation considerably worse, he said.

Also eager for the passage of the Cohasset Navigation Act is the Cohasset Yacht Club which awaits permission to re-configure its slips and add up to 82 mooring spaces for this boating season.

Pratt said additional slips will help to reduce the town's lengthy mooring waiting list and increase revenues for future harbor dredging projects.

Pratt noted that most of the town's dredging funds have come through mooring fees and said he believes that over time the harbor and all of its agencies and departments should be self-supporting.

Diversity committee has successful year

By KATHLEEN OFSTHUN
Special to the Mariner

In its first year, the Cohasset Diversity Committee has accomplished many things, from the establishment of a mission statement to sponsorship and execution of a variety of programs. Broadly, the committee seeks to promote respect for all individuals as well as the purposeful inclusion of diversity in our lives. Many of the activities have focused on the schools, since they are an appropriate and accessible arena. The community at large is the targeted audience.

In 1995, these successful activities were sponsored by the group:

- spring fundraiser at the South Shore Art Center featuring foods from many countries. (This event funded the following activities);
- two Harborfest acts: Chinese dancers and Spanish dancers with a guitarist'
- fall 1995 teacher seminar through "World of Difference," which was attended by 13 Cohasset teachers and administrators;
- personal Holocaust testimony from Ester Gens for Cohasset High School juniors;
- participation in grade-school book fairs and donation of materials for the Deer Hill library;
- ongoing participation in school curriculum meetings;
- ongoing collaboration with the Parent School Organization and the Cohasset Education Foundation;
- ongoing sale of "Diversity Enlightens" T-shirts.

Upcoming events include publishing an international cookbook, sponsorship of a puppet show for pre-schoolers and their parents, funding a week-long intense study of Japanese culture for Deer Hill students with dance Nikki Hu, providing funds for the Art of Black Dance and Music at the high school and repeating successful events like Harborfest and the Holocaust presentation.

Anyone who would like to become involved with the Cohasset Diversity Committee, specifically work on any of the projects mentioned or who would like to attend the group's next meeting on Feb. 26 at 7:30 p.m., is asked to call Susan Etkind (383-6602) or Nancy Herlin (383-1463).

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School vacation week is in March this year

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that (the school committee) made a change in the school year calendar without taking into consideration the input of parents, teachers and students."

She added that she considered it a victory that the school committee took the concerns of the community to heart and made the switch back.

Ryan Sawchuk, student council representative to the committee who was also involved in the protest, said the decision should not have been made in the first place. But if the decision was made to improve education, he said, the committee should have stuck with it for a couple of years to see if there was a positive change.

At the May 30 meeting the school committee agreed to take the issue under advisement. The committee had done an informal survey in the town and found that there was support for a one-vacation model.

At the time, Cohasset's Parent Teacher Organization said parents approved the change by a 2-to-1 margin.

On the other hand, teachers were largely in favor of the two-vacation model. Hart said that many teachers had children attending school in a different town.

To get a better feeling of parents' stance on the issue the school committee sent out 774 vacation surveys in June of last year. Parents were asked to check which vacation system they preferred and whether or not switching the planned March vacation back for 1996 would be an inconvenience.

Of the 442 surveys returned, 63 percent favored the two-vacation model and 36 percent the March model, some had no preference. The same survey showed that many people would have been inconvenienced by switching back for 1996.

The committee looked to make a change in the first place to improve educational continuity. One of the committees' arguments was that under the two-vacation system students had less uninterrupted learning. At the meeting in May, Ralph Kidder, school committee chairman, said that only 13 of the 36 weeks in the school year contained five school days.

He recently stated that the number of school days in a year, 180, remains the same under both vacation models. However, he added, the committee was trying to maximize the time they were given.

The major argument of the students was that Cohasset would be isolated. The surrounding communities still went by the traditional schedule which would cause problems in the programming of certain sports events and The Globe Drama Festival.

Additionally, trips to Belize and France are scheduled during the traditional time frame. This year the students going on those trips will have to make-up one or two weeks of work.

The committee had been discussing the switch years before they implemented it. At the time, members state, the trend across the state was towards the one-vacation system.

A survey had been sent out to the 351 communities in the Commonwealth and a number of them had changed, were seriously considering the change, or were studying a change of the vacation model. As it turns out, the groundswell towards the March vacation schedule abruptly dissipated.

Paul Previte and Michael Grimm excavate a snow fort on a "snow day" off from school early last month. Unlike their counterparts in other towns, Cohasset students will be in school next week because school officials opted for a single winter vacation in March this year (see related story). Next year, the school schedule returns to the traditional weeks in February and April.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

The one-vacation system is popular outside of New England.

This past November, Cohasset officials appealed to the state to perhaps support a regional change. However, the state did not want to get involved.

Kidder said that the committee stands by its decision that the one-week system made more educational sense, but said the divisiveness of the issue outweighed the benefits.

Santoro said that if other communities were pursuing the March vacation and if students' input was taken into account before the decision was made, than a one-week vacation was fine.

The issue, she stressed, was not the decision itself, but the way it was made.

Sawchuk agreed.

"A lot of students felt they hadn't been heard on the issue," he said.

Kidder said the students were right.

"We (committee members) are fallible," he said. "We should have involved the students more."

He did add that representatives from the student body sit on the school committee and attend the meetings.

The vacation issue will resurface, Kidder said, but perhaps for a different reason. The state Board of Education is looking at extending the school day or the school year which will bring up a host of questions on where vacations will fall.

Kidder said that student input would certainly be solicited.

"Having two vacations is a luxury whose time has past," he added.

School News

Spelling bee fundraiser set

The second annual Cohasset Spelling Bee Fundraiser will be held in the Cohasset High School cafeteria on Wednesday, Feb. 28, from 7 to 9 p.m. Curt Collins, Cohasset High School's principal, will be the moderator for the event.

The format will be round robin single elimination style, with each team having a chance during each round until the field is narrowed to a grand prize winner. Teams will consist of three members, with team sponsorship set at $150. All proceeds will benefit the project funds of the Cohasset Education Foundation, which is sponsoring the event. All contributions and fees are tax deductible.

The competition is limited to adult team members, since students will have their own spelling competition in the spring. Refreshments will be provided by local business sponsors.

Computer night is slated

The Cohasset P.T.O. will present a computer night for parents Thursday, Feb. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Computer teachers Bob Knurek and Marge Murphy will discuss how computers are being integrated into Osgood, Deer Hill, junior and senior high school curriculum. A present comparison of our system to other towns will be made. Changes and goals for computer education in the future will also be addressed.

Information on how to include computer hardware as well as recommended software programs for each grade level will be provided.

Potential access problems on the Internet will also be addressed.

The evening will conclude with a question and answer period.

Geography bee winners named

Susan Buhr of Hingham won the school-level competition of the National Geography Bee held at Derby Academy. This brings her a step closer to winning the $25,000 college scholarship offered to the first-place national winner. Buhr is an eighth-grade student at Derby.

Runners-up included Geoffrey McWilliams and Wiley Wakeman of Cohasset and Patrick Lenehan of Hingham.

Students answered oral questions on geography in the first round of the geography bee, which is sponsored by National Geographic WORLD, the society's magazine for children, and AMTRAK. Buhr will now take a written test, with up to 100 of the top scorers in each state and territory eligible to compete in their state bee.

This year's geography bee involves students in the fourth through eighth grades in more than 45,000 schools across the United States, the District of Columbia and five U.S. territories, as well as Department of Defense schools around the world.

'Golden Year' at Osgood

The Joseph Osgood School is hoping to make 1996 a "Golden Year." Students and teachers are thinking about how they would like to be treated so that they can treat others in the same caring way.

Marian Atkinson's third-grade class members have demonstrated their "golden thinking" and generous natures by contributing $335 to the Clougherty Family Fund to honor and support their classmate Leo Clougherty.

Pilgrim Arena offers scholarships

Applications for 15 $1,500 scholarships are available starting Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Drive, Hingham.

This is the 23rd consecutive year that the Pilgrim Skating Arena is awarding college scholarships to area high school seniors planning to further their education. Interested seniors must pick up and sign for the application in person at the arena pro shop. Completed applications must be returned by Saturday, March 23.

Applicants will be judged by members of the scholarship committee of the board of directors at Pilgrim Arena. For more information call Hoby Taylor at 749-6660.

Mariner Sports

Bishop, Hardwick key hoopsters

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Hull Pirates came to town Friday night in an attempt to topple the Skippers. However, it was not to be, as the Skippers dominated their neighboring rivals, crushing them by a score of 66-40. Led by Ryan Bishop and Jared Hardwick, who each tossed in 19 points, Ron Ford's team got excellent efforts from everyone.

Burke Davis, Paul-Michael Quintin, Matt Belson, Brian Kilroy and J.L. Williams started the game for the Skippers. Belson played what may have been his best game of the season, grabbing several rebounds, playing feisty defense and heady offense. Despite strong defensive efforts from the starters, the Skippers just couldn't get their shots to fall in the beginning, having several roll around the rim and out.

Justin McNamara, a sophomore guard, came in and provided the spark the Skippers needed, with great passing and even better defense. Quinine finally broke the ice by nailing a jump shot six minutes into the game, making it 10-2, in favor of the Pirates. Hardwick hit a free throw and tossed a lob to Bishop on an inbound. Bishop put it in for a pair, Hardwick and Williams each knocked down threes and Fred Howard popped a jumper from 15 feet.

Kilroy used his long arms to come up with a big block, which set up a long three pointer swished by Quintin. Hardwick jockeyed his way through traffic in the paint for a fierce slam dunk that brought the Skipper fans and bench to their feet. Quintin then pulled off a nearly impossible play, one which, according to all sources, has never before happened in Cohasset basketball history. He swished a trey, nothing out of the ordinary for the sophomore guard, and got fouled, still nothing exotic. His ensuing free throw made it a four point play, extraordinary but not spectacular. Then, he received another free throw, which he also sank, completing a five-point play. Hardwick's free throw made it 26-16 and sent the Skippers into the lockerroom on a 26-6 run.

Bishop began the second half with a nifty turnaround move and followed up with a lefty hook. Davis found Bishop underneath for two more, making it 32-16. Hardwick iced two free throws, then reeled off four points in a row, two off a jumper and one when Bishop hit the senior forward with a great pass for a pair. Bish hit another turnaround, this one bringing the Skippers up to 40 points, 21 ahead of Hull. Williams nailed a three-pointer, and Bishop stuck a fade away jump shot.

Hardwick hit two more from the charity stripe and Bishop, who scored 17 of his 19 points in the second half, took a pass from Williams to the rack for another bucket. Hardwick found Davis for a lay-up and Bishop's block on defense set up the big guy for a free throw at the other end. A head-fake and nice low-post move netted Bishop his 18th and 19th points of the night. Hardwick broke free and, when he reached half-court, drew shouts of excitement from the crowd, then threw down a tomahawk slam dunk.

Kilroy's two free throws and a layup by Howard after Lutz Grunwald skied for a rebound capped a 62-17 Skipper run. Grunwald took a charge on the defensive end for Cohasset and Kilroy swished two more free throws. Grant Emde threw a shot fake that deked a Hull defender out of the gym, while Emde streaked by for a layup. Emde's layup ended Cohasset's scoring barrage, and the final score ended up 66-40.

The Skippers hosted the Carver Crusaders, who handed them one of their three league losses in their last meeting, Wednesday and results will appear in next week's Mariner.

Nate pins down a milestone

Caldwell clinches wrestlers' highest place ever in sectionals

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

As two solid days of wrestling in last week's Division 3 South Sectional meet was coming to a close, the Cohasset High wrestling team was still in the midst of a fierce battle.

Enter Nate Caldwell.

The Skippers' heavyweight pinned his opponent to win the division and pulled Cohasset back into third-place tie with Dedham as a result.

Both teams finished with 159 points. Foxboro won the meet and Carver placed second.

Cohasset's overall finish was certainly noteworthy. After finishing fifth in seven of the past nine sectional meets, the Skippers' third-place showing marked their highest finish ever in the event.

The Skippers were also the second-smallest school in the meet, enrollment-wise, to Holbrook.

Cohasset will advance a staggering 11 wrestlers to this weekend's All-State meet at Wayland High, the most to qualify for the prestigious competition since 1988. The Skippers will be hoping to continue the four-year streak of finishing in the top 10.

"Hopefully with eleven guys we can keep the string going," said head coach Torin Sweeney. "Obviously, the more kids you have wrestling, the better shot you have in scoring more points."

Sweeney is one coach who knows the value of having a lot of wrestlers. Earlier in the week Sweeney reached a milestone with his 100th win in Cohasset's victory over Holbrook. Sweeney, though, was quick to credit the wrestlers he has coached over the last 13 years for making it possible.

"Sure it's 100 wins for me, but it's the kids that do all the wrestling," Sweeney said. "I owe the credit to them."

Caldwell, though, was another one of his wrestlers to come through.

Cohasset was dead even with Dedham, heading into the final three matches. The

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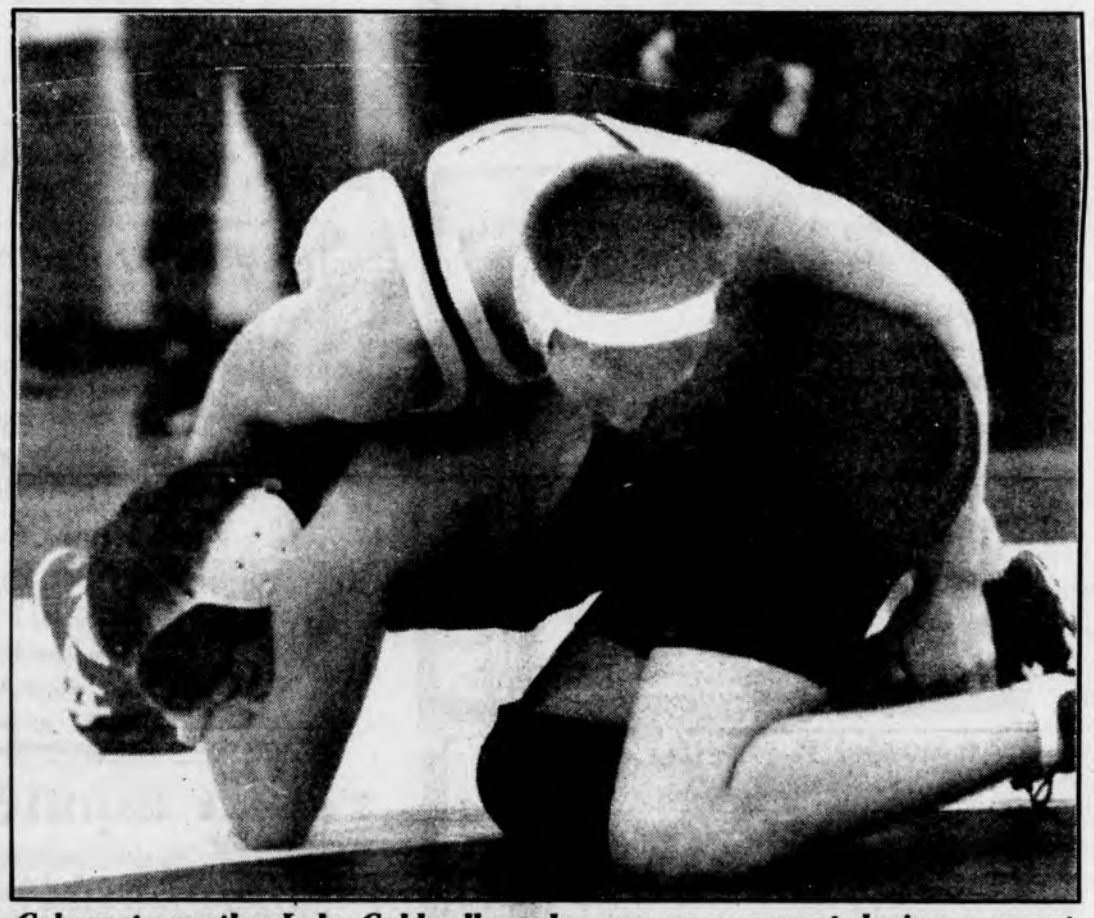

Cohasset wrestler Luke Caldwell works over an opponent during a recent match. The freshman will compete in this weekend's All-State meet in Wayland after taking fourth in the 160-pound division of last week's Division 3 South Sectional championships.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Cohasset youth baseball signups

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association will be holding signups Saturday, Feb. 17, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Deerhill School and the high school for the farm league (ages 5, 6 and 7), 8-year-old minor league, minor league (9, 10 and 11), major league, 13-year-old pony league, and 14- and 15-year-old senior little league. The next sign up will be March 2. Call Mark DeGiacomo (6413) or Bob Moody (0385).

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Cohasset Youth Baseball Association is pleased to announce its 1996 board of directors: President Bob Moody, Vice President Jon Caron, Treasurer Ernie Grassey, Secretary Linda Bolster, Player Agent Mark DeGiacomo, Director of Farm League Kevin Lewis, Director of Minor League Andy Krueger, Director of Major League Bob Morgan and Director of Umpiring John Carr.

The board is looking forward to an exciting year which will include the reinstatement of American Legion Baseball for the 15 to 19 year old players. Players will be selected from the towns of Cohasset, Scituate and Hull.

The board members would like to thank the George H. Mealy American Legion Post 118 for making American Legion Baseball a reality. Anyone interested in either helping on the board, subcommittees, coaching, umpiring for the upcoming season or needing information on American Legion Baseball should call Bob Moody (0385).

Gymnasts cop slew of awards in SSL meet

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset High's gymnastics team came away from Friday's South Shore League meet with enough hardware to open its own business.

The Skippers, who marched out in the procession sporting their new SSL champion T-shirts, won a combined 10 medals, had one league champion, three All-Stars and coach of the year.

Tara Hettstrom won the league championship with her sparkling 8.35 on the floor routine. Hettstrom, along with Jodi Colwill and Erica Hettstrom, were picked as league All-Stars on the floor exercise, vault and balance beam, respectively. Erica Hettstrom wound up with the highest league average on the beam with her 8.46.

Erica Hettstrom, though, was unable to compete in the meet and is questionable for this weekend's South Sectional competition. She sustained possible torn liga-

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Gymnasts cop slew of awards

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ments in her knee after an accidental kick while playing soccer in co-ed gym class caught her square.

"My heart goes out to the kid," head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni said.

Erica Hettstrom won the all-around title as a freshman, but hasn't been able to compete the last two years. Last year she had a case of mononucleosis which shelved her from the competition.

Colwill finished third in the all-around this year with a score of 31.1. She had outstanding scores of 8.1 (vault), 8.4 (beam), 7.2 (bars) and 7.4 (floor) to grab the third-place slot.

In the individual events, Tara Hettstrom also took third on the bars (7.3) and Megan Pratt was right on her heels in fourth (7.25).

Ardizzoni called the team's performance on the beam "unbelievable" as four Cohasset gymnasts garnered medals. Pratt was second (8.05), followed by Captain Tafana Fiore in fourth (8.0), Kristen Reynolds' fifth (7.95) and Lauren Genovese in sixth (7.85).

Reynolds got fifth on the vault (7.9) while Pratt was sixth on the floor exercise (7.85). Carolyn Pratt also had a strong meet with solid showings on both the vault and floor exercise.

Ardizzoni said she fully expected Hanover coach Dan Hannigan to win the coach of the year award because of the improvement the Indians made in their scores as the season continued. Ardizzoni previously won the honor during the '92-93 season.

"I was really surprised," she said. "I usually don't get voted for those things so I was very shocked that I did get it."

Caldwell clinches highest place

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Marauders put the pressure squarely on Caldwell's shoulders when they swept all three matches.

A win by Caldwell would simply not be good enough. He had to pin his opponent to draw the Skippers back alongside Dedham.

Caldwell battled for two full periods and held a 7-6 lead before he finally flipped his opponent on his back and forced a pin victory.

"It was real exciting because there was a lot on the line," Sweeney said. "The kids knew we had never been better than fifth so they were going in trying for as many pins as they could

"I was certainly pleased and I'm sure they were pleased too. They were exhausted at the end but happy with what they accomplished."

Although Caldwell was the lone sectional champion, several other grapplers medaled.

Justin Buckley finished second at 171 pounds and freshman Mike Baird wrestled to a third-place finish in the 112-pound category. Kevin Duffy, who placed fifth in the All-State meet last year, took third at 135 pounds and freshman Luke Caldwell was fourth at 160.

Freshmen Jordan Fiore (130) and Mike Rossi (145) both copped sixth in their respective divisions. Doug Sherrin, who was originally going to the states as an alternate based on his seventh-place finish at 140, will wrestle because of an injury to a Holbrook grappler.

The other alternates include senior Captain John Whitehouse (152), freshman Ben Littauer (119) and freshman Adam Sasso (189).

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Police Log

Friday, Feb. 2

5:18 p.m., disturbance (general), Elm St., departmental action.

7:12 p.m., medical, Chruch St., removed to hospital.

8:59 p.m., fire alarm, Church St., accidendefective alarm.

10:36 p.m., operating under the influ., Beechwood St. by ball field, Ptl Quigley in with 16-year-old Hull female juvenile arrested for OUI (liquor), unlicensed operation, and stop sign violation.

12:00 a.m., Light snow, 25

Saturday, Feb. 3

1:58 a.m., drug law violations, Beechwood St.

2:30 a.m., Sgt. Cogill in with Eric Kolker, DOB: 6/4/70, 551 Beechwood St., Cohasset for violation of Ch. 90 S C, 2 counts A&B P.O.

5:01 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Short St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:03 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Way by Knoll driveway, investigated.

8:00 a.m., Snowy, 20

9:02 a.m., emergency services, Elm St., services rendered.

9:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., services rendered.

12:18 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

12:53 p.m., officer field investigation, Stockbridge Rd., false call.

2:26 p.m., medical, Elm Ct., removed to hospital.

2:40 p.m., arrest, The Square, Ptl. Lennon in with Claudia M. Gockel, DOB: 2/9/51, 78 Elm St., arrested on default warrants.

4:00 p.m, Cloudy, 20

7:23 p.m, medical, Atlantic Ave., removed to hospital.

7:51 p.m., disturbance (general), Pleasant St., peace restored.

8:06 p.m., escort, Pond St., to S. Main St., returned to home or family.

9:17 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

9:43 p.m., escort, Curtis Liquor, services rendered.

11:27 p.m., escort, CJC Way by Mary Lou's to Scituate line, services rendered.

Sunday, Feb.4

12:11 a.m., medical, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

3:53 a.m., building check, Lamberts Lane, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Snowy, 1 degree

8:18 a.m., officer field investigation, Lantern Ln., false call.

11:59 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

1:28 a.m., fire alarm, Town Hall, services rendered.

2:13 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. by Grace Dr., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 17

4:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way @ Stop & Shop, vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

5:43 p.m., medical, High School, removed to hospital.

7:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:32 p.m., general services, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

9:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave./Black Rock Rd., verbal warning.

9:18 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:29 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./West Corner, verbal warning.

9:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Grace Dr., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:01 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Pond St., verbal warning.

10:58 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Summer St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 13 degrees

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Monday, Feb. 5

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 3

9:22 a.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

9:26 a.m., vandalism, Cohasset High School, investigated.

11:44 a.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop lot, services rendered.

12:54 p.m., medical, Elm St., referred to other agency.

2:39 p.m., fire alarm, Beechwood St., services rendered.

3:36 p.m, assist citizen, Brook St., services rendered.

3:47 p.m., Elm St.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 20

5:45 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

6:51 p.m., escort, CJC Way, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear cold, 18

Tuesday, Feb. 6

6:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main/Summer St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Sunny cold, 17

9:39 a.m., officer field investigation, Stop & Shop, false call.

12:46 p.m., suspicious activity, Town Sq., departmental action.

2:01 p.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop Lot, no police service necessary.

3:26 p.m., animal complaint, Church St., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 18

5:23 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

10:31 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., referred to other agency.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 14

Wednesday, Feb. 7

12:44 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Cushing Plaza, departmental action.

4:26 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 18

8:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:01 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., services rendered.

10:16 a.m., fire alarm, Beechwood St., services rendered.

2:11 p.m., general services, CJC Way, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 25

5:01 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Rocky Lane, referred to other agency.

5:29 p.m., forgery & counterfeiting, Hull St., referred to other agency.

5:56 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St.

6:08 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

6:18 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

6:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main, verbal warning.

7:00 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, verbal warning.

9:21 p.m., assist citizen, returned to home or family.

Police nab suspected Beechwood burglar

Thanks to cooperation among police in Cohasset, Scituate, Pembroke, and Watertown, a suspect in two recent house breaks last month on Beechwood Avenue has been apprehended, Det. Rick Grassie said, and about $1,500 worth of the stolen electronic equipment was recovered.

Cohasset police charged Chad Gorman, 17, with two counts of breaking and entering in the daytime. Gorman plead not guilty when he was arraigned on those charges and additional charges in connection with a series of recent house breaks in Pembroke Friday (Feb. 9) in Plymouth District Court. Gorman is being held on $1,000 bail, Grassie said.

Police explained that the resident, who lives in one of the homes that were broken into on Beechwood Street, was able to describe the suspect whom she had seen in the vicinity on the day of the break-in and on two subsequent occasions.

Grassie said he received a tip on what the suspect's first name was and with that information contacted Scituate Officer Michael Stewart who came up with the last name of the suspect who was known to Scituate police on an unrelated matter. Grassie put the name through the Bureau of Criminal Investigation which provided a picture. He learned Pembroke police were looking for the same alleged thief in connection with break-ins in that town. Gorman, who lives in Watertown, was arrested by Watertown police on Pembroke and Cohasset warrants Thursday (Feb. 8), Grassie said.

"Through luck and hard work, we were able to put it all together," Grassie said.

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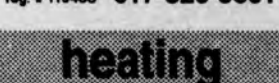

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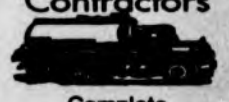

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Folksinger and songwriter David Crossland will be featured at the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at St. Stephen's Church in Cohasset on Feb. 20. Shrove Tuesday is the last day before the start of Lent, with pancakes the traditional fare.

Pancakes and sausage will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the concert.

The supper is another in a continuing series of events celebrating the centennial of Saint Stephen's Church, which was founded in 1896 by 21 people who met in the old Central School house atop Bourne Rock, where the church now stands.

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The play tells of a man happily married to his second wife, who is suddenly confronted by the ghost of his first wife. The ghost calmly announces that she intends to live with the couple indefinitely, resulting in a series of hilarious events.

The cast includes Sharon Evans of Hingham and Holly Harris of Cohasset.

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Concert at CHS, Feb. 16

On Friday, Feb. 16, Force Productions will present music by J-Bass, Fun in the Kitchen, Drain, Stick Figure Stanley, Blind, Industrial Dance from Boston and Pugg at Cohasset High School Auditorium. Admission is $5.

For further information, call 824-7680.

Women's health is topic

Women of Cohasset and Hingham are invited to attend a Homemaking meeting at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 379 Gardner St., Hingham, on Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7 p.m. Susan Lee of Duxbury, a registered nurse, will speak about women's health issues. She is enrolled in the UMass family nurse practitioner program.

Hingham resident Carolyn Nielsen will demonstrate basic breadmaking. For more information, call Polly Doggett at 383-1847.

Church to hold potluck suppers

The Beechwood Congregational Church will host potluck suppers during the next several months. Following each supper, a segment of the "Life on the Edge" video series by Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family will be presented.

The series offers a powerful presentation that equips teens and those who associate with them with the necessary skills for successfully dealing with the challenges of adulthood.

The suppers will begin at 6 p.m. in Merritt Hall at the church, followed by a video showing at 7 p.m.

The following programs will be offered:

Feb. 15—"Finding God's Will for Your Life"; March 21—"The Myth of Safe Sex"; April 18—"Love Must Be Tough"; May 16—"The Keys to a Lifelong Love"; June 20—"Emotions: Can You Trust Them?"; July 18—"When God Doesn't Make Sense"; Aug. 15—"Pornography: Addictive, Progressive and Deadly."

For further information, call Steve at 545-6162.

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Hagerty land may be sold

Project requires town meeting approval to proceed

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen voted to accept the recommendation of the Hagerty Property Study Committee, and sell the former furniture showroom if the property will fetch at least $200,000.

They voted four to one, with Michael Sullivan dissenting.

The matter now goes to town meeting, where voters will be asked to allow the selectmen to sell the former Cohasset Colonials Furniture site.

The board was not persuaded by an eleventh hour bid by a local oceanographer who wants to convert the property to a marine biology laboratory.

Kevin Ulmer told the selectmen Tuesday that with an option to lease the property for $1 per year, he would be able to submit grant applications to finance the teaching and research project.

Ulmer said one foundation has suggested that he resubmit an application for funds later this spring, if he has a commitment from the town to allow this use of the property.

Although the town would not receive rental income, he would undertake improvements to the property, Ulmer said. The Hagerty property's location near the harbor would allow fresh sea water to be pumped into aquaria to sustain various projects that would involve local school children, at all grade levels.

It is possible that at some future point, a formal lease agreement could be reached, he added.

But Selectman Jane Goedecke said she had not seen a commitment by the school department to integrate the lobster lab into the school science

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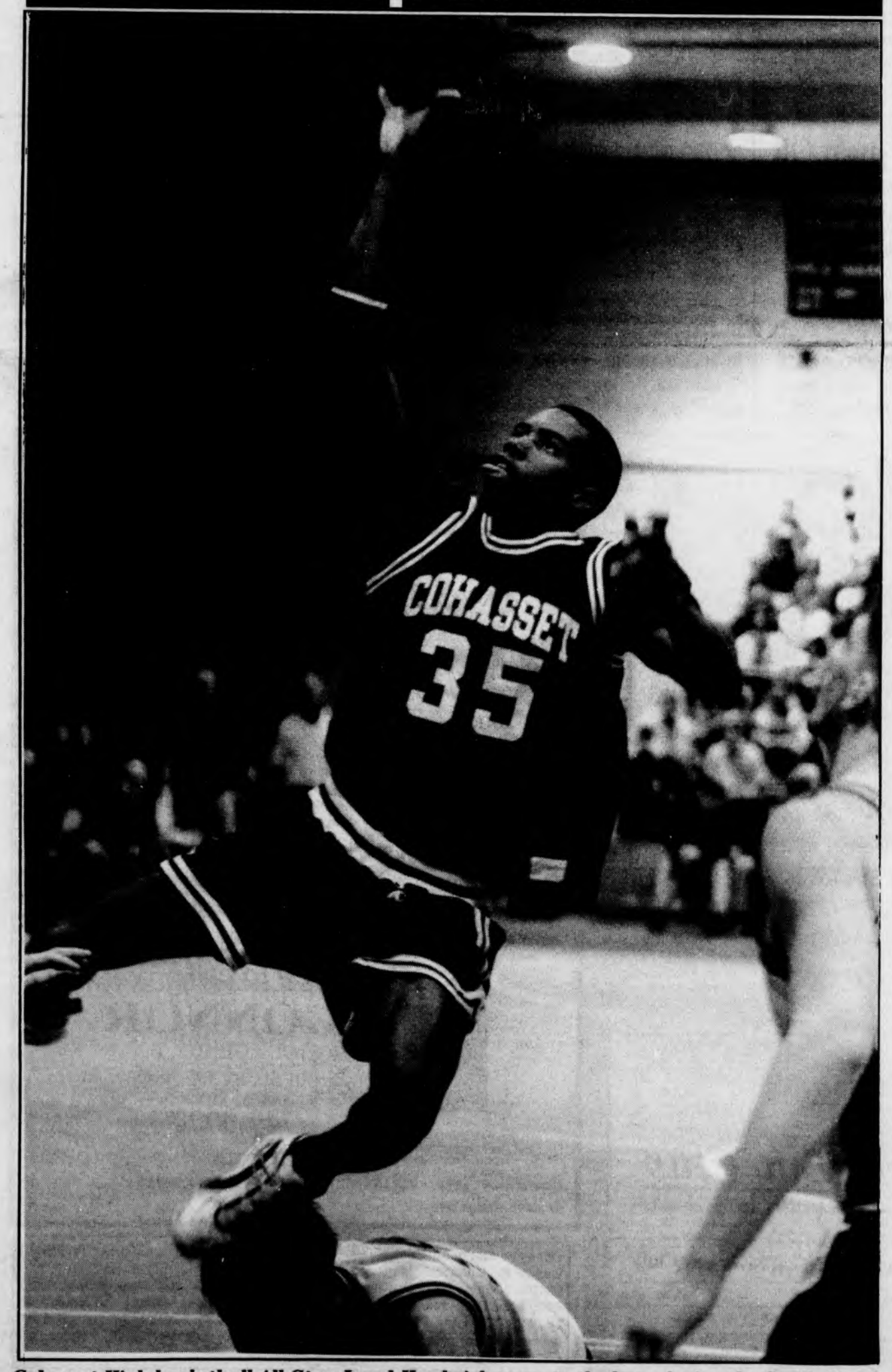
Hoop Dream



Cohasset High basketball All-Star Jared Hardwick soars to the hoop during the South Shore League/Atlantic Coast League All-Star game. Hardwick poured in 26 points but it wasn't enough as the Carver Crusaders edged the Skippers' 68-66. See story on pg. 17.

Staff photo/Buzz Wadsworth

Residents dive into water rate protest

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset resident Maria Plante owns property in both Braintree and Weymouth and remembers well how her water rates sky-rocketed when those towns became part of the regional water district (MWRA).

So when she heard that she and the other 600 or so residents in North Cohasset could expect their Massachusetts American Water Bills to triple next year, she decided not to get soaked this time.

Plante and some of her neighbors have been hard at work, establishing a letter writing campaign to local legislators and to the state Department of Public Utilities protesting the water rate hike.

The Massachusetts-American Water Company filed its rate case with the Department of Public Utilities in November and if the proposed increase is approved in full, the average rate payer will see their annual water bills go from $257 to $680.

Much of this 164 percent water rate increase is needed to

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State tells train panel to get back on track

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

In response to complaints that the most recent meeting got out of hand, state officials have warned citizens' advisory committee to stick to the task at hand.

The state appointed citizens advisory panel with representatives from all of the Greenbush communities was created to review and comment on the MBTA's environmental feasibility studies on several transportation alternatives including rail restoration on the 17.7- mile Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad.

In a three-page letter to citizens advisory commitee chairman Terry Fancher, Assistant Secretary Jan H. Reitsma from the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs clearly defined the role of the group, and warned members not to get sidetracked or disrupt committee meetings by looking into alternatives.

Fancher raised questions about the committee's role, whether it should still be considering alternatives, and how funding the project with state money will change the environmental review of the project.

Fancher's letter followed a meeting in which three new members were appointed to the committee including anti-rail Coastal Coalition activist Ilana Marks, whose questions and comments about revisiting rail alternatives at the meeting elicited applause from the audience in attendance.

Veteran citizen's advisory committee member William Grimes said that outside the meeting too, rail opponents made their presence known by carrying "no train" signs in the hallway, helping to make making this organizational committee

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Cohasset's Week

Spraying policy announced

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee has announced that residents must notify the Town Clerk's office by March 1 if they do not wish to have their property sprayed with chemicals to control adult mosquitoes during the spring and summer months.

Requests for a legal "no spray" area will be honored by the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project throughout the mosquito season. Residents should be aware that spraying with pesticides would be necessary even in a "no spray" area if eastern equine encephalitis were declared to be a serious threat by the state Department of Public Health and the governor of Massachusetts.

Route 3A driveway discussion

After hearing plans to build a driveway across some wetlands at 508 Chief Justice Cushing Way, the conservation commission last week asked the applicant to submit updated plans.

Peter Capozzoli wants to build a house on land he owns at the site. The driveway will cross some wetlands, which will be replicated elsewhere on the property.

The replicated area will be larger than the area lost to the driveway, according to Capozzoli's engineer, Wayne Sawchuk, who, along with Amy Roebuck, presented plans to the board.

Sawchuk said that because the site is so step, a paved driveway would be necessary.

Conservation commission chairman Thomas Callahan said he did not like paved driveways adjacent to wetlands because of the potential for oil, salt and sediment runoff.

At the suggestion of commission member Jeffrey Waal, Sawchuk said he would look into constructing a basin to catch and filter some runoff.

Kenneth Jason, one of several neighbors attending the meeting, urged that wetlands not be filled in, stating that the practice has caused problems in the past. He recommended a bridge over the wetlands.

Veneta Roebuck did not participate in the discussion.

ConCom sued over So. Main St. house

In a notice dated February 13, Francis and Gail Collins, 404 South Main St., filed suit to stop permission to build a nearby house.

George Hall, attorney for the Collins, alleges that a house which Ruth Sisson plans to build at 392 South Main St., will cause runoff, flooding and increase the elevation of the groundwater table on his clients' property.

In December, the commission allowed the Sisson project proceed, which includes the construction a septic system with a concrete retaining wall in a wetlands buffer zone.

The recent teen center open house proved a popular event, as Robert Cunningham, left, and John Getgey, center director, Peter Collins, Susan Cunningham, Amy Getgey, Peter Pearce, Mike Peraino and Rose Collins, enjoy refreshments.

Yacht Club water main OK

With a unanimous vote, the conservation commission last week allowed the Cohasset Yacht Club to lay a new water main to the club house at 99 Howard Gleason Road.

Permission of the commission was necessary since the water main will go across marsh land.

However, contractor Ross O'Donnell explained that the new main will cross a shorter distance than the existing main.

He said the replacement is necessary because the existing main is putting lead in the water.

The work will take one or two days and require a ten to 12-feet deep drench more than one foot wide.

Paul Shea, conservation agent, said the health agent would prefer that the new water main be lined with plastic.

Jacob's Meadow testing

After a brief discussion last week, the conservation commission unanimously agreed to allow the sewer commission to continue flushing Jacob's Meadow through Sept. 30.

Last fall, the commission agreed to allow the sewer commission to open the tidal gates at the entrance to the meadow six times to monitor the water level and dispersal in the marsh.

Sewer commissioner Edward "Ted" Guild said that the tidal gates were only open once, on Dec. 13.

"Nobody was out picketing us or anything," Guild said in reference to heated opposition from area residents.

During the Dec. 13 test, Guild said water levels were below the four-foot level and that fecal contamination was noted.

"We think it came from septic systems," Guild stated.

He agreed not to run more than once test a month and to notify abutters and the commission in advance of a test.

No one spoke against the project.

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Happy Birthday, Mary Monteiro

Friends and neighbors of Mary "Mimi" Monteiro are invited to join in wishing her a happy 90th birthday by attending a Mass on Friday, Feb. 23, at 2:30 p.m. in St. Anthony's Church. A reception will follow from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Unitarian Parish House.

Those wishing to attend the Mass and reception are asked to call 383-9220 or 383-6158.

Selectmen consider debt exclusions for ballot

Selectmen are considering two debt exclusion questions for the April ballot, that will reduce the amounts of future tax overrides.

Advisory committee chairman Roger Whitley told the board Tuesday that if the principal and interest payments for two past bond issues are moved from the Cohasset's operating budget, next year's over-ride request will be less than $200,000.

Selectman Jane Goedecke called the proposal "a debt exclusion after the fact," and cautioned that voters need to understand that "taxes are still going to go up."

The two debt exclusions result from previous town meeting votes for funds to cap the landfill and to purchase the Hagerty property, totalling $80,000, Whitley explained.

The amounts would be added to the tax levy only for the life of the bonds, Selectman Michael Sullivan added.

Cable TV license renewal begins

Although the town's contract with Continental Cablevision does not expire until 1999, renewal negotiations are set to begin now.

Cable TV advisory council member Robert Hillman was also granted selectmen's permission to meet with attorneys who specialize in cable television contract negotiations.

Hillman explained that federal regulations allow the franchise renewal process to begin 36 months before the expiration of the contract between the community and the cable television service. With recent passage of the federal telecommunications law, the town should begin the negotiations now, and may need outside professional help.

Three attorneys have agreed to make presentations to the cable TV advisory council, he said. Their fees will depend on the amount of assistance the council feels it needs.

"I think we need to listen to them," Hillman said noting that these three attorneys have experience with Continental Cablevision in other communities that have renewed their contracts.

Other area towns will be going through the renewal procedures, which Hillman called "frighteningly complicated." He said the cost of the outside council might be shared among Hingham, Norwell, Scituate, Hull, and Hanover, whose contracts with Continental Cablevision expire at about the same time as Cohasset's.

In response to a question from selectman Michael Sullivan, Hillman said that Continental Cablevision owns the cable television hardware. If Cohasset does not renew the license with Continental, the new cable television service would then negotiate to buy that equipment from Continental.

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School committee regroups in wake of override loss

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Fustrated and disappointed by the defeat of the new school override, school committee members sat down Thursday night to discuss where to go next.

"This (the vote) has had a devastating effect on (the ability) to provide an adequate educational program," for students, Superintendent Stephen Hart told the packed room.

Many in the audience said they were stunned by the negative vote and felt that the proposal that went in front of the town was the only option available.

There is speculation that the $13 million proposal will again be put on the ballot. It failed by a margin of 28 votes.

Selectmen can put the option on the ballot without having another town meeting.

Due to the architects' serious time constraints it would be impossible to hold another town meeting.

Working plans must be submitted to the state by June 1 in order to receive the 60 percent reimbursement figure.

The selectmen are holding a meeting with the school committee and the school facilities committee tonight at 7:30 in the audio/visual studio at the high school.

Members of the school committee stressed that it would be "irresponsible" at this time to assume that the selectmen have any intention of putting the proposal back on the ballot.

Hart presented the school committee with long-range plans of what needed to be done at the Osgood and Deer Hill schools.

The increasing population in the school system combined with the condition of the Osgood necessitated an estimated $1.36 million Phase I budget for the school. The phase II budget is an estimated $800,000.

The first phase includes portable classrooms, a sprinkler system, a fire detection system, window replacement and parking lot modifications, among other things. The price tag also includes compliance work for the Americans With Disabilities Act, a federal law.

The second part of the plan provides more portable classrooms for the projected increased enrollment and further ADA work, as well as other modifications.

The projected cost of work at the Deer Hill is $875,000. The bulk of that work will be for ADA compliance and window replacement.

There was discussion as to whether or not the figures would be lumped with the school system's yearly budget.

School committee member James Kirk didn't think it should be combined with the yearly budget because administrators and faculty went to great lengths to develop a tight budget.

But committee members were not sure the numbers would pass an override vote.

"I think we are going to have to decide if all these items are something we want to go forward with," said school committee member Nancy Sandell.

If the budgets do not pass an override vote teachers and programs will have to be cut.

The school committee entertained comments from the audience for the second half of the meeting.

One parent suggested that money be raised to keep the architects working while the town waits for another override vote.

The cost is $180,000.

Roy Fitzsimmons, who had been an outspoken opponent of the project, suggested flip-flopping the grade configurations in the Osgood and the Deer Hill Schools.

Keith Knowles, the president of the Chamber of Commerce, had a different idea for solving the space/ needs problem.

Members of the school facilities and school committees assured the audience that every option had been explored and the most economically feasible option had been chosen.

Members wondered if the public should have been given a copy of all the explored options, complete with reasons why they had been discarded.

Hart had earlier said he was outraged at the treatment the facilities committee, who had put in hundreds of hours of work , had received.

"To have them (the facilities committee) be scorned and criticized by people in this community" is despicable, said Hart.

The school project would have added approximately $111 a year, averaged over the life of the bond issue, to the property tax bill of the average Cohasset home valued at $242,200.

"One Big Mac per home per week, " said school committee member James Kirk.

Democrats to caucus

Registered Democrats in Cohasset will hold a caucus Saturday, March 2, at 2 p.m. to elect delegates to the 1996 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. Cohasset will elect three delegates and three alternates, equally divided between men and women, to send to the convention.

Caucus Chair Fred Koed will call the caucus at Cohasset Town Hall. The caucus is open to everyone, but only those Democrats registered as of Feb. 14 are eligible to vote. There will be no absentee or proxy voting, and all ballots are written and secret. There is no admission charge to attend the caucus.

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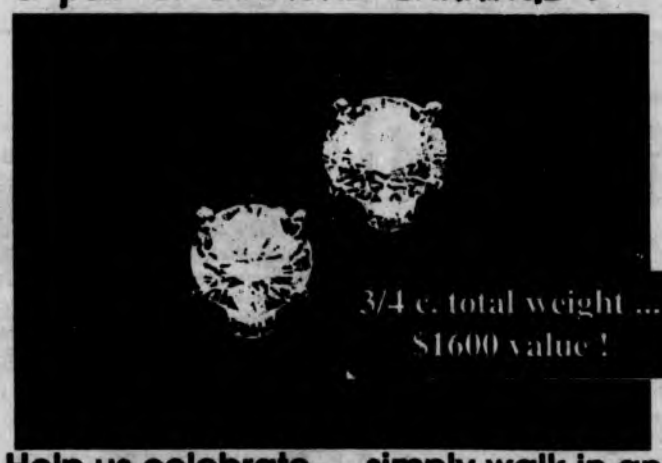

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Election battle heats up as candidates return papers

Cohasset's political pot is reaching the boiling point as candidates rushed to return nomination papers for the April 6 town election.

The town clerk's office reported a flurry of activity last week, as candidates flocked to take out papers in advance of the February 15 deadline.

Perhaps the biggest surprise was Robert Davenport's decision to file for selectman.

He also took out and returned papers for reelection to the board of health, on which he now serves.

According to the clerk's office, the state ethics commission has been asked whether he can run for both offices.

In the event that he cannot or does not wish to run for both, Davenport has until March 4 before deciding.

If he runs for selectman, he joins incumbent Martha Gjesteby, conservation commission Roseanne McMorris and former advisory committee chairman Nan Adams Roth in running for the two seats.

Incumbent Jane Goedecke is not seeking reelection.

In another crowded contest, Patricia Anne Walsh returned papers for the treasurer/collector's post, joining Joseph D. Buckley, Judy Volungis and Wigmore Pierson, in seeking the position being vacated by Elizabeth Ripley who recently resigned.

This contest could alter selectman's plans to make the office appointed.

Ripley accepted a similar post in Marshfield, where the position is appointed.

Town meeting approval and an act of the legislature may be required to make the position appointed. However, selectmen have pointed out at recent meetings that the legislature is usually unwilling to make a position appointed if candidates are running for the post.

Town counsel Richard Henderson has been asked to research the matter.

Terry Atherton and Michael Mullin are seeking an open seat on the planning board. Incumbent Jean Simonds has decided not to seek re-election.

Richard Shea, Owen O'Malley, and Keith Knowles have returned papers for the school committee seat currently held by Nancy Sandell, who is stepping down after three terms.

John P. Rafferty, has thrown his hat into the ring for the seat on the water commission and could get some competition from Richard Muncey, who has also taken out papers for the seat held by William Montuori, who has decided not to seek re-election.

John Muncey has taken out papers for re-election to the Cohasset Housing Authority.

Incumbent sewer commissioner Edward Guild is facing a challenge from Jack Noble.

Roger Lowe has taken out papers for library trustee and so have trustees Sheila Evans and Doris McNulty. Lucille McLoughlin is not running for another term.

Incumbent Town Moderator George L. Marlette Jr., is seeking re-election to a three-year term.

Tom Wigmore will seek re-election to a five-year term on the recreation commission; Town Clerk Marion Douglas has taken out papers for another three-year term; and James W. Lagrotteria. will run for re-election to the board of assessors.

Regional waste request approved

After some discussion last week, selectmen agreed to support at town meeting article requesting $4,000 for the regional refuse program.

John McNabb, who represents Cohasset on the board, explained that the ten towns in the district have some grant money and additional funds to pay for a solid waste consultant who is examining the issue from a regional perspective.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said he was concerned that the project has been going on for ten years and hasn't shown any results.

McNabb said they should not stop in the middle of their work.

The other selectmen agreed to make Cohasset's expenditure contingent upon the participation of at least seven other towns.

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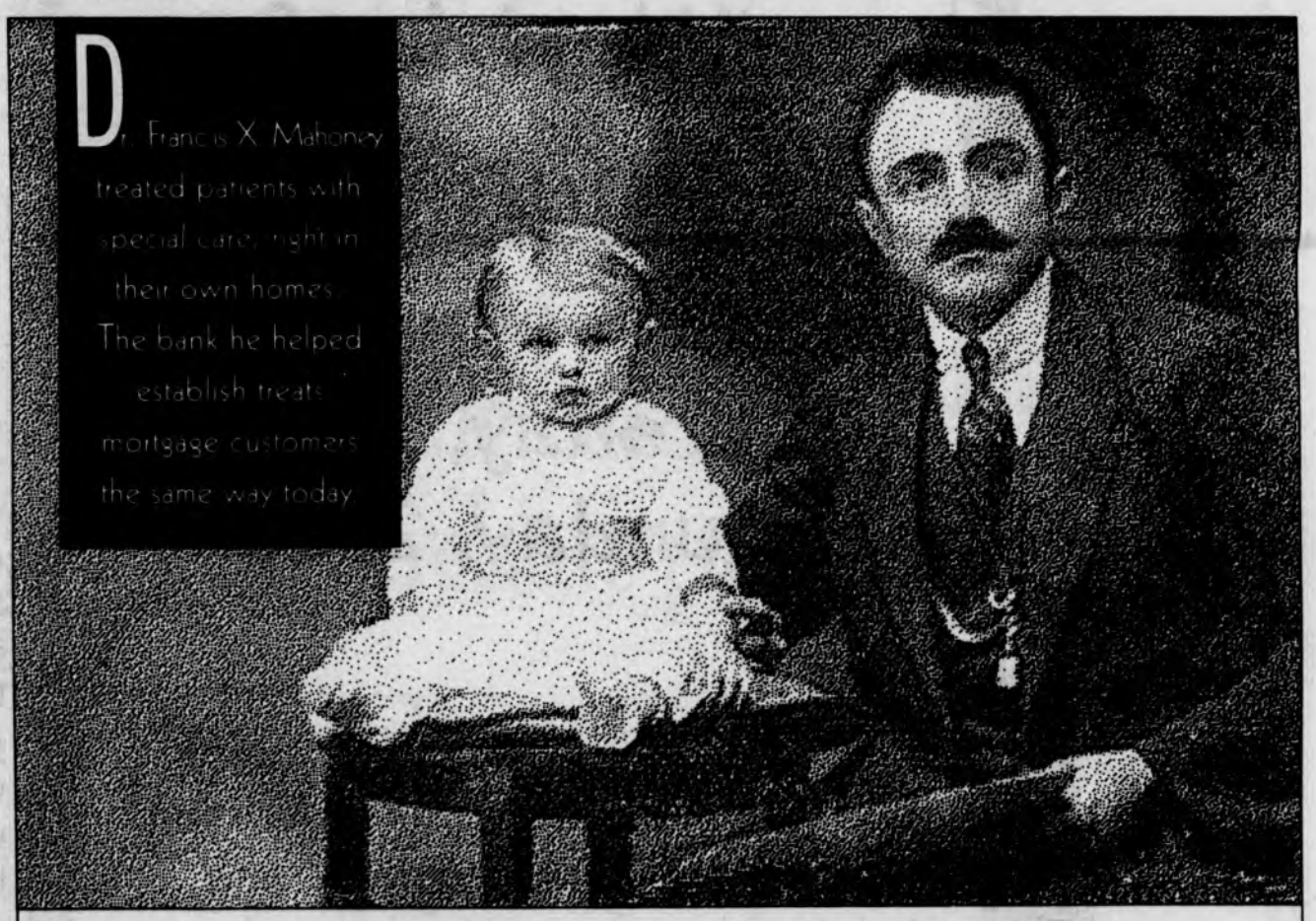

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Residents oppose CHL at hearing

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

After watching for four weeks while lawyers, consultants and engineers debated for and against the proposed 27.5 acre expansion to Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL) before the town's Board of Health, area residents finally got the chance to express their views Tuesday.

This was the first of two sessions specifically designated for previously registered Cohasset residents to participate in the proceedings. Hearings are held Tuesday and Thursday (7:30 p.m.) in the Second Congregational Church adjacent to town hall.

Hearing Officer John Shea, with a list of 267 potential speakers, opened the session by establishing ground rules to follow and then asked John McNabb, vice-president of S.A.F.E. (Stop Any Further Expansion), how the board could expect his witnesses to proceed.

McNabb stated that in the course of the two sessions, a total of approximately 30-40 individuals would address the board on various topics and that "no directions from above" had been given to any speaker.

This session heard testimony from 20 concerned citizens on topics such as air and water quality, odor, increased traffic, landfill contaminants and possible financial impacts to the town.

While a few residents quoted Department of Environmental Protection regulations as their basis for asking the board to deny the Cohasset Heights application, others based their statements on facts, speculation, past CHL performances and predictions of a dire future if expansion is granted.

Using the new Registry of Motor Vehicles Roxbury facility (sick building syndrome) and the recently opened third Boston Harbor tunnel (leaking and odors) as examples, one speaker cautioned board members to be wary of evidence presented by experts for Cohasset Heights.

On CHL's claim that a polyurethane liner and clay-based covering for mounds of construction and demolition debris would have a life expectancy of 20 years, residents were not impressed.

"There are no guarantees," Sean Teague said. "It will leak and who do we turn to when it does?"

While John Rafferty opted to look at human life cycles instead, stating, "We're not in the 20-year business here. We're in the 100-year business."

Most residents focused their discussion on present day odor problems at the landfill as well as potential future hazards to area ground water supplies.

"One thing that has been a constant is the smell from Cohasset Heights," said David Henderson.

Stating 30 known cases of asthma in children attending the town elementary school, and with 40 children under the age of 10 living within a half-mile radius of the landfill, residents were fearful for their outdoor safety.

And while saying that the amount of environmental disasters already left for future generations is chilling, board members were asked not to increase this legacy.

"This is the most important evening we are going to have," said Lisa Bumpstead. "The Board of Health must protect the drinking water for the town of Cohasset — the town where we live."

Two residents focused their attention on the possible future financial impact a landfill expansion might have. While admitting real estate values should not rate as high on a hazard scale as health issues, both warned this is an area that should not be forgotten in light of clean-up costs of contaminated landfills incurred by other communities nationwide.

On a lighter note, one speaker offered, "Nobody wants to have to give directions to their home using a dump as a specific point."

Wheelwright Farm resident Nicholas Driscoll said, "All I want is to breath the air, walk the land and drink the water in safety."

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Location: **Town Hall Auditorium**
41 Highland Avenue
Date: **Monday, February 26, 1996**
Time: **6:00 PM**

Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

Concom hears CHL wetlands debate

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Heights Landfill, CHL, is being asked to provide more information on the affect the proposed expansion of the facility will likely have on the area, including a more detailed description of wetlands barriers

In a 6-page report, Fugro East, Inc., an engineering firm acting as consultants for the conservation commission, also questioned nine areas of concern, including water quality, calculations for pipe sizes, the capacity and area of mitigation ponds and requested calculations for water runoof during storms.

During last week's conservation commission meeting, consultantants and lawyers for Paul Barry, CHL, stated they had not received the report in advance and requested time in order to prepare the material.

Although he repeatedly wrangled with those representing Barry, commission chairman Thomas Callahan did agree that consultants, both for the town and the landfill, must submit material more quickly.

"Both sides have buried us with new information today," he stated.

During close to an hour of detailed and complicated discussion, Callahan stressed the need for CHL to adequately respond to the Fugro report.

"The operation of the landfill poses a significant threat to erosion runoff," he said.

Several times Barry's consultants stated that they did not understand what was being requested and asked for permission to contact Fugro directly, something the conservation commission has denied in the past. Instead of direct contact between consultants, the commission has asked that questions be submitted to town hall and passed on to the consultants by the town.

Barry said the policy is unfair and slows down the process.

"We've played a fair ball game all along," he told Callahan.

Later, Barry charged the commission with being out to get him. "You are after me. I'm suspicious," he said.

Callahan replied that "It is comments like that that make me suspicious."

"It comes from both sides of the table," Barry retorted.

When commission member Veneta Roebuck questioned the policy of forbidding communications between consultants, Callahan said the matter would be reconsidered.

Callahan and commission member Roseanne McMorris posed several detailed questions regarding the water quality in the landfill area.

Michael Leon, conservation commission attorney, said the board wanted interim remedial measures for the landfill.

Callahan added that the commission has been patient over the situation.

He continued the hearing until March 6 at 8:30 pm, when wetlands and related issues will be discussed.

On March 21 at 7:45 pm, the notice of intent hearing will be considered.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Travis Coley, a 1991 CHS graduate, has been named to the dean's list at Lafayette College for the fall term. Travis was recently awarded the men's varsity soccer MVP plaque as a member of the Lafayette College NCAA Sweet Sixteen team. He is the son of **Ralph and Susi Coley** of Elm Street.

❑

Congratulations go out to **Bill and Dianne Malloy** of Norwell on the birth of their second child, a son, **William Francis Thomas Malloy III!** Big sister **Kathryn Rose** (who is 2-1/2) is thrilled. **Grammy Janet Malloy** is very excited, too. William is her 10th grandchild! He was born Jan. 31 at 9:05 a.m., weighing 6 pounds, 7 ounces and measuring 19-1/2-inches long!

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Bowdoin College has announced that 160 students from Massachusetts have been named to the dean's list on the basis of their scholastic achievements during the fall semester of the 1995-96 academic year. Cohasset has one student named to that list, **Johanna R. Horn,** Class of 1998, and we congratulate her.

❑

Kudos to **Julienne R. Quemere,** daughter of **Kathleen Quemere** of Cohasset and **Larry Quemere** of Boston, who has been named to the fall term dean's list at Hartwick College in Oneonta, N.Y.

❑

Heidi Lincoln, a senior at Framingham State College, has made the dean's list for the fall semester by receiving a GPA of 3.7. She is majoring in clothing and textiles with a concentration in fashion merchandising. Heidi, the daughter of **Larry and Linda Lincoln** of Cohasset, is a member of the Class of 1996 and will graduate in May.

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Janet and Nils Gjesteby of Winchester announce the birth of their son, **Henry Anton Gjesteby** on Feb. 7 at 3:45 p.m. He was 7 pounds, 10 ounces and 20 inches long at birth, and joins sisters **Anna Louise** and **Olivia Katherine.** Grandparents are **Arne and Martha Gjesteby** of Cohasset and **William E. Kelley Jr.** of Beverly. Great-grandparents are **Mrs. William E. Kelley** of Beverly and **Harry E. Barker Jr.** of Westborough. Hearty congrats to all of you.

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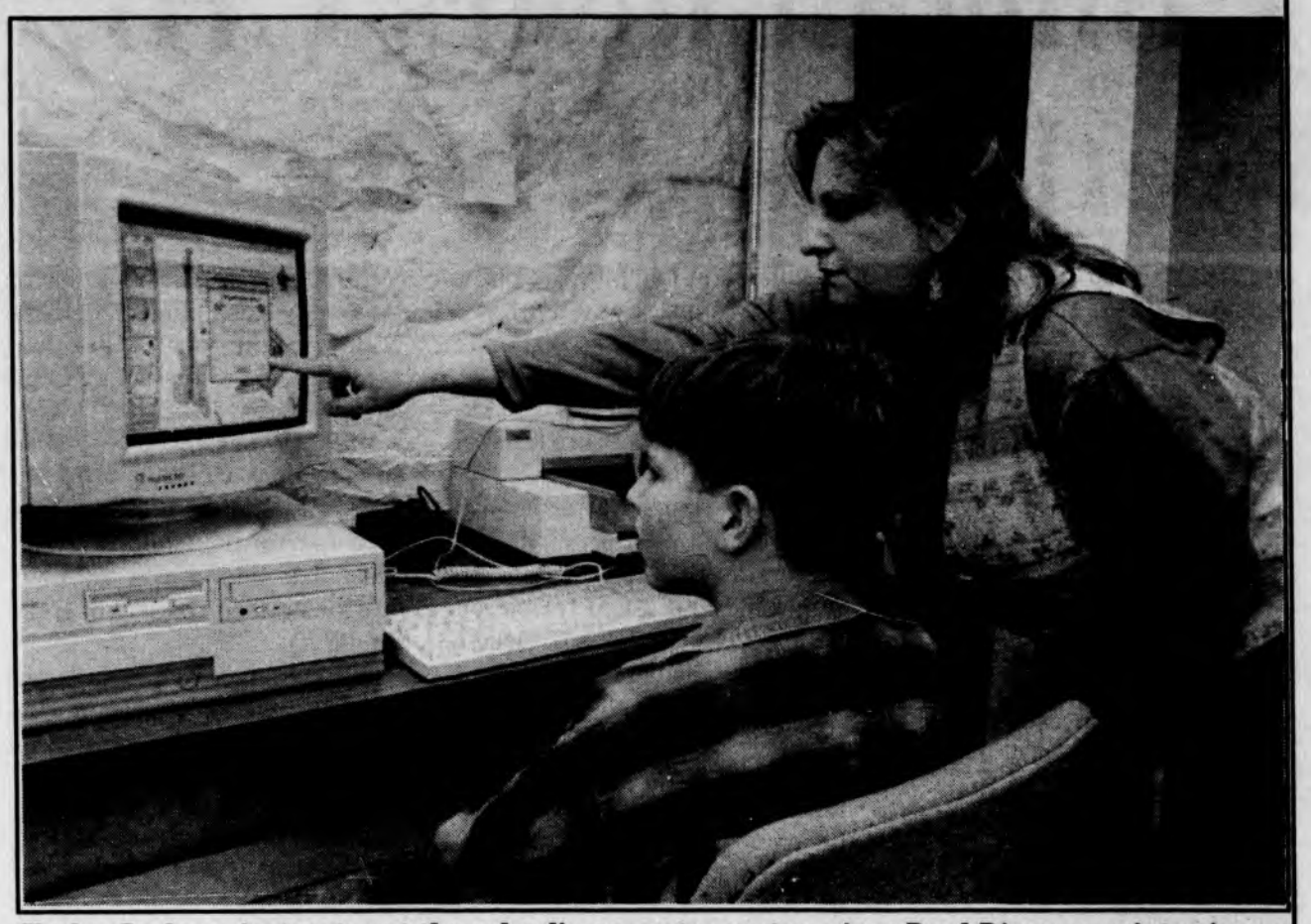
Alexander Gaston, a freshman at the Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H., has been named to the fall semester honor roll. Alexander also took part in Holderness' campus-wide student jobs program, sang in the school chorus and ran as a member of a boys' cross-country team that won a league title and placed seventh in the New England prep school championships. he is the son of **Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gaston III** of Cohasset.



Kathy Carlson, instructor at the school's computer center, gives Paul Digan a pointer in how to use technology for learning.

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The gymnastic team and their coach want to be sure that you all know who did the wonderful job on the T-shirts that they wore in the all-league meet. You guessed it—**Ron Goodwin** is the man! He designed the shirts and gave them to the gymnasts. They were a mighty proud bunch who looked great. Everyone wants to thank you, Ronnie. It sure is nice to see one of Cohasset's businessmen do such a nice deed for our schools!

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That's the news for this week. Hopefully you'll have a tidbit for us for next week's edition.

Sallyann
383-0560

P.S. Happy 85th birthday to Harry Rose!

It's Happening

Montessori opens Art Space

Nancy Hansen-Connolly, who has an art studio in Cohasset, will exhibit her work at the recently opened Old Colony Montessori Art Space, located at 20 Derby St., Hingham, through the end of February.

Hansen-Connolly, a mixed-media artist who teaches and exhibits throughout New England, will display fabric banners, costumes and large masks which were created for Light Magic Theater and used in performances at the Boston Museum of Science and the Raab Theater at Boston Public Library.

The costumes and over-sized masks were designed and adapted for children from the Mass. Hospital School in Canton and Cardinal Cushing School in Hanover during two extended theater programs, supported in part by the South Shore ARC and the Genesis Foundation.

Also on display are several small fantasy sculptures constructed from wood, fabric and ceramic parts.

Hansen-Connolly has been involved in artist-in-residence programs locally, including projects at Osgood and Deer Hill schools in Cohasset and puppet/sculpture workshops at South Shore schools and libraries. She is a faculty member of the South Shore Art Center and teaches in the Montessori after-school art program.

The new Art Space will be open to the public on Feb. 28 and March 13 and 20 from 3:30 to 5 p.m. For information about the exhibit, call 749-3698.

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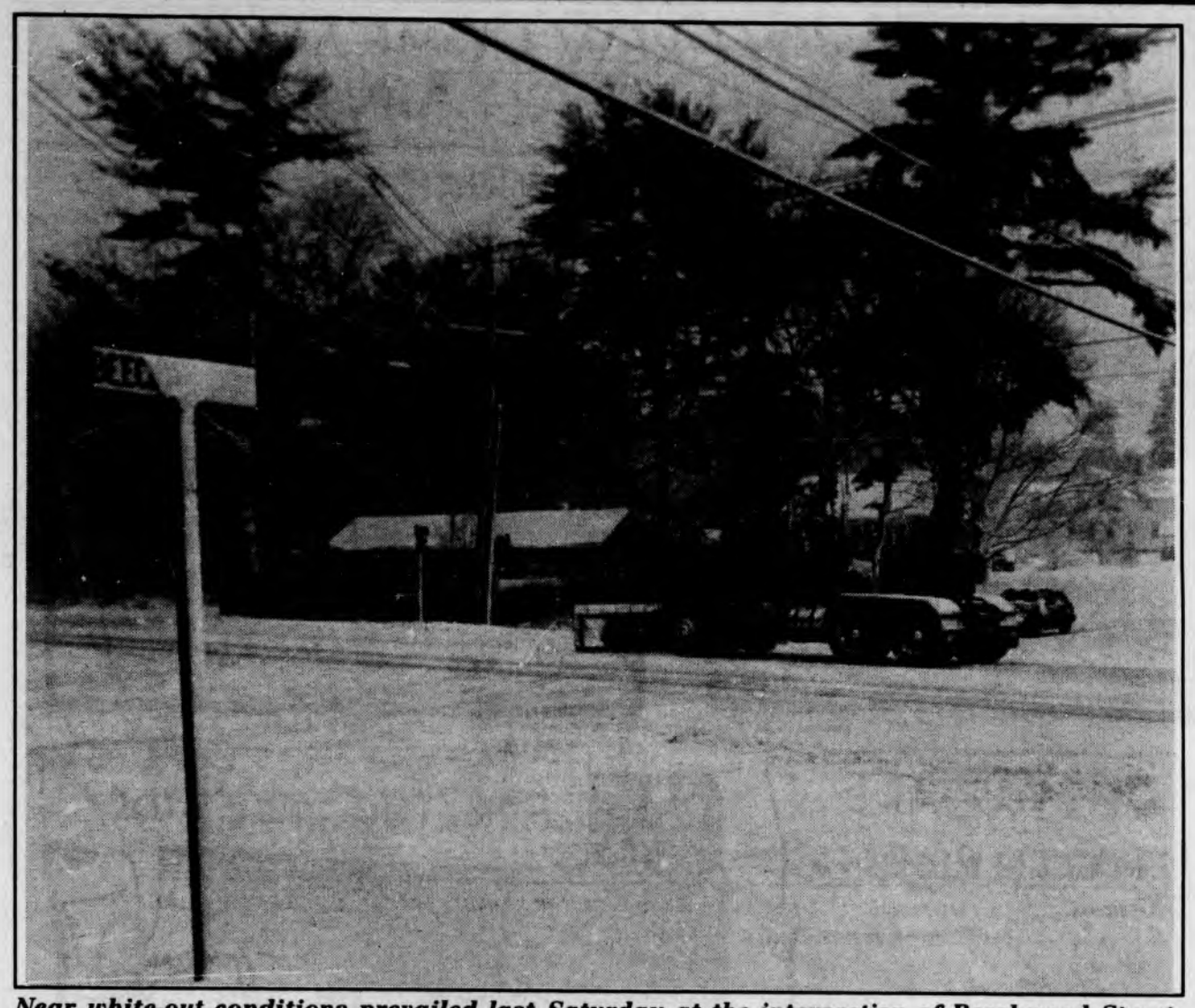

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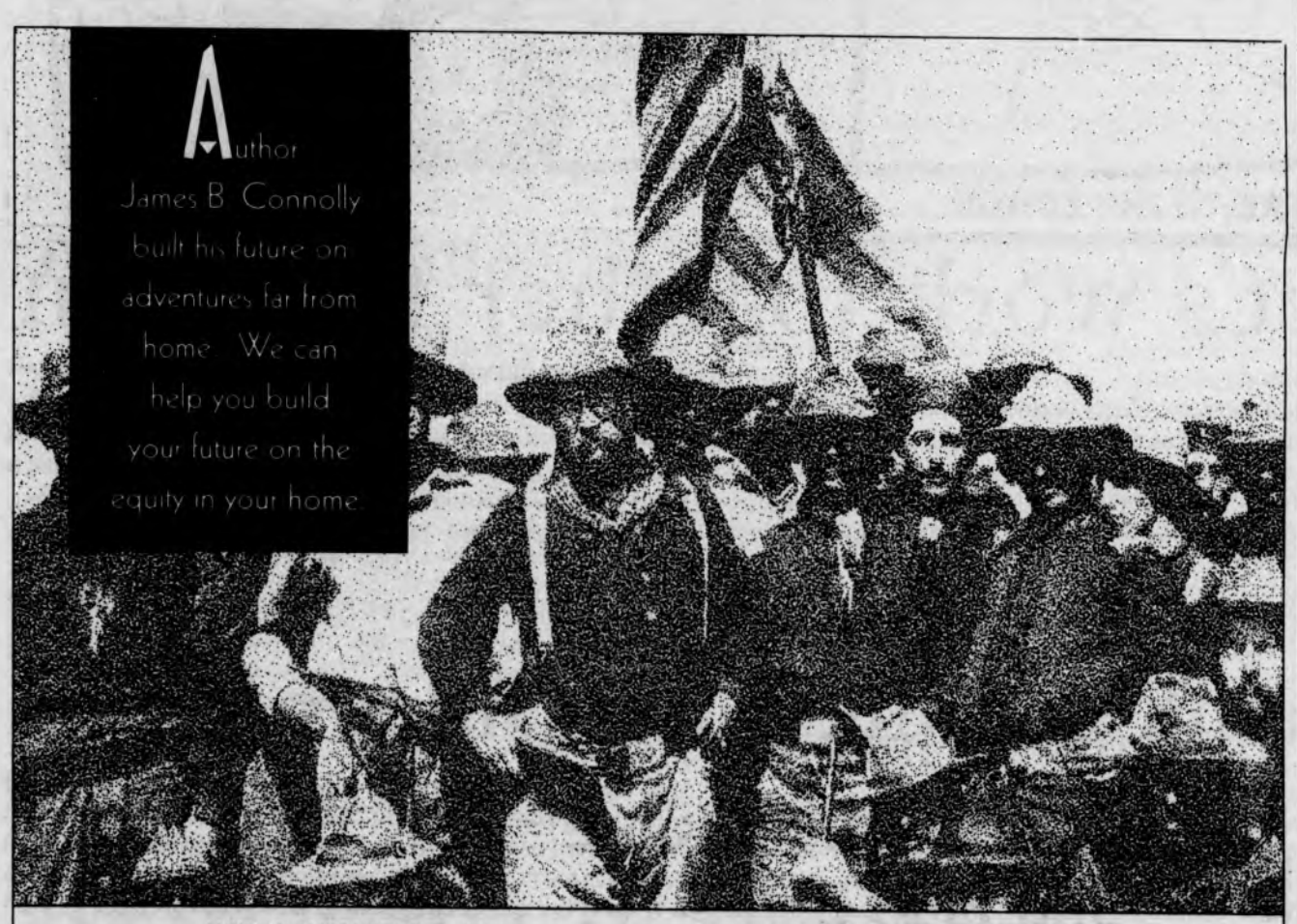

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EDITORIAL

Question of the Week

Last year's town election was a real sleeper with no races on any of the town's elected boards.

But what a difference a year makes!

This year's April 6 election includes races for seats on the board of selectmen, school committee, water commission, sewer commission, and for the treasurer/collector's post.

Candidates over the past several weeks have submitted photographs and formal statements announcing their candidacies.

Next week, we will feature candidates' answers to the following 'Question of the Week.' Responses should be brief — no more than 200 words. Candidates are asked to be specific and make every word count. Submissions will be cut if they are too long.

'What is the most important issue facing the town department (or board) you would like to represent? How will you make a difference?'

Candidates may reply by FAX at 617-740-8955; or by dropping their responses off at Cohasset News on Brook Street; or mailing them to us, 165 Enterprise Drive, Marshfield 02050 by noon Tuesday. Be sure to leave enough time for mail delivery.

We will also publish a 'Candidates Corner,' but it is limited to a few lines from any candidate who chooses to submit dates of coffees, fund-raisers and the like.

The Mariner will not accept Letters to the *Editor from candidates or letters endorsing* candidates. The Mariner will publish letters about campaign issues up until the March 28 issue before the election.

Candidates are encouraged to advertise their campaigns in the Mariner. For information about deadlines and costs for political advertisements, please contact Judy McCaffery Perry at 1-800-649-6661.

If you have any questions, please call us at out Hingham office at 749-0031.

Happy running!

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let's work together for town

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all of the Cohasset residents who voted in the election Feb. 10. It was a grass roots effort that won the election, neighbor speaking to neighbor. We only had two small signs at the polls, but our message reached the voters as well as our many letters to the editors.

Now, we must sit with the School Committee, School Facilities Committee, the Capital Budget Committee and the Advisory Board and discuss some of the alternatives voiced during the election campaign. Hopefully, the School Committee will be open to discussion of this nature. This is the time for us to come together as a town and to take a reasonable approach to solving a problem. We must work in the best interest of all of the people in Cohasset.

F. Roy Fitzsimmons
116 Doane St.

Thank goodness for Officer Matos

To the Editor:

One day last week my husband and I and our 5-yr.-old son were sitting in our car outside Aquarius Sunrooms waiting for our 3-yr.-old daughter, who was attending school at the Community Center. We had about 10 minutes to wait and our son wanted to play out in the snow. He was about 10 to 15 feet away from us and never out of our sight. Lisa Matos was coming down the street, off duty, and noticed this boy. She parked her car behind us and walked to my window to find out if this boy belonged to us. I am so thankful that we live in a town that has such a wonderful and caring person and police officer as Lisa Matos.

Heidi Pratt and Page Liberty

Scrap train, build schools

To the Editor:

I applaud Mr. Fitzsimmon's analysis of the financial condition of the State of Massachusetts (February 1, 1996).

In a state as fiscally unsound as this one, I find it incredible that lawmakers are determined to spend an additional $300 million on laying down 18 miles of track to carry 800 people to Boston.

At last review, the State of Massachusetts was turning down federal funding in order to circumvent environmental regulations. This means the taxpayers of Massachusetts, in addition to the list Mr. Fitzsimmons provided, will be another $300 million in the hole with no hope of digging out.

I say we terminate the train and build schools in 18 communities. We can help hundreds of children have a better start in life, and the positive effects will ripple through our entire society.

Judy Kasameyer
17 Pond St.

Thanks for great Spirit Night

To the Editor:

The Basketball Boosters, the Teen Center, and specifically Betsy Connelly and her family, are to be thanked for planning and carrying out a wonderful Spirit Night for the girls basketball program at Cohasset High School. This resulted in many more fans attending both the Jr. Varsity and Varsity games, and in extra fun (foul-shooting contests) for nursery and elementary age children and extra food at the snack bar. The Connellys also produced many posters and other signs of "spirit." Thanks again!

Heidi Maitland
299 Forest Ave.

Sporting a colorful new sweatshirt featuring Mickey and Minnie Mouse for good luck, Stephanie Andriotis, front waits to bowl at the Community Center along with her friends, Lilah Brander, left, Elana Vasiliadis and Elena Brander.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Treasurer-collector candidate wants more capital debt planning

Patricia Anne Walsh, age 65, has lived in Cohasset approximately 55 years. She has resided with her husband (recently retired as Chairman Science Department Boston Latin School) at 270 North Main St. for 41 years. She is concerned that the recent vote on the school Proposition 2-1/2 override demonstrates the town needs more capital debt planning and communication. She wants the Treasurer-Collector's office to be in more frequent communication with town departments and citizens regarding outstanding bonds, interest payments, and maturing debt's impact on the tax rates, so people understand sooner those implications on the town's own "mortgage debt" — if you will — payment schedules. She has been familiar for years with the many pieces of information required to be submitted to the town's Bond Counsel and has had to collect many of the documents necessary for a prospectus for an offering.

A graduate of Harvard University, she had five children, all of whom graduated from the Cohasset school system and college — four with magna cum laude and one who was Phi Beta Kappa. Her three grandchildren are a delight.

Her municipal experience included being elected as a member of the Cohasset School Committee; High School Communicatons Council Chairman; and member of Cohasset Planning Board's subcommittee to study open space. She served professionally as secretary to Selectmen, School Committee, Sewer Commission, Planning Board, Board of Health, Conservation Commission and as an election worker. Her activities have included being an Assistant Buyer at Jordan Marsh, responsibility for figuring 150 person payroll and multi-grant bookkeeper in another municipal setting.

Her activities included: President former St. Anthony's Sodality; Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary Radcliffe Old Colony Club; Cohasset Chief Den Mother for two packs with 330 Cub Scouts; Girl Scout Leader and Sunday School Teacher. Secretary former Cohasset Women's Club; Member Community Garden Club; Member Board of Directors Cohasset Community Center, and newspaper reporter for Cohasset Mariner and Hull Chronicle.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rep. Murray praised

To the Editor:

On behalf of cities and towns across the state, the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) wants to thank Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray for co-sponsoring the Early Resolution on Local Aid.

The early passage of this legislative resolution is important to communities as they prepare their budgets for the next fiscal year. With the demands on cash-strapped municipal budgets, it will be enormously difficult for town meetings and city councils to make meaningful budget decisions without local aid figures. The local aid resolution would set the base level of local aid for cities and towns, returning $41.6 million in new lottery aid and $207 million in new education funds, as promised by the legislature last year.

Municipalities will not know how much local aid they will receive, usually distributed through the so-called Cherry Sheets, until the Local Aid Resolution is enacted. Because communities need these local aid increases in order to balance their budgets and provide basic services to their residents, the adoption of this resolution is in the best interests of the taxpayers in Rep. Murray's district.

The MMA extends its appreciation to Rep. Murray for supporting and co-sponsoring the Early Local Aid Resolution and for making an early commitment on the local aid increases and urges the legislature to adopt the measure as quickly as possible.

Geoffrey C. Beckwith
Executive Director
Massachusetts Municipal Association

Roth outlines plan

At a speech before the Cohasset Rotary Club on Monday night, Nan Roth, candidate for selectman and former chairman of the advisory committee, stressed the importance of planning and consensus building in Cohasset.

"The school vote on Saturday illustrates the challenges we face in bridging the divisions that exist in Cohasset," she stated. "The selectmen need to provide the leadership to bring disparate groups and town boards together to understand their differing views and needs and to create successful solutions.

"Cohasset is a small town. We need to work together to maintain our good services and provide a safe, healthy and affordable environment for all citizens."

Roth outlined her plan for the future. "Town property and buildings must be maintained. Taxpayers deserve adequate facilities, but don't need anymore surprises. We should use our computer capabilities to analyze all aspects of town property, and combine this knowledge with a long term fiscal plan.

"Cohasset is facing many large projects in the future including capping the landfill, responding to sewer mandates, and accommodating increased school enrollments and deteriorating school conditions.

"These projects must be carefully designed, timed and funded to provide the greatest possible stability in our tax rate and to meet the needs of our citizens."

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Plato called dancing the most expressive of all the arts, which is not news to dance aficionados Micaela Conners, Jennifer Cahill and Kali Devany, who are working on a routine during the pre-school ballet and tap class held at the Community Center.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

State tells train panel to stay on track

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meeting seem more like an anti-train demonstration.

Still Grimes commended Fancher for his ability to maintain decorum during the meeting while addressing many of the concerns raised.

Fancher said since new members change the dynamic of the group, he felt it was important to get these issues out into the open and allow the audience to ask questions as well, but pointed out that if in consecutive meetings the same questions continued to be raised he'll be more stern with the gavel.

Reitsma's response also defined what the citizens advisory committee's role is not.

It is not within the role of the committee to make decisions such as what the project will ultimately be or whether it will be approved, he said, adding that the responsibilities of the advisory group are limited to evaluating the adequacy of environmental impact documentation as it is being prepared or after it has been filed by the project proponent (MBTA).

The role of the committee, Reitsma went on to say is to assist and to advise the secretary of environmental affairs in her review.

While state funding will eliminate the federal review process, Reitsma pointed out that the project will have to meet all state environmental requirements including the regulations administered by the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Reitsma did not indicate that committee's role would change because of the change in funding.

Another issued raised and reiterated by Coastal Coalition founder Nancy Buckley this week, is the concern that there has been an attempt on Governor William Weld's part to override the environmental review process by announcing a decision to restore at grade rail service, before the final environmental impact report indicating a preferred alternative is accepted by the secretary of environmental affairs. In his response, Reitsma said no such thing has occurred.

The remarks made by the governor and ones made by transportation secretary James Kerasiotes, Reitsma said, "indicate that the MBTA is confident that it can demonstrate that the at grade option is superior."

Any further alternative transportation studies and analysis will be included in the final environmental impact report, Reitsma added.

Reitsma also addressed an issue Fancher did not raise in his letter but one that he said has come to his attention regarding the conduct of the committee during its deliberations.

Reitsma wrote, "it is insulting (to the secretary as well as to you and other CAC members) if certain members of the CAC or the audience turn CAC meetings into public rallies. This disruptive behavior precludes the CAC from doing its job."

Reitsma went on to say that if such behavior continues the secretary could discontinue certain appointments or the citizens advisory committee in its entirety.

"Obviously, we prefer that the CAC continue its valuable work and hope that all parties involved will cooperate to make that possible," he added.

Fancher said he took the letter to be a challenge for the committee to do its job and not get involved in acrimonious debates.

"We need to deal with the facts and stay away from emotions," he said.

Grimes said that he and a majority of the members want the meetings to go forward in an orderly manner.

"We want to stick to business. Our job is one thing. We don't tell the 'T" what to do, or second guess what they do. We look at what is presented and comment," said Grimes, who said the letter is a good thing.

"This gives us our marching orders," he said, noting that now that all committee members know better what the guidelines are, "we can keep things on track."

Fancher said the next committee meeting has not yet been scheduled, but noted that the group will be reviewing the on-going work on the final environmental impact report on a chapter by chapter basis. Reitsma said he will be in attendance for the committee's next meeting.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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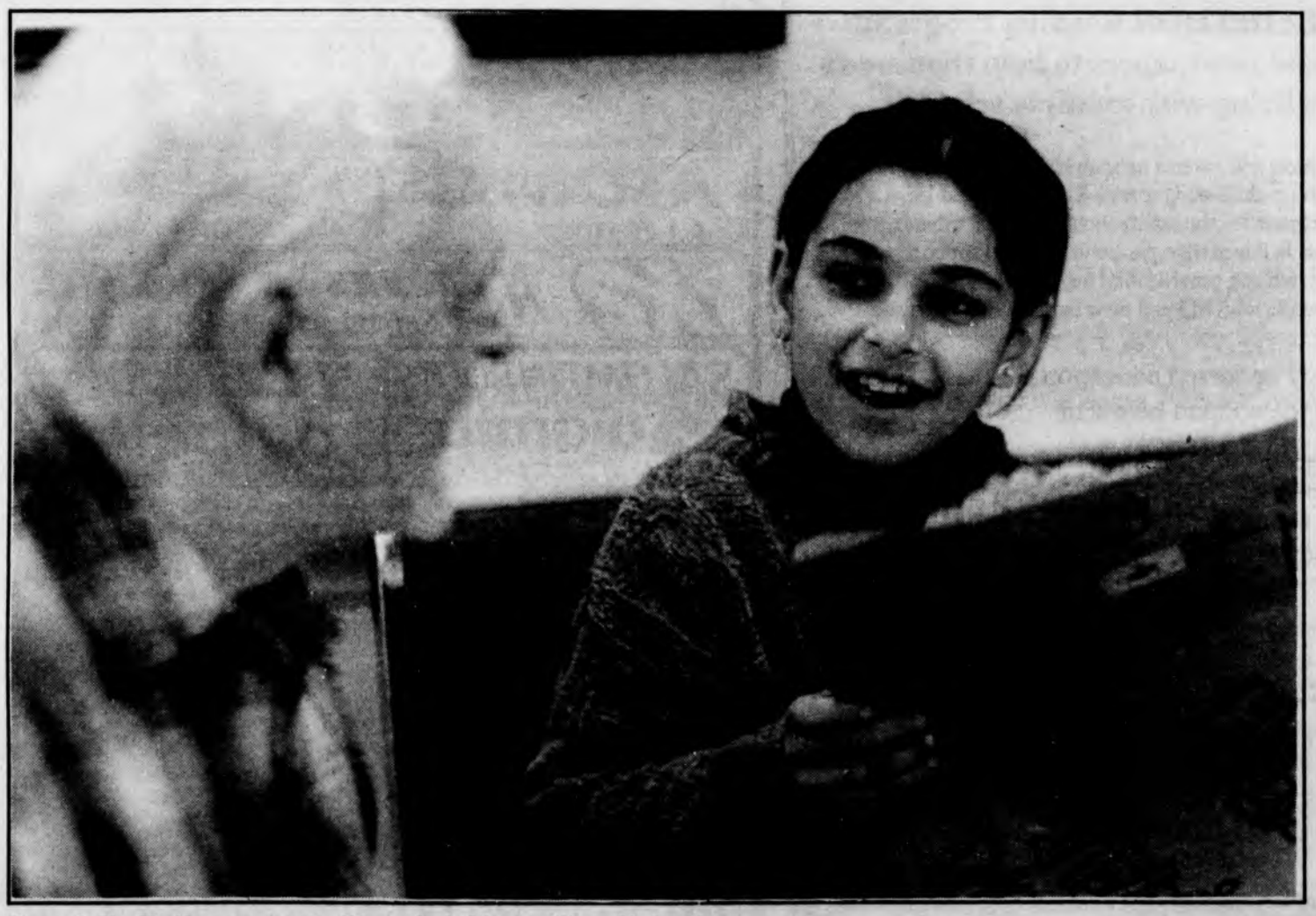
Osgood students offer the gift of friendship

Students in Ms. Baush's third grade class at the Joseph Osgood School recently through a Valentine's Day bash for senior citizens as part of a civic project. Above, Teddie Strong gets a birthday hug from Mary Andracchio.

Dorothy Lincoln applauds third graders for their highly acclaimed concert at the South Shore Community Center.

Julia Sanchez, left, and Phyllis Acebo, get to know each other.



Dannielle Hajjar presents Steve Leighton with a Valentine.

Staff photos by Alan Chapman

Hagerty land may be sold

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curriculum.

"They thought it was a great after-school activity," Goedecke said.

However, she added that if the town cannot sell the property for at least $200,000, Ulmer's proposal could be considered.

The town purchased the property in 1993 when Cohasset Colonials relocated its business, and the town took the opportunity to gain more waterfront access. At its meeting on February 15, the Hagerty committee voted unanimously to recommend the sale of the property.

Alfred Moore, chairman of the Hagerty committee and of the planning board, told the selectmen that the property should be rezoned for residential use, and divided to allow a 7,500 square foot lot around the existing building. This lot would be similar in size to other nearby properties, and allow public access to the boat ramp on the remainder of the land.

Moore said the bond for the Hagerty property is costing the owner of the average home $15 per year on their real estate tax bill.

He also advised that if $200,000 cannot be realized from the sale of the property, the town should consider alternatives, including moving or demolishing it. The building inspector, Moore noted, has said the building requires extensive repairs.

Residents dive into water rate protest

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cover the expense of building and operating the company's $39.5 million water treatment facility which is under construction in Hingham.

Originally estimated as a $17 million project, water company officials claim that construction delays, inflation and changing the original plant site to one less obtrusive to residential neighborhoods in Hingham, account for the more than doubling of the facility's cost.

According to water company Vice President Keith Bossung, the 7.7 million gallon per day treatment facility which is slated to go on-line in May, will provide better water quality and flow and will bring the company into compliance with federal Safe Drinking Water Act regulations which require surface water to be filtered.

But residents protesting the rate hike in Hingham, Hull and now Cohasset are skeptical that water quality will improve.

"I have lousy, brown water and low pressure," said Plante, who wondered how much better "treated" water will be after it is delivered through 100 year old pipes.

And Hull and Cohasset residents want to know why they're paying more for a treatment facility site change that does nothing to benefit them.

"At least Hingham will get the tax revenue from having the facility in their town," said Lambert Lane resident Barbara Mullen, who like Plante wants those Cohasset residents who will be greatly impacted by the rate hike, to know what's coming and to try to stop it.

Plante's, Mullen's and about 250 other homes lie beyond the Forest Ave and Jerusalem Road cutoff making them part of Mass-American's 10,500 residential customers spread through Hingham, Hull and North Cohasset.

About 15 years ago, Plante said she was involved in a feasibility study conducted in town to determine of the north part of Cohasset could be tied into the Cohasset Water Company supply. The study determined that because of the large amounts of ledge, laying pipes to connect that side of town would be too costly, Plante said.

Now Plante and her neighbors are worried about being able to pay their water bills.

"We live in an older neighborhood, with some residents on fixed incomes," said Mullen, who said the rate increase will be a hardship for many.

Mullen, Plante and other neighborhood volunteers plan to hand deliver informational flyers to all Mass-American rate payers in town encouraging them to protest the increase.

While Mullen first considered holding an informational meeting on the issue, she reconsidered based on the number of meetings and issues the town is dealing with, including the Cohasset Heights Landfill, the sewer projects and the recent school proposal.

"There's so much going on in Cohasset. I think people are all 'meeting-ed' out."

The informational flyers include the address of the Department of Public Utilities and the name of the contact their along with local legislators phone and fax numbers.

Selectmen last week directed town counsel Richard Henderson to file a brief opposing the rate increase.

State Senator Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, who opposes the rate hike, has raised concerns about the financing of the facility.

In a letter to the Department of Public Utilities this week, Hedlund requested that all avenues of creative financing be exhausted before considering the amount of the rate hike. Because the increase stems from a federal mandate to comply with the Safe Drinking Water Act, Hedlund said he expects that the water company has sought all possible federal funding options for the project.

"The people of Hull, Hingham and Cohasset deserve to receive adequate service at the lowest possible cost," Hedlund said.

The Department of Public Utilities will hold evidentuary hearings on the rate increase in Boston next month. New water rates could be issued as early as June.

Daffodil Days to benefit cancer research

The South Shore Unit of the American Cancer Society has planned its annual Daffodil Days for March 19-24. Proceeds benefit research, education and service programs for cancer patients in the area.

Advance orders for the bright yellow blooms will be taken until March 8. A bouquet of 10 is $5, and a box of 500 is $250. Custom-designed vases are $5. Orders may be placed by calling (508) 584-9600.

Orders for three or more bunches will be delivered by volunteers on March 19 and 20. Smaller orders will be available at pick-up spots in the South Shore area.

The South Shore Unit of the society carries on a program of help for cancer patients in Braintree, Cohasset, Hull, Hingham Milton, Norwell, Quincy, Scituate and Weymouth. Some 1,400 businesses and individuals have been contacted by volunteers for support during Daffodil Days.

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Cohasset Business

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SSH reports a good year

In 1995 at South Shore Hospital, more people were cared for than at any other time in the hospital's history, and new health services were added. Community financial support enabled the hospital to launch programs that helped intervene prior to medical crises, support individuals with chronic health conditions and care for those with terminal illnesses.

"In 1995, SSH's programs and services reached more people than ever with the kind of care, attention and quality our community has come to expect from us," said Hingham resident David T. Hannan, South Shore Hospital president and CEO.

Among services offered to South Shore residents are a cardiac catheterization laboratory, a 25-bed transitional care center, an expanded pediatric program and DNA testing to rapidly and more accurately test for disease.

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N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	7.47	7.81	7.31
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	6.57	7.07	7.69
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.05	7.49	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	6.91	7.25	7.23
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	6.59	7.06	7.57
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	6.69	7.07	7.54
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Coop. Bank	617-337-1300	6.83	7.21	7.36
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	6.95	7.38	7.43
USTrust	800-290-8782	6.60	7.20	7.54
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	7.00	7.50	6.09
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	6.80	7.24	7.40
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Brockton Credit Union	508-895-1000	6.57	6.95	7.53
Crescent Credit Union	800-894-4445	NA	NA	NA
IAG Federal Credit Union	800-234-6698	6.35	6.89	7.70
Mass. State Employees C.U.	617-451-2422	NA	NA	NA
Navy Federal Credit Union	401-849-9797	6.69	7.02	7.85
Rockland Federal C.U.	800-562-7328	6.82	6.88	8.00
MORTGAGE COMPANIES				
Bank America Mortgage	800-272-6704	6.10	6.89	6.50
Choice Mortgage	800-696-8001	NA	NA	NA
Citizens Mortgage Corp.	800-213-3222	6.62	7.11	NA
Fleet Mortgage Corp.	800-660-8998	6.38	6.99	8.04
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	617-340-1445	NA	NA	NA
Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	6.603	6.963	6.373

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A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies

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Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	16.7500	-0.2500
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.3700	—
Avitar	0.7188	—
Bank of Boston	48.0000	-0.7500
Bradlees	1.5000	-0.1250
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	27.5000	0.8125
Computer Identics Corp.	2.1250	0.1250
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.6250	-0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	19.0000	-0.0625
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.2500	—
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.7500	—
Grossman's	1.0313	-0.0313
Ground Round	3.0625	0.0625
Haemonetics	17.0000	-0.2500
Hills Stores	8.5000	—
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.2500	—
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.5000	—
International Electronics	2.3750	0.1875
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.1250	0.2500
Instron Corp.	13.8750	—
J Baker	4.4375	-0.3125
First Years	10.1250	-0.2500
Lojack	9.3750	-0.3750
Organogenesis Inc.	14.3750	-0.3750
Peoples Savings Bank	9.0000	—
Plymouth Rubber	9.2500	—
Reebok	26.7500	-0.6250
Software Development	1.2500	—
Stop & Shop	24.5000	-0.5000
AT&T	65.5000	-0.2500
Talbots	32.0000	0.6250
Westerbeke	3.0000	-0.1250

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Obituaries

Mary A. Kearney

Mary A. Kearney, 75, of Cohasset, died Feb. 18 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth, after a brief illness.

Born in Everett, she was raised and educated in New Jersey.

Mrs. Kearney was a doctor's assistant for 20 years and was also an accomplished artist working in watercolors. In her earlier years, she displayed and sold many paintings.

Mrs. Kearney was the wife of Daniel J. Kearney and leaves a daughter, Gail J. Collins of Cohasset; two sisters, Eleanor Winterson of Middleboro and Kathleen Pezzanite of Keiser, W. Va. and five grandchildren. She was the mother of the late Linda Povinelli.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Feb. 21 in St. Anthony's Church, Cohasset. Burial was private.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

Donations in her memory may be made to St. Joseph's Indian School, Chamberlain, S.D. 57326.

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Mariner Sports

State showing fuels Sweeney's fires

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

For many teams and individual athletes, the Division 3 State wrestling tournament served as the platform to advance to the All-State meet.

But for the Cohasset High wrestling squad, the two-day meet held earlier this week at Wayland High School gave its younger grapplers a taste of what state competition entails and how much effort is needed to advance to the next level.

The Skippers fared well as four wrestlers won two of their matches and advanced to the second day of competition before bowing out.

Made up of six freshmen, three juniors and a senior, Cohasset did a commendable job.

"It was a tremendous experience for those guys," said head coach Torin Sweeney, referring particularly to the freshmen crew. "Now they know what it takes to make the next step to the All-States."

Sweeney was especially impressed with the aggressiveness shown by all his wrestlers on the mats and that none were intimidated by their opposition or setting of the massive meet.

Freshman Mike Baird (112 pounds), juniors Kevin Duffy (135) and Justin Buckley (171), and senior Captain Nate Caldwell (Heavyweight) all earned the right to wrestle on the second day of competition. They all finished in the top eight and won two matches apiece. Wrestlers needed three wins to advance to the medal round.

Junior Doug Sherrin (140), and freshmen Ben Littauer (119), Jordan Fiore (130), Mike Rossi (145), Luke Caldwell (160) and Adam Sasso (189) also qualified for the meet and wrestled on the first day of the competition. Littauer finished with a victory and Luke Caldwell nearly pulled off a win in one of the best matches of the day, but came up just one point short of winning.

Sweeney can't help but be optimistic about the team he has returning next year. Nate Caldwell will be a big loss and Sweeney will be scouring the halls to find a replacement for Caldwell and a body to put in the 215-pound division.

"If we can fill those spots with good athletes we'll be super competitive," Sweeney said.

And as for the freshmen crop returning. "That'll be quite a group that will be pushing on."

Hardwick's heroics not enough

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Despite a gallant second-half effort, the Cohasset Skippers were unable to overcome the superb play of the Carver Crusaders. With balanced play and tenacious defense, the Crusaders managed to pull out a 68-66 victory, after being up 34-20 at halftime. The Skippers were led by Jared Hardwick, who popped in 26 points, and Ryan Bishop, who scored 18, all during a magnificent second half.

Hardwick put the Skippers on the board after taking a pass from Paul-Michael Quintin, who was diving for a loose ball and passing in one motion, laying it off the glass, and sinking the ensuing free throw. Hardwick hit two more free throws and Quintin tossed in a jump shot from 15 feet, to bring the score to 14-7. J.L. Williams then hit a layup in traffic. Hardwick threw down a dunk, while Quintin picked up the assist. Williams' offensive rebounding netted him two more points. Good passing by Howard and Quintin resulted in a Hardwick layup. The senior forward ended the half for the Skippers by swishing two from the foul line.

Bishop kicked off the second half for the Skippers with a layup and Burke Davis hit a free throw. Good rebounding on the offensive boards earned Bishop a free throw and the big center kept scoring, this time with a nice move in traffic and a layup. Howard hit Davis, who knocked down his trademark three. Bishop and Hardwick both hit layups before Hardwick's dunk sent the crowd into a frenzy. Taking off from nearly the foul line, Hardwick still had plenty of air beneath him when he slammed the ball through the hoop.

Hardwick hit a free throw and Bishop continued conducting his clinic, wiping the offensive boards clean and putting it back for two more. Bishop got another pair, but the Skippers still trailed 56-40 with time running down. Cohasset started to make its run here, scoring eight straight, when Hardwick slashed to the rack for a bucket, Bishop had an offensive putback, and Hardwick had a violent slam dunk, making it 58-50, in favor of the Crusaders. Hardwick tossed home another one, this one more stylish and more violent, with the big guy opting for the two-handed approach. Bishop pulled the home team still closer with another offensive putback, his fourth of the night.

Bishop hit a free throw and Hardwick tipped one back for two. Davis hit two clutch free throws, bringing the Skippers within three, 60-57. Carver notched two more, but Hardwick returned the favor with a putback. Quintin hit a jumper and Bishop hit a putback, but destiny was on the side of the Crusaders. Quintin's three at the final buzzer made the final score 68-66, giving the Skippers only their fourth league loss in more than two years.

Cohasset played in a tournament over President's Day weekend, defeating Cardinal Spellman by six points, and losing a close one to Weymouth.

Lacrosse program set for spring

Cohasset will field a team in the under-12 division of the Massachusetts Bay Youth Lacrosse League this spring, the Cohasset Lacrosse Boosters and Recreation Director Jack Worley have announced.

This team will provide youngsters in the fifth and sixth grades, who had not turned 13 prior to Dec. 31, with their first chance to play competitive lacrosse. A sign-up will be held Saturday, Feb. 24, at the Cohasset High School from 9 a.m. to noon, during youth basketball. A registration fee of $50 will be charged, which includes a team uniform (jersey and shorts) that the player will keep.

The Cohasset team will be coached by Chuck Jaffe, who has been coaching lacrosse from youth to adult levels for the last 13 years. Jaffe, who assisted both the varsity and junior varsity programs last spring, is a former All Big Ten player from Michigan who played with the Philadelphia Wings of the Major Indoor Lacrosse League.

Jaffe has lined up several former college players to assist with the new youth team.

Recreation Department clinics have allowed youngsters to start playing lacrosse during the summer, but there has never before been a Cohasset team to play on during the spring months.

"We're going to focus on fundamentals, on getting kids excited about playing lacrosse and giving them a chance to put their sticks to work in game situations," said Jaffe. "Lacrosse is a lot of

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Colorful Procession

The Cohasset High gymnastics team (Center) lines up along two other South Shore League squads before the awards are presented at Saturday's league meet at Carver High.

Ruthann Ardizzoni/Special to the Mariner

Mariner Sports

Cohasset Recreation basketball

Standings as of Feb. 10
4th Grade Boys

Team	W	L
Good Sport	5	0
Pilgrim Co-op. Bank	2	3
J.C. Waal Engineering	2	3
Pat's Hairstyling	1	4

Good Sport robs Pilgrim Co-op

By DENNIS DOOLEY
Special to the Mariner

Highlights from this week's action in the Cohasset Recreation boys basketball program included a 21-12 victory by the fourth-grade Good Sport squad over the Pilgrim Co-Operative Bank Hoopsters.

Defensive pressure was the deciding factor in this rematch of first-and second-place teams. Andrew Guild, Matt Evans and Phil Strazzula controlled the boards for the Good Sport team and Adam Thayer chipped in with a couple of key defensive stops.

On the offensive side of the game Jeff Barrett and Mike Dooley led the fast break while Tim Anton and Paul Cotter finished off the transition game with some clutch baskets.

Good Sport closes out the regular season this Saturday against J.C. Waal Engineering Company, while Pilgrim Co-op battles Pat's Hairstyling.

Cohasset youth baseball signups

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association will be holding signups Saturday, March 2, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Deerhill School and the high school for the farm league (ages 5, 6 and 7), 8-year-old minor league, minor league (9, 10 and 11), major league, 13-year-old pony league, and 14- and 15-year-old senior little league. Call Mark DeGiacomo (6413) or Bob Moody (0385).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NAMED FOR 1996

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association is pleased to announce its 1996 board of directors: President Bob Moody, Vice President Jon Caron, Treasurer Ernie Grassey, Secretary Linda Bolster, Player Agent Mark DeGiacomo, Director of Farm League Kevin Lewis, Director of Minor League Andy Krueger, Director of Major League Bob Morgan and Director of Umpiring John Carr.

The board is looking forward to an exciting year which will include the reinstatement of American Legion Baseball for the 15 to 19 year old players. Players will be selected from the towns of Cohasset, Scituate and Hull.

The board members would like to thank the George H. Mealy American Legion Post 118 for making American Legion Baseball a reality. Anyone interested in either helping on the board, subcommittees, coaching, umpiring for the upcoming season or needing information on American Legion Baseball should call Bob Moody (0385).

Where are they now?

Scituate's Nicole Vasseur, a graduate of Cohasset High School is a member of the '95-96 Bridgewater State winter cheerleading squad which is coached by Julie Niewola. Vasseur, a former cheerleader at CHS, is a freshman majoring in education and music.

Hockey trip planned

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in a joint effort with Cohasset Teen Resources, will sponsor a trip to Providence, R.I., Friday, March 8, to the Providence Bruins vs. Portland Pirates hockey game.

A minimum of 20 participants in grades 6-9 will be necessary for this trip and the fee is $20 per person for bus transportation and game tickets. The bus will leave town hall at 5 p.m. returning at about 10:30 p.m.

To register for this opportunity, call the Cohasset Recreation Department office at 383-6791 prior to Feb. 22.

Hockey Boosters grateful for support

The Cohasset Hockey Boosters would like to thank the many local businesses and professionals who contributed to the Booster's fund to benefit the Cohasset High School varsity hockey team.

Many thanks to John Barry, Fred Burnside, Cohasset Collision Center, Paul T. Cummings, Joe Dooley, Leo J. Fiori & Sons, Ed Goff, Steve Golden, The Good Sport, The Goodale Co., David Hassan, David Leahy, Robert Moody, Monty Najjar, Larry Mitchell, Emmett O'Brien, Pat's Hairstyling, Ernest Richardson Funeral Home, Bob Riley, Mike Sasso, Anne Vanderweil, Dustin Wheelwright.

If any interested fans of Cohasset High School hockey would like to make a donation, they can send a tax deductible check to Cohasset Hockey Boosters, P.O. Box 653, Cohasset, MA 02025.

American Legion baseball returns to town

The George H. Meally American Legion Post 118 has committed to reinstate a team into the American Legion 1996 baseball program. The post will draw players from Scituate and Cohasset. Players interested in being considered for the upcoming season should call either John Carr at 383-0331 or Scott Arnold at 545-1896.

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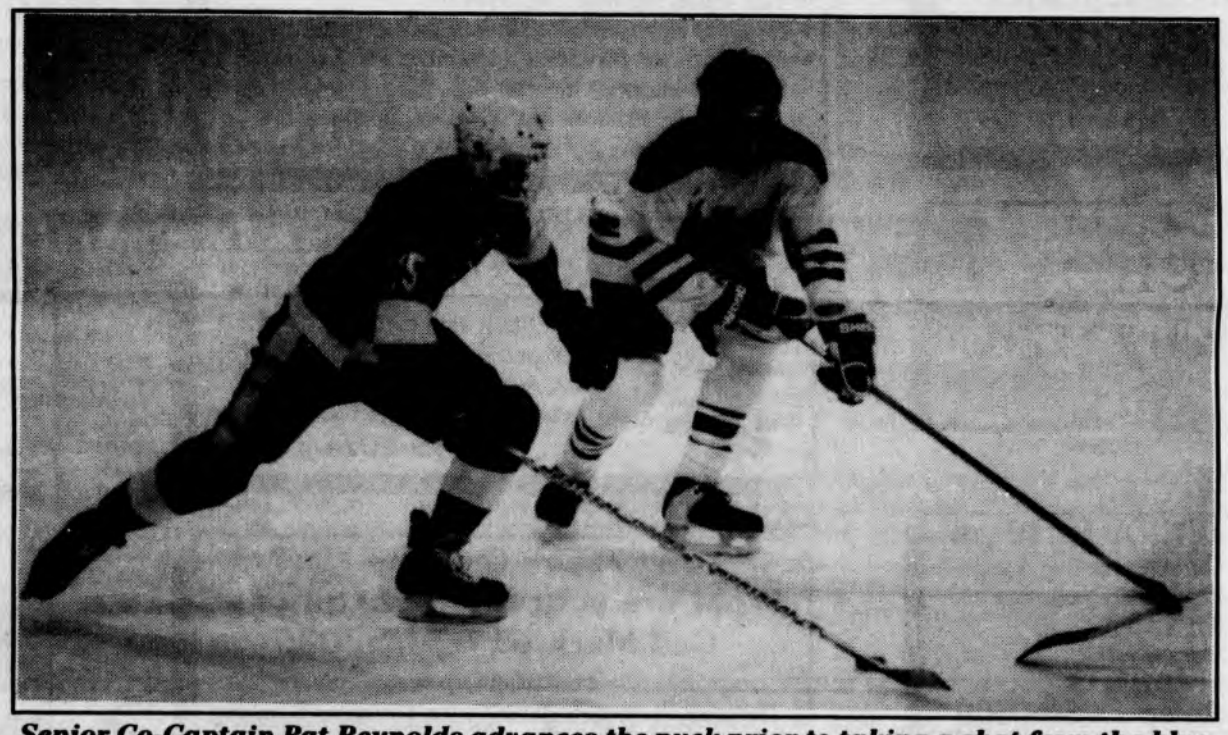
Mariner Sports

Ice Action, Skipper-style

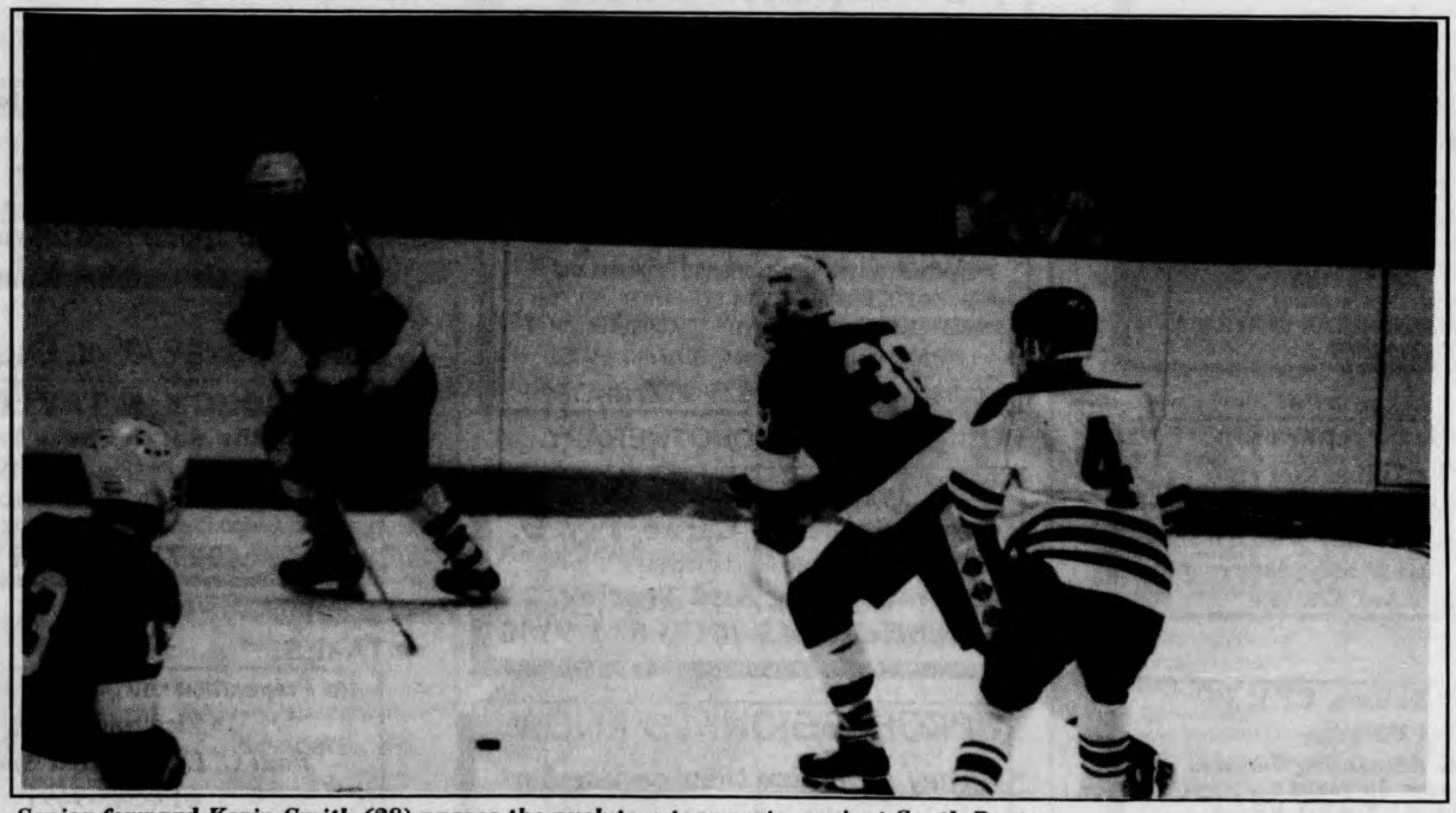
Cohasset High goaltender Kyle Bunstein blocks the lower-left corner of the net from a Hanover sniper.

Seventh-grade sensation Greg Figueiredo streaks down the ice during the Skippers' 7-2 loss to a tough Hanover High squad.

Photos by Carol Riley



Senior Co-Captain Pat Reynolds advances the puck prior to taking a shot from the blue line against South Boston. Reynolds had two assists in the game.



Senior forward Kevin Smith (38) passes the puck to a teammate against South Boston.

Mariner Sports

Lacrosse program set for spring

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fun to play, combining a lot of the skills kids use in soccer, basketball and hockey with some unique aspects all its own. We think the kids who come out will have a great time.

The fifth/sixth grade team will play a seven-game schedule, with games set for Sunday afternoons in April, May and the first week of June. Players will be responsible for their own sticks, helmets and gloves, and will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis.

This team will be developmental, with weekly practices devoted to learning the fundamentals of throwing, catching and positional play. The team's opponents will be primarily from South Shore communities such as Hanover, Norwell and Hingham.

For more information, call either Jaffe, at 383-1676, or Terry Kahn, 383-0332. Registration forms will also be available at the recreation department office at town hall.

MacPherson earns cross-country honor

Noble and Greenough School is pleased to announce Scott MacPherson, son of Russell and Susan MacPherson of Cohasset, was awarded the Coaches Award in boys cross-country, which is given to the athlete who has shared a sense of purpose with his fellow teammates, exemplified sportsmanship among all competitors, and maintained a high personal athletic standard. Established in 1866, Noble and Greenough School is an independent, coeducational day and five-day boarding school of 500 students in grades 7-12, located in Dedham.

All-Stars Shine

Tara Hettstrom, Jodi Colwill and Erica Hettstrom were all named South Shore League All-Stars during the league meet at Carver High School.

Karen Hettstrom/Special to the Mariner

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Thursday, Feb. 8

7:21 a.m., suspicious activity, Elm St., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

8:47 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

12:42 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ, departmental action.

2:13 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

3:49 p.m., annoying phone calls, Ledgeway, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 46

7:21 p.m., message delivery, Cedar St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

9:24 p.m., medical, Pond St., removed to hospital.

10:21 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., no police service necessary.

10:47 p.m., larceny, Verc Mobil, investigated.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 42

Friday, Feb. 9

1:06 a.m., general services, S. Main St., departmental action.

2:13 a.m., suspicious activity, Stanton Rd.

7:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (3A Carpet).

7:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Pond St.).

7:48 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Jonathan Livingston).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

10:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, High School, services rendered.

11:52 a.m., assist citizen, across from Pat's Barbershop, no police service necessary.

12:30 p.m., disturbance (general), across from Cohasset Greens — 3A N. Bound, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 42

4:10 p.m., suspicious activity, Dunkin Donuts, peace restored.

4:16 p.m., general services, Cohasset Imports, services rendered.

4:42 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Exotic Flowers, departmental action.

5:14 p.m., suspicious activity, Linden Dr., no police service necessary.

6:08 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Woodside Cemetery, no police service necessary.

6:27 p.m., leaving scene, Town Parking Lot, investigated.

8:08 p.m., suspicious activity, Stockbridge Rd., area search negative.

9:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy @ Mendel Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:27 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main/River Rd., arrest.

11:44 p.m., Ptl. Treanor in with Bryan Bradley DOB: 3/30/57, 20 Seaview Ave., Scituate, under arrest oper. after suspension.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, cool, 38

Saturday, Feb. 10

1:37 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Hingham Line, departmental action.

2:31 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Red Fox Lane, verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

9:52 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way by Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:11 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., traffic warning issued.

2:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St. (Scofield Rd.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

3:03 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Cohasset Imports), verbal warning.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 46

4:08 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ, services rendered.

4:17 p.m., medical, Hull St. removed to hospital.

5:06 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Jerusalem Rd.), verbal warning.

5:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

6:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Sohier St.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:18 p.m., suspicious activity, Jerusalem Rd., area search negative.

7:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., traffic warning issued.

10:56 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St. (Kimball's), verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

Sunday, Feb. 11

12:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Autohaus, departmental action.

1:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Grace Dr., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Light rain, 44

3:57 p.m., officer field investigation, Highland Ave., false call.

4:00 p.m., Rain, 42

4:41 p.m., vandalism, Nichols Rd., investigated.

6:16 p.m., civil complaint, Hammond Ave., advised civil action.

9:40 p.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

9:54 p.m., Hwy. Supt. Litchfield notified of black ice developing on roadways.

10:47 p.m., juvenile offense, Beal St., Hingham, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 36

It's Happening

Kung fu instructors take top honors

Two students from the Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi Academy in Cohasset competed at the Granite State Open Karate Championships in New Hampshire.

Scott Jeffery, head assistant instructor at Jade Forest, won first place in the blackbelt weapons division and first place in blackbelt hand forms.

Lori Sartre, also an assistant instructor, won third place in blackbelt hand forms and second place in blackbelt weapons. Both Sartre and Jeffery are rated competitors on the national tournament circuit.

Jade Forest is located on Route 3A in Cohasset. For information about the school, call 383-6822.

All Paws meeting set

The next bi-monthly members meeting of All Paws Rescue will be held on Tuesday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the Days Inn, Rockland.

Spay Day is Feb. 27

Tuesday, Feb. 27, has been declared Spay Day USA. Faced with the continuing problem of pet overpopulation, humane societies throughout the nation are attempting to find incentives to encourage pet owners to sterilize their dogs and cats to prevent unwanted litters.

In celebration of Spay Day USA, Standish Humane Society will offer greatly reduced costs for spay/neuter services to those who qualify under Standish Humane's financial guidelines. Eligible individuals who call 834-4663 from 2 to 7 p.m. on Feb. 27, 28 and 29 will receive a discount of $30 per cat or $50 per dog from Standish.

Pets must be owned by the person telephoning, and there is a limit of three pets per family. Pet owners must live on the South Shore and must have the surgery done by a veterinary hospital that already participates in the society's reduced-cost spay/neuter program.

SSCC launches capital campaign

The South Shore Community Center, which has served the community for 53 years, has launched a capital campaign, which includes a phon-a-thon during February and March. The purpose of the fundraising effort is to raise capital to help rebuild during a time of increasing financial strain.

Sue DiPesa, president of the SSCC said, "Unless we get financial support, the board will have to take drastic steps to eliminate our standing debt. It's time to rebuild and we can't do it on a foundation of old debt.

". . . We have made every effort to cut back expenses without cutting back services. We have already cut back salaries; any further cutback will involve programs."

Conway Realtors and Hingham Institution for Savings have offered their sites for the fundraising effort. Conway personnel from four South Shore offices and Wearguard telesales employees will contribute their time manning the phones, and WATD-FM Radio is donating air time for the project.

Executive Director Nina Belsan is optimistic about the campaign, while DiPesa expressed her appreciation to members who have already shown their support by being the first contributors.

Anyone wishing to make a donation or volunteer to help with the capital campaign is asked to call the Center at 383-0088.

Author's talk at Abbey

Renowned author Dan Wakefield will give a free talk on the exploration of the miracles in everyday life at Glastonbury Abbey Chapel, 16 Hull St., Hingham, on Sunday, March 10, at 11 a.m. immediately following service. A booksigning of his latest publication, "Expect a Miracle," will follow in the Abbey bookstore.

Wakefield is a journalist, novelist and screenwriter who leads workshops across the country in "Spiritual Autobiography" and "Creating from the Spirit." He is the author of the bestselling novels "Going All the Way" and "Starting Over" and the NBC-TV series "James at Fifteen."

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Docket No. 96P0188E1

Estate of ALEXANDRIA R. DONOVAN late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that BARBARA A. KEHOE of HINGHAM in the County of PLYMOUTH be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on March 20, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this sixth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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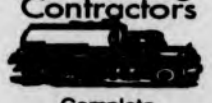

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Cooking, Science & Nature will be offered for five weeks, beginning Friday, March 1, from 9 to 11 a.m., for children ages 3 to 5. ($50, members; $60, non-members)

A **Girls Nite Out** is planned for Friday, March 1, and a **Boys Nite Out** is scheduled for Friday, March 8. Both events will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and cost $15 per person. Gymnastics, obstacle courses, bowling and contests will be featured.

A **Bowling Team** will begin Tuesday, March 5, from 3 to 4 p.m., for children in grades K-3. ($33, members; $43, non-members). Trophies will be awarded during the final week.

Free Play for children ages 14 months to 3 years will be held beginning Friday, March 8, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. ($5; $1 for second sibling) Drop-ins are welcome. Children will explore the center's Gym Dandy equipment.

Computer Kids meets on Wednesdays starting March 6. Classes are offered for 5-to 7-year-olds (3 to 3:45 p.m.) and ages 8 and up (4 to 4:45 p.m.) ($85, members; $95, non-members). Classes run for 10 weeks. Call Cathy Carlson, 383-0088, for a class schedule.

For additional information about classes or to register, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

Wildflowers is topic

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at Walton Rodgers Hall, St. Stephen's Church. Coffee will be served at 9 a.m., followed by the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Susan Dumaine, the first recipient of the New England Wild Flower Society's Katheryn S. Taylor Award for excellence, will demonstrate how wildflowers can become a beautiful addition to any home landscape.

Church plans quilt show

Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., is hosting a Quilt Show and Luncheon Saturday, March 2, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tickets are $8, and proceeds will benefit the Pediatric AIDS Charitable Trust and DOVE. For information, call 383-0345.

Cohasset's Ken Roth gets a back rub from Red Cross Technician Lee Ann Kelly after giving blood during the recent blood drive.

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Marlette: politics rules town counsel selection

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Selectmen are denying charges from town moderator George Marlette that he was purposefully excluded from consideration for the town counsel position.

"This is politics as usual," Marlette stated. "I meet the minimum entry level criteria and should have been interviewed. I feel very strongly that the elected moderator should have been extended that courtesy. My application was trivialized."

He also charged town administrator Gregory Doyon failed to include his initial letter of application in the packet for selectmen.

"There is no question in my mind, from the time I submitted my letter and Greg did not submit it in the packet," that the process was rigged against him.

Monday night, selectmen denied the allegations.

"It wasn't political at all," said chairman Merle Brown.

He explained that the 12 finalists for the job were plotted on a grid, with the

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Snubbed by selectmen, moderator charges

Edison sees the light

Company corrects problems in town

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Fourteen months after a winter storm plunged Cohasset into a dark Christmas, Eastern Edison reported that it has taken steps to prevent a repeat occurrence.

In a recent letter to selectmen, Eastern Edison vice president Barbara Hassan outlined the steps the utility company has taken since it was criticized by Cohasset residents and town officials following a storm that knocked out power for up to 48 hours on Christmas Eve, 1994.

Since that time, Eastern Edison has upgraded equipment, removed or pruned trees that jeopardized electric service, and installed a new telephone answering system to handle customer complaints, questions, and comments.

This action has resulted in "only a handful of problems" during the 12 winter storms this season, she said.

In the months following the December, 1994 northeaster, Eastern Edison embarked on a program to decrease the likelihood of future service disruptions

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Doris Flint, who is a member of the Cohasset Amateur Garden Club, serves Kathleen Kelly at the winter tea the club held last week at Cohasset Knoll Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Town may borrow to finance landfill costs

Will send bill to Weld

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Staggered by the cost of fighting the Cohasset Heights Landfill expansion, angry selectmen say they will send the bill to Gov. William Weld and other state officials.

Selectmen charge that environmental affairs secretary Trudy Coxe could have saved Cohasset taxpayers a small fortune if she had ruled against the landfill expansion request last fall, instead of directing the board of health to hold expensive hearings on the issue.

Between November and June, it is expected to cost the town some $244,000 in legal and engineering fees to oppose the expansion.

Last year, selectmen estimated the town has spent more than $400,000 on the landfill in the past ten years.

The amount will rise if the town should decide to appeal any state decision.

The November special town meeting appropriated $95,000 for the landfill issue, leaving a deficit of some $150,000 by June, town administrator Gregory Doyon told selectmen Monday night.

He passed out a sheet listing the various costs, which include nearly $209,000 for lawyers and expert witnesses to defend the town's position at the board of health hearings.

Selectman Peter Pratt suggested sending a letter to Weld, Coxe and other officials.

He claimed that since the state is not likely to grant any landfill expansion permits for a couple of years, the town should not have been told to hold the hearings now.

Pratt said that he recently complained about the situation to DEP commissioner David Struhs, but was told that officials never think about local costs.

A vocal Democrat, Pratt said he was not trying to make this a partisan issue, since

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Primary set for Tuesday, March 5

Cohasset Town Clerk Marion Douglas is predicting a low turnout of the town's 5,056 voters for Tuesday's primary.

The statewide contest helps determine the candidates in November's presidential election.

Polls will be open from 7 p m. to 8 p.m. Voters from both precincts vote at Cohasset Town Hall. The deadline to register to vote in the primary was Feb. 14.

As of Feb. 27, the town had 2,879 unenrolled voters, 1,067 Democrats, 1,107 Republicans and 3 Libertarians.

Lyndon LaRouche Jr. is the only challenger to President Clinton on the Democratic ballot in Massachusetts.

Former Tenn. governor Lamar Alexander, commentator Pat Buchanan, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole and millionaire Steve Forbes are the most prominent Republican candidates for president.

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Cohasset's Week

MBTA meeting is March 11

The MBTA will hold a meeting on Monday, March 11, at 8 p.m. with Cohasset selectmen. The purpose of the consultation is to re-establish lines of communication with the Cohasset community, which would be directly served by the Greenbush Line, and to set up a process for developing and reviewing Greenbush mitigation plans for the town.

Spraying policy announced

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee has announced that residents must notify the Town Clerk's office by March 1 if they do not wish to have their property sprayed with chemicals to control adult mosquitoes during the spring and summer months.

Requests for a legal "no spray" area will be honored by the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project throughout the mosquito season. Residents should be aware that spraying with pesticides would be necessary even in a "no spray" area if eastern equine encephalitis were declared to be a serious threat by the state Department of Public Health and the governor of Massachusetts.

ConCom associate appointed

Michael Dick was appointed an associate member of the conservation commission by selectmen this week. In making the appointment, they praised his enthusiasm and qualifications.

Selectmen warm to library air conditioning

It is likely that Cohasset's book enthusiasts need not dread another hot summer.

Selectmen Monday night agreed to support a town meeting article installing air conditioning in the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

Library trustee Sheila Evans told selectmen that town meeting has already approved a $5,000 engineering study on air conditioning at the building.

She reported that air conditioning would likely cost $50,000.

Cohasset is one of only three towns of the 20 communities making up the Old Colony library network — along with Braintree and Milton — which do not have air conditioned libraries.

Evans predicted that air conditioning would increase the popularity of summer programs held in the building.

New buses may be needed

School superintendent Steven Hart said this week that the town could need as many as four new school buses, at a cost of some $180,000.

He told selectmen that he will make a recommendation soon on a possible town meeting request for the money. He is also considering the possibility of contracting with a private bus company.

Hart explained that the state police officer who most recently inspected the buses urged that the town replace some of them.

Four of the six buses are nearly ten years old and have more than 100,000 miles on them.

The diesel buses have space for 71 passengers.

Cohasset has five bus routes and keeps a sixth bus in abeyance for special trips or to stand in for one of the others.

Mosquito control vacancy

With the potentially dangerous mosquito season looming, the mosquito control committee still has one vacancy. Anyone interested is urged to contact the selectman's office at town hall immediately.

CHS auditorium upgrade now up to town meeting

After a brief presentation by school superintendent Steven Hart, selectmen Monday night unanimously agreed to support a town meeting article seeking $140,000 to renovate the high school auditorium.

Included in that sum will be some $20,000 to repair the bleachers and make other minor repairs in the high school gym.

Hart explained that, except for minor repairs, the auditorium has not been refurbished since it was built in 1950.

He said the acoustics in the room are so poor Cohasset has never been able to host the popular Boston Globe drama festival which the high school drama club usually receives recognition in.

It will cost between $40,000 and $50,000 to refurbish the auditorium seats.

The cast iron portion of the seat will be sand blasted and repainted. The wood backs will stained and sealed, while the cushions will be upholstered.

New carpeting, windows and house lighting will be installed. The stage lighting has already been replaced.

To improve acoustics, the ceiling will be rebuilt and wall panels installed.

Hart showed selectmen a drawing of how the auditorium will likely look when it is completed, which included a mural illustrating clipper ships sailing in a harbor.

The CHS sports teams are known as the Skippers.

Selectman Peter Pratt wondered how the school department could proceed with the refurbishing while the Osgood elementary school still lacks a fire alarm and is considered to be unsafe.

Hart replied that plans are underway to install an alarm at the building, and stated that postponing maintenance on school facilities creates more expensive work in the future.

Tide Chart

EASTERN STANDARD TIME

Feb./March 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 29	7:32	9.1	1:10	8:11	8.3	1:56
Fri. 1	8:25	9.3	2:04	9:01	8.6	2:45
Sat. 2	9:13	9.6	2:54	9:44	8.9	3:29
Sun. 3	9:56	9.8	3:39	10:24	9.3	4:09
Mon. 4	10:36	10.1	4:21	11:01	9.6	4:47
Tues. 5	11:14	10.2	5:01	11:37	9.9	5:24
Wed. 6	11:52	10.3	5:41	——	——	6:02
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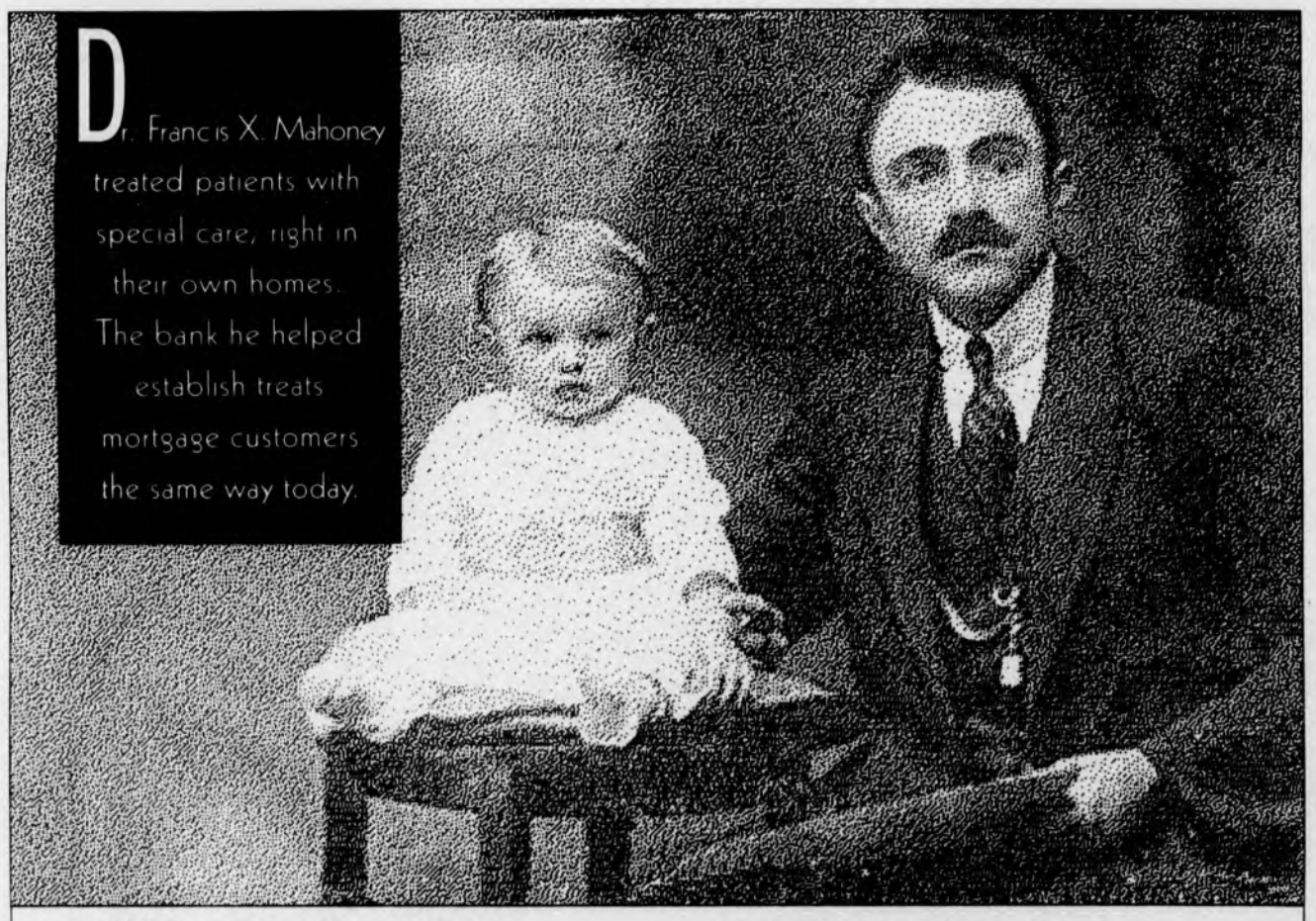

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Hail Caesar! He came up with leap year

By BOB AICARDI
Cohasset Mariner

1996 is a leap year. This gives everyone born on Feb. 29 the rare opportunity to hold a celebrationon their real birthday.

Here's a fact that even the average contestant on "Jeopardy" probably doesn't know: The person who introduced the idea of a four-year leap year (with a 30-day February) was none other than Julius Caesar, whose legendary career came to an abrupt end when he "visited the Roman Senate once too often," as Gore Vidal points out.

Caesar wanted to make up for the extra fraction of a day over 365 that the earth takes to complete its annual cycle. According to historians, Caesar's "Julian calendar" was much more accurate than its predecessors.

However, it was still 0.0078 days too long, and 1,500 years later, the accumulated error had added up to 10 full days.

At this time, it was Pope Gregory XIII who established the calendar which is used in the West today. He solved the problem of the 10 extra days in 1582 by simply omitting them.

In that year only, decreed the Pontiff, Oct. 4 would be followed by Oct. 15. (The reason why England and her colonies had to lose 11 rather than 10 days was that they did not adopt the Gregorian calendar until 170 years later, by which time it was another complete day ahead of the real year.)

In a nutshell, Pope Gregory's calendar was a reformed version of the Julian one. The Pope rearranged the lengths of the months into their modern versions and more importantly, devised a way of overcoming the slight inaccuracy in the Julian calendar.

Pope Gregory decided that in order to qualify as a leap year, a century year (100, 1500, and so on) had to be divisible not just by four, but by 400. This explains why the years 1700, 1800, and 1900 were not leap years, but 2000 will be a leap year.

Let's shift gears a bit. We're all familiar with the mnemonic that begins "30 days hath September/April, June, and November..." but many of us aren't familiar with the reason why months have different numbers.

When the Romans under Caesar invented the Julian calendar, they decided to give months with special religious significance 31 days and the ones of lesser importance just 30 days.

January (named after the god Janus), March (named after Mars), and July (named in honor of Caesar himself) were among the months with 31 days.

Caesar's successor, Augustus, named August after himself and (naturally) gave it 31 days. In order to do so, he borrowed a day from February and reduced the length of that month to 28 days.

To avoid a succession of three long months, Augustus then made September and November 30-day months and lengthened the alternate months of October and December to 31 days.

Wonder why all of this was never mentioned in the "I, Claudius" miniseries on PBS?

Rare edition of Cohasset Mariner

You have before you a rare edition of the Cohasset Mariner. For the first time in the 18-year history of this newspaper, it is published on Feb. 29.

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A note to South Shore Democrats

February, 1996

I am asking for your vote on Tuesday, March 5th, so I thought I would tell you a little about myself.

I've been a Democrat all my life and feel strongly that our State Party must be aggressive in its efforts to re-elect Senator Kerry to the U. S. Senate and to repulse the extremist agenda being thrust upon us by the Republican Party in Washington!

I have always supported outstanding Democrats like Allan McKinnon, Bill Golden, and Brian McDonald in the Senate District and am extremely proud to be supporting Phil Johnston to succeed Congressman Gerry Studds.

That's the kind of Democrat I am. I hope that you will go to the polls on Tuesday, March 5th to support an activist Democratic Party and our President, Bill Clinton!

Sincerely,
Karen

Karen DeTellis, Immediate Past Chair
Co-Op Eight of the South Shore

Company corrects problems in town

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and problems in Cohasset, Hassan said.

One of the most immediate improvements the company made was removing and pruning trees that interfered with electrical service. More than 460 trees were removed in Cohasset, most of which were on private property. She reported "100 per cent cooperation" from residents who recognized that particular trees were a hazard not only to the electric lines but to their houses.

Edison paid particular attention to trees near public safety buildings and elderly housing and nursing homes, to minimize the likelihood of power failures to those buildings, she said.

Recognizing that past tree pruning damaged and disfigured trees, Hassan explained that Eastern Edison hired a professional forester, who supervised the operation and worked with the local tree warden.

The company has also given Cohasset $2,000 with which to purchase new trees, to replace ones that were removed on town property, mindful that municipal budget cuts have cut into the amount the town can spend for new plantings. This allows the town to chose what types of trees it wants in different locations: shade trees or ornamental flowering trees.

The tree trimming also helps by limiting the ability of squirrels to reach the electric wires and equipment. Hassan estimates that 20 to 25 per cent of service interruptions are "directly related to wildlife," particularly squirrels.

Edison is installing "wildlife guards": synthetic, non-conductive coverings which shield bare, energized equipment from squirrels. However, the "sheer persistence" of the critters which chew through the guards is usually fatal to the animal and results in a "nuisance interruption" to customers.

The company also consulted an engineer and also the company's linemen, she said, explaining that the linemen are often more aware of existing problems in the communities.

Eastern Edison has spent $500,000 to remove small primary voltage conductors on Atlantic Avenue, Beach Street, Cedar Street, Elm Court, Hull Street, Jerusalem Road, Red Gate Lane, and Reservoir Road. This amount represents 5 per cent of Edison's total budget, spent in Cohasset which accounts for 2 per cent of the company's customers.

Cohasset's coastline poses a problem from salt spray corroding connectors and cables, Hassan said. Edison washing down this equipment on a regular basis to prolong its life and minimize power failures. Where necessary, insulators and transformers are being replaced.

In response to complaints that its Cohasset customers could not contact the company to report the loss of power, Hassan said a new "high volume call answering service" has been installed. The new system will allow more customers to contact the utility company, to report service problems, and to record comments.

Selectmen said earlier this month Eastern Edison officials will be invited to meet with them, to discuss the improvements to electric service in Cohasset. At their Feb. 5 meeting, Selectman Peter Pratt, who sharply criticized the company after the December, 1994 storm, said, "Good work has been accomplished."

"They moved the whole issue forward dramatically."

Primary set for Tuesday, March 5

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They are joined on the Massachusetts ballot by Robert Dornan, Alan Keyes, Richard Lugar, Morry Taylor and even Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, who dropped out two weeks ago.

The Massachusetts Libertarian ballot lists Harry Browne, Irwin Schiff and Rick Tomkins as presidential candidates.

Candidates for Democratic and Republican State Committees also appear on the primary ballots.

Marshfield resident Annie Federico is vying for a seat on the Democratic State Committee against Karen DeTellis of Weymouth. Republicans and Democrats will each pick a state committeeman and committeewoman and there will be contest on each ballot.

In the Plymouth-Norfolk district, Karen DeTellis of Weymouth is running against Ann Federico of Marshfield for the Democratic seat that is being given up by Norma Fenochietti. Frederick Koed of Cohasset is running unopposed for Democratic state committeeman.

DeTellis was born in Marshfield, moved to Weymouth. Federico was born in Dorchester, moved to Marshfield.

DeTellis, 51, is a member of the Weymouth Board of Health and chairman of the Democratic Town Committee in Weymouth.

Federico, 45, is a legislative aide to the retiring Cong. Gerry Studds and chairman of the Democratic Town Committee in Marshfield.

On the Republican side, Tom Barry of Duxbury is running for re-election to the state committee against William McClory of Hull. Polly Logan of Cohasset, vice chairman of the Massachusetts Republican party, is also running for re-election to the state committee.

Thirty-five candidates for the Democratic and Republican Town Committees are on each ballot as well.

In the primary, unenrolled voters may choose either a Democratic, Republican or Libertarian ballot. A wish to remain unenrolled must be indicated after voting; otherwise the resident is enrolled in the party in which they voted.

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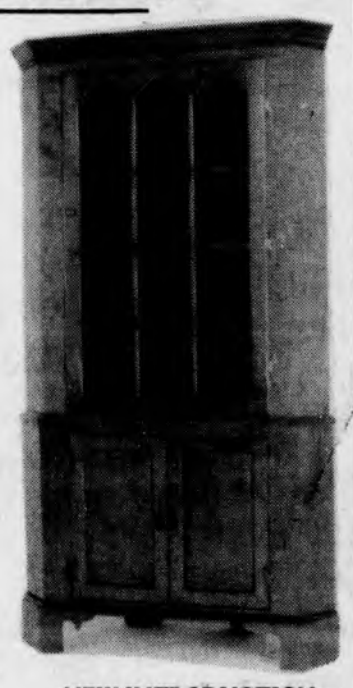
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GOP locals pick Dole to win

By KIMBERLEY KEYES
Cohasset Mariner

Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole will win Tuesday's presidential primary, local Republicans predicted.

"Most people I talk to in political circles in Massachusetts tend to be for Dole," said Republican State Committeeman Tom Barry of Duxbury.

"I think he's the most qualified, has the most experience and understands how government runs," he said. "I think he represents the views of most Republicans in that they want smaller government, lower taxes and less spending."

By contrast, Dole's rival Pat Buchanan – who narrowly beat Dole, 27 percent to 26 percent, in last week's New Hampshire primary – is "a bit of an extremist," said Republican state Rep. and Abington Selectman Ron Whitney.

"I would think that Dole would win," said Polly Logan of Cohasset, vice chairman of the Massachusetts Republican Party. She noted State Treasurer Joe Malone is running Dole's campaign in Massachusetts, and that Gov. William Weld and Lt. Gov Paul Cellucci also support the Kansas senator.

She said she expects a fairly large turnout for the primary, especially by unenrolled voters who want to take GOP ballots.

"Plymouth County is a very strong Republican stronghold," Logan said.

In Marshfield, where Democrats outnumber Republicans 2 to 1, voters "don't tend to go way overboard one way or the other," said Republican Town Committee chairman Barbara Carney. She predictedDole will take both the town and the state.

Dole is "viewed as being more moderate than Pat Buchanan, but conservative on the fiscal issues," which may appeal to Bay State voters, District Attorney Michael Sullivan said.

A Republican from Abington, Sullivan said he doesn't expect a landslide victory for Dole because of the crowded field, but added, "I don't think it's going to be nearly as close as it was in New Hampshire."

Former Tenn. Gov. Lamar Alexander captured 23 percent of the vote in New Hampshire, while publishing heir Steve Forbes got 12 percent. Other candidates on the Massachusetts GOP ballot are California congressman Robert Dornan, radio talk show host Alan Keyes, Indiana Sen. Richard Lugar, and tire baron Morry Taylor.

If Dole and Alexander split the moderates' vote, said Republican state Sen. Robert Hedlund of Weymouth, Buchanan could surpass them.

But "I would say Dole is probably the odds-on favorite right now," he said.

Whoever wins the Massachusetts primary will be endorsed by all 37 Bay States delegates to the Republican national convention. The convention, to be held in August in San Diego, will choose the party's official candidates for president and vice president, Barry said.

Hedlund said the thought of Dole as the party standard-bearer makes him nervous.

"I don't know if he's going to be able to excite people enough to be the next president," he said.

Whitney said the 73-year-old Dole "has to sharpen his message to the people in order to win the monination."

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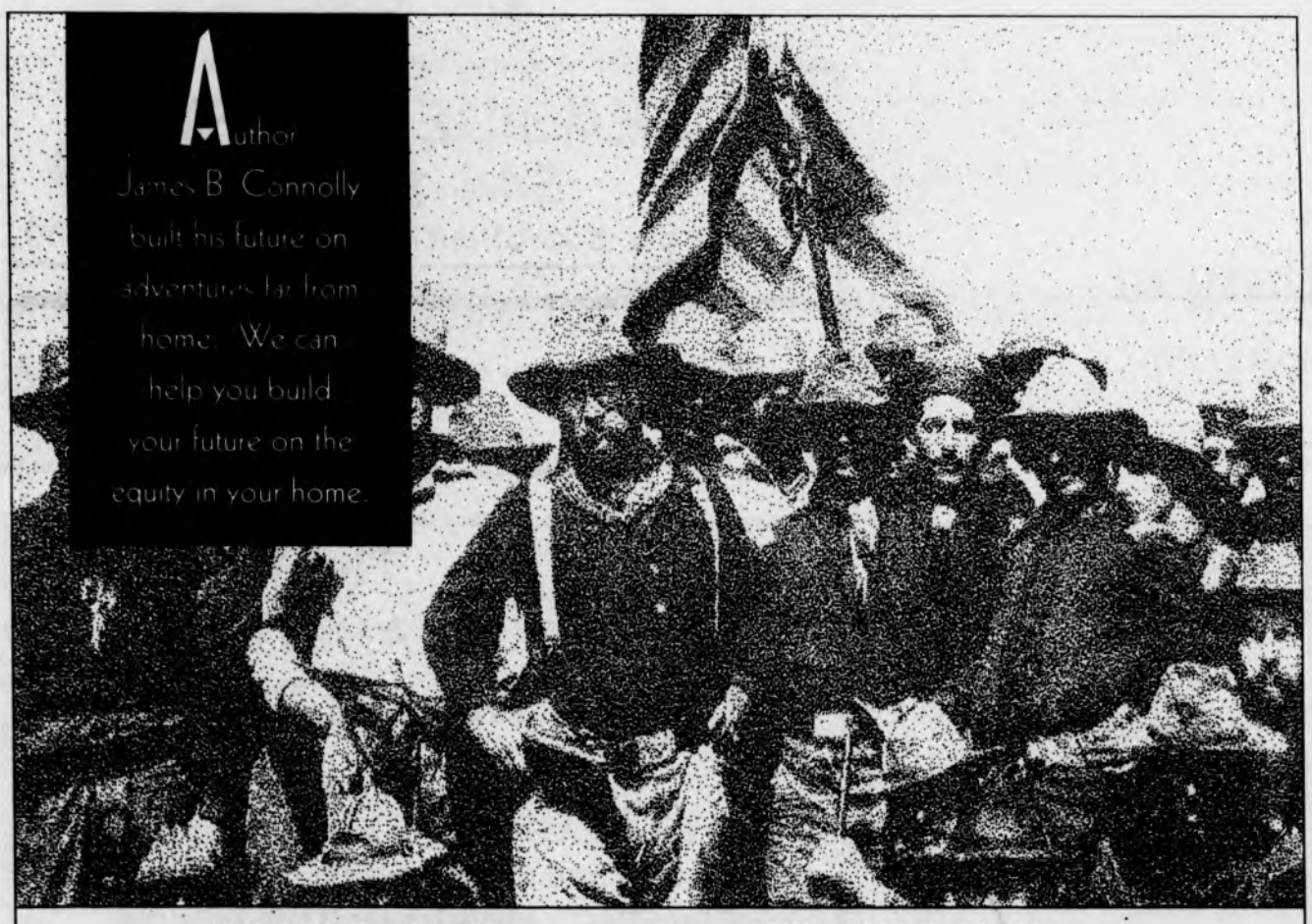

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Marlette: politics rules town counsel selection

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top candidates being those who fulfilled the requirements.

Brown also said that since Marlette is town moderator, he could not serve as town counsel.

Marlette maintained that the by-laws allow a moderator to be town counsel, which does occur in other communities.

Brown also said that Marlette lacks the necessary town government experience since has not served as town counsel.

However, Marlette said that he has the five years municipal law experience asked for in the request for proposal. He explained that although he has never represented a community, he routinely handles work in zoning, construction and labor law which often involve municipalities.

Marlette said a legal associate, Benjamin Albanese, who has represented Brockton for more than four years, would be on-call should he be unavailable.

In addition, Marlette said that selectmen have misrepresented his fees.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said Monday night that Marlette would bill at $145 per hour, higher than the $100 to $120 per hour that the four finalists said they would bill at, and considerably above the $85 current town counsel Richard Henderson charges.

However, Marlette said that the form asked for his customary fees, which range from $150 to $165 per hour.

He said he would not charge that to the town, but would negotiate to reduce legal charges and either bill at less than Henderson's rate or offer more free hours.

"That is hogwash," he said of complaints that he would be more expensive. "I told them I would take whatever they offered. I would negotiate and reduce," legal bills.

He said that in his role as moderator, he already reviews all articles and motions for their legality and that he would not bill for this if he became counsel. Nor would he charge for attending town meeting, since he would already be there.

He also stated that selectman Martha Gjesteby said at the start of the process that selectmen Sullivan and Jane Goedecke do not like him and that she (Gjesteby) had already pledged her vote to Kopelman & Paige.

"That Martha very clearly said, Mr. Sullivan and Ms. Goedecke didn't like me and she was committed elsewhere," Marlette charged.

Gjesteby has stated that she has not pledged her vote to anyone.

Marlette claimed that selectman Peter Pratt wanted to interview him, but the others did not.

Gjesteby Monday night said she was one of two selectmen in favor of interviewing the local candidates, but she did not indicate which selectmen opposed interviewing Marlette.

Selectmen interviewed Paul DeRensis and two other representatives, including a Cohasset resident, of Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis Holland & Drachman Monday night and were planning to speak with Michael Lehane of Murphy, Hesse, Toomey & Lehane; Leonard Kopelman of Kopleman & Paige; and George Hall of Anderson & Kreiger on Wednesday.

Town may borrow to finance costs

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Weld is a Republican.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby, a Republican with close ties to the administration, pointed out that they would take the same action if the governor were a Democrat.

Selectmen agreed to send copies of the letter to state Sen. Robert Hedlund and Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray.

However, they do not expect the state to pay the bill.

Selectman chairman Merle Brown said that he hopes the $150,000 deficit can be paid for out of free cash. If the advisory committee does not think that is possible, the town will have to borrow to pay the bill.

Brown said the money cannot be put on an override of Proposition 2 1/2 question because that could fail and the town must pay the bills.

Selectman Michael Sullivan deplored the cost, stating that the town is being put in this position because of pressure from the solid waste industry.

He said, "the situation is getting out of hand."

In recent weeks, selectmen have tried to hold down the costs associated with CHL, asking that lawyers representing the various town boards involved - the conservation commission and board of health — not to attend sessions of the hearing unless absolutely necessary.

Gjesteby objected to a bill from legal counsel Warner & Stackpole, because it indicated the town is being charged for lawyers at the firm to consult with each other.

However, Brown said that the firm has been trying to hold costs down and did not submit a bill for all services.

Included in the $244,000, Doyon's spread sheet indicates that through June 30, the town will spend:

- $135,000, Warner & Stackpole;
- $54,000, engineers Camp, Dresser & McKee;
- $23,000, attorney Kenneth Kimmell;
- $12,000, engineers Fugro-East;
- $8,000, transcripts;
- $6,000, engineers McDonough & Scully;
- $5,650, Patrick Barosh, which comes from the water department budget.

In addition, the Kimmell bills do not include the cost of a brief he is expected to file, and transcript costs will rise if the hearings continue longer than expected.

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The show, "We're On Our Way," begins at 7 p.m. on Saturday in Trueblood Hall at the Parish House, North Main Street. The entire performance will be repeated on Sunday at 4 p.m.

The show will feature many numbers, including "Sentimental Journey," "All For the Best," "Money, Money" duets, "Let's Misbehave" and an original tune, "I Will Never Be A Cowboy."

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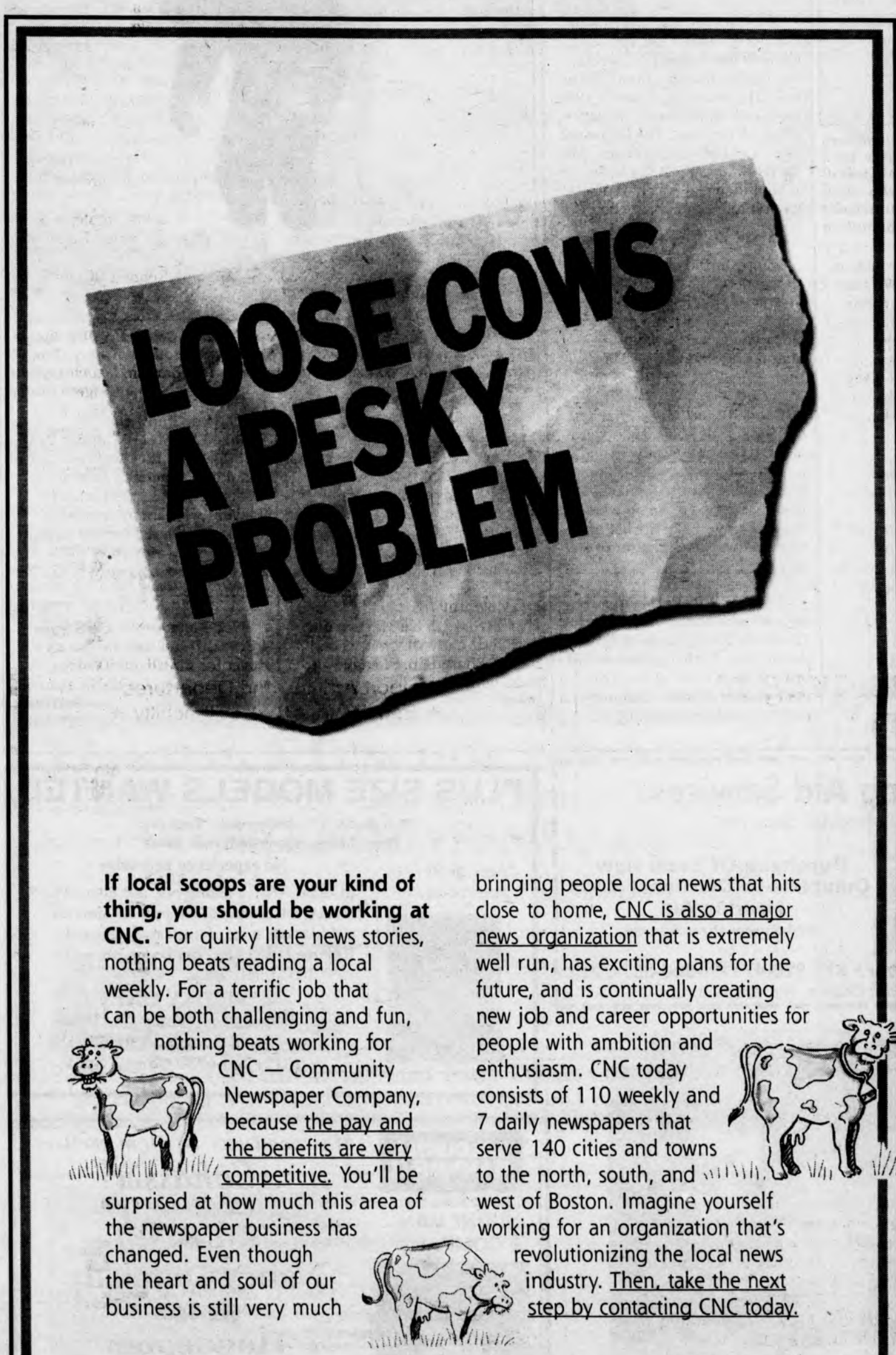
There will be a jazzy Manhattan Transfer-style piece, and Mike Selig, dynamite drummer, will also perform.

Tickets are available at the First Parish office, 383-1100, which is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. or by calling Iri Bloomfield, 383-1360. Tickets for Saturday's performance are $25 and include a buffet reception, which begins at 7 p.m.

For $40, sponsors receive preferred seating, the buffet and a free glass of wine. Reservations are necessary. Tickets for Sunday's performance are $15.



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Hat's off to Cohasset High artist Liz Good

We start by giving you wonderful news about **Liz Good,** a member of the senior class at Cohasset High School. Liz received an honorable mention in this year's Boston Globe Scholastic Arts Awards. The artwork is on exhibit through March 1 at the State Transportation Building, 10 Park Plaza, Boston.

The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards Show is a free exhibit of junior high and high school artwork, sponsored by the Boston Globe and administered by the New England Art Education Conference. Stop by and see the work of some of Massachusetts' most talented artists — and be sure to congratulate Liz on having her talent recognized.

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The Cohasset PTO is presenting a computer night for parents tonight, Feb. 29, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. Computer teachers **Marge Murphy** and **Bob Knurek** will discuss how computers are being integrated into Osgood, Deer Hill and the junior and senior high curriculum, as well as other information on computers. There will be a question and answer period. It promises to be informative, so go and learn what our students are learning!

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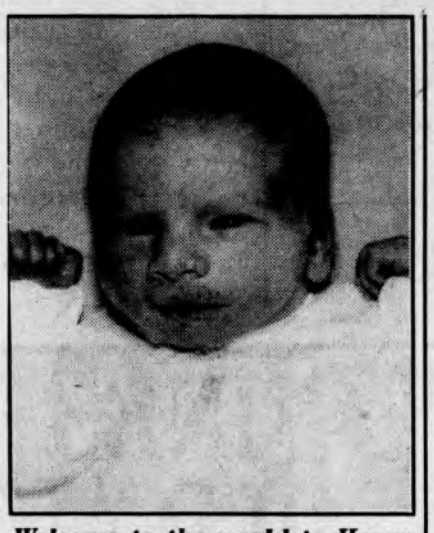
One quick question for all before we continue — have you filled out the **town census** that was mailed to you recently? It is a must, as it is used to maintain voting and jury lists and aids in school enrollment projections and public needs. It also establishes proof of residency that is needed for privileges throughout the town and the state. Why not sit down and do it today (after you read the Cohasset Mariner, of course!)



Welcome to the world to Henry Anton Gjesteby who was born Feb. 7. If you see Henry's grandparents, Arne and Martha, smiling more than usual around town, be sure to congratulate them!

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It is hoped that **Helen King** is feeling much better as she reads this following her operation last week.

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Speaking of operations, **Grace Silvia** was also operated on last week. We know the surgery will enable you to walk all over Cohasset by spring, Grace, and look at all the beautiful flowers that will be out by then.

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Don't forget the **Third Annual Quilt Show and Luncheon** that will be held March 2 at Second Congregational Church from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be a display of more than 50 quilts and a luncheon featuring a choice of shrimp, ham or vegetable soufflé, salad, rolls and an elaborate homemade dessert cart. Call **Carol Sandblom** (383-1812) or the church office (383-0345) for information. It's guaranteed that you will be glad you attended!

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Do you ever read the Boston Globe's column, "Ask The Globe"? Recently, "P.C." wrote, saying that due to a flood, his or her CHS yearbook, Class of 1985, had been ruined, with the pages all stuck together. The Globe column could offer no solution, but we think if you call the high school they may be able to help! Even if they lend you a copy to copy!

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Happy birthday greetings go to **Marge Litchfield** this week — it is an exciting one for Marge, who will be 70 years young! Hope your day is a happy one, Marge, and the next 70 years, too!

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Canned fruit, snack food and crackers, fruit juice, sugar, cereal, rice, personal products and household products are all on the wish list for the **Cohasset Food Pantry.** Please do whatever you can to make the list of needs shorter — It matter to so many!

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We wish **Bob Pattison** a "bon voyage" as he heads to sunny Honolulu. Hopefully he will bottle up some of that sunshine and bring it back to all of us in this cold, dismal climate! Seriously, have a wonderful time, Bob!

This winter's weather doesn't keep Eleanor Cooney Smith inside. Eleanor, a retired librarian, who has lived in town for more than 50 years, stays in shape by skiing to her letter box during one of our recent snowstorms. **Photo by Althea Stamp**

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Speaking of all the lousy weather we have had this year, one person seems to love it — **Louis Bailey!** Did you know that he is out plowing during every storm, volunteering his services? We all thank you, Louis. Your help is grand!

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Congratulations go to **Tara Hettstrom, Erica Hettstrom** and **Jodi Colwill,** who were named South Shore League all stars during the final League meet.

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Did you know that the **George H. Mealy Legion Post 118** has said they will reinstate a team into American Legion Baseball for the 1996 season? Players who are interested in being considered for the season should call **John Carr** (383-0331) or **Scott Arnold** (545-1896).

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Recipes and drawings should be sent to one of the three people listed below, no later than March 8.

Pearl Smith, 8 Flintlocke Ridge Rd.; Georgia Carroll, 16 Linden Cir.; or Catherine Davis, 52 Linden Dr.

Wildflowers was topic

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset held a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 27, at Walton Rodgers Hall, St. Stephen's Church. Susan Dumaine, the first recipient of the New England Wild Flower Society's Katheryn S. Taylor Award for excellence, demonstrated how wildflowers can become a beautiful addition to any home landscape.

Mary Monteiro turns 90 in style

Mary Monteiro holds a bouquet of tulips at her 90th birthday celebration, Feb. 23.

Mary Monteiro is surrounded by some young friends at a special party in honor of her 90th birthday at the First Parish House last week.

On Friday afternoon, Feb. 23, friends, neighbors, and relatives met to wish Mary Monteiro a happy 90th birthday.

After a special Mass celebrated by Father Mulvehill at St. Anthony's Church, a reception was held at the Unitarian Parish House, where arrangements of spring flowers, a cake (with 90 candles!), and trays of delicious food set the party atmosphere.

"Mimi," who was born in the house on Stockbridge Street where she has resided all her life, was congratulated by many of her friends, including 25 of the hundreds of children she has cared for over the years.

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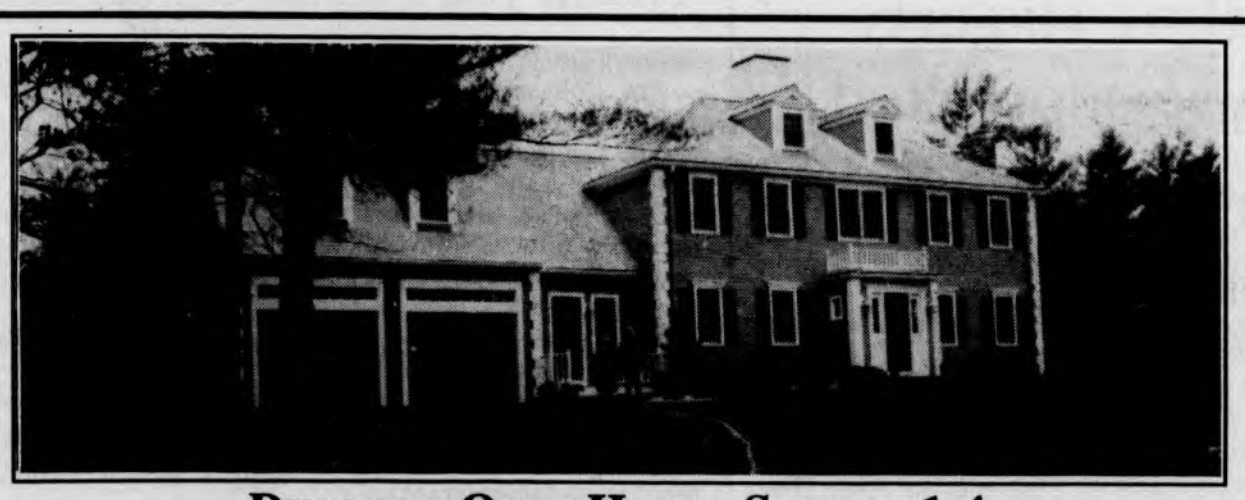

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EDITORIAL

Give your candidate the convention bounce

Tuesday is presidential primary day. For the first time in history all the New England states except, of course, New Hampshire will hold their primary on the same day.

The presidential primary is a red letter day for the American voter.

It gives us clout in the electoral process. It empowers the people.

First there is the obvious result. The primary commits the state's politicial party delegations to vote for the popular candidate on the first vote at the convention.

Of course, after the first ballot on the convention floor, the delegates are on their own.

In the primary we select the members of our town committees. These members caucus and send delegates to the state convention where the delegates to the national convention are chosen.

In short, the primary gives a political party's rank and file a greater voice in the choice of candidates.

The first primary dates back to New York City in 1827. The idea took a back seat after that for almost a century.

In the early 1900s, some progressive Republicans in the midwest resurrected the primary. They wanted to minimize the clout of state party machines.

In 1901 Robert LaFollette, governor of Wisconsin, promoted a direct primary bill.

By 1916 both Republicans and Democrats were choosing most national convention delegates by this method.

But then, again, the primary went on the back burner — this time for 50 years. It returned with a vengeance in the early '70s as more and more states have seen the advantages of holding them.

Not everyone agrees on their importance. In 1952, Sen. Estes Kefauver of Tennessee won most primaries, but Adlai Stevenson took the Democratic nomination. Stevenson called the primary an "almost useless institution." He said it was confusing, time-consuming, expensive and exhausting. It burns up all the candidate's energy and money. "All it does is destroy some candidates," he said.

Yes, the primary is expensive and exhausting. But the grueling process certainly weeds out the weak of heart, tests the mettle of the person and puts the candidate under the most extraordinary scrutiny .

If the candidate can't stand the heat and pace of the primary process, how about the pressure of the White House!

The primary process gave Kennedy the bump he needed on his road to the White House in 1960. The Massachusetts Democrat found that the process was a shakedown cruise for his staff and a test of his vote-getting ability.

In 1976 Jimmy Carter was living proof that the one who wins the early primaries can gain unstoppable momentum.

The winner of the most primaries goes into the convention with bounce. In recent history, that bounce is likely to be the deciding factor in the nomination.

If you want your candidate to have bounce going into the convention, if you want a say in who will be your party's candidate, if you want to feel empowered during this presidential campaign, vote in the primary Tuesday.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New school compromise is sought

To the Editor:

We voted differently at the recent school override election, but both of us want what is best for all Cohasset residents to include our youth.

We both attended the Feb. 22 "Where do we go from here" meeting with the selectmen, school superintendent, school committee, and school facilities committee. There was an excellent spirit of cooperation and the substantial audience was well-balanced between those who had voted "No" and those who had voted "Yes."

We both left the meeting convinced that the Osgood should be replaced and the Deer Hill needs minor expansion and significant renovations. However, both objectives can be achieved at significantly less cost than previously proposed.

We both recommend:

A. The actual project cost be reduced by:

– Reducing square footage of new construction by 5 percent.

– Reducing square footage of renovation construction by 5 percent.

– Reducing the cost per square foot of new construction by 5 percent.

– reducing the cost per square foot of renovation construction by 5 percent.

B. The school committee and selectmen make a firm commitment to sell the Osgood School and its 4.9 acres for commercial redevelopment and return it to the tax rolls as elderly housing or some other acceptable usage.

The net effect of the above will be:

A. Project cost reductions will equal 8.6 percent, or, $1,152,180.

B. Sale of the Osgood property should realize at least $1,000,000 (current assessed value is $2.856 million, which is undoubtedly high — the school facilities committee should immediately get a realistic appraisal).

The net effect would be to reduce the original project cost from $13.46 million to $11.31 million; this is a $2.15 million cost reduction; or, 16 percent.

We realize that some people want to compromise by replacing the Osgood School and leaving the many deficiencies at the Deer Hill School for another day. Only addressing the Osgood problem might reduce the immediate project cost by another $1.5 million-2 million ($9.5 million-10 million). However, very serious functional and state code deficiencies will persist at the Deer Hill. They will have to be paid for soon, at greater cost and most likely without 60 percent state assistance.

We are all going to have to compromise to address the needs of our youth at a cost we can afford. Please call your selectmen and school representatives and support the compromise outlined above.

Gerard Keating,
Blackhorse Lane
and Joe McElroy,
Windy Hill Rd.

Selling Hagerty house supported

To the Editor:

Happy after three years to finally see the house on the Hagerty property is to be sold, as was originally implied in persuading the town to purchase the property. After all, we need the money; as evidenced in the vote against building a new elementary school. But why set a floor on the price?

I can't think of a more sure way not to sell a house than to put an artificial floor on the price. The fact that three years ago a committee felt the house was worth $200,000 has nothing to do with today's market realities.

Are you going to turn down a buyer who offers $199,000 or $195,000? Are you crazy? Put the house with the best brokers in town and simply get the best price you can for it.

Robert M. Davenport
Black Horse Lane

Thank you's to all concerned

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Arts Boosters and the Cohasset High School teachers and students who participated in the annual Valentine Cabaret at Kimball's would like to thank Kimball's by the Sea's staff who make it possible every year for them to conduct the dinner/cabaret on their premises. Kimball's not only provides the intimate dining and performing space, but also a reasonably priced and sumptuous fare.

The Cohasset Arts Boosters would also like to thank the multi-talented high school students, as well as a seventh and eighth grader this year, who sang solos, played flutes, trumpets, guitars and piano, sang duets and chorale pieces and danced Irish step as well as exhibited their art and photography.

It is a thrilling experience to witness not only the range of talents but also the professional presence these young people of Cohasset offer us each year. They and their teachers and accompanists Marcia Lajoie, Bryon Marks, Tom Sippel, Ilene Rohrer, Ann Whiteley and Gary Ritts are to be congratulated.

Cohasset Art Boosters

Question of the Week

The following candidates responded to last week's Question of the Week:

• What is the most important issue facing the town department (or board) you would like to represent? How will you make a difference?

Martha Gjesteby, selectman

The board of selectmen performs a large number of important tasks. To mention a few:

1. The board oversees contract negotiations with all employees except the school department.

2. It executes decisions made by town meeting and serves as executive branch of town government.

3. Some of the departments it oversees are public safety, harbor, building department as well as the new public works department.

How will I make a difference?

The remaining members of the board have only two or four years experience. This fact makes my long-time experience very valuable to the board and to the town. I have served nine years on the board of selectmen. I also have been a member of the school committee, capital budget committee, planning board, South Shore Coalition and on the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, where I also served as treasurer and executive committee member.

While on the board, I always worked toward consensus in decisions that we had to make.

My election on state-wide boards of selectmen, Governors Advisory Council and Massachusetts Municipal Association give me access and connection to a variety of local and state government officials. This is valuable to the board as well as to the town.

Ronnie McMorris, selectman

The greatest issue facing the Cohasset Board of Selectmen this spring is leadership. In order to lead the community, its members must work together, listen to residents, talk, compromise, avoid political rhetoric, and finally take positive action on issues facing the town.

Right now Cohasset is facing significant financial challenges and decisions that will affect the character of our town for years to come. It is important for the members of the board of selectmen to work closely with residents as they take an increasingly active role in planning the course we as a community will take.

I sincerely believe that I have the qualities and abilities needed to provide that leadership.

1. My skills as an attorney and mediator, and my service on the conservation commission give me an understanding of a broad range of town issues.

2. Three generations of my family live in Cohasset, providing me with an understanding of the needs and interests of our various residents.

3. I will bring energy, empathy, initiative, and a new perspective to the board.

I believe that Cohasset's residents are informed and caring. I will listen, respect diverse opinions, and act when leadership is needed.

Nan Roth, selectman

Management of capital improvement expenditures is the most critical challenge facing the board of aelectmen. Confronting a rising tax rate, the Board must balance the needs for improved or new services with concern for the ability and willingness of citizens to pay. The selectmen must provide leadership to bring the diverse groups, individuals and boards in Cohasset together. Differing views and needs must be heard. To develop successful outcomes every voice and opinion deserves cordial attention.. The selectmen must develop creative solutions including regionalization, centralization and other changes in the structure of town government to solve problems with maximum efficiency and minimal expense.

Citizens have had too many surprises over the last few years. Major capital projects and a large maintenance backlog face us. We must cap the landfill, expand the sewer system, prevent environmental degradation, accommodate increasing school enrollment and repair deteriorating buildings within the upcoming years. A good capital plan will help us do this efficiently and economically. By carefully designing, timing and funding our projects, we can provide for the future while maintaining tax rate stability.

My four years as chairman of the advisory committee has given me broad understanding of all parts of town government: employees, assets, services, budgets and problems.

Joseph Buckley, treasurer-collector

The acting treasurer had an accident and is in the hospital. The assistant collector is now acting treasurer and is managing the office by herself with assistance from accounting and other departments. The candidate that is elected should have the experience to immediately take charge. Of all the candidates, my 35 years as a chief financial officer qualifies me as that person.

Another important issue is: if the citizens wish to have this office appointed instead of elected.

Although, I know I am qualified and I would like to serve the full three years, if the article to appoint passes the town meeting, I am willing to step down, if elected, when the selectmen wish to appoint a treasurer-collector.

Managing millions of dollars, various trust funds and increasing bond issues have changed the office of treasurer-collector greatly. In nearly 50 percent of the towns in the Commonwealth, the office is appointed.

In closing, I would like to thank Betty Ripley for her years of service to Cohasset and to congratulate her on the way she has developed the treasurer collector's office. Betty leaves for a similar position in Marshfield, which was appointed not elected.

Wigmore Pierson, treasurer-collector

This critically important department in town government processes nearly $22,000,000 annually. Because of Elizabeth Ripley's unexpected resignation effective Feb. 16 and Sally Lincoln's untimely hip injury, the office is currently managed by Linda Litchfield, alone.

The 2/3 reduction in staff in one week leaves this office desperately short-handed. Therefore, personnel shortage is the most important issue facing the treasurer-collector. I will bring an immediate and vigorous full-time commitment to the position.

In addition, with my background as president of a multi-million dollar investment company and wide contacts in the investment banking community, I intend to activate and expand the investment advisory committee to insure the maximum return on our funds consistent with sound fiduciary guidelines.

Patricia A. Walsh, treasurer-collector

Former treasurer-collector Betty Ripley improved this office's efficiency by increasing the rate of overdue collections, encouraging volunteers to stuff tax bills, quarterly billing to improve the town's cash flow, implementing bi-weekly payrolls, and investing in CDs when the rates went as high as 16.5 percent.

Candidate Patricia Anne Walsh, after seeing the recent vote on the school proposition 2-1/2 override, in addition to more capital debt planning, wants the treasurer-collector's office to be in more frequent communication with town department heads — not just the selectmen, so they are not brought in at the last minute with their engineers/architects/contractors concerning their misconceptions about bonding debt.

Cohasset's citizens should also understand early the tax implications when they vote infra-structure debt such as a new school. e.g. without the new school, last week the town accountant figured the average tax bill ($300,000) would go from $4,554 in FY '97 to $5,557 in FY 2002 because of past commitments.

Walsh believes it is better to have the facts in advance, than to have flip-flop votes because of perceived lack of communication. e.g. the school department had its great informational question and answer meeting after, rather than before, town meeting and the override vote.

John P. Rafferty, water commission

I will have three primary goals as water commissioner: fiscal responsibility, water quality (long term), and customer service. However, the most important issue facing the water department currently is fiscal responsibility.

Fiscal responsibility means:

• Supporting the existing capital improvement program, but with care not to overspend.

• Formalizing a long term capital budgeting plan to avoid future financial surprises. We should make future capital improvements on a steady, prudent basis to minimize disruptions in service quality.

• Communicating our long term plans consistently to the selectmen, advisory committee, capital budget committee, treasurer, controller, and town residents.

• Benchmarking operating performance against other water companies to find cost reduction opportunities. Only through comparative financials can we truly know how well we are doing.

I am keenly interested in the water industry and will provide experienced financial oversight to annual operations. My background includes an MBA degree and 15 years of corporate banking experience, most recently as Director, Resources & Utilities at Shawmut Bank. Furthermore, my recent banking experience concentrated in the chemicals and utilities industries and included a thorough research of the water industry. I remain fully aware of key issues facing the water department through regular meeting attendance over the past year.

Rick Shea, school committee

The most important issue facing the Cohasset School Committee is ensuring a quality education for all Cohasset students, while maintaining the cost of that education at a level commensurate with what Cohasset residents can support.

During my term of office on the school committee, I will make a difference in the following areas: (1) education programs, (2) management practices and (3) communications. Having worked with high tech and financial services companies for 10 years with Coopers & Lybrand and in biotech for the past three years, I know the skills required for tomorrow's workforce. Beyond basic reading and computational skills, students need to learn problem solving skills, how to work in teams and how to use technology to access information. I will ensure that our educational programs meet this challenge. Second, both in teaching and in the administration of the schools, we need to implement the best practices available to maximize productivity and to control costs. Lastly, I will make a special effort to confer and consult with Cohasset residents who do not presently have children in the schools about the school committee's programmatic and financial plans.

Ted Guild, sewer commission

The most important issue facing the sewer commission is the major sewer expansion project under the town's new Agreement for Judgment with the Commonwealth. This will entail the largest capital expenditure in the history of our town.

I have been a member of the board of sewer commissioners for 13 years, including eight years as chairman. Consequently, I am thoroughly familiar with the ecological requirements, engineering details, and economic aspects of our sewer expansion project. This knowledge is of great importance to ensure the most ecologically acceptable and most cost effective solutions for our town's major wastewater program.

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Question of the Week:

Each week, the Cohasset Mariner will pose a question to the candidates. Responses to the question may be dropped off at Cohasset News on Brook Street or mailed to the Cohasset Mariner, 165 Enterprise Dr., Marshfield 02050. Or they may be FAXed to our Hingham office at 617-740-8955. All responses must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Responses to the candidates must be brief — a 250 word limit. Articles which exceed the limit will be cut. So be specific and make every word count. (Please note, responses to this week's question were limited to 200 words).

If you have any questions about this election policy, please call editor Mary Ford at 749-0031.

The Question of the Week is:

• **For selectmen candidates**: at times selectmen's meetings have resembled the Punch & Judy show. What causes this board discord and what could you do to change it?

• **For school committee candidates**: citizens not being aware of the school vacation policy change and plans for the new school until the 11th hour are just two examples of problems the school committee has had in getting the word out, some say. Do you agree? What would you do to improve communication between the school committee and the public?

• **For treasurer-collector candidates**: selectmen are considering asking voters to make the treasurer-collector's position appointed. What's the value in having an elected treasurer-collector?

• **For water commission candidates**: North Cohasset residents are seeing red over their Hingham water bills. Would it be feasible to hook these homes up to Cohasset's water system?

• **For sewer commission candidates**: as is proposed for West Corner area homes in Hingham, should the town share part of the cost of hooking Straits Pond area residents up to the Hull treatment plant?

• **For planning board candidates**: what role will the planning board play when Greenbush railroad construction comes to town?

• **For health board candidates:** last year there was a move afoot to increase the health board from three to five members. Is this a good or bad idea? Why?

Question of the Week

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Michael Mullin, planning board

Let's face it — Cohasset's a great place to live. Because of its unique size, it can offer a range of services and activities unequaled by any of its neighbors.

For this reason, Cohasset's a builder's dream. New construction sells before the ground is even broken.

But as tempting as it is to turn empty lots into revenue, we must fully consider both the short and long term effects that any new construction will have on our town.

As a planning board member, I will make sure that building requests, no matter what size, are cautiously considered before being approved.

As father of two small children, I'm well aware that the choices we make today will have long lasting effects on the future of this town. We must choose wisely so that the Cohasset 50 years from now is as great as it is today!

Keith Knowles, school committee

The events surrounding the defeated school override exemplify the most important issues in the race for school committee, communication and diversity. At the recent meeting of the three boards involved in picking up the pieces, the point was made that such a meeting should have been held long before the issue was brought to voters. I agree. The fact that it took a negative response to prompt such a meeting underlines the first issue, communication.

The school committee, either through naiveté or arrogance, does not adequately communicate with the taxpayers at large on any matter. The school committee blames us for not knowing. I believe it is their responsibility to keep us informed. If elected, I plan to communicate with the taxpayers frequently. The town's alternate newspaper has agreed to provide a forum. I'm sure the Mariner would be equally amenable.

Secondly, the current makeup of the committee virtually guarantees their isolation. Every member is either an educator or comes from the PSO. Since there is no representation from the community as a whole, the committee has no idea how we feel about them or their issues. My record of community involvement and business and professional background will bring balance to the committee.

Kevin Ulmer, board of health

The most important issue facing the Cohasset Board of Health continues to be the Cohasset Heights Limited landfill. I have been actively opposed to both the proposed Area V expansion and the continuing operation of the landfill for several years now, based on my own scientific analysis of CHL. This landfill poses a very real threat to the public health for generations to come, particularly with regard to our drinking water supplies.

My decision to seek a seat on the board reflects my desire to bring my broad scientific background in biology, chemistry, physics and oceanographic sciences to bear on the complex technical issues the board is facing in their deliberations.

I believe that I will bring an important new dimension to the board as they seek to enforce regulation of ongoing operations, oversee the closure of existing portions of the landfill, and deal with any appeal that may arise out of the current hearings. The board will face similar issues as we cap our own municipal landfill in the coming year.

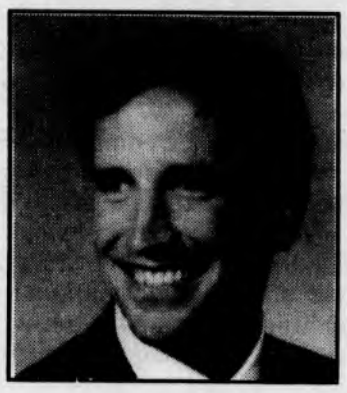
John Rafferty announces candidacy for water commissioner

John Rafferty has announced his candidacy for the Cohasset Board of Water Commissioners. The board of selectman recently appointed Rafferty to the Cohasset Water Resources Protection Committee. He also is a new member of the American Water Works Association.

"I have a keen interest in clean water and would love the opportunity to serve the Town of Cohasset in an elected capacity. I have attended almost all of the water commission and Water Resource Protection Committee meetings over the past year and am fully aware of the critical issues."

Rafferty would bring 15 years of corporate banking experience to the board, most recently as a director in the Resources & Utilities group at Shawmut Bank. He has a detailed knowledge of both the chemicals and utilities industries, having participated in financing numerous companies in those industries over the past two years. He has an M.B.A. degree from the University of Connecticut and a B.A. in economics from Trinity College.

"Under Fred Koed's leadership as chairman of the Cohasset Water Commission, the Cohasset Water Department has made great strides in improving operations. I plan to focus on three goals as commissioner: fiscal responsibility, water quality, and customer service. The commission has focused on emergency distribution system improvements over the past year. We must now shift to a second stage of managing the department efficiently, maximizing each dollar spent, and improving customer responsiveness."



John Rafferty

John and his wife, Jennifer, moved to Cohasset in August of 1994 from the Hartford area, purchasing the home of long-time Cohasset residents, Peter and Sandra Greenman, on Stoneleigh Lane. They have two young sons, Bryce and Keefe. You can often find John taking advantage of the clean, cool water at Black Rock Beach from early spring to late fall.

You can reach John with questions or concerns at 383-9608 or through email: jnrafferty@aol.com.

Richard 'Chipper' D. Muncey to run for water commission

Richard D. Muncey, a life-long resident of Cohasset, has filed papers for a three-year term on the Cohasset Water Commission. The seat is presently held by William Montuori, who is not seeking reelection.

A 1986 graduate of Cohasset High School, Muncey recently resigned his position with Cohasset Water Services, Inc. to take a position with the Town of Pembroke Water Department as a water technician. Muncey assumed his new duties with Pembroke Feb. 12.

"I would like to continue to serve my hometown as a water services professional and by continuing to upgrade and improve the current distribution system and treatment facility. I hope voters will view my over eight years' experience with the Cohasset Water System and my new responsibilities in Pembroke as meaningful credentials," he said.

Muncey is presently taking water technical courses at Quincy College. Currently he holds the highest Distribution Operator's License, a grade 4D, in the Commonwealth. He also holds a Treatment Operators License grade IT and is working towards a Treatment Operator's License, grade 4T. His professional affiliations are with the following: American Water Works Association, New England Water Works Association, Massachusetts and Plymouth County Water Works Association.

For many years he served as a Cohasset Special Olympics Coach and worked on the Cohasset Rotary Road Race. He lives at 377 South Main St.

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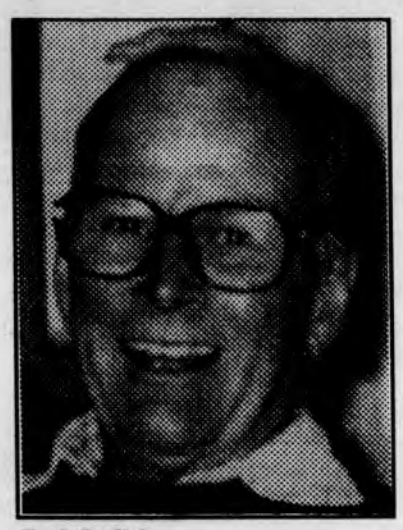
Guild seeks reelection to the sewer commission

Sewer commission chairman Edward M. "Ted" Guild has announced that he will seek reelection to a sixth term. In making his announcement, Guild emphasized his 13 years experience, which is especially important at this time because the town is about to undertake a major sewer expansion program, the largest town project ever.

A Committee to Reelect Ted Guild has been formed with Bill Baird as chairman, Henry Rattenbury as vice chairman, and Gary Vanderweil as treasurer.



Ted Guild

Committee members include Austen Ahern, Bob Beggan, Merle Brown, Tom Callahan, Tom and Debby Cook, Dan and Jean Cotton, Lillian Curley, Barbara Dillon, Jackie Dormitzer, Gerard Keating, Fred Koed, Harold Litchfield, Polly Logan, Kevin O'Donnell, Peter Pratt and George Rabstejnek.

The schedule for coffees will be announced at a later date. Anyone wishing to assist in the campaign, please phone 383-0031.

Cohasset Mariner election policy

The Cohasset Mariner will not accept letters from candidates or letters endorsing candidates. The Mariner will publish letters about campaign issues up until the March 28 issue before the election.

Candidates in contested races are invited to respond to the Question of the Week. Responses may be no more than 250 words. (Please note this week's responses were limited to 200 words). The Mariner also publishes a candidates' corner which is limited to a few lines from any candidate who chooses to submit dates of coffees, fund-raisers and the like.

Candidates, who have not already done so, are also invited to formally announce their candidacies by March 7. These announcements may include a photograph.

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Traffic concerns dominate recent landfill hearing

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

Recent sessions of the Board of Health on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion of Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL) heard testimony on increased traffic along Route 3A and to what extent this traffic would impact neighboring Hingham.

Consulting engineer Robert Blumenthal, speaking for Cohasset Heights, stated that by using a 1990 study which he prepared on existing landfill traffic, which allowed for the possibility of future expansion, and based on figures supplied by CHL's engineering firm of SAIC, it was his conclusion that "additional traffic will not create problems for safety" if the landfill expanded.

He based his opinion on figures that showed that during peak traffic hours along Route 3A only one percent of the total traffic involved trucks, while daily traffic averages, he said, showed trucks made up only 5 percent of total volume.

Blumenthal told the board his statistics showed that fewer than expected trucks, and a fairly higher percentage of passenger vehicles, would use an expanded facility.

CHL figures showed approximately 369 vehicles currently enter and exit the landfill by way of the Route 3A/Crocker Lane intersection during the 10 hour operating cycle of the landfill.

Blumenthal stated that the majority of trucks would arrive by way of Route 3 through Rockland and Norwell, continuing down Route 228 through Hingham and, finally, along Route 3A until entering the landfill.

William Scully, from the transportation engineering and planning firm of McDonough & Scully, Inc., and speaking for the town of Cohasset, took exception to this testimony based on his study of traffic flow patterns.

The 1990 study, he said, which Blumenthal used, relied too much on other studies that were either not completed or were, themselves, not properly updated.

"We disagree with the proponent's (Blumenthal's) analysis," he said.

"Most times the level of service (trucks doing business at the landfill) is not the issue, but how traffic moves through the area is."

According to Scully, peak landfill traffic hours would coincide and overlap with school and commuter peak hours (both mornings and afternoons), thereby posing a danger.

Additionally, approximately 150 new trucks per day traveling to the landfill could potentially clog traffic along several Hingham roads. This would be by way of excessive delays in attempting to come out of side streets entering onto Route 3A.

Scully further noted that virtually the same problem would then develop at the Route 3A/Crocker Lane intersection to the landfill. Increased traffic traveling Route 3A would create a back-up for trucks attempting to exit the facility.

Cohasset Height's attorney Anton Moherke questioned Scully on this last point as well as the contention that an expanded landfill would create a public safety danger based on truck traffic estimates.

Using a graph showing peak traffic hours, Scully stated that, starting at 3 p.m., 1,500 vehicles per hour would travel along Route 3A and somewhere between 1 to 6 percent of this total would be truck traffic.

Moherke did get Scully to admit he could not state conclusively just how many of these trucks would be going to or coming from the landfill.

On the topic of a Route 3A/Crocker Lane danger, Scully was also unable to cite any known traffic accidents related to trucks entering or exiting the Cohasset Heights facility.

Blumenthal, speaking for Cohasset Heights, said that increased traffic from an expanded landfill would pose no safety dangers to residents of Cohasset or Hingham.

A 1990 study on traffic conducted by his firm for CHL and revised in November 1995, Blumenthal explained, showed that large truck traffic along the "study route" (Route 3 to Route 228 to Route 3A) would result in an increase of approximately 21 additional vehicles per day traveling through both communities.

He added that passenger vehicles and smaller pick-up trucks would probably use alternate roads to the landfill, depending upon their work locations.

When asked if the restoration of the Greenbush Line to the Old Colony Rail Road and future expansion to Cohasset's Cushing Plaza were taken into consideration, Blumenthal said that they had.

According to figures from the M.B.T.A., a one percent per year increase to area traffic is projected once the rail line is operational. At present approximately 16,500 vehicles per day travel past the landfill using Route 3A, while approximately 9,000 vehicles use the Route 228/3A intersection daily.

When questioned by Nicola Favorito, counsel for Hingham, if he realized truck traffic travels through historical sections of the town, Blumenthal remained unfazed.

"Yes, but we didn't feel there would be impacts on any historical districts," he [illegible].

On the subject of pedestrian traffic, Blumenthal stated that Hingham was looked at, more so than Cohasset, as the study route was exclusively through residential sections of that community.

In concluding his two hours of testimony, Blumenthal stated that increased large truck traffic, based on approval of the Cohasset Heights expansion application, would be "minuscule" and that the passenger vehicle safety of both towns would not be jeopardized.

"There are no real high accident locations in the area," he said.

Town engineering consultant Scully again stated his opinion that peak traffic hours along Blumenthal's study route coincided with and overlapped peak hours of both commuters and school children, therefore creating hazards in both communities.

Scully noted peak traffic along Route 3A to be between 2 to 6 p.m. and that during this period increased traffic due to an expanded landfill would create conditions which could potentially lead to motor vehicle accidents.

He theorized that shorter gaps in traffic on Routes 3, 228 and 3A would cause vehicle operators on side roads to experience a "frustration factor" and elevate the risk of accidents as they try to quickly enter into the main flow of traffic.

Though, under cross-examination from CHL attorney Moherke, Scully admitted to not doing his own independent traffic study, relying instead on figures taken from Blumenthal's traffic projections, and that he was unable to state just how many vehicles would actually be going to or coming from the landfill.

This prompted Moherke to discount Scully's testimony on the basis that increased traffic alone did not constitute truck traffic exclusive to a Cohasset Heights expansion.

Editor's note: This article was inadvertently omitted from the Feb. 22 issue of the Cohasset Mariner.

Landfill expansion hearings set

Site assignment hearings by the Board of Health on the proposed 27.5-acre "Area V" expansion of Cohasset Heights landfill have been scheduled. Hearings are held on either Tuesdays or Thursdays from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at either Cohasset Town Hall or the Second Congregational Church. Meetings are as follows:

Feb. 29, Town Hall: Water supply protection issues; March 2 surface and groundwater issues, etc.; March 5, Second Congregational: wetland sissues, stormwater management, rebuttal and miscellaneous issues; March 7, Second Congregational: Closing statements by parties; March 16, briefs submitted by parties and participants to the board of health; April 5, decidion on site assignment by board of health..

It should be noted that the meetings are not public hearings. The only people allowed to speak are the parties, who may present evidence for the record through expert and lay witnesses. Parties who have been accepted for the hearings are: Cohasset Heights; Town of Cohasset (Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission and Water Commission), represented by environmental attorney Ken Kimmell; Town of Hingham (Board of Health and Conservation Commission); Trustees of Reservations and a consolidation of the Ten-Citizen Groups, represented by Kevin O'Donnell, John McNabb, Jim Kinch and David McMorris.

The Board of Health, since it is now in a quasi-judicial role, is taking no advocacy role in the proceedings. On March 2, an all-day session, Cohasset and Hingham residents who petitioned to participate in the hearings will be allowed to speak.

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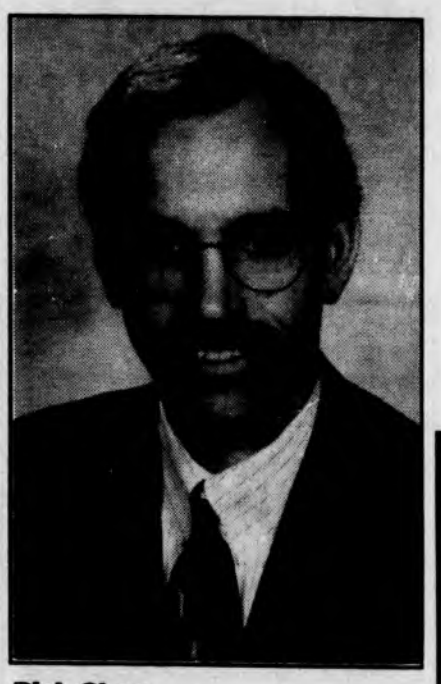
Shea kicks off campaign for school board

Rick Shea, candidate for the single school committee seat, kicked off his campaign at a recent gathering. "I am running for school committee to ensure that the primary goal of the Cohasset Schools is a high quality education for all students," Shea said.

"Our public school system is an important component of our town that binds the community together, from Beechwood to Sandy Beach and from Ledgewood to Lamberts Lane. We should be proud of the quality of our schools. But we can do better. I would like to use my energy, enthusiasm, and my 19 years of experience in financial management, public management, and education to help make our schools the best they can be."

"In addition to my primary goal of quality education for all students, my goals for the school committee include implementing innovative 'best practices' in school management, professional development, and integration of technology and a timely and cost effective program of capital improvements. I will be discussing these and other specific ideas for the school committee as my campaign progresses."

Shea is a C.P.A. with a B.A. from Princeton and an M.B.A. in public management from Boston University. He is the controller for Genetics Institute Inc., a biotechnology firm, and worked previously for Coopers & Lybrand. He has also worked as a financial analyst and taught at the Burke High School in Dorchester. He is president of the Cohasset Education Foundation, a private, non-profit organization that provides innovative resources for the public schools. Rick and his wife Gitte have three children, one in each of the Cohasset schools.



Rick Shea

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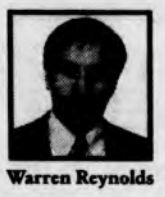

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Outgoing Chamber of Commerce president Keith Knowles receives an award from incoming president Dom Micarelli of the Artist's Son Gallery & Picture Framer at the annual meeting of the organization.

Thanks was expressed to Paula Knowles, Betsey Detwiler, Peg D'Onofrio, George Dolan and Ed Sopnesky for their service on the board of directors.

Presentations were made by Madonna Bird of American Folk Art, Ron Goodwin of Goodwin Graphics and Neil Murphy of Murphy Associates.

Quincy Councilor Timothy Cahill discussed his book, "Profiles in the American Dream," which is based on the real-life struggles of four Quincy-based entrepreneurs.

Behavioral styles is topic March 13

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His new responsibilities include managing sales, customer development/category management, customer service, trade marketing and communications.

DeMichele has worked at Ocean Spray for four years and formerly was employed in operations and sales for 23 years with Proctor & Gamble.

He is a graduate of Union College and holds a degree in civil engineering and economics.

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The 35 Mariner

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McMorris meets supporters

Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris met with supporters last week and announced her campaign committee. Ronnie is seeking one of two open seats for Cohasset's Board of Selectmen.

A 10-year resident of Doane Street, Ronnie became active in town affairs as an advocate for the repair of the Doane St. bridge. She went on to a seat on the Cohasset Conservation Commission, and has served as its chairman. Ronnie is the mother of four school age children, has volunteered in the schools, and served on the executive board of the Cohasset Parent School Organization.

The Committee to Elect Roseanne McMorris will be co-chaired by Mary Foley and Donna French. The treasurer is Ned Tebbetts. Other committee members include Tony Finegan, Ruth Wilcox and Denny Meikleham.

When asked why she was working for Ronnie's candidacy, Donna French said, "Ronnie's professional background as an attorney combined with her active involvement with the town's public health, safety, and education issues make her uniquely qualified to lead our town through the changes we inevitably face and still maintain the town's physical beauty and unique character."

Editor's note: This press release was inadvertently omitted from last week's issue.

Johnston to renew efforts for health insurance reform

Philip W. Johnston, Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District, will discuss his commitment to health insurance reform during a campaign coffee on Sunday, March 3, from 1 to 4 p.m. at the home of John and Caroline Stouffer, 7 Howard Road.

Johnston, a Marshfield resident who recently resigned his federal appointment as regional director of health and human services in order to campaign full-time, will address a major theme of his candidacy — the economic insecurity faced by workers throughout the district and the need to ensure that all working families are provided with adequate, affordable health insurance.

From 1975 to 1983, Johnston was a five-term state representative from the 10th Plymouth District. In 1993, President Clinton appointed Johnston as regional director of Health and Human Services, an office he held until his resignation in January.

For more information about the Johnston campaign, call (508) 747-1996.

Candidates Corner

Roth committee plans coffees

The Committee to Elect Nan Roth to the Board of Selectmen will hold coffees every Sunday until Election Day. Anyone who would like to meet Roth and discuss her views on town government is welcome to attend and should call coffee chairmen Margie Steele (383-1319) or Ann Whelan (383-0034) for times and locations.

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New school to go before voters again

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

A different "new" school proposal will come before voters at the annual town meeting March 30.

After more than three hours of discussion with various committees and community members Thursday, selectmen unanimously voted to put a new school article on the town warrant.

If approved, an override vote will be scheduled for April 6.

But, it is not quite that simple. There are factors that will influence exactly what article goes before the town.

As of Thursday, officials said the article would not be a carbon-copy of the original proposal — it would only include the new school for $9.8 million.

However, Flansburgh Associates (architects hired by the school department) and the school facilities committee are revisiting the figures for the original $13.4 million option that was rejected by the voters.

The original option factored in renovations and additions to the Deer Hill School. If they are able to substantially reduce the figure, within a week or so, that option will appear on the ballot.

If not, the $9.8 million option will go before townspeople.

The deadline for submitting a ballot question is March 3.

Selectmen also unanimously agreed to put an $180,000 appropriation figure on the warrant.

That sum is to pay for the architects who have to continue to do work if the town is going to meet the state's June 1 deadline (see related story).

If the deadline is not met the waiting list for state reimbursement, in Cohasset's case 60 percent, would double. So instead of waiting three of four years for funding to kick in, the town could wait eight or more years.

However, the architect needs the money now.

If the project is approved, the $180,000, which is already included in the total cost, would be reimbursable.

After the last new school proposal failed three Saturdays ago several selectmen were leery of putting the same option before the town again.

"We can't say, 'Let us try again — I didn't like your vote'," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown.

But because of the condition of the Osgood School, selectmen agreed a new school was needed.

Favoring the first option that went before the town but feeling it was too expensive, many in the audience said that they wanted work done to the Deer Hill School because it made more economic sense to get the reimbursement.

Others didn't think that shaving the final figure was the solution.

Selectman Jane Goedecke said that such a cut would adversely impact the quality of the schools being built.

David Soleau, the architect representing Flansburgh, said that the figures arrived at were ba[illegible] on state guidelines and were "not Cadillac standards."

Transportation meeting

The South Shore Coalition will hold a meeting on transportation issues, including the possibility of additional parking spaces at the Quincy Adams and Braintree subway stops, on Feb. 29 at 7 p.m. at Hanover town hall.

The public is welcome.

Capital budget resignation

This week selectmen accepted with regret the resignation of George Kovach from the capital budget committee. Although they said he will be hard to replace, anyone interested in serving on that committee should contact selectmen.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Plans for new school move forward

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Architectural plans for a new elementary school will go ahead thanks to a generous citizen.

School facilities committee chairman said Clark Chatterton, who is athletic director at the high school, has offered to loan the town the $180,000 needed so architects can start work on the "new" school proposal.

The estimated $9.9 million project has been pared down from the original $13.4 million which included upgrades to the Deer Hill School. By a margin of 28 votes, voters turned the dual project down at the Feb. 10 override election.

The failed vote sent the school board and school facilities committee back to the drawing board to try and save at least part of the project. The state will not reimburse the town for upgrades to the aging Osgood School because it's too old and most townspeople agree the Osgood must be replaced, officials feel.

Architects need to start now work in order to have some formal drawings completed, so the new school construction project, if approved voters, meets the June deadline for state reimbursement.

Two articles will appear on the March 30 annual town meeting warrant. One asking voters to approve borrowing to pay for construction of the new school and the other to appropriate $180,000 for architectural fees. If the articles pass, they will set the stage for an override April 6.

Town Counsel Richard Henderson is working out the details of the loan which has a precedent. A citizen lent the town $250,000 for a new fire pumper truck in 1993.

Beggan said the facilities committee will not recommend paring down the project from the $143 per square foot for new school construction allowed by state guidelines. Committee members, who have looked closely at all aspects of the project for the past four-to-six months, feel strongly that figure represents the minimum needed and does not allow for extravagances.

"We're not looking at a Cadillac here but we want something more than a Hyundai," he said.

The school facilities committee and school board plan to meet with selectmen Monday to discuss the project.

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Mariner Sports

Tough end can't taint gymnasts' season

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

It's official. There will be no MVP award presented to anyone on the Cohasset High gymnastics team.

As head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni sees it, the votes came out even. It was an eight-way tie, just as she predicted it would be as early as the first week of practice way back in August.

"We didn't vote for an MVP because everyone was so valuable," she said.

Even as they rolled through their South Shore League schedule on the way to league title No. 3, Ardizzoni was fully aware that the girls' bubble could burst at any point along the way. Whether it be during a practice, meet or while going about every-day activities. Disaster was always just around the corner waiting to stick out its ugly, unfair head and come down upon the Lady Skippers' crack squad of motivated gymnasts.

And it wouldn't have to be a catastrophic injury; the flu here, a bout of tendonitis, maybe a hamstring or back pain. All it would take, too, would be one gymnast.

With just eight varsity members, the Lady Skippers, despite their abundance of individual talent, couldn't afford to lose a single gymnast if they wanted to show Hanover, and especially Scituate, exactly who the queens of the league were.

Cohasset managed to dodge the injuries during the regular season and claim the title for its own. The only blemish to an undefeated was a loss to the surging Hanover squad by a mere .30 points.

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Skippers off and running

Cohasset dominates Harwich in 69-54 first-round win

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Skippers played host to the Harwich Roughriders on Tuesday in their opening game of the Division 3 South Sectional tourney.

Jared Hardwick and Ryan Bishop had no problem getting in the tourney mood.

Hardwick poured in 28 points and Bishop had a huge game with 15 points, 14 rebounds and five blocked shots to help No. 4 ranked Cohasset (16-6) eliminate Harwich (13-9), 69-54. In dropping the No. 13 seed, the Skippers go on to play the winner of Canton/Cardinal Spellman in Friday night's first round at Cohasset.

Hardwick put the Skippers on the board with a layup less than a minute into the game. Bishop followed with a layup of his own. Paul-Michael Quintin popped a three-pointer, putting Cohasset up, 7-4. Hardwick then stuck a pull-up jumper over the outstretched hand of defender Paul Gonsalves, Harwich's leading scorer with 22 points. Bishop knocked down two free throws and came up with one of his rejections, a monstrous stuff which drew cries of amazement from the Skipper faithful. Hardwick grabbed an outlet pass from Bishop and dribbled coast-to-coast, slipping by all five Harwich defenders and driving to the rack for a pair. Bishop's putback widened the Skippers' edge to 15-8. Howard passed ahead to Hardwick, who took it all the way in for a raucous slam dunk. Quintin stuffed a Harwich shooter and triggered a 13-0 Cohasset run. Bishop took a nifty pass from Burke Davis and netted it and Hardwick finger-rolled one through for two more, building the lead to 21-17. He added three more, swishing a trey from well beyond the line. Quintin and Davis made it three three-pointers in a row. J.L. Williams, playing despite an illness, threaded a pass to Hardwick, who capitalized. Hardwick followed with an off-balance runner in the paint and Bishop came up with two more stirring rejections on the same play. Bishop ended the half by taking another pass from Davis to the hole for two more, making the halftime score 36-24 in the Skippers' favor.

Hardwick started the second half the way he got things rolling in the first by scoring on a layup. Howard and Hardwick ran a textbook fast break give-and-go with Howard capping it with a pretty layup. Bishop's fourth stuff of the game set up a Hardwick layup and free throw at the opposite end. Hardwick swished two more from the line, making the tally 45-30. Williams wiped the offensive boards clean and followed with a layup. Davis nailed one from

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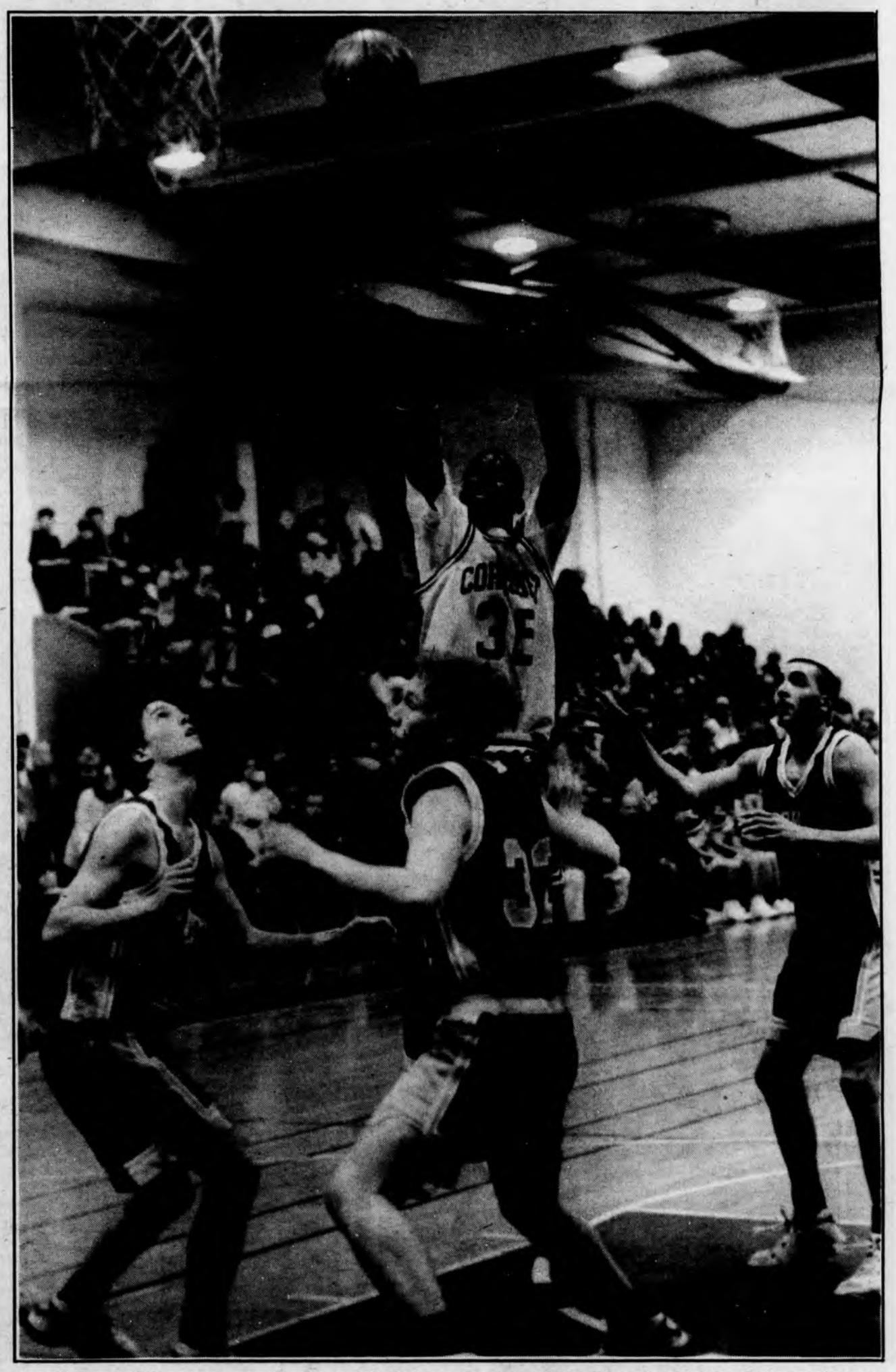


Jared Hardwick soars over the Harwich defense for two of his 26 points in the Skippers' opening-round win of the Division 3 South Sectional tourney.

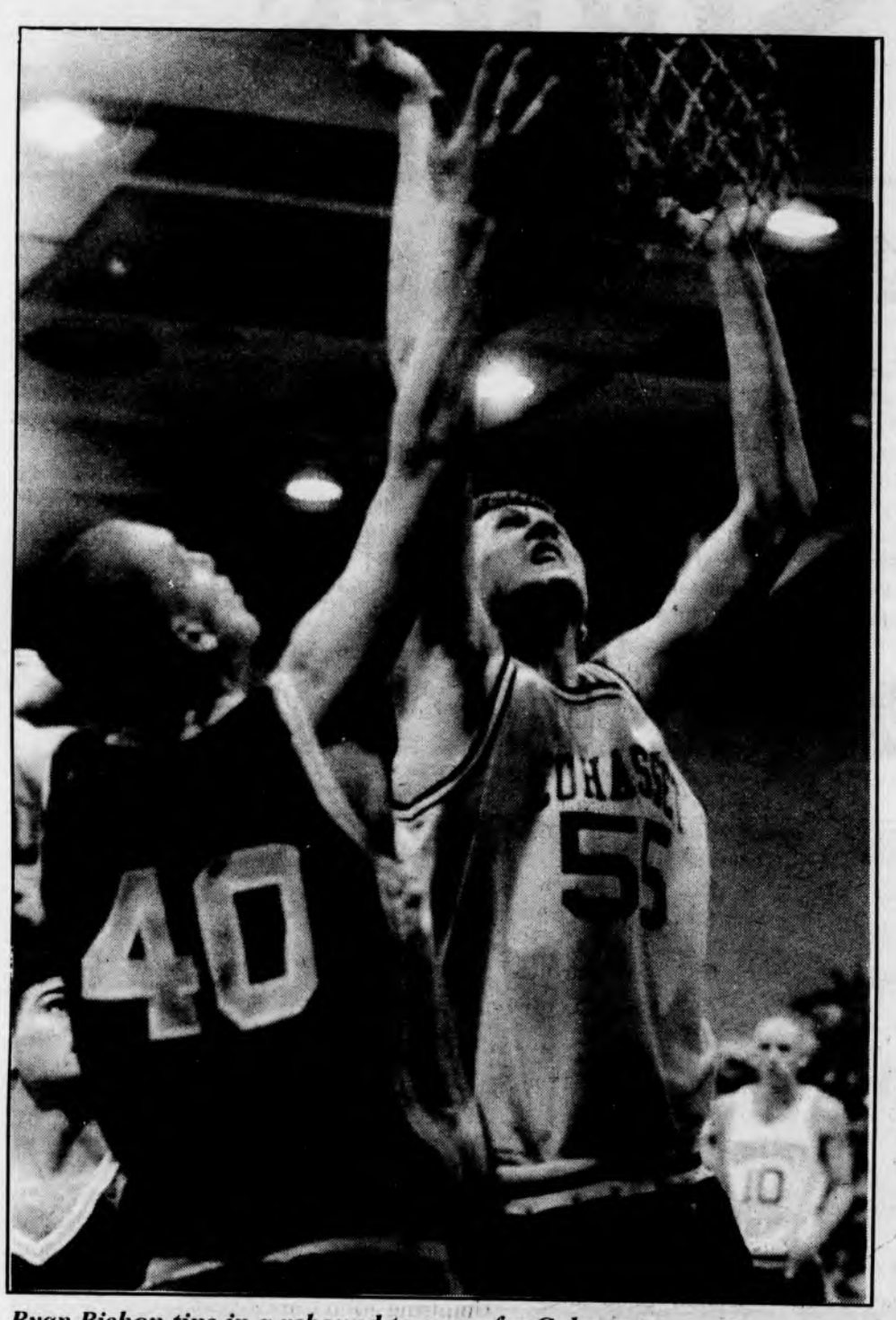
Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Three skiers off to States

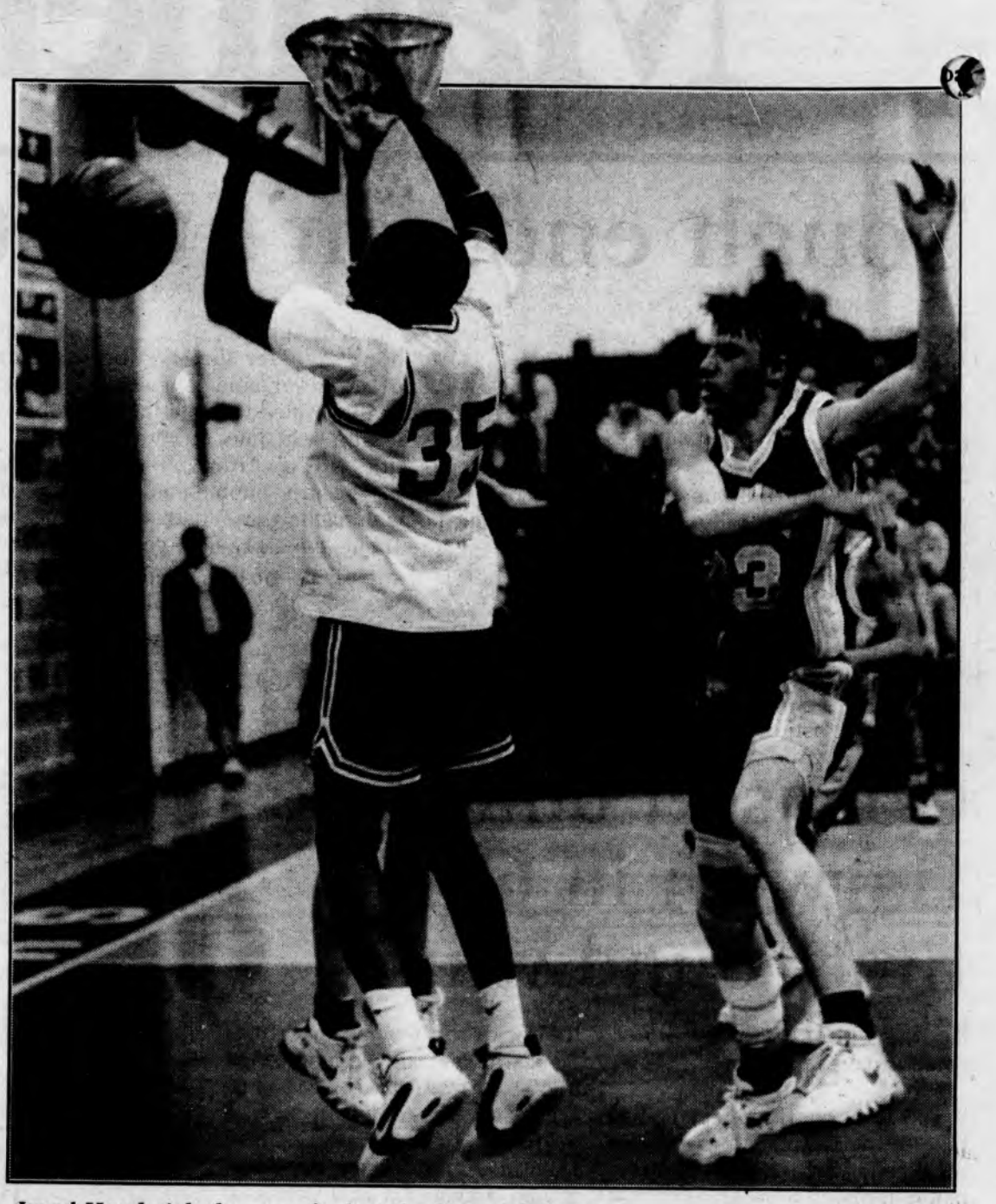
Congratulations to three Cohasset High School varsity ski team members who will be traveling to western Massachusetts (Berkshire East Ski Area, Charlemont, Mass.) to compete in the Massachusetts State High School Ski Championships. They are Ryan Sawchuck, Bobby Stansell and Caitlin Stansell.

During the race season at Blue Hills Ski Area, these team members competed against high school students in the Mass. Bay East Division. They consistently scored points at each race for the CHS ski team, which qualified them all as individual competitors at the state meet.

Hardwick & Co. let loose

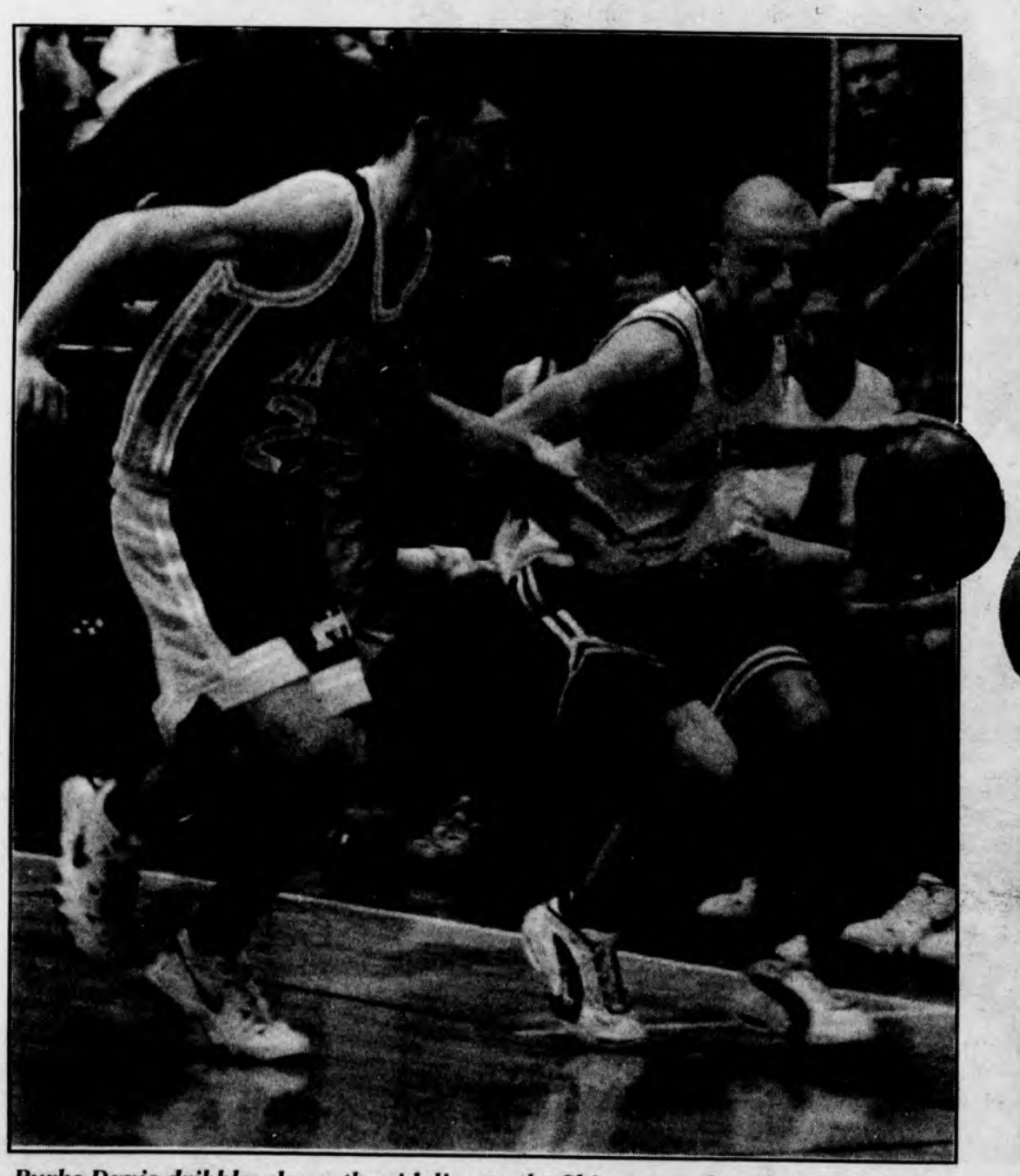


Ryan Bishop tips in a rebound to score for Cohasset.

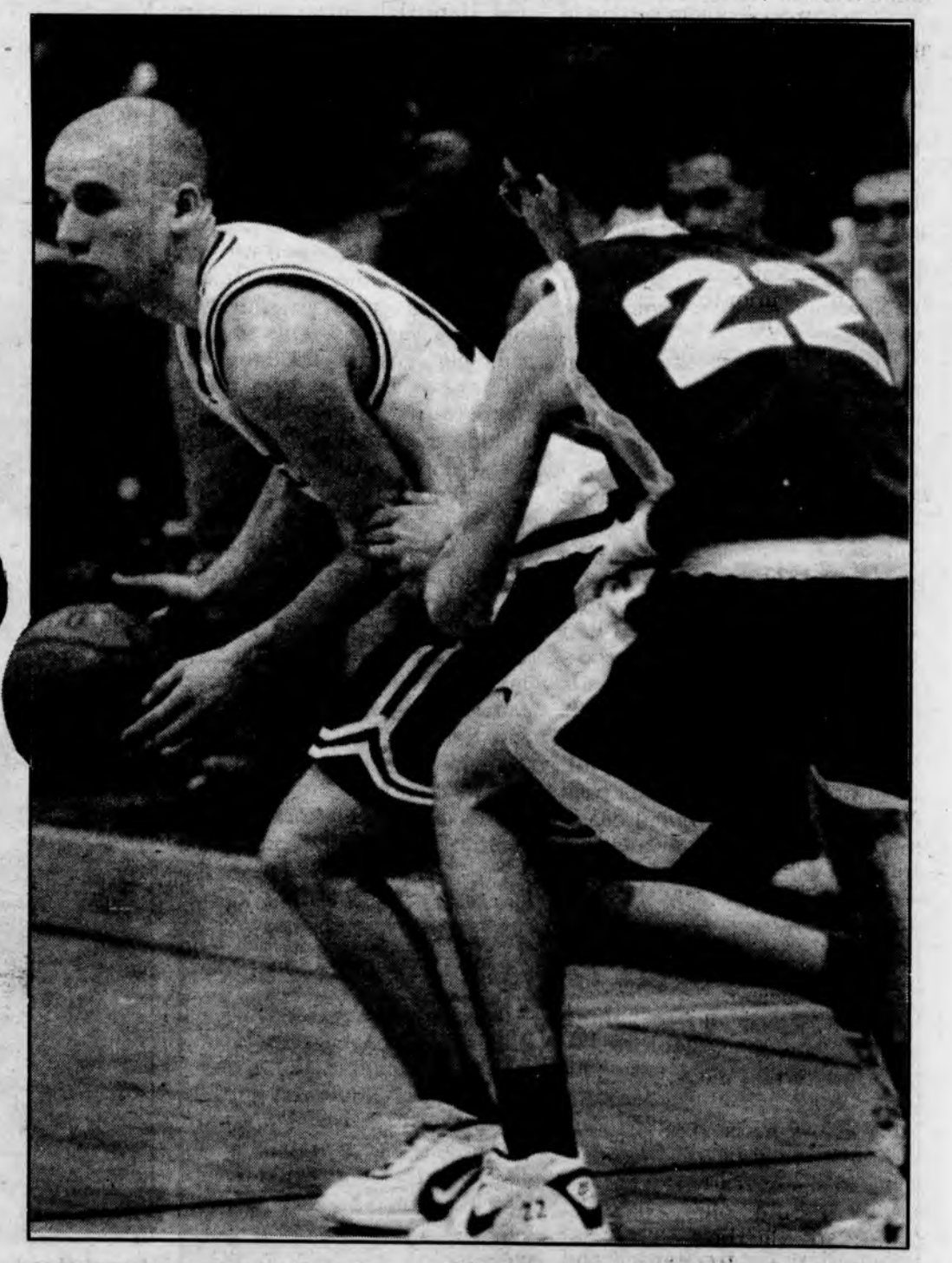


Jared Hardwick draws a foul at the Harwich hoop

Photos by J. Paul MacDonald



Burke Davis dribbles down the sideline as the Skippers make another run to the basket.



Burke Davis protects the ball as he looks for an open teammate during Cohasset win in Tuesday night's tourney opener.

Mariner Sports

Cohasset dominates Harwich in first-round win

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beyond the arc and Bishop hit a free throw. Davis tossed a pass to Hardwick, who delivered yet another crowd-pleasing jam. Howard pulled up on the break and hit the jumper. Bishop's two swishes from the foul line upped the lead to 57-42. Williams grabbed another offensive board and hit a layup and Hardwick chipped in two more free throws. Quintin tore down an offensive rebound and went right back up with it for two. Williams picked up his third offensive putback, making it 65-52. Quintin and Davis each nailed free throws, Davis' coming only moments before taking a nasty spill which opened over his left eye. He left the game and was later given a clean bill of health, though he would still need stitches.

Bishop substituted in for Davis and responded by knocking down Davis' two free throws. With the score 69-53, head coach Ron Ford put in Matt Belson, Grant Emde, Jamie Buick, Andy Hamilton and Justin McNamara, who also saw action in the first half. Belson came up with two big steals while Buick and Emede each had a robbery of their own. Hamilton played the point and directed the offense with McNamara in the waning seconds.

"We played well, executed on offense, and stepped up our defense a notch in the second half," said Howard. "I feel bad for Harwich because they played a tough game and I'm sorry one team had to lose. I'm just glad it wasn't us."

"We played hard; we came here ready to play tonight," said Hardwick. "They couldn't handle us inside and we knocked down our open threes."

Ford was particularly impressed by the performances of Bishop and Williams. "J.L. played a great game for us," he said. "He's coming off a sickness and he was huge for us tonight. He's playing on his deathbed, had the flu for two days and he gave us a tremendously productive effort tonight. I couldn't be prouder of him. Our two big guns, Jared and Ryan, really turned in outstanding performances for us tonight."

The win was also the first game without junior forward Lutz Grunwald, an exchange student from Germany. Grunwald was an integral part of this year's squad and will be sorely missed by everyone on the team.

Tough end can't taint gymnasts' season

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The Lady Skippers fared well at the league meet, but the first sign of big trouble was there. All-Star Erica Hettstrom watched the competition from the sidelines sporting a leg brace. Hettstrom, the SSL's all-around champion two years ago, sustained a painful knee injury while playing soccer in gym class when she was accidently kicked square on the knee.

And although the meet was purely an individual championship, things began to look very grim for the Lady Skippers' chances at a strong score in the South Sectionals.

The squad was in trouble with Erica out. And when her sister Tara, the league champion on the floor exercise, couldn't compete because of a bad case of the flu, Cohasset was truly in dire straits.

At full strength, the Lady Skippers earned the No. 7 seed based on their team average of 124.6, a new school record. But with the Hettstroms scratched from the competition, Cohasset could do no better than 11th with a disappointing 113.85.

"We knew we were pretty much in trouble," said Ardizzoni. "The whole evening was a little disappointing for the girls.

"With six kids we did the best we could."

Ardizzoni, though, felt especially bad for Erica who missed both the league meet and South Sectionals last season.

"It's a carbon copy of last year," she said. "We were bound to hit a roadblock somewhere."

Adding insult to injury, Erica won't be competing in this weekend's State Individual meet. She qualified for the prestigious competition based on her school record 8.6 and solid average through the regular season.

Although not at full strength, Ardizzoni said Erica could probably compete but she doesn't want to risk a more serious injury to the knee. Ardizzoni would rather she take the time for it to heal now, then return to the gym and prepare for her senior-year season.

"In the long run she's better off," Ardizzoni said. "She wants to finish off with a really good year."

Ardizzoni said the disappointment of the South Sectionals couldn't overshadow the fantastic season the girls had in winning the championship. The squad set a number of new school records and Ardizzoni believes a deeper look into the record books will reveal a few more.

"I thought after last year you couldn't have a better season," she said. "I picked them to finish in the top three only because of the possibility of sickness or injury. To achieve what they did with only eight kids, they should be very happy."

Youth lacrosse registration

A second registration for Cohasset Youth Lacrosse's new 5th-6th-grade spring lacrosse program will be held Saturday, March 2, from 9:30 until noon at Cohasset High School.

For more information, call either Terry Kahn, 383-0332 or Chuck Jaffe, 383-1676. Cohasset Youth Lacrosse would also appreciate the donation of any used lacrosse equipment, particularly helmets, pads and gloves.

American Legion baseball meeting

There will be a mandatory meeting for American Legion baseball. All players who will not be 19 prior to Aug. 1 and are interested in playing legion baseball for the upcoming season should attend. The meeting will be held at the George H. Mealy Post 118, 98 Summer St., Cohasset, March 7, at 7:30 p.m. Should you have any questions, call John Carr at 383-0331.

Three skiers off to States

Congratulations to three Cohasset High School varsity ski team members who will be traveling to western Massachusetts (Berkshire East Ski Area, Charlemont, Mass.) to compete in the Massachusetts State High School Ski Championships. They are Ryan Sawchuck, Bobby Stansell and Caitlin Stansell.

During the race season at Blue Hills Ski Area, these team members competed against high school students in the Mass. Bay East Division. They consistently scored points at each race for the CHS ski team, which qualified them all as individual competitors at the state meet.

Cohasset youth baseball signups

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association will be holding signups Saturday, March 2, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Deerhill School and the high school for the farm league (ages 5, 6 and 7), 8-year-old minor league, minor league (9, 10 and 11), major league, 13-year-old pony league, and 14- and 15-year-old senior little league. Call Mark DeGiacomo (6413) or Bob Moody (0385).

BOARD OF DIRECTORS NAMED FOR 1996

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association is pleased to announce its 1996 board of directors: President Bob Moody, Vice President Jon Caron, Treasurer Ernie Grassey, Secretary Linda Bolster, Player Agent Mark DeGiacomo, Director of Farm League Kevin Lewis, Director of Minor League Andy Krueger, Director of Major League Bob Morgan and Director of Umpiring John Carr.

The board is looking forward to an exciting year which will include the reinstatement of American Legion Baseball for the 15 to 19 year old players. Players will be selected from the towns of Cohasset, Scituate and Hull.

The board members would like to thank the George H. Mealy American Legion Post 118 for making American Legion Baseball a reality. Anyone interested in either helping on the board, subcommittees, coaching, umpiring for the upcoming season or needing information on American Legion Baseball should call Bob Moody (0385).

Cohasset/Scituate adult recreation programs open

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

2nd Charbo's Run on March 24

The second annual Charbo's Run, a five-mile road race to benefit the Mark S. Charbonnier Scholarship Fund, will be held at 11 a.m. on March 24 at Florian Hall in Dorchester.

The race is named in honor of the late State Police officer, who was slain in the line of duty on Sept. 2, 1994.

The entry fee is $12 and runners are encouraged to register early. To sign-up early, send your name, address, plus a check payable to Charbo's Run, to Charbo's Run, P.O. Box 77, Boston Ma. 02117. All preregistered runners (March 9 deadline) will receive a long sleeve T-shirt.

The race begins and ends in Dorchester at Florian Hall, which will open at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the race.

There will also be a free children's race at 10 a.m.

Walkers are also welcome to the event as well.

There will be entertainment, merchandise prizes in 13 divisions, mile splits and aid stations at the event.

For more information call Edward Garvey at 617-327-0383.

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Sunday, Feb. 11

12:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Autohaus, departmental action.

1:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Grace Dr., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Light rain, 44

3:57 p.m., officer field investigation, Highland Ave., false call.

4:41 p.m., vandalism, Nichols Rd., investigated.

6:16 p.m., civil complaint, Hammond Ave., advised civil action.

9:40 p.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

10:47 p.m., juvenile offense, Beal St., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 36

Monday, Feb. 12

7:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Scituate Line), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Scituate Line), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:43 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 32

10:48 a.m., vandalism, S. Shore Nissan, investigated.

10:13 a.m., general services, Hillside Dr., referred to other agency.

11:41 a.m., annoying phone calls, Sohier St., investigated.

12:31 p.m., officer wanted, Livingston Sq., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 25

5:30 p.m., medical, Spring St., removed to hospital.

9:28 p.m., disturbance (general). Cushing Rd., peace restored.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 14

Tuesday, Feb. 13

12:36 a.m., larceny, CJC Hwy. (Mobil Mart), departmental action.

12:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Pond St.) traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:35 a.m., general services, S. Main St., investigated.

7:41 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Sohier St.), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 12

8:21 a.m., fire alarm, Church St., services rendered.

8:31 a.m., medical, Highland Ave. — Town Hall lot, referred to other agency.

9:54 a.m., officer wanted, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

11:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., investigated.

1:05 p.m., assist citizen, Curtis Liquors 3A, referred to other agency.

1:53 p.m., officer wanted, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 5

4:55 p.m., officer field investigation, Hull St., false call.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 18

Wednesday, Feb. 14

6:21 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. by Ripley Rd., traffic warning issued.

6:28 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. by Ripley Rd., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

7:44 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood River, no police service necessary.

7:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. by Summer St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 19

11:36 a.m., general services, Cedar St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

12:45 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Rockland Trust/Cushing Plaza, investigated.

1:00 p.m., leaving scene (personal injury), Stop & Shop lot, investigated.

3:19 p.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., false call.

4:00 p.m., Snow, 20

9:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Cohasset Imports, verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Snow flurries, 28

Thursday, Feb. 15

3:07 a.m., emergency services, N. Mai St., investigated.

6:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Rectory).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 30

8:01 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave. — St. Stephen's Church, accidental/defective alarm.

10:48 a.m., recovered stolen MV, Brockton, investigated.

1:24 p.m., medical, King St., referred to other agency.

1:30 p.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 20

6:33 p.m., animal complaint, Windy Hill Rd., services rendered.

6:52 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Stevens Ln., services rendered.

9:55 p.m., arrest, Margin St., Ptl. Abbadessa [illegible]th Irene M. Tilden, DOB: 5/25/52, 12 R St., Hull, arrested on straight warrant out of Wareham.

11:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint CJC Hwy. (Mendel Rd.).

12:00 a.m., Clear, 25

Friday, Feb. 16

12:13 a.m., arrest, Ptl. Abbadessa, Richard J. Conte, 115 Nantasket, Hull, DOB: 8/6/72, WMS warrant arrest.

12:13 a.m., arrest, Sgt. Conte in with Laura Uppendahl, 180 Booth Hill Rd., Scituate, DOB: 2/17/62, warrant arrest, SP Norwell.

7:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint CJC Hwy (Cohasset Greens).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 32

12:56 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., services rendered.

1:44 p.m., leaving scene (personal injury), Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

2:58 p.m., threats (bodily harm), King Jewelers, departmental action.

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Police Log

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3:30 p.m., animal complaint, Common by Cong. Church, unfounded.

3:31 p.m., officer wanted, Stockbridge St., unfounded.

4:00 p.m., Snow, 30

4:01 p.m., officer field investigation, Locust Rd., no ice service necessary.

4:40 p.m., medical, Elm St., removed to hospital.

5:34 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Sohier St., departmental action.

6:13 p.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave., departmental action.

6:27 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St., departmental action.

6:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St./Margin St., departmental action.

7:48 p.m., assist citizen, Border St., services rendered.

8:39 p.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave., departmental action.

9:23 p.m., building check, Church St., departmental action.

10:41 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 30

Saturday, Feb. 17

5:52 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 28

8:26 a.m., general services, Margin St., departmental action.

9:36 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd./Bow St., departmental action.

11:37 a.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Reservoir Rd., departmental action.

11:44 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy, Bank of Boston, investigated.

11:55 a.m., medial, Mendel Rd., removed to hospital.

4:47 p.m., emergency services, Arrowood Dr., services rendered.

5:12 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Rte. 3A, services rendered.

5:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stanton Rd., verbal warning.

8:49 p.m, traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

9:07 p.m., vehicle accident, N. Main St., departmental action.

10:33 p.m.., escort, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

11:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 29

Sunday, Feb. 18

1:37 a.m., disturbance (gathering), Government Island, dispersed gathering.

2:03 a.m., general services, Sohier St. by Osgood School, returned to home or family.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 32

8:33 a.m., building check, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

11:48 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

2:15 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., investigated.

2:22 p.m., medical, Aaron River Rd., services rendered.

3:50 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St. Cohasset High School, investigated.

7:14 p.m., disturbance (general), Cushing Plaza, departmental action.

8:30 p.m., disturbance (family), Church St., peace restored.

8:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood st., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., 20 degrees.

Monday, Feb. 19

5:37 a.m., emergency services, HQ, departmental action.

7:04 a.m., medical, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

7:32 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy. (Mobil Mart), notification made/message or summons delivered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 20

8:54 a.m., medical, N. Main St., referred to other agency.

11:20 a.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., departmental action.

12:17 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 20

4:49 p.m., suspicious activity, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

5:37 p.m., general services, CPAC, HDQTS, services rendered.

5:42 p.m., general services, HDQTS., services rendered.

5:55 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

6:16 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Summer St., traffic warning issued.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 36

Tuesday, Feb. 20

12:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. (Lambert's Ln.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (SS Chevy).

2:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (Mill Ln.).

2:33 a.m. Ptl. Lennon in with Eugenio Andrade, 17 Forest Ave., Brockton, DOB: 7/5/76, WMS Warrant arrest.

3.12 a.m., fire alarm, Howard Gleason Rd., services rendered.

3:52 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Rocky Ln.), verbal warning.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96P0462E1

Estate of JOHN H. WINTERS, Jr. late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that JOHN H. WINTERS, III of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK and MARTHA W. POWELL, also known as MARTHA WINTERS POWELL of NEW CANAAN in the State of CONNECTICUT be appointed executors named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on April 10, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-sixth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
2/29/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT NORFOLK DIVISION DOCKET NO. 96P0399E1

Estate of ELIZABETH W. WARREN late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that CHARLOTTE F. PFAFFMANN of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on March 27, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twelfth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
2/29/96

Police help local homebound elders

The Cohasset Police Department has joined with South Shore Elder Services to ensure that isolated homebound elders receive meals during weather emergencies. SSES appealed to the police after severe snowstorms forced the cancellation of several Meals on Wheels deliveries.

According to SSES Nutrition Director Linda Fitzgibbon, elders are supplied with emergency packs, which do not require refrigeration, that contain the essentials to make up one meal. Although during a storm family and neighbors will often help elders, some may be without food if more than one storm hits or if storms occur during a weekend.

The Police Department stores emergency food packs and delivers them to those in need during a severe storm.

SSES operates the Meals on Wheels program in Cohasset in conjunction with the Social Service League of Cohasset. For further information, call SSES at 848-3910 or the SSL at 383-0771.

Police Chief Brian Noonan accepts emergency meal packs from Meals on Wheels volunteer Ginny Riley of Cohasset. Riley is a long-time board member and past president of the Social Service League of Cohasset. South Shore Elder Services and the league operate Meals on Wheels for the town. (Editor's note: in last week's issue, this photo ran without the related article).

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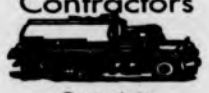

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Best day of your life: Tomorrow.

Biggest worry: I'll forget something.

Favorite holiday: The day after Christmas.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite TV show: "Chicago Hope."

Favorite movie: "Blazing Saddles."

Favorite book: "Divine Inspiration," by Jane Langton.

Favorite junk-food: Nachos.

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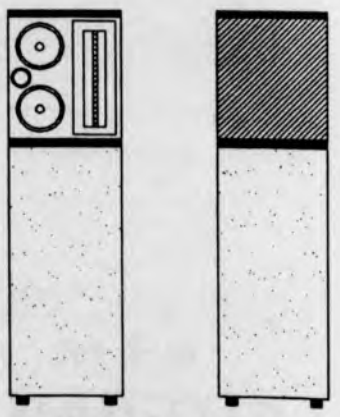
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Town's voice drowned out

North Cohasset left high and dry

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Faced with the same 164 percent water rate hike that will affect their neighbors in Hingham and Hull, a group of North Cohasset residents launched a letter-writing campaign last month protesting the increase and were ready to do battle with other frustrated rate payers at an evidentiary hearing before the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU).

But unlike residents in Hingham and Hull, the 600 or so Cohasset residents — about 10 percent of the town's population — who receive their water from the Massachusetts-American Water Company, may not be represented at the March 14 hearing.

Maria Plante and Barbara Mullin, two residents leading the rate-hike fight in Cohasset, had just come back from distributing about 225 flyers encouraging residents to put their opposition in writing to local legislators, when they learned from the DPU that selectmen had not filed a petition to testify at the hearing in time and therefore could not act as "interveners" in the rate case.

"I was very upset, because selectmen had promised to help us," Plante said. "Someone in the selectmen's office should have stayed on top of this. There's no reason an issue this important should not have been followed through on."

Town Administrator Greg Doyon said efforts are being

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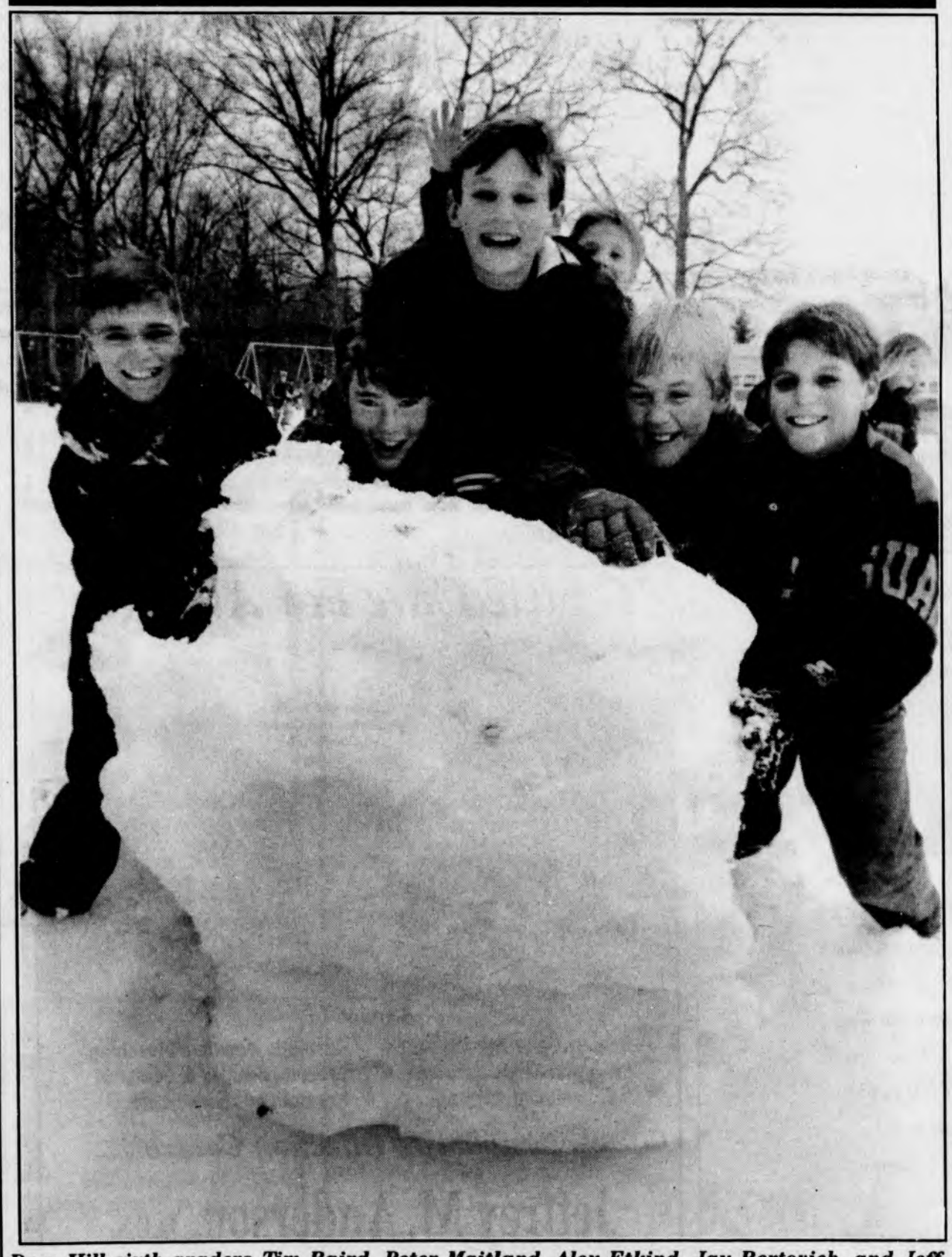
HAVING A BALL



Deer Hill sixth-graders Tim Baird, Peter Maitland, Alex Etkind, Jay Bertovich, and Jeff Garber enjoy the snow during school recess this week. Weather experts say the South Shore is within inches of breaking the all-time snowfall record. **Staff photo/Alan Chapman**

Davenport opts to run for selectman

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset native Robert V. Davenport, 53, of Sohier Street has decided to throw his hat into the ring for the selectman's race.

Davenport had turned in nomination papers for both the health board and selectman seats and had until March 4 to make up his mind.

The sitting health board member will not seek re-election to that board because issues surrounding a possible conflict of interest regarding Cohasset Heights Landfill had not been completely resolved in time.

Davenport — who owns property in the vicinity of Cohasset Heights, the privately-owned landfill seeking expansion — has not been able to participate in the hearings on the proposed expansion due to the conflict-of-interest issue which is now at the state level, he said this week.

"It's not fair to the other two (health board) members to bear the whole brunt of this," Davenport said referring to the on-going landfill hearings.

Davenport, who operates a boat storage and brokerage business, is a regular at selectmen's meetings.

"I know as much background

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Sen. Bob Dole wins easily in Cohasset

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

As predicted Bob Dole won big with Republican voters in Cohasset in Tuesday's Yankee Primary.

With 423 votes, Dole handily beat Patrick J. Buchanan who finished second with 101 votes and Steve Forbes, who was a close third with 96.

About 21 percent of the town's 5,079 registered voters participated in the primary which was one of several held March 5 across New England and the nation.

Election workers said the polls, which were open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at town hall, were slow all day reaching a peak of about 100 voters per hour and a low of about 40 per hour.

President Bill Clinton received 168 votes, with challenger Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr., getting nine.

No one in Cohasset took a Libertarian Party ballot.

Pleasant Street resident Frederick R. Koed, who was unchallenged, garnered 178 votes to win re-election as Democrat State Committee Man for the Plymouth & Norfolk Districk.

Polly Logan, who lives on Nichols Road, was the top "vote-getter" of the day with 636. Logan was unchallenged for re-election as Republican State Committee

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New town counsel predicts drop in legal costs

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

With minimal discussion Monday night, selectmen unanimously picked the Boston law firm of Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis Holland & Drachman to serve as town counsel.

Paul DeRensis, a partner in the firm, will handle the bulk of the legal business, while the other 40 attorneys at Deutsch Williams will help with various matters.

The firm represents the towns of Nantucket and Randolph and host of other municipalities, counties and special governmental agencies, (such as airports,) in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont. Some 70 percent of their clients are public entities,

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Cohasset's Week

Four injured in accident

Four persons were injured late Tuesday night when their vehicle struck a utility pole on South Street in Hingham as they were reportedly returning from a basketball game.

Hingham firefighters and hospital paramedics transported the driver and three passengers to South Shore Hospital.

Hingham Police Capt. Joseph McCracken identified the car's occupants as John Simons, 67, of Ripley Road, Cohasset, who was driving the car; Jessica Niessink and Jen Meehan, both 14 and from Cohasset; and Jonathan Kerins, 13 from Scituate.

McCracken said police received several reports around 10:30 p.m. of the accident, near the intersection of Hersey Street, where the four-wheel-drive Chevrolet is believed to have been travelling toward Hingham Square when it skidded on the rain-slicked road.

A South Shore Hospital spokeswoman said Simons was listed in fair condition. The three teenagers were treated and released.

Subdivision must wait for sewer connection

The 31 houses in the proposed Jerusalem Road Estates subdivision will not be able to connect to the sewer system, sewer commissioners have decided.

In a Feb. 28 memo to selectmen, commission chairman Edward "Ted" Guild stated that since capacity is limited, connections must be reserved for existing houses.

"Under this policy, sewer capacity would not be available for the Jerusalem Road Limited Partnership, (which is proposing the subdivision)," Guild said.

The planning was scheduled to hold a hearing on the subdivision Wednesday, as the paper went to press.

Selectmen agreed to notify the planning board that they are concerned about the subdivision's feasibility if septic systems would be required. Septic systems in the area have been blamed for causing pollution in Strait's Pond.

In addition, selectmen are worried about the subdivision's potential to create additional traffic on the windy and narrow portion of Jerusalem Road and to increase drainage runoff. Jerusalem Road is also prone to icing in winter.

Owen O'Malley campaigns for Pat Buchanan outside the polls Tuesday. Republicans in town opted for Bob Dole who won handily over Buchanan and Steve Forbes. For election results, see page 11.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Litchfield is acting treasurer

Due to illness, acting town treasurer Sally Lincoln will not be able to fulfill that position for the time being, so Linda Litchfield, who is already acting collector, will handle those duties until a new treasurer/collector is elected in April.

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New school proposal to face town meeting voters

Selectmen endorse $9.9M plan

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

For the second time in three months, voters will have the chance to consider a proposal for a new elementary school, as selectmen this week placed the question on the March 30 town meeting warrant and on the April 6 election ballot.

Selectmen stressed that the proposal is different from the earlier, $13.4 million plan which sailed through town meeting, but was defeated by 28 votes at the polls.

Voters will face a request for the nearly $9.9 million new kindergarten-through-grade-three elementary school to be located off Sohier St. behind the Deer Hill School and a request for $180,000 for engineering money.

"We bent over backwards to avoid the appearance of going behind the voter's backs," said selectman Peter Pratt.

"This makes logical sense for the town," said selectman Michael Sullivan, who added that if the override fails, they will simply have to hold another one, since replacing the Osgood School is a necessity.

Selectman chairman, Merle Brown, said, "We need a new school and this is the way to do it."

The selectman's vote was unanimous, in contrast to the three to two vote to oppose the first request.

Much of the discussion centered on the $180,000 request. The sum is included in the total $9.9 million, but has been pulled out as a separate item since if the larger amount is defeated, it is hoped the smaller sum will still be approved.

School athletic director and holder of the Music Circus refreshment concession, Clark Chatterton, is donating the money to the town, which will be deposited in a special fund. He had intended to loan the money, but town meeting has yet to accept the loan.

It is also likely that other individuals may donate to the fund.

If the $180,000 request fails, then his money will be used to pay for engineering plans which will allow the building's blueprints to be drawn up.

The school department has been anxious to get the project underway since the deadline for state reimbursement under the current formula is June 30.

Pratt said the town has "a moral obligation" to come up with the $180,000, to reimburse Chatterton.

Roy Fitzsimmons, a resident, wanted to know how the town could incur a debt without a town meeting vote.

"You are putting undue pressure on the taxpayers," he stated. "The townspeople voted no."

During the discussion, selectman Jane Goedecke said that engineering studies are usually done in before an item is submitted to town meeting vote, so that asking for the $180,000 is justifiable, even if the total project should be defeated again.

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Mon. 11	3:00	10.4	9:25	3:35	9.4	9:43
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North Cohasset could be left high and dry

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made by town council Richard A. Henderson to allow Cohasset to file late and participate in the upcoming hearing or to try to "piggy back" on the testimony given by Hingham or Hull.

"We've heard from residents and understand their concerns and we're trying to pursue it at this point," said Doyon, who noted that the town's involvement with the Cohasset Heights Landfill hearings has eclipsed some other issues and has diverted financial resources as well.

Henderson said he was asked to file for the town on Feb.12, but has not yet heard from the DPU on whether Cohasset will be permitted to participate.

"The hearing officer was not optimistic," said Henderson, who said despite being six weeks past the filing deadline, he felt that he made a good case for the town to intervene as it shares many of same concerns that Hingham and Hull do.

"I don't think they understood the magnitude of this," Henderson said of the board's oversight. Citizen involvement helped bring the issue to light, he added.

Following the public hearings with Mass-American held in Hingham and Hull in January, Mullin, Plante and other resident volunteers set to work trying to inform their neighbors, some of whom are on fixed incomes, about the possible tripling of water bills if the new rates are approved.

The Massachusetts-American Water Company filed its rate case with the Department of Public Utilities in November and if the proposed increase is approved in full, the average rate payer will see their annual water bills go from about $257 to $680.

Much of the water rate increase, company officials say is needed to cover the expense of building and operating the $39.5 million water treatment facility which is under construction in Hingham and slated to go on-line in May.

Now faced with the possibility that their concerns will not be voiced at the hearing, Mullin said she's glad that she was at least able to circulate the fliers.

"If we didn't distribute the fliers and send letters we wouldn't be heard from at all. We have to be optimistic, at least they (the DPU) have heard from us on some level," she said.

"I hope we got the word out," Plante said, adding, "we've done as much as we can do as citizens of Cohasset."

New town counsel predicts drop in legal costs

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with private practice taking up the rest.

Selectmen chose the firm in part because of its experience in environmental, land use and harbor issues, and also because the other two finalists represent neighboring communities, which could have caused a conflict.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said he had been advised against hiring any firm which represents a contiguous town.

Kopelman and Paige, one of the finalists, represents Scituate, which has already quarreled with Cohasset over the fees charged to use clam flats lying in Cohasset Harbor, which actually belong to Scituate.

The other finalist, Murphy, Hesse, Toomey and Lehane, is legal counsel to Hingham, with which Cohasset is now negotiating a sewer contract.

(The third finalist, the Cambridge firm of Anderson & Kreiger, did not show up for its interview last week, and already has a conflict of interest with the town since it is representing a South Main Street couple suing the conservation commission.)

In an interview this week, DeRensis, 51, predicted that legal costs will likely decrease from the current levels.

"I believe that they (costs) will go down," he said.

Cohasset will be charged an annual retainer of $30,000, which will cover the work DeRensis spends on the town's legal business, regardless of much time is involved.

The general municipal rate is $110 per hour, while the firm will bill Cohasset at the special counsel rate of $120 per hour for matters relating to labor, litigation and real estate.

Current town counsel Richard Henderson bills the town at $85 per hour, which amounts to about $45,000 per year.

However, the town hires special counsels to handle specialized matters, at costs ranging as high as $200 per hour.

Selectmen have recently been frustrated over skyrocketing legal costs, especially relating to the hearings on the Cohasset Heights Landfill expansion, which are expected to cost some $244,000 between November and June.

By hiring a large firm selectmen hope to reign in the use of special counsel and keep legal bills under tighter control.

A Newton native who graduated from Harvard College and Harvard Law School, DeRensis said he applied for the Cohasset position in part because it is a coastal community facing many of the same problems Nantucket must grapple with.

These include relations with federal and state regulatory agencies, the loss of land from erosion, storm damage, planning and dredging.

"Those are fun issues," he said. "Those are the kind of legal issues I get excited about."

In addition to harbor matters, DeRensis said his firm has expertise in procurement (the bulk purchasing of supplies), ethics, labor relations, planning and land use, eminent domain (land taking), road layout and acceptance.

One of the other partners, Robert Holland, is a well known labor expert.

Selectman Peter Pratt praised Holland's work as labor counsel in Somerville, which Pratt previously served as administrator.

Selectman Martha Gjesteby reported that she has seen Deutsch William's work first hand at the Mass Municipal Association's policy committee, with which she has been active.

Another Deutsch Williams lawyer, Robert Hillman, is currently serving on Cohasset's Cable TV Council.

DeRensis stated that Hillman will be resigning from that committee and will not handle any Cohasset business, at least for a while.

In addition, Henderson will continue to handle matters relating to James Lane because Hillman lives in that area. Selectmen have planned to erect a barrier on a tiny corner of Hillman's property to prevent vehicles from entering the dead end street at the wrong end.

Henderson is also expected to review the contract between Deutsch Williams and the town, and may also handle some other ongoing issues with which he is familiar.

DeRensis and Henderson will likely meet soon to review town meeting articles. Henderson has indicated he would like to step down by mid-March.

Selectmen have said that the change from an individual lawyer to a firm will likely change the way Cohasset government operates in some ways.

During last week's interview with Deutsch Williams, selectman Jane Goedecke pointed out that Henderson often waits at home and appears at a meeting in five minutes if requested.

DeRensis said that he will be available 24 hours a day, stating that he was once called by Nantucket selectmen at one a.m. and asked a question via a conference call.

Selectmen liked the answer and seemed amused that there are other boards whose meetings last even longer than their own.

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Record for most snow could be set this week

Plowing costs pass $100K mark

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Once again this winter, a weekend storm dumped six inches of heavy, wet snow, with an additional half-inch Tuesday, as the season's total closes in on the snowfall record set just two years ago.

Cohasset Mariner weather observer Bob Skilling has recorded the season's total snowfall at 91-1/2 inches as of Tuesday night, putting this season firmly in second place for total snow accumulation.

Another five inches of snow will make the winter of 1995-96 the snowiest on record, passing the 95.1 inches that fell during the winter of 1993-94.

That record could be broken by the end of the week, with forecasters predicting a sloppy combination of snow, sleet, and freezing rain today.

This, just two weeks after temperatures soared to the 60-degree mark, cleared away the remnants of snow, and caused an outbreak of spring fever, complete with scattered sightings of crocuses.

Cohasset's snow plowing costs have crossed the $100,000 mark, with Highway Surveyor Harold Litchfield putting the figure at $100,270.62 as of Tuesday. This figure will increase when the department receives additional bills from private contractors who supplement town workers, he added.

Saturday's storm followed a similar schedule of a storm on Feb.16-17, with the bulk of plowing and sanding required after regular working hours, increasing the expensive snow removal process.

While this season and the winter of 1993-94 have both seen snow accumulations well above normal, Litchfield observes that the weather patterns are different. This year, there has been more snow from a few storms, while two seasons ago, there were modest accumulations from several storms.

He is also questions the benefit of subscribing to a weather service to advise the highway department of snowstorms, as is done in Hingham, adding that is unlikely that the town would be willing to incur the additional expense.

"I asked the advisory committee once," he said. "and they laughed at me."

But as the likelihood of a new snow accumulation record increases, Litchfield sees no reason to increase the snow removal budget. The procedure that allows the department to use deficit spending for snow plowing is satisfactory.

"We've got no money now anyway," he said, noting that the original appropriation was spent months ago.

Since 1982, Cohasset allocates $45,000 a year for snow removal. Litchfield said that when he took over the highway department in 1978, the budget was $40,000.

Town administrator Gregory Doyon said raising the annual snow plowing budget is "something we may have to look at." However, since there is no way to predict the weather, "I'd hate to see us tie up [Cohasset's] resources."

There had been three consecutive years when the highway department returned unspent snowplowing funds to the town prior to 1993-94, Doyon added.

The first day of spring is two weeks away, but Litchfield marks the change of season by the last time the plows and sanders take to the streets. And, there's no way to predict that.

He said that last year, when there was very little snow, icy conditions required road sanding for the last time on March 17. The previous year, the last sanding occurred on March 11.

"But there was one year—I can't remember when—when we had a foot of snow in April," he said.

Doyon has high praise for Litchfield who, he said, "understands the taxpayers and doesn't spend more than necessary."

"He gets the bulk of the complaints, and he's the one the police call when the roads get slippery," Doyon said.

Snowplowing and road sanding are not only budget issues, but also a public safety issue, he added.

Hedlund to hold Cohasset office hours March 8

Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, will hold office hours on Friday, March 8, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the downstairs meeting room at Cohasset Town Hall. Office hours provide an opportunity for constituents to voice their opinions and comments in person without having to travel to the State House.

To make an appointment, call Jeff Granatino at (617) 722-1646. Walk-ins are encouraged.

Hedlund has announced that Metropolitan District Commission (MDC) and Dept. of Environmental Management (DEM) summer positions are still available for the 1996 season. Interested applicants may contact Senator Hedlund's office at 722-1646 for referral slips, which must be returned to either the MDC or DEM by March 15.

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Financial situation darkens

Cohasset's literary set may face a long hot summer after all.

In the wake of the worsening financial situation, selectmen Monday night reversed their previous support for a town meeting article seeking $50,000 to install air conditioning in the Pratt Memorial Library.

Selectmen said they were responding to a Feb. 28 memo from town accountant Michael Buckley, which reported that the town's free cash is dangerously low.

According to the memo, articles for the March 30 town meeting will appropriate $228,380 from free cash, leaving a balance of only $17,523.

Buckley said some $150,000 is recommended.

However, many of the articles are necessary and cannot be postponed.

Advisory committee chairman Roger Whitley said that committee had yet to take a position on the library air conditioning, but has voted not to support the refurbishing of the high school auditorium.

The committee has voted to support the new equipment for the highway and tree and parks department.

In a related matter, selectmen voted not to seek an override request to pay for costs related to the Hagerty Property and capping the landfill. Although these items have already been voted, placing the costs under a debt exclusion would help the financial situation overall.

Selectmen said the subject would be confusing, since these items were already voted.

Bob Dole wins easily in town

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Woman for the Plymouth & Norfolk District.

Gen. Colin Powell and Jack Kemp received one write-in vote each from those who cast Republican ballots. Bob Dole earned a write in on the Democratic side and so did resident Roy Fitzsimmons.

Cohasset has 1,067 registered Democrats, 1,107 Republicans, 3 Libertarians, and 2,879 unenrolled voters.

For complete election results see page 11.

Davenport runs for selectman

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as anyone sitting there now," he said. "I could put another perspective on the board."

Davenport joins incumbent Selectman Martha Gjesteby, former advisory board chairwoman Nan Roth and conservation commissioner Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris in the race for two selectman seats.

Organic market slated for North Scituate village

The old Country Package Store in North Scituate Village will soon be reincarnated as an organic food market.

Michelle Goodson of Cohasset has reached an agreement to lease the vacant storefront for the Ancient Farmer's Market, Inc., a food market and collaborative selling organic and locally farmed vegetables, fruits, herbs, flowers and homemade breads.

The announcement gives a boost to the North Scituate Village business environment. Since the departure of the package store early last year, the storefront at the corner of Country Way and Gannett Road has remained vacant.

"I think anything that enhances the village and produces new business in North Scituate would certainly be welcome," said Tony D'Onofrio, treasurer of the Scituate Chamber of Commerce. Sea 'n Cheese market, which was forced to leave its Cushing Plaza location in Cohasset last year when Shaw's Supermarkets bought the plaza, was interested in moving to the package store site. But Sea 'n Cheese failed to reach an agreement for a lease, disappointing merchants and residents alike who had looked forward to the arrival of the specialty market.

Last year, Goodson attempted to lease the defunct North Cohasset fire station on Hull Street for the same purpose. The proposal was derailed at the last minute when sewer commissioners said they would need the fire station site for a pumping station.

Goodson received a site plan waiver from the Scituate planning board. She plans to apply to Scituate selectmen for a retail beer-and-wine license to sell a small quantity of high-quality, imported beer and wine. She hopes to open for business in May.

Eligiblity sought on local veterans

In the ongoing effort to complete the World War II Cohasset Historical Military Memorial, an oversight committee was established. The purpose of the committee is to determine to the best of its ability whether names in question meet eligibility requirements for inclusion on the wall.

After diligent research, the committee is left with several names it can find nothing about, and it is appealing to the public for help. Anyone with information that would help the committee determine the eligibility of the following people is asked to call Town Hall (383-9900): Margaret Drucilla Coleman, Ernest Elden Decker, Helen Marion Heartz, Joseph Lay Rohr Jr., William Roger Scannell and Shirley Eleanor Wright.

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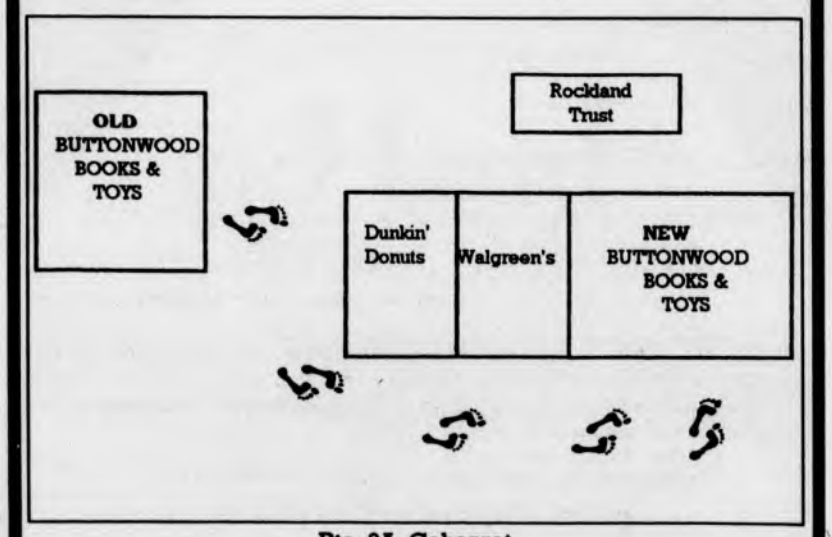

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Goal: To live a balanced and productive life.

Best vacation: Ten days in Paris with my husband, Charlie Dattola.

Best day of your life: The day I met my husband.

Biggest worry: That I don't have enough time to spend with my family.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite TV show: Masterpiece Theatre.

Favorite movie: Almost anything by Kenneth Branagh.

Favorite book: "Giants and Heroes; Life with Y.A. Tittle," by Dianne Tittle De Laet.

Favorite junk-food: Tortilla chips.

Most embarrassing moment: Showing up inappropriately dressed for an event, like the time in college when, as a new member of the chorus, I arrived in a skirt and blouse when everyone else was in flannel shirts and blue jeans.

Person you'd most like to meet: Eleanor Roosevelt.

Pet peeve: Cohasset residents who don't realize that new schools are an investment in their own future!

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Belated 'leap-day' birthday wishes to Carol Gates

We must begin by apologizing to **Carol Gates** for not mentioning her birthday last week. After all, she only has one every four years. The very least we can do is make a big day of it! Happy birthday to you, Carol, our favorite Leap Year gal!

❑

Sr. Anne Monica Ruane, principal of Notre Dame Academy, Hingham, announced the honor roll for the second semester, and we congratulate the Cohasset students who made the grade: Principal's list — **Julie Catalano;** first honors — **Lauren Campbell, Jennifer Cellucci** and **Sally Hamill;** second honors — **Stephanie Canton, Kelleen Dwyer** and **Julie Smith.**

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Now it's time to wish two special gents a speedy recovery after recent surgery — **Herm Fichtner,** who is in Braintree Rehab as this is being written, and **Pop Fone,** who is in Maine doing very well, especially when you consider he is 92 years young! Hope that there is a spring in your step long before spring officially arrives, guys!

❑

News from Poughkeepsie, N.Y.: **Joe Slotnik** '99 of Cohasset (and a CHS grad) is a member of the 1995-96 Vassar College men's basketball team. To date, the Brewers have an even record of nine wins and nine losses, with six games left to play. Joe averages 7.3 points and a team-leading 8.4 rebounds and 2.3 blocks per game. Good going, Joe!

❑

For the painting "Lemon Pitcher and Pear," watercolor artist **JoAnne Chittick** is the second-place winner in watercolor in Duxbury Art Association's 22nd annual Winter Juried Show.

Of the more than 600 works submitted for jurying, 115 were accepted, representing the categories of oil/acrylic painting; watercolor painting; drawing/pastel; prints; three dimensional and photography. The show, which is exhibited at the Duxbury Art Complex Museum, 189 Alden St., will continue until March 24.

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Erin K. Steimle, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Edmund A. Steimle** of Cohasset, has been named a college scholar, the highest recognition for academic achievement for the fall term at Middlebury College. Students who receive this coveted designation must have a grade point average of 3.5 or better and have no grade lower than a B- for the semester.

❑

Kudos go to **Curtis Collins,** principal of Cohasset Junior-Senior High School, and if you don't believe us, ask the Boston Globe! He was mentioned in connection with the report, "Breaking Ranks: Changing an American Institution," which is about high schools in America and encourages everyone to inspire young minds.

Mr. Collins helped draft the report and "embodies its energy." The Globe states that the report should be "required reading for anyone who cares about high school education. And everybody should care."

Anyway, aren't we glad we have a principal who cares, and who is doing something about it and encouraging others to do the same? Congratulations to you for your efforts, Curt.

❑

Speaking of the high school, it's time to congratulate the boys basketball team. As this is being written, they are still in the quest for the championship, and we hope that it is a successful one. Win, lose or draw, thanks to all of you for an exciting season! You are awesome.

❑

Here's a reminder for you. Don't panic when you go to the old home of **Buttonwood Books & Toys** and find it's not there! They have moved to a "temporary home" across the parking lot, next to Walgreen's. Luckily for us they didn't have to leave our town, and you can bet that when the new plaza is built, their store will be an awesome one.

❑

The reviews are all in, and they all said the same thing — Cabaret '96, performed by the **First Parish Church,** was a smashing success, and a great time was had by all. Just one complaint — there should have been more performances, because everyone loved it so much. Such a big crowd, in spite of the horrid weather!

❑

Finally, we congratulate **Ryan Sawchuk, Bobby Stansell** and **Caitlin Stansell,** three CHS varsity ski team members who will compete in the Massachusetts State High School Ski Championships. They all did very well during the season for our team, and we hope they can continue their good work at the state meet. We'll let you know. One thing we do know is they do have enough snow!

❑

Please, when something happens that is newsworthy in your home, give me a call! All of us love your news!

— Sallyann
383-0560

Doug Schultz, left, a junior at Colby College, is studying this semester in Spain. Recently in Barcelona, Peter Collins (at right) met Doug, his longtime friend. Peter, a junior at Massachusetts Maritime Academy, was making his annual training cruise aboard the 547-foot ship, Patriot State. The ship sailed to the Canary Islands, Naples, Rome, and Barcelona where Doug and Pete got together. What an adventure these two Cohaset High Graduates will have to share with their families and friends when they return home!

Willie McCarthy, shown here with his mother Linda, was the winner of Bruins tickets donated by Rosemary and Michael O'Connell. A raffle and shoot out was held during the Feb. 2 Cohasset girls basketball game to benefit the Cohasset Teen Center. Willie received the tickets at a recent open house sponsored by Cohasset Youth Resources, the non-profit group which governs the teen center.

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Obituaries

Margaret C. Hiltz

50-year resident

Margaret (Carroll) Hiltz, 94, of Cohasset, died Jan. 11 at Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home.

Born in Springhill, Nova Scotia, she was also educated there. She lived 20 years in Hingham and 50 in Cohasset.

Mrs. Hiltz, a homemaker, was the beloved wife of the late Harry F. Hiltz, who developed two roads and built many homes in Hingham.

She leaves two daughters, Ethel M. MacVicar of Hingham and Carol B. Rowe of Weymouth; two sons, Harry F. Hiltz of Hingham and Paul J. Hiltz of Hull; a sister, Jessie Ray of Quincy; a brother-in-law, James G. Hiltz of Hingham; 17 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews. She was the sister of the late John Carroll, Minnie Gardiner and Bessie Cameron and the stepsister of the late Earl and Joseph Smith and Bernice (Smith) Aliquo. She was the mother of the late Lester B. Hiltz.

Visiting was Jan. 14, at which time a memorial service was held in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset. The Rev. Gary Ritts officiated. Interment was Jan. 17 in Woodside Cemetery, North Main Street, Cohasset.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Social Service League of Cohasset, Inc., 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Jean Walsh Burgess

Memorial service is Saturday

Jean Walsh Burgess, 77, of Cohasset, died March 3 in South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Mrs. Burgess was born in Newark, N.J. and was formerly of Fork Union, Va. and Uxbridge, Mass. She moved to Cohasset 30 years ago.

Mrs. Burgess attended Hollins College and graduated from Sullins College. She was a member of DAR, Cohasset Golf Club and the First Parish in Cohasset and a former member of the Cohasset Garden Club and co-chair of the Village Fair.

Mrs. Burgess enjoyed gardening, bowling and bridge. She was also a skilled seamstress and worked briefly as a bridal consultant at Priscilla's of Boston.

Mrs. Burgess was the wife of Winston Burgess, her husband of 55 years, and leaves two daughters, Beverley Burgess Williams of Scituate and Jean Botts of Virginia; a son, Winston Burgess of Westboro, and four grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held a the First Parish in Cohasset on Saturday, March 9, at 2 p.m. A private burial will be held at a later date in Virginia.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 20 Speen St., Framingham, Mass. 01701 or the First Parish in Cohasset Memorial Garden, 23 North Main St., Cohasset 02025.

Bereavement support offered

The Hingham Visiting Nurse will offer a seven-week Bereavement Support Group on Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m., beginning March 28, at the HVNA office, 10 Downer Ave., Hingham. The group will focus on helping people cope with grief and loss, and is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a family member or friend within the past year.

Grace Lettis, coordinator of bereavement services, will facilitate the meeting. There is no charge for the series, but pre-registration is required because space is limited. For more information or to register, call the Hingham Visiting Nurse at 749-1160.

'Who is Jesus?' is topic

A Bible discussion group is sponsored by Cohasset Community Church. On Friday, March 8, the next four-week study will begin, entitled, "Who is Jesus?" The group is led by Rev. Robert Hurlbut and gathers each Friday in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room from 7 to 8 p.m.

The discussion will help participants understand better who Jesus is by examining the facts about Jesus and the impact Christianity has on society today. For further information, call 383-9761.

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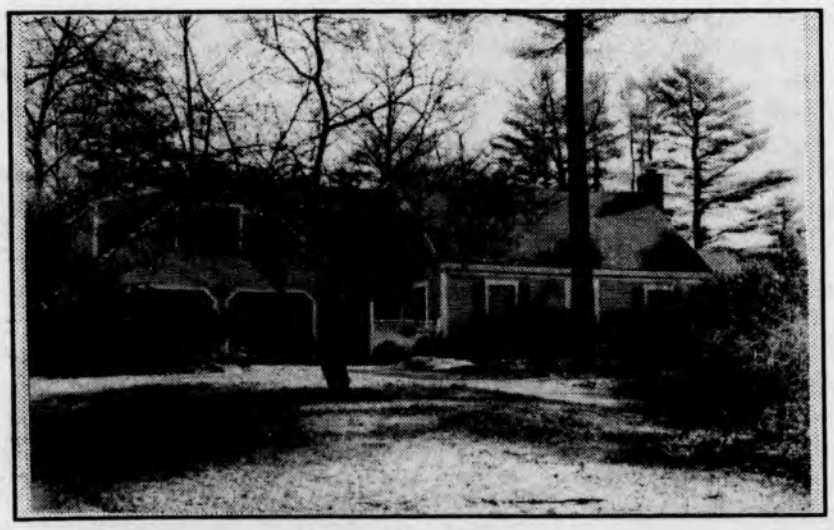

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EDITORIAL

Creative financing

To outsiders the school department's plan to salvage its new school proposal this year may seem truly bizarre.

You'd be hard pressed to find another town where a citizen offers to loan the town a large sum of money, with some risk attached, to save a project.

But this is Cohasset.

Maybe it's the salt air, the water, or all that ledge. But one thing is for sure — to borrow a line from a cruise commercial: "It's different out here."

Regardless of what happens, Cohasset owes school athletic director Clark Chatterton a big thank you for stepping up to the plate with some badly needed cash.

The finer details of the "loan-turned gift" are still being worked out. But essentially, here's what is happening.

The school department is under the gun to get a new school proposal, which must include blueprints, before the state by June 1 to get on the list for 60 percent reimbursement.

The town narrowly defeated the $13.5 million new school/Deer Hill renovation project in the Feb. 10 override election after it overwhelmingly passed town meeting. So believing there is support for a scaled-down project and because the state-reimbursement-funding stakes are so high, the school department, with the backing of selectmen, is going to ask voters to support building a new school at about $9.9 million and hold off on the upgrades to Deer Hill.

But to meet the June 1 deadline, architects must proceed immediately with drawings and they want some guarantee of payment. Town meeting isn't until March 30 and an override is slated for April 6 — which puts the school department in a time-bind.

So Clark turns into Superman and saves the day.

For the record, it's not the first time the town has received a monetary gift. An unidentified citizen helped buy a fire truck three years ago.

And on the smaller side, a few years back former Fire Chief John Nadeau talked about needing a computer at a televised selectmen's meeting and within a few days, one was given to him by a generous citizen. And when the town needed a Christmas tree for the Common, a citizen provided that too.

The town is known for its benefactors who have helped with private projects such as refurbishing the Lightkeepers' residence.

Some may have the perception that the school department is sending the wrong message by trying to circumvent the wish of the electorate.

Yes, the people spoke, but not convincingly — so an energetic group of school supporters aren't going to give up. No one should blame them for trying.

The voters will have the final say — which is as it should be.

But as usual in Cohasset, stay strapped in, because it's going to be a wild ride to town meeting.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Improved communication is key goal of school board

To the Editor:

As chairman of the Cohasset School Committee, I would like to address the issue of communication (or lack of communication) between the committee and the residents of Cohasset. For the sake of brevity, I will limit myself to two observations and a request to my fellow townspeople.

First, the record will demonstrate that, in my nearly seven years of serving the people of Cohasset as a member of the School Committee, we have made Herculean efforts to "get the word out" on major issues as well as to solicit input from residents. Two examples should suffice. With regard to asking folks what's on their minds, we recently sent an extensive survey to every town resident (18 percent of the surveys were returned), then held numerous public hearings to discuss the results. With respect to trying to inform townspeople on major issues, a cursory glance at back issues of the Cohasset Mariner will demonstrate that the vacation policy issue (which you cite in your "Candidates' Question of the Week" as an example of what some say is a poor communication effort) was covered extensively by your paper from the beginning and throughout the debate.

Second, our democratic system is founded on the premise of an informed citizenry. But being an informed citizen requires at least as much individual responsibility as it does reliance on government institutions. Our Founding Fathers (and, presumably, Founding Mothers such as Abigail Adams) set as a cornerstone of our democratic institutions the requirement of an active involvement on the part of citizens. Passivity is a fundamental threat to democracy.

The School Committee and the School Department have tried newsletters, public forums, town-wide surveys, media coverage and other means of establishing dialogue with our friends and neighbors in the town. If the premise of your candidates' question is correct, however, these efforts have not been entirely successful. And that leads me to my request. If any citizen of the Town of Cohasset has a suggestion for improving communication from and/or to the School Committee, please take a moment to drop me a note. Improved communication is a key goal of the new strategic plan we adopted this year and we would welcome all the help we can get in accomplishing this goal.

Ralph D. Kidder
Two Cushing Rd.

Sewer article is unprecedented

To the Editor:

I was delighted to read your question of the week for the candidates on page 11 in the Feb. 29 edition of the Cohasset Mariner.

It is important for the residents in the North Cohasset area to know what position the candidates are taking relative to the recent proposal of the 164 percent increase in the water rates by the Massachusetts American Water Company and how the Water Commission will help us!

To add to this outrageous cost, the Sewer Commission has inserted an article in the March 30 Town Meeting Warrant to burden these same homeowners with paying 100 percent of the $6 million project connecting this section of town to the Hull treatment plant. This is an unbelievable precedent being set by the Sewer Commission, over and above each homeowner paying additional hook-up charges, and monthly fees to Hull.

This is a community effort and the capital project should be shared by the entire town (just as we in North Cohasset supported and paid for the Elm Street sewer project and its continuous up-grading) without benefit to us.

Please do not support granting the Sewer Commission this unprecedented power!

Maria A. Plante
798 Jerusalem Rd.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Question of the Week

The following candidates responded to last week's Question of the Week:

• **Selectmen:** at times selectmen's meetings have resembled the Punch & Judy show. What causes this board discord and what could you do to change it?

Nan Roth, selectman

The selectmen of Cohasset are elected to lead the town. Unfortunately, recent Selectmen's meetings have sometimes degenerated into forums for invective instead of forums for leadership. We face too many important issues to allow personal discord between Selectmen to interfere with the hard work needed to meet our challenges. Selectmen must focus on the citizens' needs now and in the future, making fair decisions and not allowing personality conflict or political grandstanding to sidetrack discussion.

Selectmen must be consensus builders, bringing people together, considering all points of view and creating considerate policy. They should feel free to disagree respectfully, when necessary, while always maintaining decorum appropriate to their standing and mission.

When confronted with conflict, I, as a selectman, would maintain a neutral stance and continue to direct discussion to the substantive issues at hand. We must remember that the citizens of Cohasset have vested each selectman with equal authority, responsibility and trust.

Acknowledging this responsibility, as selectman I would work together with all others on the board and in the community, and communicate with respect, concern and politeness in order to act fairly and effectively.

Ronnie McMorris, selectman

Last year, amid speculation that selectmen were trying to boost their cable television ratings, residents turned off "Murphy Brown" and tuned into the Monday night excitement at the Board of Selectmen's meetings. Those "exciting" meetings provided proof that our selectmen face difficult issues. They are five different personalities who sometimes disagree intensely.

The ultimate goal of the board's discussions is to reach solutions that best serve the interests of the entire community. To do that, members of the board must listen to residents and each other, work with other boards, and find compromises. I believe I can help make this happen.

I have served on the Conservation Commission for a number of years and been a past chairman. We have nine different commissioners with diverse viewpoints. Our discussions are heated, and yet we do work together to find viable solutions.

My approach on the commission has been to treat my fellow commissioners and residents with fairness and respect. I listen to their concerns and we work through disagreements toward acceptable compromises. I intend to do the same on the Board of Selectmen.

I want residents to know that I am approachable. I will return your calls. Most importantly, I will behave professionally on the board. I will bring my training as a mediator, and my experience as an attorney conducting administrative hearings to the job of selectman.

Martha Gjesteby, Selectman

The Board of Selectmen consists of five members all elected individually. They come with different backgrounds and experiences. It would not be reasonable to expect them to agree on all issues at all times. The board members should be ready to respect their colleagues and their opinions and to debate solutions with a hope to arrive at a consensus. However, we should not expect unanimity at all times.

There is nothing wrong with a split decision. That only shows you have a board with members who are searching for the best solutions, but do not all agree what the solutions should be. I do, however, agree that personal attacks on fellow board members, for any reason, should not be tolerated.

• **School committee:** citizens not being aware of the school vacation policy change and plans for the new school until the 11th hour are just two examples of problems the school committee has had in getting the word out, some say. Do you agree? What would you do to improve communication between the school committee and the public?

Keith F. Knowles, school committee

The examples cited in this week's question are only two of the most recent incidents in which the School Committee failed to communicate. As a business person, I learned early in my career that communication is the responsibility of the communicator. If you don't receive or understand my message, that's my fault, not yours.

Communication with the community would be one of my first priorities as a School Committee member. The timely communication of issues and needs will be the cornerstone of that priority. No one is sympathetic when a need that has existed for years suddenly becomes an urgent priority. I will bring these matters to the taxpayers as they occur, providing sufficient time for the information to be disseminated, questions asked and answered, and informed positions taken.

That communication also needs to be consistent and understandable. One of my current responsibilities is the creation and publication of a monthly newsletter for my employer. I believe that I have both the skills and the incentive to communicate with those who elected me.

Facilitating communication from the community is an equally urgent priority. Currently, there is no simple way for a parent or taxpayer to express their concerns to the School Committee or administration. In some cases, fear of retribution prevents parents from communicating. I propose to create the function of ombudsman that will allow for open and, when necessary, anonymous communication. As that process develops, the administration may stop feeling threatened by those who question or criticize and we will all benefit from that change.

Rick Shea, school committee

Both the school vacation change and the new school vote illustrate there is an opportunity for the School Committee to improve its communications. I have three suggestions: (1) a "community liaison," (2) informal breakfast meetings and (3) an open "warrant review" meeting.

One School Committee member should be designated as "community liaison" with responsibility for communications. I offer to serve in that role. I would monitor the adequacy of communications with students and parents coming from the principals and from the superintendent. Communications with residents without school-age children should come through news articles and, for significant matters, executive summaries of reports.

To reach out to residents unable to attend evening School Committee meetings, I would hold monthly breakfast meetings which would be informal discussions, open to all.

Lastly, I propose to reinstate the "warrant review" meeting held prior to town meeting, to discuss in detail major warrant articles. Everyone who attended the Feb. 22 new school meeting agreed that it should have been held prior to Town Meeting. This warrant review meeting would include the selectmen, Advisory Board, Capital Budget Committee, Town Accountant and boards and committees sponsoring major warrant articles, including the School Committee and Sewer Commission. The aggregate impact of the articles and the five-year capital plan's expected impact on the tax rate would be presented.

Owen O'Malley, School Committee

I would not have made the decision to change the school vacation week. Had I done so, I hope that I would have had the humility to change my vote before I caused a near rebellion in the Cohasset public schools.

Congratulations to Nichole Santoro and others who courageously and properly challenged this ill-advised policy.

• **Treasurer-collector:** selectmen are considering asking voters to make the treasurer-collector's position appointed. What's the value in having an elected treasurer-collector?

Patricia Anne Walsh, treasurer-collector

Appointing, instead of electing, department heads can result in cronyism, favoritism, nepotism, and patronage. Just look at the lead story in the 2/29/96 Mariner, concerning Cohasset Selectmen not considering their sincere, capable lawyer-moderator for Town Counsel. It may be better to trust the collective wisdom of the voters rather than political bosses who seek more power in their hands.

Four courageous candidates took out nomination papers for Treasurer-Collector, worked to get the required signatures, and their filings were accepted by the Town Clerk for placement on the April ballot. The selectmen can be challenged in court, and a judge required to rule within 10 days, if they attempt to interfere in the upcoming election. However, they could request voters to change over to an appointed position following the three-year term or a vacancy.

I don't want to be a "seat-warmer." The separate departments I alone ran for Jordan Marsh ranked third highest in money receipts (exceeded only by men's suits and lingerie), surpassing the profits of my boss, the gift buyer, to her discomfiture but the delight of merchandise managers. I worked with and alongside of the employees and salesgirls assigned to me. I would expect to do the same, following past practice in the Treasurer-Collector's office, especially since employee hours have been cut from next year's budget.

My goal is to increase the 4.30 to 6.85 percent return on the present investments. Treasurers are limited where they are allowed to make investments.

Joe Buckley, treasurer-collector

Cohasset has been very fortunate over the years in having such dedicated elected town officials. You may not agree with them, but they have been dedicated.

When I am elected, I suppose I should be very content knowing that if I carry out my duties honestly and to best of my ability, I could collect my $40,000 for the next three years. I could set my own hours, and within certain guidelines, I could do what I wanted. Nobody could really tell me what to do because I only have to answer to the electorate three years from now. You know the only qualifying requirement for this office is to win the election.

But, when we talk about government, we keep saying, "Would you run a business that way?" The Treasurer-Collector should be part of the management team. Today, the Executive Secretary, the Accountant, Fire Chief, and Police Chief are appointed. Soon the Superintendent of Public Works will be appointed. Why not the Treasurer?

In the past, it was said that having the Treasurer/Collector appointed would give too much control to the selectmen. We now have five selectmen, and it is very difficult for any one or two to exert undo pressure. We can change the makeup of the Board of Selectmen every year, but we would have to wait three years to change an elected Treasurer-Collector.

Either way, elect me. I have always been a team player.

Wigmore Pierson, treasurer-collector

More than 50 percent of the cities/towns of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have opted to retain the office of Treasurer-Collector as an elected position, thereby insuring accountability to the residents and taxpayers of their respective communities.

Since Thomas Jefferson penned the still vibrant words, "Government of the people, by the people, and for the people" in the Declaration of Independence in 1776, this position has remained an elected position here in Cohasset.

I believe that changing a town bylaw, especially the taking away of another elected position from the people, is analogous to changing the United States Constitution. Therefore, a change should be made only after the most careful and thoughtful consideration. The proposed change should have a full public hearing with thoughtful proponents and opponents given an opportunity to state their views in front of the entire town.

Further, perceived distancing of public officials from the electorate may add to the feeling of alienation many citizens already believe exists in their relationship with local, county, state and national governments.

Finally, trying to impose this change when an election is pending has the aura of trying to thwart the will of the people. A change to an appointed position for Cohasset's Treasurer-Collector should coincide with the conclusion of the three-year term of office now set for April, 1999.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the editor

Question of the Week

• **Water commission:** North Cohasset residents are seeing red over their Hingham water bills. Would it be feasible to hook these homes up to Cohasset's water system?

John P. Rafferty, water commission

Hooking up North Cohasset residents to Cohasset's water system presents financial, legal, and water supply challenges, all of which remain unclear at this point.

From a financial standpoint, North Cohasset residents have benefited in recent years with water bills roughly 55 percent of Cohasset's, based on an assumed usage of 2,000 cubic feet/quarter. The proposed 164 percent increase will raise the North Cohasset bill to 46 percent over Cohasset's. However, Hingham's proposed rate increase remains in dispute and may change over the coming months during regulatory hearings. The financial impact is simply unclear now. While the new North Cohasset water rates will be higher, residents should benefit with higher quality water.

Hingham's water company, Massachusetts-American Water Company, legally owns the water main distribution system supplying most North Cohasset residents. The revenues from North Cohasset customers are an integral part of the $41 million project financing for their new treatment plant. Cohasset could offer to purchase the North Cohasset distribution system and customer base, but this might be expensive and would require additional Cohasset bond issues, if not water rate increases. Cohasset Water already raised rates two years ago to finance water main system improvements.

We should do our best to fully assess how we might help North Cohasset residents long term and should follow the Hingham regulatory proceedings closely. However, we should be careful to avoid any significant rate increases in the near future as town residents adjust to tax rate increases for other town capital improvements.

• **Sewer commission:** as is proposed for West Corner area homes in Hingham, should the town share part of the cost of hooking Straits Pond area residents up to the Hull treatment plant?

Ted Guild, sewer commission

This is an excellent question, but it is not particularly pertinent at this time. In due course the Sewer Commissioners will recommend how the users/taxpayers should pay for the new system. Ultimately, this will probably be based on a methodology of betterments and assessments assigned to the users, but the final decision will be made at a later Town Meeting.

In the past, Cohasset has adopted the policy under Proposition 2-1/2 that the users of various facilities should pay for them. I believe this principle should apply in future sewering, including the Straits Pond/Hull Street area, because the people who will be sewered will be receiving very substantial benefits from sewering. For example, as matters now stand, very few of the houses in the area could be sold, because of the new Title V regulations, without expensive major upgrades or system replacements. Once sewered, this will not be a problem.

As to cost, the capital cost for sewering is not more than a typical Title V upgrade. Furthermore, the people who will be sewered will be able to repay the cost over 20 years at a subsidized interest rate of less than 3 percent.

The value of a house typically increases by 10 to 15 percent when municipal sewering is provided — another benefit of being sewered.

With new strict Title V regulations, it is not fair to ask unsewered taxpayers who are in jeopardy of costly Title V upgrades to subsidize those who will benefit from the new sewers.

• **Planning board:** what role will the planning board play when Greenbush railroad construction comes to town?

Terry Atherton, planning board

When the Greenbush railroad construction comes to Cohasset, the Planning Board will be charged with the same responsibilities it has now; the board will review site plans to insure conformity with the town's zoning bylaws. In this case, the Planning Board will likely be most concerned with the traffic impact of the proposed station at the former Winter Garden skating rink on Route 3A. In the evening, cars exiting the station's 300 car parking area will be trying to get onto Route 3A just at the time when that road is most congested. The Planning Board must carefully review the plans for this station to insure that sufficient measures are taken to minimize potential traffic problems.

Another issue is the possibility of petitioning the MBTA for a secondary station. I believe the town's residents would benefit from the addition of a stop in the village center so people could walk to the train. The 3A station is only accessible by car for most people, and with the addition of a stop in the village, many people would also have the option of walking to the station to catch a train.

• **Health board:** last year there was a move afoot to increase the health board from three to five members. Is this a good or bad idea? Why?

Kevin Ulmer, board of health

The Board of Health should definitely expand from three to five members, primarily to deal with Cohasset Heights Limited. The current site assignment hearings for the proposed Area V expansion are a critical step in these matters, but they by no means represent an end point in the town's dealings with the landfill.

Continuing operating violations, closure and post-closure issues for the existing portions of CHL remain ahead of us, as will any appeal from the current hearings. Unfortunately, this landfill and its problems will be with us forever. The taxpayers of Cohasset are paying dearly in our fight to block the expansion, and we need to make the most effective use possible of those precious financial resources.

Expanding the board, especially to include expertise in scientific, engineering, legal and financial matters, would significantly strengthen the board and would spread the burden over more individuals. The town should be most grateful to the current members of the board for the time and energy they have devoted to these hearings, and future boards deserve our continued support, both financially and through expansion of their numbers and expertise.

REPUBLICANS

PRESIDENT	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Totals
Richard G. Lugar	11	8	19
Moray Taylor	0	0	0
Phil Gramm	1	1	2
Patrick J. Buchanan	58	63	101
Bob Dole	222	201	423
Steve Forbes	58	38	96
Lamar Alexander	21	31	52
Alan Keyes	10	10	20
Robert K. Dornan	0	1	1
No preference	6	6	12
STATE COMMITTEE MAN			
Thomas J. Barry	238	177	415
William J. McClory	94	79	173
STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN			
Paula E. Logan	353	283	636

DEMOCRATS

PRESIDENT	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Totals
Bill Clinton	61	107	168
Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr.	4	5	9
No preference	2	4	6
STATE COMMITTEE MAN			
Frederick R. Koed	63	115	178
STATE COMMITTEE WOMAN			
Karen F. Detellis	23	44	67
Ann M. Federico	45	62	107

LIBERTARIANS

PRESIDENT	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Totals
Harry Browne	0	0	0
Rick Tompkins	0	0	0
Irwin Schiff	0	0	0
No Preference	0	0	0

Atherton announces candidacy for Planning Board

TERRY ATHERTON

Terry Atherton has announced his candidacy for a five-year term on the Planning Board.

"I feel that my 20 years of experience and education in transportation planning will be very relevant to many of the issues facing Cohasset, including planning for the train," Atherton said.

A principal of Cambridge Systematics, a transportation planning company, Atherton has an MS in civil engineering from MIT and a BS in civil engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Currently chairman of the Cohasset Public Works Garage Committee, Atherton has been instrumental in finding a site and planning for the new public works garage.

"As chairman of the Public Works Garage Committee, I had to go before Town Boards to gain approval for the garage site. This experience was extremely valuable because I dealt with the permitting process firsthand, and learned what developers must go through when they apply for construction permits."

Atherton was also chairman of the DPW study committee that initially recommended the consolidation of the Town's Highway and Tree and Park Departments into a single Public Works Department.

Terry and his wife Laura, have lived in Cohasset for 20 years. They reside at 34 Clay Spring Rd. and have two children, Sarah and Leigh.

Question of the Week:

Each week, the Cohasset Mariner will pose a question to the candidates. Responses to the question may be dropped off at Cohasset News on Brook Street or mailed to the Cohasset Mariner, 165 Enterprise Dr., Marshfield 02050. Or they may be FAXed to our Hingham office at 617-740-8955. All responses must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Responses to the candidates must be brief — a 250 word limit. Articles which exceed the limit will be cut. So be specific and make every word count.

If you have any questions about this election policy, please call editor Mary Ford at 749-0031.

The Question of the Week is:

• **For selectmen candidates**: public records are just that public. What would you do to make sure that the press and local residents aren't stymied in their efforts to access these documents?

• **For school committee candidates**: the high school auditorium hasn't been refurbished since it was built in 1950, Supt. Stephen Hart told selectmen last week. In light of this and other deteriorating school facilities, do you think the school department has an adequate long-range plan to cope with capital improvements? What contribution would you make to this effort?

• **For treasurer-collector candidates**: it's a hassle getting billed quarterly for property taxes. Would you support returning to a semi-annual billing system? Why or why not?

• **For water commission candidates**: what will you do to help restore public confidence in the water department after two summers of dry taps due to distribution problems?

• **For sewer commission candidates**: how did Cohasset get into this fix with the state ordering it to correct its sewer problems in the first place?

• **For planning board candidates**: other towns, like Hingham and Hanover, have a full-time planning administrator on staff. Is there a need for a position like this in Cohasset?

• **For health board candidates:** Cohasset Heights and Title V take up the lion's share of the health board's time. What's third on the list and how important is it?

Buckley announces candidacy for treasurer-collector

Joe Buckley, who has lived for 44 years at 28 Linden Drive with his wife Mig, has announced his candidacy for Cohasset Treasurer-Collector. Joe and Mig have been married 51 years, have four children, eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

JACK BUCKLEY

In Joe's opinion, there are two very important issues facing the treasurer-collector's office at this time. First, the acting treasurer had an accident and is in the hospital. The assistant collector is now acting treasurer and is managing the office by herself with assistance from accounting and other departments. The candidate that is elected should have the experience to immediately take charge. Of all the candidates, Joe feels his 35 years as a chief financial officer qualifies him as that person.

Another important issue is: do the citizens wish to have this office appointed instead of elected.

He believes managing millions of dollars, various trust funds and increasing bond issues have changed the position of treasurer-collector greatly. Almost 50 percent of the towns the size of Cohasset in the Commonwealth now have appointed treasurers.

Buckley says, "Although I know I am qualified and I would like to serve the full three years, I am willing to step down from the office if I am elected and the article to appoint the treasurer-collector passes town meeting.

Joe believes that the following experiences make him the best qualified candidate for this office: employed for 45 years by the Buckley Corporation, 35 years as the chief financial officer; served on the Cohasset Advisory Committee; four years as treasurer of Cohasset Elder Affairs; responsible for preparing the budget, presenting the budget to the board of selectmen and the advisory committee for approval and operating the department within budget; presently chairman of Cohasset Elder Affairs; seven years a S.H.I.N.E. (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) counselor; worked with the assistant town treasurer on several occasions concerning retired town employees; member of school facilities committee.

He was the 1995 Cohasset Citizen of the Year. He served two terms on the board of directors of the South Shore Chamber of Commerce; was on the board of the South Shore Economic Development Cooperation for 15 years, serving as treasurer for many years. The S.S.E.C. approves loans and oversees the repayment of those loans for the S.B.A. (Small Business Administration). He has served on the advisory committee for South Shore Elder Services and is presently on their board of directors and vice chairman of the finance committee.

Pierson announces candidacy for treasurer-collector

Wigmore A. Pierson, 123 Atlantic Ave., Cohasset, today announced his candidacy for a three-year term as treasurer-collector.

In making his announcement, Pierson said, "I want to build on the outstanding record that Elizabeth Ripley has compiled during her 11 years in office."

Since moving to Cohasset in 1985 from Bethesda, Maryland, Pierson has been active in town affairs. He was appointed by the board of selectmen to the first Drug and Alcohol Committee in 1988 and subsequently was appointed to the Cohasset Historic District Commission and since 1990 has been a member of the historical commission. He is also a member of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce and the town's historical society.

Recently he authored a resolution, approved by the historical commission, and adopted by the selectmen, to be placed in the warrant for the Town Meeting March 30, calling for the establishment of a town committee to write a town history covering the period 1950-2000.

Separately, he has taken a leave of absence from his critically acclaimed South Shore public affairs television program, "Pierson to Person," for the duration of the campaign.

Pierson has been active in public affairs since he was a Peace Corps volunteer in Peru. Twice, he was a candidate for the Massachusetts House of Representatives and was appointed to several boards by the Mayor of Newton, Gov. John Volpe and Gov. Francis Sargent.

He served as chairman of the Massachusetts Chapter of the Partners of the Americas, an outgrowth of President Kennedy's Alliance for Progress. The Commonwealth's sister state is Antioquia, Columbia, South America.

Subsequently, he was called to Washington to be an associate director of the Partners of the America's international program. Before that, he was appointed by the White House to a special national task force to coordinate relief efforts after a devastating earthquake struck Peru in 1970, killing more than 70,000 people.

In Washington, Pierson was a member of President Gerald Ford's advance staff in 1975 and 1976.

"Special challenges face our town in the immediate years ahead," Pierson said, "as we enter a period of severe fiscal difficulties and a divided town as to the appropriate solutions to a complex financial issues. I welcome the opportunity to contribute to our town leadership in finding solutions to our common problems."

Pierson said he is "especially interested in making sure that town money is appropriately invested to ensure a maximum return consistent with sound fiduciary guidelines."

Pierson noted his special respect for the concerns of the tax paying citizens of Cohasset who feel that few public officials are listening to them and do not understand or care about their budget difficulties in agreeing to higher taxes, however meritorious the need may be.

He serves as president of Pierson Corporation, an investment management company.

Pierson earned a BA from Lake Forest College, where he served as a trustee for eight years, and attended the Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College.

He is the father of three children: Elizabeth, 16; Morgan 14; and Carrie, 12.

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Cohasset Business

Recent real estate transactions in town

The following real estate transactions transpired from mid-January to mid-February as compiled by Banker & Tradesman:

11 Black Horse Ln., to Adrian E. Roche for $385,000 by Marie F. Caristi.

417 Jerusalem Rd., to David H. Barrett for $570,000 by Bankers Tr Co Of Calif.

417 Jerusalem Rd., to Bankers Tr Co Of Calif for $672,300 by Karian John M Est.

405-R South Main St. to MCJ Stone RT for $10,000 by John A. Mullaney Jr.

34 Rocky Ln. to Jeffrey A. Mushin for $156,000 by Michael D. Zappolo.

65-A Wheelwright Farm to Hilary M. McCarthy for $210,000 by Robin L. Eaton.

289 Beechwood St. to Brian E. Curran for $179,000 by Earle W Higgins Jr FT.

16 Stanton Rd. to Debra A. Charbonnet for $400,000 by Harry Saint Onge.

20 Brewster Rd. to Dianne A. Smith for $150,000 by Robert W James T.

Behavioral styles is topic

Baker MacKay Associates will present Women Works '96, focusing on "Behavioral Styles: A Powerful Marketing Tool," on Wednesday, March 13, from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at Days Inn, Rockland.

The workshop is designed to help women improve their personal and professional communication through understanding and effective use of style differences. The cost is $25, which includes a continental breakfast and all materials.

To reserve a space, send a check payable to Baker MacKay Associates to: Nancy MacKay, Baker MacKay Associates, 20 Sunset Lane, Hingham 02043.

Tops at Conway & Co.

Marge Gorman has been named the Top Seller for 1995 for Jack Conway & Co.'s Cohasset office.

She received an award at Conway's ninth annual convention.

O. Frank Belanger is Top Lister for 1995 for Jack Conway & Co.'s Cohasset office.

He was presented with an award at the company's ninth annual convention at the Hilton at Dedham Place.

Home buyers' seminar set

Prospective home buyers are invited to attend Jack Conway—Hull's Home Buyers' Seminar on Thursday, March 14, at 7 p.m. at 412 Nantasket Ave.

The seminar, which is free of charge, will feature information on the home buying process, including home inspections and mortgage financing. Refreshments will be served.

To register, call the Conway-Hull office at 925-1050.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWN OF COHASSET, MA
COHASSET SEWER COMMISSION

PUBLIC MEETING

A Public Meeting has been scheduled by the Sewer Commission to provide information and solicit responses from concerned residents regarding sewer warrant articles to be presented at the upcoming Town Meeting. The major focus of the meeting will be the warrant articles dealing with the design and construction of the proposed Straits Pond Wastewater Collection System and the related Intermunicipal Agreements (IMA's) with the Towns of Hull and Hingham. Other warrant articles for discussion will be the implementation of value effective Infiltration/Inflow repairs to the existing collection system and the adoption of an adequate cost recovery system to support future wastewater system expansion, improvement, operation and maintenance. Copies of the warrant articles and associated IMA's may be examined at the Sewer Commission's office at the Town Hall by appointment and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

Location: Town Hall Auditorium
41 Highland Avenue
Date: Wednesday, March 20,1996
Time: 7:30 PM

Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

AREA MORTGAGE RATES

BANKS

Name	Telephone	15-yr. Fix.	30-yr. Fix.	1-yr. Adj.
Abington Savings	617-982-3250	NA	NA	NA
Bank of Boston	800-758-8808	7.18	7.59	7.79
Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	7.20	7.83	7.77
Bank of Canton	617-828-5626	6.65	7.45	7.47
BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	NA	NA	NA
Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	7.09	7.46	6.02
Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	7.20	7.71	7.61
Cohasset Savings	617-383-1882	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	6.68	7.36	7.47
Community Bank	508-587-3210	7.07	7.45	7.99
Concord, The Coop. Bank	800-551-4663	NA	NA	NA
E. Bridgewater Coop.	617-378-2672	7.07	7.45	8.78
E. Bridgewater Savings	617-293-4002	7.20	7.59	7.53
Hibernia Savings	617-345-0441	7.13	7.63	7.72
Hingham Inst. for Savings	617-749-2200	NA	NA	NA
Mutual Federal Savings	617-447-4488	7.41	7.85	7.59
N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	7.47	7.81	7.43
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	7.07	7.45	7.87
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.11	7.74	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	7.55	7.90	7.11
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	6.70	7.59	7.47
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	6.94	7.58	7.65
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	7.25	7.75	7.62
USTrust	800-290-8782	7.07	7.58	7.67
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	7.25	7.63	6.09
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	7.73	7.75	7.47

CREDIT UNIONS

Brockton Brotherhood C. U.	508-586-8557	7.04	7.35	5.84
Crescent Credit Union	800-894-4445	6.79	7.23	7.41
IAG Federal Credit Union	800-234-6698	6.98	7.38	7.80
Mass. State Employees C.U.	617-451-2422	NA	NA	NA
Navy Federal Credit Union	401-849-9797	6.82	7.15	7.43
Rockland Federal C.U.	800-562-7328	6.82	7.58	8.00

MORTGAGE COMPANIES

Bank America Mortgage	800-272-6704	7.07	7.57	7.80
Choice Mortgage	800-696-8001	NA	NA	NA
Citizens Mortgage Corp.	800-213-3222	8.01	7.87	NA
Fleet Mortgage Corp.	800-660-8998	7.20	7.59	8.18
GMAC Mortgage Corp.	617-340-1445	NA	NA	NA
Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	7.281	7.638	6.373
Salem Five Mortgage Co.	508-740-5747	7.114	7.593	7.65

Compiled by The Commissioner of Banks March 1, 1996.

THE MARINER 35

A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	15.7500	-0.2500
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.2100	—
Avitar	0.8750	0.0313
Bank of Boston	48.7500	—
Bradlees	1.6250	—
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	29.0000	1.2500
Computer Identics Corp.	2.2500	0.1250
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.0000	-0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	18.5000	0.1250
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.1250	—
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.6250	-0.1250
Grossman's	1.1250	-0.0938
Ground Round	3.2500	-0.0625
Haemonetics	16.8750	—
Hills Stores	10.6250	1.2500
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.0000	—
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.5000	—
International Electronics	3.8750	—
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.1250	-0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.5000	-0.1250
J Baker	5.5625	0.1875
First Years	11.1875	0.1875
Lojack	9.6250	-0.1250
Organogenesis Inc.	15.0000	-0.1250
Peoples Savings Bank	8.8750	-0.1250
Plymouth Rubber	9.0625	—
Reebok	29.8750	-0.5000
Software Development	1.7500	—
Stop & Shop	24.6250	1.1250
AT&T	64.7500	1.0000
Talbots	34.0000	1.7500
Westerbeke	3.0000	0.1250

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Mariner Sports

Skippers sail past Scituate

Hoopsters advance to South Sectional finals

by Jim O'Sullivan
Special to the Mariner

Destiny's team cleared another hurdle Tuesday night, as Cohasset vaulted over top-seeded Scituate, 67-59, to advance to Sunday's Division 3 South Sectional finals at UMass/Boston. The Skippers will play the winner of the Medfield/Rockland game for the South title.

The Skippers were led by Jared Hardwick, the senior forward who was recently named Herald Player of the Week. Hardwick poured in a routine 28 points that were anything but routine. Matched up against the South Shore League's second-best player, Chris Brown, Hardwick was outscored in the points column, but got what counted, another W in the victory column. Junior center Ryan Bishop, hacked throughout the game while officials turned a blind eye, somehow managed to come up with 11 points and numerous rebounds.

Hardwick started the game with a three-pointer, and Burke Davis followed with a layup. Davis would finish with seven points, while playing tenacious defense. Bishop battled through traffic for a pair, then Hardwick hit from the paint. Bishop was fouled on the way up for a layup, which he hit, and nailed the foul shot. Free throws would be the clincher for CHS, as they nailed theirs when it counted, in the final 30 seconds of the game. Hardwick stuck a pull-up jumper over Brown's head and the conflicting cries of "MVP! MVP!" arose between the Cohasset and Scituate stands.

Hardwick picked up two more in the lane and J.L. Williams, who finished with seven points and a huge game under the boards, drilled a three and a free throw to make the score 20-17. Hardwick sank two free throws and Williams and Paul Michael-Quintin knocked down threes. Quintin also finished with seven points and tore down several key offensive rebounds.

Hardwick netted one from the line and Brian Kilroy, a junior forward, found the big forward with a nice pass, which Hardwick converted for a bucket. Following a Scituate three-pointer, Hardwick beat the half-ending buzzer with a nifty baseline finger roll, making the score 33-29 at the half.

Hardwick opened the second half with two free throws and, after a six-point Sailor run, Howard went coast-to-coast for two. Hardwick tied the game with a steal and a ferocious double-fisted slam dunk over Brown that left the Skipper fans crowing and the Sailor rooters gaping. Bishop's good hustle earned him a basket, and Davis' three pulled the Skippers even at 44. Bishop's lefty layup edged the Skippers ahead, 46-44, and Howard and Hardwick ran a clever give and go, which resulted in a Howard layup. Bishop pulled down an offensive rebound and put it back for a basket, and the boys in blue never trailed again.

After a technical foul was called on a Scituate player, Hardwick swished a free throw and Quintin hit nothing but nylon with a long-distance bomb. Hardwick hit Howard with a touchdown inbound pass that had the Skipper bench grinning. Davis hit two clutch free throws and Bishop retained possession at a crucial point in

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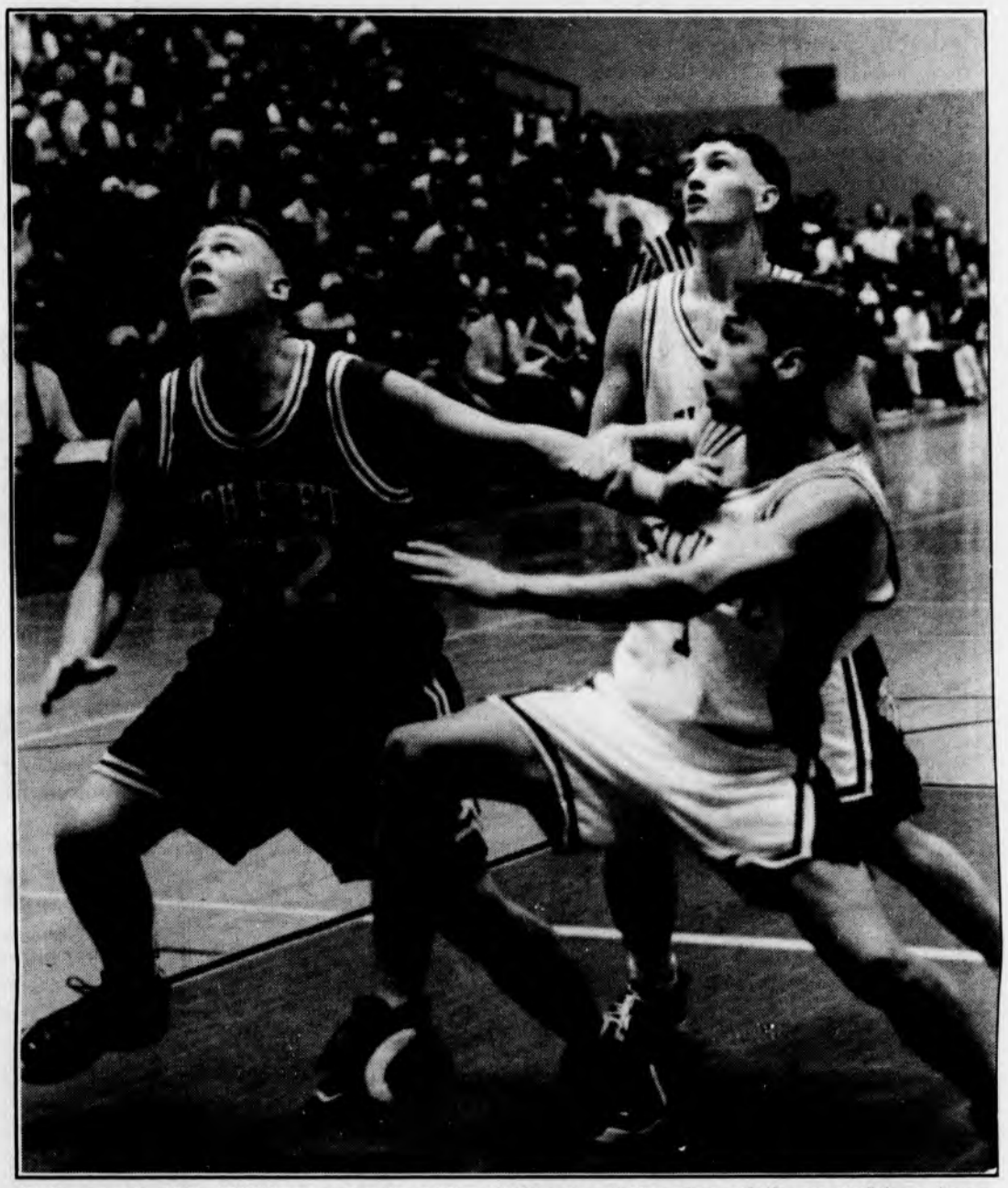

Cohasset's J.L. Williams fends off a Scituate defender while watching for a rebound during the Skippers' stirring victory over the South Shore League champs in Tuesday night's Sectional semifinals. The Skippers will play the winner of the Rockland/Medfield game on Sunday at UMass-Boston.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Ardizzoni steps down after 11 years

Popular gymnastics coach to concentrate on judging meets

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Ruthann Ardizzoni has never been one to take on a project or challenge haphazardly. So when the Cohasset High gymnastics coach of the past 11 years saw her free time all but disappear, she knew it was time to make a change.

Ardizzoni recently announced she won't be back for a 12th season as the Skippers' head coach. The decision, she said, was hardly an easy one, but one she had to make.

"There are a lot of things I want to do," Ardizzoni said. "When the high school team is good it turns into a 15-week season. I was having dinner with my husband (Tom) about once a week. My marriage is more important to me than coaching gymnastics."

She plans on judging meets during the weekends over the summer and at high school competitions during the fall and winter.

"It's a hard decision to make because I love all the girls," Ardizzoni said. "Whose to say when I start judging it won't be something I really love. But how would I know if I don't try it?"

Ardizzoni has won two Coach of the Year awards and led the Skippers to three consecutive South Shore League titles.

Ardizzoni first told the team of her decision on the bus ride home from the South Sectional meet and assured her gymnasts, many of whom she has coached since they were toddlers, her plans to step down from the position had nothing to do with them. Ardizzoni said the girls will still workout with her at the South Shore Community Center in Cohasset Village.

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Students document boat restoration

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Dawn Faith's eyes were stinging and her arms ached as she held them upright while examining the screws underneath the skeleton of the lifesaving boat.

Faith, a member of Cohasset High's EXCEL program, had bits of epoxy "flying every which way," when unclogging the foreign substance around the screws.

Faith and the rest of the students are logging the work they are doing on the 26-foot surf boat, the type of boats traditionally used for lifesaving.

The work has been anything but glamorous for Faith.

"February 2, 1996 is the first day when I actually worked for a decent amount of time underneath the boat," Faith wrote in her journal. "One is destined to become a tad-bit dirty while doing all of this under the boat (the word filthy comes to mind). Anyway, several of the screws had become either stripped or clogged with epoxy."

Under the direction of Jack Buckley, the students are learning the step-by-step process of restoring the boat. Last Friday afternoon, local Marine carpenter Mike McNabb guided the group through the process of securing new ribs to the boat.

The ribs are the structural supports that run perpendicular to the keel and have planking fastened to them. Made of green Oak, the ribs are steamed for four hours at temperatures between 180-200 degrees. The heat makes the wood easy to work with.

"They come out very pliable," Buckley said.

On this day, the wood went into the steam box at 7 a.m., and is ready to be taken out near lunch time.

McNabb, who is known in local circles for his art work and maritime knowledge, assigns a particular task for the students then returns a few days later and goes over the work they have done.

Buckley said McNabb's role in the restoration has proven to be invaluable.

"It has been a great experience for the kids to work with someone as talented as Mike," Buckley said. "We try to have as much hands-on experience in the class.

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Mariner Sports

Fred Howard runs potent offense

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Skippers boys varsity basketball team runs like a machine. Each player has his own individual job to fulfill, his role to play. Senior forward Jared Hardwick, averaging more than 23 points per game, is the team's leading-scorer, followed by junior center Ryan Bishop. But how does the ball get to these two unstoppable big men? More often than not, the ball they put through the hole is one just passed to them by one of the most underrated Skippers, Fred Howard.

Howard, a senior point guard, is not only a superb basketball player, but a physical specimen as well. With long arms, cat-like quickness, a great first step, and superior jumping ability, Howard has been a force this year. Controlling the Skipper offense, Howard's job is not to score, but to distribute. Which is not to say that Howard can't score if he needs to. A la Dennis Johnson, Howard is a master at sticking the foul-line jumper in clutch situations.

Laid-back and personable, Howard also has a smile and a joke for everyone. In this typically modest manner, he had this to say about his performance this year.

"I think I've played all right this season," he said. "Certainly, there have been some games when I've fallen into lapses, but now it's tournament time, so hopefully that won't happen again."

And it hasn't. Howard scored seven points against Scituate, and, even more importantly, used his jumping ability to snatch 10 rebounds. Howard's crisp passes found his teammates wide open, helping them to score 67 points, and his shadow-like defense made it difficult for any Scituate players to penetrate the lane.

Howard's coach, Ron Ford, had nothing but glowing words for his floor general.

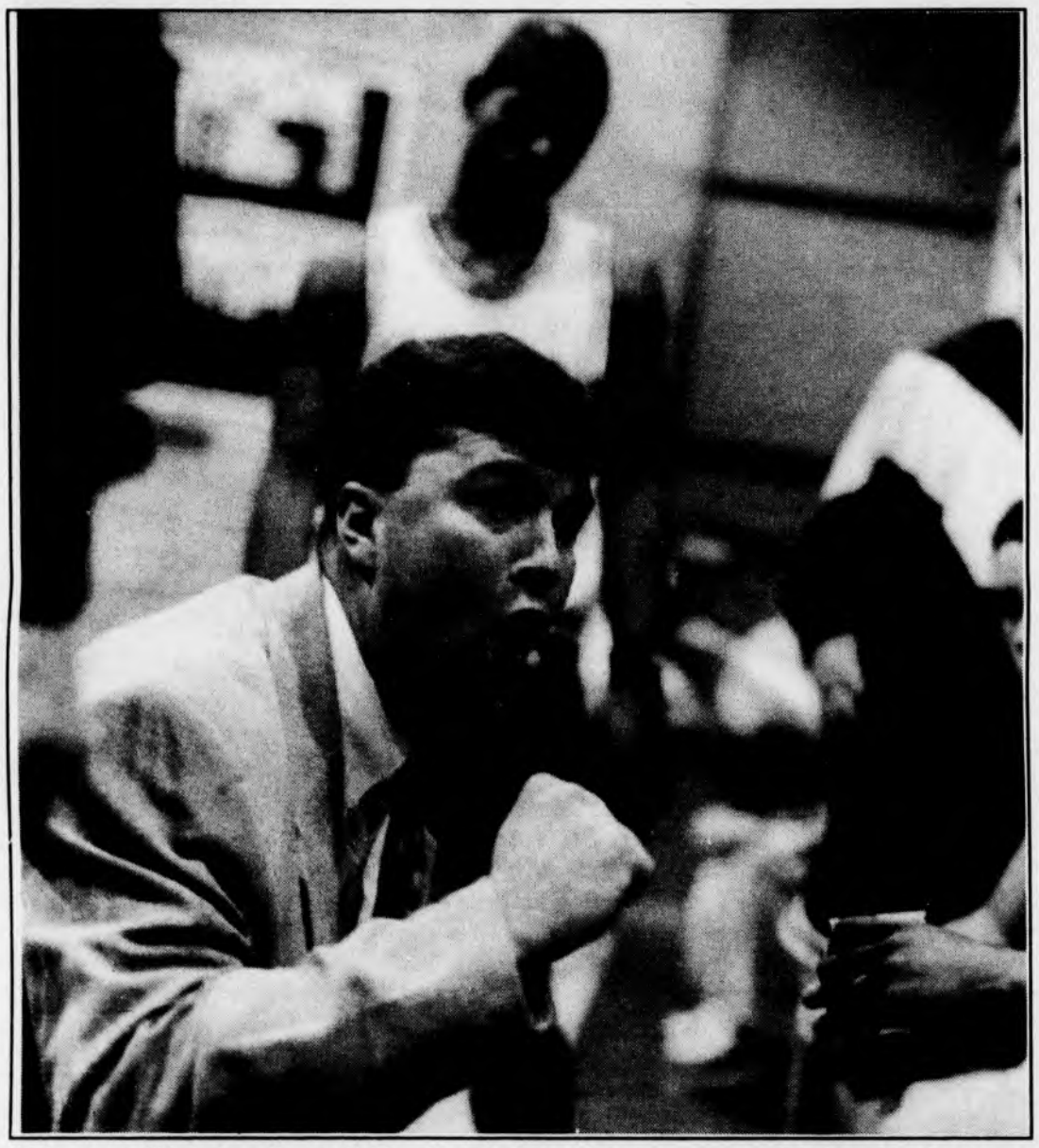
"Fred's improved steadily as the year's progressed," Ford said. "Defensively, he's picked it up a notch in the tournament. He's playing like a senior.

"I have a lot of respect for Fred. He's not always had an easy road, and he's certainly had many opportunities to say 'Hey, this coach is crazy, it's not worth it,' but Fred hasn't quit. He's a survivor, a fighter and I don't think people realize that. Freddy goes home all the time, it's a long ride for him. He stays with the Williams family in Cohasset. But, even so, he's had a tough road, but he's really put a lot into it, and I think he has an opportunity to go on and be a college player; he's a great kid."

"I'd like to go to college," Howard said. "And hopefully play college ball, but I'm focusing on the tournament right now."

With Howard improving every game, Cohasset has a stellar starting lineup and should be tough to stop for the rest of the tournament.

Hoopsters advance to South Sectional finals



Cohasset High head coach Ron Ford shows his tournament intensity during a timeout at a recent postseason game. Ford is looking forward to a return trip to the Division 3 South Sectional finals.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

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the game by diving to the floor for a loose ball.

Quintin ripped down a huge offensive board and went to the line, sinking one. Hardwick's free throw extended the Skipper edge to 62-57. Howard tossed in a free throw and Hardwick popped two to ice the victory.

A raucous bus ride home followed the victory and, unfortunately, any interviews were very much out of the question. Slight eavesdropping, however, did catch Head Coach Ron Ford uttering the following: "I feel like we stole every egg out of the henhouse. I'm very proud of our guys. This is the best team we've ever beaten. This win was without question the toughest win this program has ever had. I'm incredibly proud of our team; we've peaked at the right time. We believe in ourselves and in each other, and that's what it comes down to."

In the second round of the Division 3 State Tournament, the Skippers matched up against the Canton Bulldogs Friday night in Quincy. The Skippers squeezed by the Bulldogs by a score of 64-58, led by a great effort by Hardwick, who poured in 29, and Bishop, who muscled in 19, under heavy defensive pressure.

Hardwick started the contest with a free throw and Quintin took a pass from Howard to the basket for two points. After a 10-0 Canton run, Hardwick answered with a runner in the paint. Hardwick wouldn't score again, saving his best performance for when it counted most.

Meanwhile, Canton had to be contained. Bishop laid one in off the glass and Hardwick hit a streaking J.L. Williams for two points. Quintin and Williams both drilled threes to pull the Skippers within one, 16-15. Bishop closed out the half for the Skippers by putting back two offensive boards, making the halftime score 21-19 in Canton's favor.

Hardwick came out and dominated early in the second half, hitting a free throw to begin his run. He followed that with an offensive putback. Jarod Cowens, Canton's bulky power forward, hit a trey, but Canton's fate was signed, sealed, and delivered on the next play. Hardwick took an inbound pass and beat Cowens downcourt, slamming a violent tomahawk jam on the forward's head, much to the delight of the Skipper faithful. Hardwick's dunk was "the best high school dunk I've every seen," said Ford.

Then it was Bishop's turn to catch on fire. A left-handed baby hook was followed by a power layup, a foul, and the ensuing free throw. With the score 32-31 and Canton in the lead, Hardwick popped a three from the corner over the outstretched hand of a bewildered Cowens. Bishop's hustle earned him a pull-up jumper, which he made. Hardwick hit a layup and finished with the resulting free throw. Bishop's textbook left-handed hook made the tally 41-35. Hardwick hit two free throws and Quintin knocked down a pull-up jumper, which must have left Canton defenders wondering who they could leave open without being torched. Hardwick hit a jumper and Bishop took a pass from Howard to the hole for a deuce. Davis nailed one from the foul line and Quintin brought the Cohasset crowd to its feet with one from beyond the arc. Hardwick hit another one over the dazed Cowens. Cohasset closed out its scoring by nailing free throws. Hardwick knocked down seven in the final minute and Bishop added two, making the final score 64-58.

Ruthann Ardizzoni steps down after 11 years at gymnastics helm

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Ardizzoni, the SSL representative to the State Gymnastics Committee, told the other coaches this would be her last season at the All-League meet. Their reaction was quite a surprise.

"The coaches were really disappointed I was leaving the league," Ardizzoni said. "It was nice to know people liked me and were disappointed I was leaving. I didn't expect that reaction from the other coaches."

At last Sunday's awards banquet at Kimball's, Ardizzoni told the gymnasts and their parents she was "really happy to be a part of three league championships," and was awarded with a bouquet a flowers, a gift certificate to the Cafe Eleganza restaurant and a painting done by the team captain Tafana Fiore.

The lone regret Ardizzoni has is that the team never went to the South Sectionals at full strength in any of its championship seasons.

"I can't say there's anything I would have done differently as a coach," she said. "The only thing I find is that it would have been nice to have had everybody healthy and well at the South Sectionals to see how we would have done against the other good teams."

Sports briefs

Directors named

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association is pleased to announce its 1996 board of directors: President Bob Moody, Vice President Jon Caron, Treasurer Ernie Grassey, Secretary Linda Bolster, Player Agent Mark DeGiacomo, Director of Farm League Kevin Lewis, Director of Minor League Andy Krueger, Director of Major League Bob Morgan and Director of Umpiring John Carr.

The board is looking forward to an exciting year which will include the reinstatement of American Legion Baseball for the 15 to 19 year old players. Players will be selected from the towns of Cohasset, Scituate and Hull.

The board members would like to thank the George H. Mealy American Legion Post 118 for making American Legion Baseball a reality. Anyone interested in either helping on the board, subcommittees, coaching, umpiring for the upcoming season or needing information on American Legion Baseball should call Bob Moody (0385).

Football, cheerleader signups

The Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football and Cheerleaders will hold three signups during the month of March for their fall 1996 season. The first two signups will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, March 9 and 16, at the main entrance of the Scituate High School gym. The third signup will be held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Deer Hill School in Cohasset. Boys and girls ages 7 to 13 are eligible to participate in three levels of competition based on age and weight. For football info. please call Joe Hughes at 834-6504. For cheerleading, call Judy Pollard at 545-2259.

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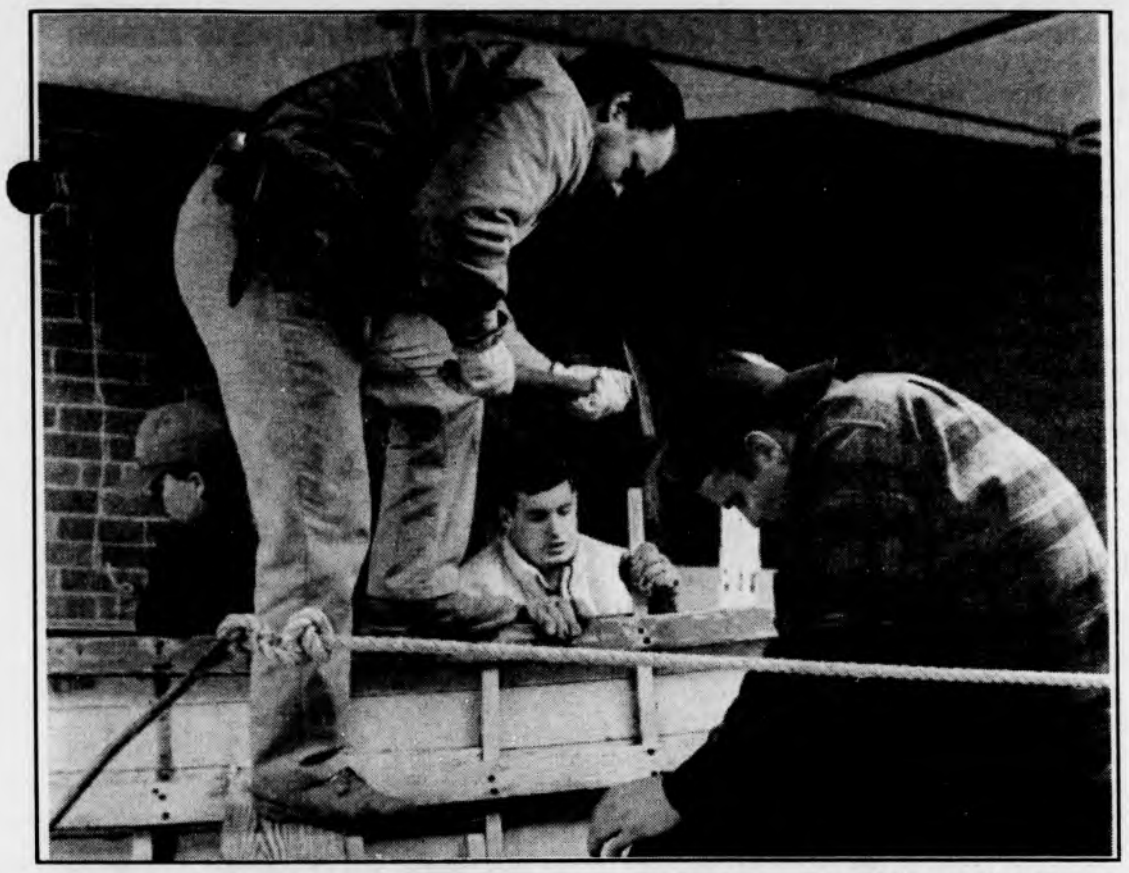

Carpenter Mike McNabb bangs in a new rib as Jerry Cogill (center) holds it in place. Cyrus Dolph (right) makes sure the rib goes in properly.
Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Students document boat restoration

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Without him we wouldn't be able to do this."

Once the ribs out of the steam box, the group puts together an "assembly line" to install the wooden planks.

"Each new piece we install gives the boat new life and new strength, bringing the horizon of completion closer and closer to our eyes," they wrote.

The students explained in their journals that the activity has kept them busy with maritime-related work while the winter has kept them from their usual outings into the ocean.

"Perseverance is the key to our long, arduous task of rebuilding a boat," the students wrote. "That is what keeps us all going."

Once they removed the boat from Buckley's trailer, the students inserted strong supports underneath the structure to enable them to work in the boat.

"We gathered up our tools consisting of an awl, a hammer, a scraper and a screwdriver," they wrote. "The plan is to scrape away the paint so that the area of where the epoxy is covering the screws is highlighted."

The class is currently halfway through the ribbing process. Buckley said the students are making good time and could have the boat ready for this summer if they worked on it exclusively. But because they work on the boat three days a week, Buckley believes the summer of '97 is a more realistic target date for completion.

Once the construction of the boat is finished, the students' next project will entail doing research into the lives of local lifesavers and lifesaving vessels. Buckley said the group will then come up with a name which is historically connected to the lifesaving boats or people of Cohasset.

Sports briefs

Ski Waterville

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in a joint effort with the Cohasset Teen Resources, will sponsor a ski trip to Waterville Valley Saturday, March 23.

The cost of this trip is $56 per person which includes motor coach transportation and an all-day, all-trail lift ticket.

The trip is for youth grades 7-9 only and you may register at the Cohasset Recreation Department office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall, anytime prior to March 7.

The bus will depart from the town hall parking lot at 5:30 a.m. and return about 7:30 p.m. Checks are payable to the Town of Cohasset and should you require ski lessons or equipment rentals the fee is $18 each for rentals and a lesson. Should you desire either or both, please inform us at the time of registration and bring cash with you on the trip for rental/lesson payments.

Indoor golf lessons

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Scituate Recreation Department, will accept registrations by phone for adult indoor golf lessons, scheduled to begin Thursday evening, April 4.

Lessons are for five weeks, meeting one hour weekly. The cost is $65 per person. Classes are limited to a maximum of 10 individuals. Registrations are accepted on a first-enrolled basis. Should you require use of golf clubs for the classes, please indicate this at the time of registration and clubs will be loaned for the classes, free of charge.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Dan Neary is the golf pro teaching this session.

Cohasset/Scituate adult recreation programs open

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

Slotnik at Vassar

Joe Slotnik '99 of Cohasset (Cohasset High School) is a member of the 1995-96 Vassar College men's basketball team. As of Feb. 7 the Brewers had an even record of 9-9.

Slotnik averages 7.3 points, and a team-leading 8.4 rebounds and 2.3 blocks per game.

FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon. 837-4843

CORRECTION

The one hour chiropractic documentary,
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School Notebook

Choral festival results listed

Bryan Marks, choral music director at Cohasset Junior/Senior High School, announced the results of auditions for the Southeastern Massachusetts District Choral Festival. Seventy-five communities participated in the competitive audition process.

Seventh-grader Jacqui Dupré, a soprano, and eighth-grade baritone Khalil Modyum were accepted. The Senior High District Festival held in Bridgewater was directed by Tamara Brooks of New England Conservatory.

Sophomore Katie Buckley, an alto, senior soprano Grace Deveney and junior Mark Whitman, a tenor, made the grade. Whitman scored in the top 10 percent of those auditioning and was recommended for All State Festival Chorus auditions, where he scored 97 out of a possible 100 points.

"Mark's success is attributed to the wonderful combination of talent and work ethic which he brings to his music," said Marks. "What a superb effort."

Mark will be part of a 250-voice choir performing in Danvers March 14-16 at the All-State Festival.

School council seeks candidates

Each of Cohasset's three schools has a School Council made up of the principal, teachers, parents and a community representative. The council is charged with formulating a school improvement plan and meets monthly. Parent representatives are elected for two-year terms by the parent body for each of the schools.

There are five openings for parent school council representatives: one at Osgood, two at Deer Hill and two at the Jr./Sr. High. Individuals interested in serving should submit their names and a paragraph about themselves and their interest in serving on the council to the PSO Nominating Committee, Box 30, Cohasset 02025 no later than Friday, March 29. The election will be held April 11 through 18.

All parents who will have children at a specific school for the two-year period 1996-98 are eligible to serve on the council. For further information, call nominating committee members: Kathy Ofsthun (383-9396), Lesley Faber (383-2071), Susan Meikleham (383-6151), Jean Muir (383-1850), Susan Pile (383-6088) or Mary Sullivan (383-6666).

CHS to host English night

The Cohasset High School English department, with the help of the PSO, will host a special English Night on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:15 p.m. at the high school. There will be opening remarks by English department heads Ed Leary and Ron Emmons.

All parents of present and future students are invited to learn about a variety of topics, ranging from writing programs offered and tips on the SAT I to Advanced Placement English and the team approach utilized in Grade 7. The results of a survey of recent graduates will also be available.

The evening will conclude with refreshments and an informal discussion at 9 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Grant awarded to Cohasset High

The Cohasset High School art and music departments have been awarded a $390 grant by the Massachusetts Cultural Council to help fund a cultural program of African dance and music.

The grant is contingent on the ability of teachers to secure an additional $910 to present the program. The PSO and Cohasset Arts Boosters have made generous contributions.

The two-day presentation by the Art of Black Dance and Music will feature pairs of artists who will work with students in four classrooms on April 11. On the following day, a full troupe of artists will give a schoolwide demonstration and performance.

The focus of ABDM is to teach the cultural connections and historical developments which connect Afro-American dance and music with the traditional cultures of Africa.

Year abroad scholarship offered

Academic-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for one academic year of study abroad. Multi-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for two or three years of specific degree-oriented study abroad, and Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarships are offered for three or six months of intensive language study and cultural immersion in another country.

Students who have completed at least two years of college study and are interested in pursuing study abroad may contact Peter Pearce at (617) 946-4200 for details and an application.

Arena offers scholarships

Applications for 15 $1,500 scholarships are available starting Wednesday, Feb. 14, at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Drive, Hingham.

This is the 23rd consecutive year that the Pilgrim Skating Arena is awarding college scholarships to area high school seniors planning to further their education. Interested seniors must pick up and sign for the application in person at the arena pro shop. Completed applications must be returned by Saturday, March 23.

Applicants will be judged by members of the scholarship committee of the board of directors at Pilgrim Arena. For information call Hoby Taylor at 749-6660.

National photo contest finalist

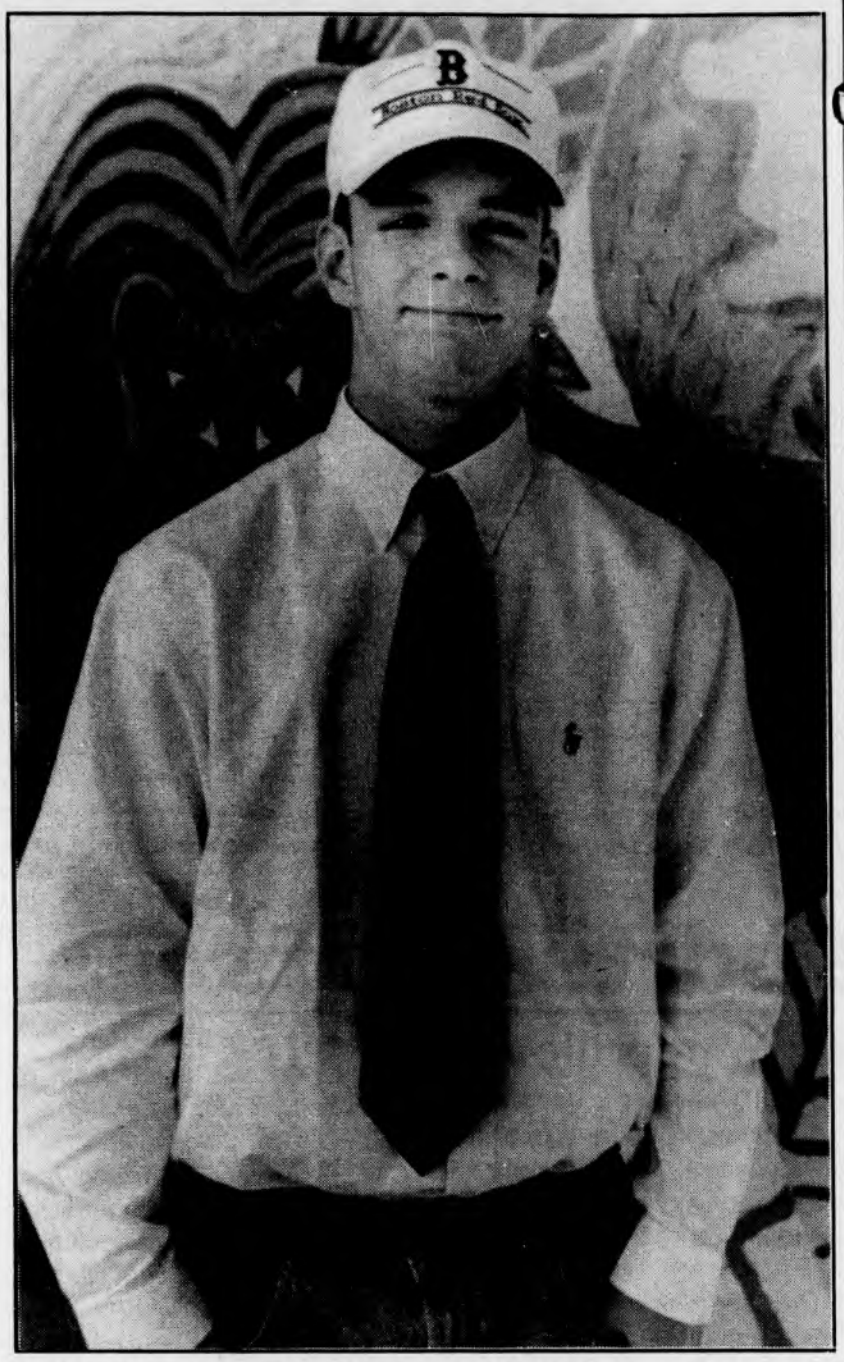
Taylor Publishing Company, sponsor of the National Photo Documentary, "One Day — America," has announced finalists for its upcoming publication about a day in the life of a high school student.

Dawn Massa-Williams, a sophomore at Cohasset High School, is among 100 finalists who were chosen. More than 2,200 photographs were submitted.

CHS photography teacher Eileen Rohrer commented, "It's a real honor for Dawn's talent to be acknowledged this way."

Taylor Publishing will choose photographs from the final entries for inclusion in its magazine-style publication, due to be released at the Journalism Education Association/National Scholastic Press Association national convention in San Francisco in April.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/Grant Emde



Grant has returned to school with new enthusiasm and is becoming a responsible, hard-working student. He takes the time needed to complete his work with quality and is willing to go to teachers for extra help when needed. He is meeting deadlines and has goals for the future. He is a fine example of the definition of "hustle."

— Ms. Ely

"Model student, asking questions, leader when working in groups, homework done well, does all the things needed to show a student who is here to learn. Awesome."

— Mr. Hogan

"Mr. Magnussen is a fan of Grant Emde and is looking forward to having him join him on the expedition to Belize."

Service League scholarship offered

The Social Service League of Cohasset is accepting applications for a $1500 scholarship being offered to any Cohasset resident furthering his or her education in the medical or social work field.

Application forms are available from the league office at 16 Highland Ave. weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at Cohasset High School. Applications must be returned by April 12. For more information, call 383-0771.

It's Happening

Coffeehouse features Kilburn

The Second Congregational Church will host a Coffeehouse on Saturday, March 23, from 7 to 10 p.m., featuring an evening of music and humor with award-winning folk singer Eric Kilburn. He will perform original songs in a show spiced with funny stories and unpredictably zany punches.

Kilburn's guitar work spans blues, folk, swing and Celtic styles, with his songs reflecting a poignant and offbeat approach to contemporary issues. He has produced five highly acclaimed albums, including his latest, "Detours," which was nominated for a Boston Music Award for Outstanding Folk Album.

A $5 donation will be accepted at the door. Refreshments and a variety of crafts from Appalachia will be available for sale. All proceeds will benefit the 1996 Appalachia Service Project this summer, when 84 Cohasset High School students and adult advisers will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families

O'Callahan show planned

Renowned storyteller Jay O'Callahan will present a family show on St. Patrick's Day, Sunday, March 17, at St. Stephen's Church at 2 p.m.

A native New Englander and Marshfield resident, O'Callahan draws upon his personal experiences, coming of age in the northeastern United States, to create tales of heroism and humor.

Individuals age five and older will find the show appealing, and the public is invited to attend. Tickets are $5 and are available at the Children's Exchange, South Main Street, or by calling St. Stephen's at 383-1083.

'Blithe Spirit' on stage tonight

The Cohasset Drama Club will present "Blithe Spirit," a Noel Coward comedy, on March 7, 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. Tonight's performance will benefit the South Shore Community Center.

The play tells of a man happily married to his second wife, who is suddenly confronted by the ghost of his first wife. The ghost calmly announces that she intends to live with the couple indefinitely, resulting in a series of hilarious events.

The cast includes Sharon Evans of Hingham and Holly Harris of Cohasset.

Tickets are available at Buttonwood Bookstore, Scituate Front Street Books and Wilbur's or at the door. Call 545-3195.

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to be held March 27, 1996 at 8:00 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset, Mass.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to rezone a portion of a certain district as shown on the Zoning Map identified as "Zoning district Map of the Town of Cohasset, Massachusetts, October 1, 1976 as revised to 1985" prepared by Edwin Young R.L.S., R.P.E. (hereinafter called the "Map") so that the light industry area east of Chief Justice Cushing Way and a portion of the light industry area northwest of Sohier Street and on the west side of Chief Justice Cushing Highway as shown on the area crosshatched on the Map, and identified "PL," located northwest of a straight line running from the intersection of King Street and Chief Justice Cushing Way south of Crocker Lane and ending at an intersection of the existing Light Industrial Zone and Trustees of Reservation land, and more particularly shown on a copy of the Map on file with the Town Clerk and showing the aforesaid area outlined in red and identified as "NEW HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT," be rezoned as highway business be eighty thousand (80,000) square feet; that the Town reprint the zoning map so said area shall be colored red and identified with the letters "HB"; and that the Town appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of reprinting the Town zoning map to contain and reflect the changes authorized herein; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 5 — AREA REGULATIONS, of the Zoning Bylaw by adding to Subsection 5.4 — Table of Area Regulations Notes, a new paragraph numbered 5.4.12 which shall read as follows:

"5.4.12. In any district a single flag pole may be constructed in excess of 35 feet, but not greater than 75 feet, for the display of non-commercial flags, provided it is placed no closer to a lot line than the height of the flag pole and, if illuminated, does not shine onto any abutting property."

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the real property known as the "Hagerty Property Showroom," together with the land adjacent thereto not to exceed 18,000 square feet, all as shown on a plan marked "Article 19" on file with the office of the Town Clerk on such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate and in the best interests of the Town of Cohasset; and further, as appurtenant to such sale, the Board of Selectmen are authorized to grant an easement on adjacent town land for the construction of a septic system to service the land and building being sold as authorized hereunder; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Zoning-Law and Town Zoning Map to rezone a parcel of land shown as Lot 11 on Board of Assessors' Map 37 as Residential A; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to form a committee to investigate the most effective means for restoring to the real estate tax rolls the real property, together with improvements thereon, shown as Plot 33 on Board of Assessors' Map 18 and known as the Osgood School; the committee so appointed shall report to a Special Town Meeting in the fall of 1996; or act on anything relating thereto.

Submitted by
Alfred S. Moore, Jr.
Chairman
3/7, 14/96

SECOND
MORTGAGEE'S SALE
OF
REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Second Mortgage given by James Hegarty, a/k/a James K. Hegarty, Trustee of Tessahoc Realty Trust under declaration of trust dated December 30, 1991 and recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 9185, Page 25 to Peter Grahame Wade (the "Mortgagee") dated July, 1993, and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10017, Page 115, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 A.M., April 3, 1996, on the mortgaged premises described below, being known as 103 South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts and all singular premises described in said mortgage,

To wit: The land in Cohasset, being the premises shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Cohasset, Mass.", dated August 21, 1943, drawn by Joseph Selwyn, C.E. recorded in Norfolk Registry of Deeds at Book 2470, Page 426, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by South Main Street, 50.33 feet;

EASTERLY by a curve forming the intersection of South Main Street and Spring Street, 20.15 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by Spring Street, 65.76 feet;

SOUTHERLY by land marked "Benjamin F. and Christine M. Curley" and as indicated on said plan 112.36 feet;

WESTERLY by said land marked "Benjamin F. and Christine M. Curley" and in part by land marked "Katherine B. Noonan" as indicated on said plan, 51.16 feet, and

NORTHWESTERLY by Lot A as indicated on said plan, 141.56 feet.

Containing 12,299 square feet of land according to said plan. Together with a right of way to pass and repass to and from South Main Street which right of way is more particularly described in Certificate of Title No. 54545 registered with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 273, Page 145. The property is currently owned by Richard A. Bunstein by deed dated March 29, 1995 and recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 10854, Page 308.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and the date appointed for the sale and to further postpone the sale to later date at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and the date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, variances, special permits, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, UCC financing statements, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, unpaid water and sewer bills, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any, including, without limitation, a tax taking by the Town of Cohasset recorded in Book 8889, Page 313; Land Court Tax Lien Case No. 101869 T.L.; and Notice of Lis Pendens recorded in Book 10716, Page 124. This is a Second Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate sold subject to the lien of a first mortgage currently held by Pauline V. Emilson, by assignment dated May 6, 1992 and recorded in Book 9343, Page 309.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this notice of sale and/or the terms of the memorandum of sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder provided that the second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys, Palmer & Dodge, the amount of the required deposit set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice.

Terms of sale: TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($10,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash or by certified check at the time and place of sale as earnest money. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified check within twenty (20) days of the date of the sale and shall be deposited in escrow with the firm of Palmer & Dodge at One Beacon Street, Boston, MA, pending recording of the Foreclosure Deed and related documents.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

PETER GRAHAME WADE
present holder of
said mortgage,
by his attorney,
John J. Aquino, Esq.
Palmer & Dodge
One Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02108
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(617) 573-0100
3/7,14,21/96

It's Happening

Election supper to be held

The Beechwood Congregational Church is holding an Election Supper on Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. The supper has been a church tradition for more than 75 years. Candidates are welcome to come early to chat with constituents in a relaxed atmosphere, with each candidate introduced before dinner is served.

A family-style roast beef dinner, beverage and dessert will be featured. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are $6.99 for adults and $3.50 for children. To make reservations, call 383-1298.

Visit the Teen Center

The Teen Center will be open from 7 to 10 p.m. on March 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 29.

On March 23, the Teen Center is sponsoring a ski trip to Waterville Valley, and on March 29, a Poker Night is planned.

Playground director named

The Cohasset Recreation Commission has appointed Kristin Wrye to the position of playground director for the 1996 season.

Wrye is a Grade 2 teacher at the Joseph P. Osgood School and holds a master of science degree in child development and early childhood education. She also has an extensive background in day camp operations.

The commissioners have established the 1996 playground program fee rates as follows: Pre-school — $125, $35 activity fee; full day 5- to 12-year-old program — $150, $35 activity fee. A discount of $25 each for second and subsequent children registering from the same family is offered, and relates to the program fee only. Non-resident rates are $250 and $275 respectively, on a space available basis only, with no discounts and a $35 activity fee.

The $10 fee increase allows the commission to add staff to the programs and create a new arts and crafts position, which will be filled by Georgine Butman, who will also have an assistant.

Registration will be held during the week of June 17. Details will be announced at a later date.

Playground will begin Monday, July 1, but will not meet July 4 or 5. Programs will continue through Aug. 16, with the final day cookout scheduled for Aug. 17.

'Happiness is a Choice' is topic at April 3 event

The Social Service League of Cohasset will present "Happiness Is A Choice" with Linda Weltner, award-winning Boston Globe columnist, on Wednesday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Chart House on Cohasset Harbor. Admission is $7.

Weltner will share life lessons she learned at the Option Institute in Sheffield, Mass. and will talk about the way one's current beliefs reflect decisions made as a child. She will also discuss how, by changing attitudes, one can transform the quality of one's life.

Weltner, who is the author of "No Place Like Home," is best known for her column "Ever So Humble," which appears in the Globe. Copies of her book will be available for purchase.

For information, call 383-0771. To make a reservation, checks should be mailed to the Social Service League of Cohasset, 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025 by March 27. A sell-out performance is expected.

Daffodil Days benefit set

The South Shore Unit of the American Cancer Society has planned its annual Daffodil Days for March 19-24. Proceeds benefit research, education and service programs for cancer patients in the area.

Advance orders for the bright yellow blooms will be taken until March 8. A bouquet of 10 is $5, and a box of 500 is $250. Custom-designed vases are $5. Orders may be placed by calling (508) 584-9600.

Orders for three or more bunches will be delivered by volunteers on March 19 and 20. Smaller orders will be available at pick-up spots in the South Shore area.

The South Shore Unit of the society carries on a program of help for cancer patients in Braintree, Cohasset, Hull, Hingham Milton, Norwell, Quincy, Scituate and Weymouth. Some 1,400 businesses and individuals have been contacted by volunteers for support during Daffodil Days.

Course instructors needed

The South Shore Community Center is looking for qualified instructors to teach courses in all areas of interest. Contact Stephanie Church at 383-0088. Suggestions for new course offerings are welcome.

The SSCC is also in need of a tennis instructor during July and August to work with children at the beginning and intermediate level. Call 383-0088 for further information.

Alzheimer's group to meet

The Alzheimer's Disease Support Group of the South Shore, Inc. will present a video presentation of "Complaints of a Dutiful Daughter," a powerful documentary that has been nominated for an Academy Award, on Wednesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m. at Harbor House Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 11 Condito Road, Hingham.

The film chronicles stages of Alzheimer's Disease as seen through a daughter's eyes, and is profoundly optimistic and liberating.

There will be a discussion following the film, led by Carolyn Housman, who is the Alzheimer's program coordinator for the Hingham Visiting Nurse Association. The meeting is open to anyone who would like to be better educated about the disease.

Respite care for Alzheimer patients during the support meeting will be available at Harbor House Day Health Center. Call Gervaise Healey or Christina Reed at 749-4774 by 3 p.m. March 20 to make a reservation.

For further information about ADSGSS, call 749-5417.

Fax your legals to 837-5346

Police Log

Tuesday, Feb. 20

4:00 a.m., general services, Tupelo Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

6:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Mary Lou's), vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

7:03 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic warning issued.

7:12 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic warning issued.

7:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Woodland).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

11:11 a.m., medical, S. Main St., referred to other agency.

12:11 p.m., officer field investigation, Border St., false call.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 48

6:31 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, area of 60 Reservoir Rd., no police service necessary.

8:01 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. by Cohasset Imports, vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

8:12 p.m., obscene phone calls, Buttonwood Ln., HDQTS., services rendered.

9:20 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St. by Deer Hill School.

9:20 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St.

10:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way by Lower King St., verbal warning.

10:29 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Doane St. by Wompatuck Sate Park gate. Ptl. Treanor in with Teressa L. Viola, DOB: 5/10/78, 171 Manomet Ave., Hull, arrested for Minor in Possession of alcohol, and in with Brian Seaboyer, DOB: 4/29/77, 16 Meade Ave., Hull, arrested for Minor Transporting Alcohol.

10:50 p.m, general services, Doane St. to Lamberts Ln., services rendered.

11:06 p.m., noise complaint, Windy Hill Rd., peace restored.

Wednesday, Feb. 21

1:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Scituate Line), verbal warning.

3:42 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sandy Beach.

7:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Howe Rd.).

7:14 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Howe Rd.).

7:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Hingham Line), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 50

8:17 a.m., traffic/MV complaint Stop & Shop/3A, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:47 a.m., leaving scene, Elm Ct., investigated.

12:56 p.m., general services, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

3:07 p.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd./N. Main St., departmental action.

2:05 p.m., medical, Pond ST. — High School, referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Partly cloudy, 56

4:58 p.m., general services, Harbor, services rendered.

5:03 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Highland Ave., departmental action.

5:40 p.m., officer field investigation, Nichols Rd., investigated.

8:33 p.m., suspicious activity, Border St., HDQTS., referred to other agency.

9:44 p.m., emergency services, Elm St., no police service necessary.

10:21 p.m., suspicious activity, Wheelright Farm, investigated.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 50

Thursday, Feb. 22

12:42 a.m., suspicious activity, Hillside, dispersed gathering.

5:02 a.m., emergency services, Beach St., departmental action.

7:03 a.m., emergency services, Nichols Rd., secured building.

8:00 am., Cloudy, 46

8:15 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beach St., departmental action.

9:33 a.m., fire alarm, King St. — Sandcastles Day Care, services rendered.

1:00 p.m., emergency services, Jerusalem Rd./Nichols Rd., services rendered.

3:07 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Margin Ct., unfounded.

3:32 p.m., officer wanted, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 50

5:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lower King St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

5:20 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way by Jonathan Livingston Square, departmental action.

6:28 p.m., suspicious activity, Hill St., HDQTS., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Foggy, 45

Friday, Feb. 23

8:33 a.m., emergency services, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

11:29 a.m., general offenses, 3A Towing — 3A, peace restored.

11:31 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

2:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint Ripley Rd./Sohier St., services rendered.

3:34 p.m., animal complaint, Windy Hill Rd. area, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Partly cloudy, 50

5:13 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St. (Common), investigated.

6:51 p.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

9:03 p.m., officer wanted, KoKo Island, investigated.

9:15 p.m., incapacitated person, Ko Ko Island, returned to home or family.

10:04 p.m., animal complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

11:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Pond ST., verbal warning.

11:49 p.m., traffic/MV complaint CJC Hwy/Hingham Line, verbal warning.

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Police Log

Saturday, Feb. 24

12:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Lamberts Ln., verbal warning.

1:06 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main/Summer, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:05 a.m., disturbance (family), Lantern Lane, arrest.

2:32 a.m., officer in with Timothy L. Dyer, under arrest A&B, COB: 1/7/62, 24 Lantern Ln., Cohasset.

7:33 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 38

9:09 a.m., medical, Elm Ct., removed to hospital.

11:20 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St., departmental action.

12:22 p.m., animal complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

12:44 p.m., general services, N. Main St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

3:03 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St., investigated.

3:33 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

3:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St./CJC Hwy., investigated.

4:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

4:54 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

5:35 p.m., speeding complaint, Atlantic Ave., area search negative.

5:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., arrest.

5:54 p.m., Ptl. Treanor in with Mary Elizabeth Wilson, DOB: 8/1/68, 275 Elm St., Duxbury, arrested on straight warrant.

6:27 p.m., general services, from station to CJC Hwy., services rendered.

6:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

7:33 p.m., building check, Beach St, investigated.

8:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Summer St., verbal warning.

8:11 p.m., disturbance (family), Hull St., departmental action.

8:38 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

9:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy, verbal warning.

9:32 p.m., building check, Elm St., investigated.

11:19 p.m., officer wanted, Deep Run, investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 45

Sunday, Feb. 25

12:11 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rt. 3A/Mendel Rd., verbal warning.

2:21 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Mary Lou's, verbal warning.

2:40 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Beechwood St., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 28

8:31 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

8:35 a.m., general services, Hull St., departmental action.

8:55 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy, departmental action.

9:37 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St., departmental action.

9:57 a.m., animal complaint, Elm Ct./Elm St., departmental action.

10:32 a.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., removed to hospital.

11:07 a.m., building check, N. Main St., departmental action.

1:03 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave./Meadow Ln., investigated.

12:48 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

12:53 p.m., violation of court order, Ptl. Peters in with Anne Currier, 8 Bigelow St., Quincy, DOB: 3/19/50, Violation of 209A.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 45

6:30 p.m., traffic/MV complaint Forest Ave./Jerusalem Rd., verbal warning.

8:23 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., (Common), services rendered.

10:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St./CJC Hwy, verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 42

Monday, Feb. 26

12:28 a.m., assist citizen, Village, services rendered.

12:38 a.m., speeding complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

3:07 a.m., general services, Cushing Plaza, departmental action.

6:50 a.m., vandalism, Pond St. (High School), investigated.

6:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Beechwood St.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:22 a.m., general services, Pond St. (Hingh School), departmental action.

7:33 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

9:50 a.m., general services, N. Main St., services rendered.

11:21 a.m., general services, Beach St., services rendered.

11:44 a.m., violation of court order, Depot Ct., unfounded.

12:08 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. — Red Lion Inn, departmental action.

2:34 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

2:57 p.m., violation of court order, Elm St. — Police Station. Arrested by Sgt. Jackson: Laprise, Joseph J., 3 N. Main St., Cohasset. DOB: 4/24/48, 209A violation.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 50

7:38 p.m., message delivery, Kimballs by the Sea, services rendered.

8:00 p.m., noise complaint, end of Rocky Ln., peace restored.

9:00 p.m., medical, Beechwood st., removed to hospital.

10:51 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:16 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:39 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Ptl. Treanor in with Sarah A. Douglas, 404 Beechwood St., Cohaset. DOB: 7/20/75. Charges: minor transporting liquor.

11:39 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Ptl. Treanor in with John M. Inferrera, 23 Allen Pl., Scituate, DOB: 7/12/77, Charges: minor transporting liquor, resisting arrest.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 38

Tuesday, Feb. 27

12:37 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Beechwood St.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd. (Osgood School), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:19 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), verbal warning.

1:24 a.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St. (Old Colonial Pharmacy), area search negative.

6:41 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Summer St.).

6:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Beechwood St.), verbal warning.

6:53 a.m., noise complaint Rocky Ln., services rendered.

7:11 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave. (Cedar Acres), verbal warning.

7:32 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., services rendered.

7:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Library), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:50 a.m., assist other PD's, HQ, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

9:12 a.m., general services, N. Main St., services rendered.

10:36 a.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., departmental action.

12:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cunningham Bridge, vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

2:38 p.m., suspicious activity, Dry Cleaning Emporium, investigated.

2:48 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd./Rust Way, services rendered.

3:20 p.m., suspicious activity, Nichols Rd., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 50

6:37 p.m., suspicious activity, 3A/Beechwood St., unfounded.

6:50 p.m., general services, 3A/Hingham Line, services rendered.

8:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Shore Chevy rear lot, investigated.

11:12 p.m., suspicious activity, Government Island, investigated.

12:00 a.m., 35 degrees.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

12:57 a.m., medical, Windy Hill Rd., removed to hospital.

1:20 a.m., assist municipal agencies, N. Main St., services rendered.

7:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (J.J.'s Dairy).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 50

11:39 .am., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy. — Cohasset Plaza, unfounded.

11:51 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

12:04 p.m., general services, 3A Towing, notification made.

1:40 p.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop, services rendered.

2:48 p.m., assist citizen, Cushing Plaza by Bay Bank, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 54.

4:50 p.m., suspicious activity, Hammond Ave., departmental action.

6:11 p.m., officer wanted, Talarico Ln./Norman Todd Rd., unfounded.

6:11 p.m., disturbance (family), N. Main St., peace restored.

6:42 p.m., officer wanted, King St./Pond St., services rendered.

7:12 p.m., officer wanted, Cedar St., services rendered.

9:59 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 47

Thursday, Feb. 29

2:32 a.m., fire alarm, Elm St., services rendered.

2:57 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy. (Leo's Exxon), no police service necessary.

3:04 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy. (KoKo Island), services rendered.

3:04 a.m., CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Medical), investigated.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 32

9:21 a.m, vandalism, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

1:47 p.m., medical, Lamberts Ln., referred to other agency.

2:58 p.m., officer field investigation, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 35

5:30 p.m., message delivery, S.S. Arts Center, notification made/message or summons delivered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 28

Friday, March 1

1:12 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

1:31 a.m., general services, Sandy Beach, investigated.

1:50 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

1:53 a.m., incapacitated person, Jerusalem Rd.

1:55 a.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Michael D. Langone, Jr., 64 Fowle St., Woburn, DOB: 9/15/65, Charges: PC, public drinking.

New police recruit training policy agreement is enacted

Patrolman William Quigley, who was hired last year, will be the first Cohasset police officer subject to a new agreement obligating him to reimburse the town for the cost of his attending the police academy if he should leave the department before serving five years.

This year the state is charging towns $1,800 per recruit for police academy training. The money will be subtracted from the town's "cherry sheets," which is the money the state provides the town in revenue sharing.

Until this year the state did not charge for recruits to attend the academy.

Under the new agreement, the town will pick up the $1,800 fee if the officer remains with the department for five years. The officer is responsible for reimbursing the town the full amount if he/she leaves earlier, Police Chief Brian Noonan explained.

This agreement is allowed under state guidelines and has been approved by town counsel Richard A. Henderson.

The town was not charged when former Cohasset Police Officer Richard G. Abbadessa, who recently resigned to join the Weymouth Police Department after serving about two years in Cohasset, attended the police academy.

Quigley will attend the academy in April.

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If a future town meeting agrees, homeowners directly benefitting from the upcoming sewer projects — including the upgrading the wastewater treatment plant — will pay the costs entirely, as opposed to the town as a whole.

However, sewer commission chairman Edward "Ted" Guild said that the costs for individual homeowners will not likely exceed those incurred by the repair of a private septic system under Title V.

It will cost homeowners in the Strait's Pond area some $18,000 to connect to the Hull sewer plant.

This cost includes $16,000 spread over 20 years, covering $500 annual amortization and nearly three percent interest on construction; plus the one-time cost of connecting each house.

Guild explained that homeowners are responsible for getting their homes connected to the sewer system, which will cost an average of $1,500 to $2,000 to install a pump, lay the pipe to the house and to disable the current septic system. Septic systems must be sanitized with hydrogen peroxide, the top must be crushed in and the existing pipe disconnected.

In an effort to help homeowners, Guild said the department may be able to line up contractors to connect certain streets at a time and possibly at a lower rate.

The project, which is one of eight sewer articles facing town meeting, authorizes an agreement under which Hull will accept 65,000 gallons per day.

Guild said a 150,000 gallon tank will be built at the site of the North Cohasset fire station to handle flow during peak periods.

A pumping station, which will be sound proofed, with the pumps placed below grade, will also be built at the fire station site.

"It will not be offensive to the neighborhood," Guild stressed.

He also stated that priority will be given to the 250 to 280 houses existing in the area.

"We're very tight in our capacity," he said. "We will only sewer existing structures."

At least one builder has developed plans for a subdivision in the area.

Residents will probably be required to hook into the new system even if their septic systems have recently been rebuilt to comply with Title V.

It is expected that the sewer line will increase property values since any uncertainty over Title V will now be removed.

In addition, it is hoped that by eliminating pollution in Strait's Pond, the midge problem can be greatly reduced.

Other sewer articles:

- petition the legislature to allow the town to lay and maintain pipes in Hull;
- authorize an agreement for Hingham residents of the Bonnie Brier area to use the system;
- appropriate $15,000 for benthic testing of various organisms in the harbor, a cost to be borne by the entire town;
- permit the town to apply for 25 percent state funding for some $70,000 in repairs which were already approved at an early town meeting.
- allow some $200,000 in repairs to sewer pipes in the harbor, which will also be submitted for state funding;
- authorize the commission to recover costs from users;
- grant the commission the right to acquire easement by eminent domain over property to lay sewer pipes.

Tri-town sewer project to move ahead

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset will go ahead with the $4.1 million project to connect 250-280 homes by a sewer line to the Hull treatment plant whether or not Hingham decides to join the project.

The tri-town project would also connect Hingham homes in the Weir River Watershed Area near its border with Cohasset and Hull.

The Hingham project is contingent on town meeting approval and the proposal in that town has the taxpayers picking up about half the cost.

If Hingham joins in, it would share with Cohasset the cost of the pumping station to be installed at the site of the North Cohasset Fire Station and pipeline in Hull.

In Cohasset, the people who benefit — not the town as a whole — will pay for the project's cost through betterments, Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild said. He explained the cost is comparable to what individual homeowners would have to pay to have their septic systems repaired.

"But they have 20 years to pay for it this way and their worries are over," Guild said.

He later told selectmen (see related article) that the project will cost homeowners an average of $16,000, which will be paid for over 20 years.

That will amount to $500 each year amortization and three percent interest in financing from the state. Guild explained that a three percent loan is the equivalent of a 25 percent state grant.

Guild was to have met this week with officials from the state's revolving loan fund to arrange a so-called bridge loan, which would help the town out with construction costs. The project could affect the tax rate during the construction period and before rate payers are connected and assessed charges.

In addition, homeowners are responsible for connecting to the sewer line, which will cost from $1,500 to $2,000 for a house located some 75 feet from the road and with a yard without a great deal of ledge to blast through.

Guild said the town may line up a contractor to handle the connections, hopefully at a low average cost than and on a set schedule.

The Straits Pond area has been plagued with failing septic systems and under Title V, the state's environmental code, homeowners must upgrade their septic systems before they can sell their property.

About 100 citizens attended an informational two-hour meeting on the project at town hall Feb. 26, Guild said. Another meeting is slated for 5:45 p.m., March 20 at town hall.

"It was an amazing meeting and people were satisfied with what they heard," Guild said.

The town is under a court order to resolve its wastewater problems or it could face fines of up to $1/2 million a year. The Straits Pond project is separate from plans to expand and upgrade the capacity of Cohasset's sewer plant which serves the central part of Cohasset.

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The agony of the Fleet

Skippers stalled after South title

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

BOSTON — The Cohasset High boys basketball team enjoys the most success when it is able to get in a rhythm and sustain it for an entire game.

Unfortunately, Winchester High was able to throw the Division 3 South Sectional champs off their game enough to break away for a 68-51 victory in Tuesdays Division 3 EMass finals at the FleetCenter.

"We just never got into a groove," said Cohasset coach Ron Ford. "This team is a momentum team and we never got the momentum going. Winchester did a great job. They kept us off balance all night with their press. We never really solved it."

The Skippers' loss to the Sachems came two days

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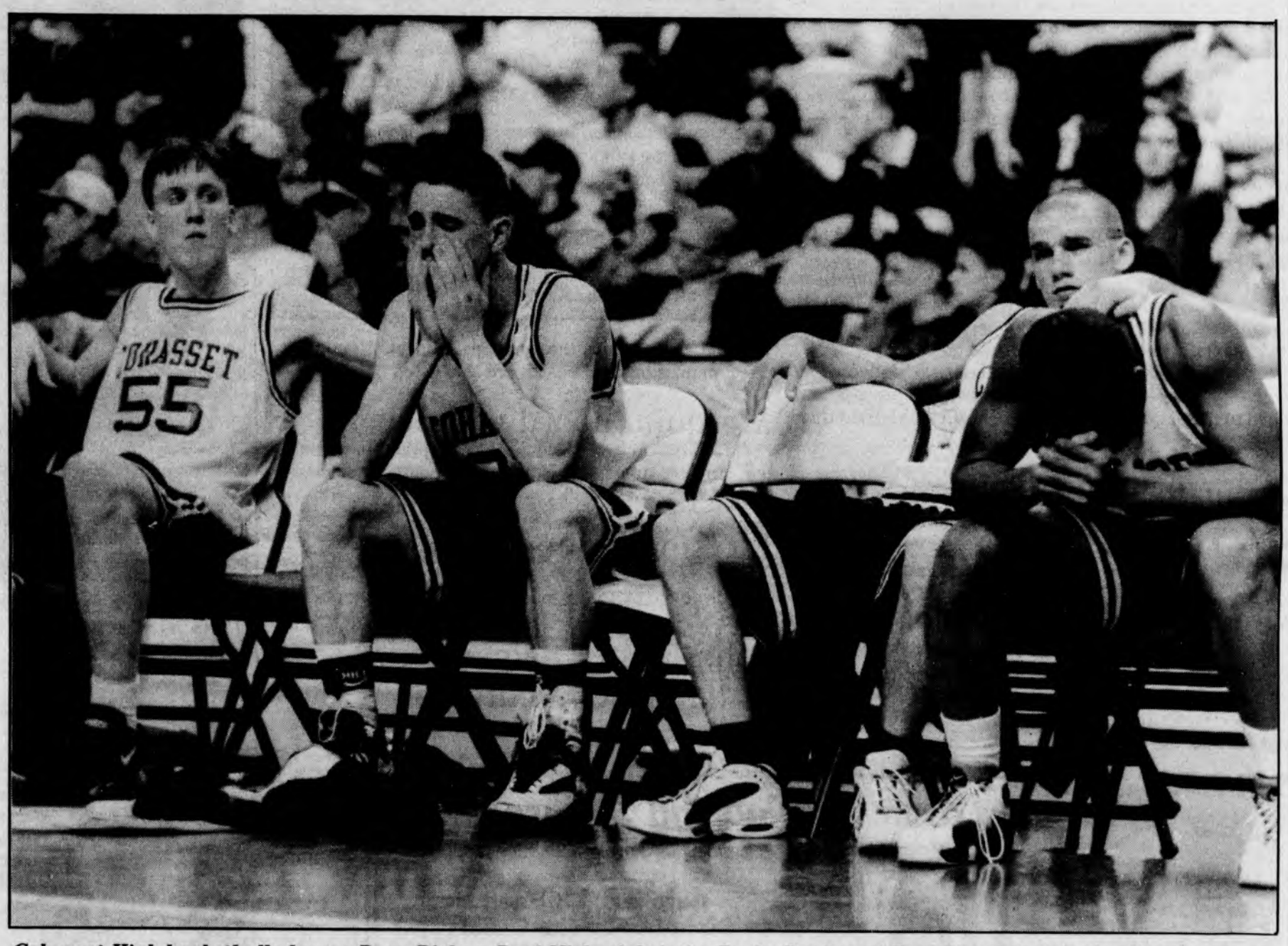

Cohasset High basketball players Ryan Bishop, Paul Michael-Quintin, Burke Davis and Fred Howard show the disappointment of defeat in the closing seconds of Tuesday's 68-51 loss to Winchester in the Division 3 EMass finals at the FleetCenter. The loss, however, couldn't tarnish 19-7 Cohasset's second consecutive South Sectional title and huge tourney win over rival Scituate.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Town thrown lifeline at water hearings

May appeal for full status

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset's chances of having full representation in the Massachusetts-American water rate hearings that begin today (March 14) at the state Department of Public Utilities remains murky.

The water rate increase issue which will affect about 600 residents in North Cohasset —about 10 percent of the town's population — came into view in February when several residents mustered to fight the proposed rate hike through a letter-writing campaign.

Massachusetts-American Water Company officials say much of the rate increase is needed to cover the expense of building and operating the $39.5 million water treatment facility which is under construction in Hingham and slated to go on-line in May. Mass-American, which serves about 10,500 residential customers in Cohasset, Hingham and Hull, filed its rate case with the DPU in November and if the proposed increase is approved in full, the average rate payer will see their annual water bills go from about $250 to $680.

Selectmen said they missed the December deadline for filing to participate in the hearings because they thought the town, by "piggy backing" testimony and questions onto Hingham or Hull, could get the representation it needs. Then due to public outcry, the town applied to participate after the deadline.

On Monday, just four days before the evidentiary hearings which could continue through the middle of April, the DPU denied Cohasset's late petition to intervene.

Thanks to last ditch efforts by both state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, and state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, who brought the town's predicament to the governor's attention, the DPU decided that Cohasset officials will be allowed to act as a "limited par-

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Officials to get on board for train committee

Anti-rail group still fighting

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Even as MBTA officials arrived in town this week to discuss the actual construction on the new Greenbush railroad, members of the anti-train Coastal Coalition refused to concede defeat.

Sporting their trademark yellow "No Train" stickers, some 20 coalition members packed Monday night's selectmen's meeting, which included a discussion with MBTA officials about ways to reduce the train's impact on Cohasset.

Selectmen chairman Merle Brown said that the meeting was not a debate on the merits of the train, which he opposes, but rather a discussion of how to represent the town in construction decisions.

However, several coalition members said there is still a chance the train will not be built.

"It's not a done deal," said Doug Yeager of Sohier St.

Brown and the other two selectmen present, Martha Gjesteby and Peter Pratt, (Jane Goedecke and Michael Sullivan were absent) agreed to consider the membership of a temporary committee to study potential problems the train might create.

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Cohasset's Week

Residents concerned about legal bills

In the aftermath of last week's Mariner article on legal costs skyrocketing because of the Cohasset Heights Landfill expansion hearings, Ray Kasperowicz of South Main Street urged selectmen last week to monitor the situation.

He asked selectmen to seek a better rate from the Warner & Stackpole law firm, which has run up most of the bills.

"Even OJ Simpson didn't pay full hourly rate," Kasperowicz said. "If it were my legal fees I'd be on this guy like a cheap suit."

Selectman Peter Pratt said, "Quite frankly, Ray, I agree with you. I think an alarm bell should have been rung by someone somewhere."

Selectman Michael Sullivan said "It was rung," by the lawyers involved when it became clear that the hearings would drag on longer than expected.

"The board of health are the people who hire these people (lawyers)," said selectman Jane Goedecke. "We've never gotten a comment from them on this subject, except an approved bill, many approved bills."

She added later that attempts to reduce the number of lawyers at the hearings were opposed by the board of health and conservation commission.

"We were blasted for not having two people there (at the hearings.) We were nailed," she said.

Robert Davenport of the health board replied that the legal projections have always been just estimates. He also said the hearings will likely end next week.

Selectmen were also irritated that they had not been told that there is a cap on the fees paid by the landfill, leaving the town to foot the entire expense of lawyers and professional witnesses after a certain point.

In addition, Goedecke said that the participation of so many citizen's groups has slowed down the process and added to the material which must be transcribed and then evaluated.

Letter to John Pfaffman

Selectmen plan to send a letter thanking John "Fritz" Pfaffmann for his work on the harbor committee, from which he recently resigned.

New town report available

Featuring Janice Sargent's stunning photo of the Minot's Ledge Lighthouse fog bell on the cover, the 1995 town report is now available at the town clerk's office and the selectmen's room at town hall. The report contains vital records for the past year, lists the account of town meeting and contains the municipal budget. All committee, commissions and boards are also listed.

Voter deadlines noted

The last day to register to vote for the annual town election on Saturday, April 6, is Wednesday, March 20. The Town Clerk's office will be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration forms are also available from the Cohasset Post Office and Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The form may be mailed or hand-delivered to the clerk's office, but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

You may vote absentee for the following reasons only:

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A family member of a person qualified to vote by absentee ballot may apply on behalf of such voter. The applicant shall state his or her relationship to the absent voter, sign the application under the pains and penalties of perjury and mail or hand-deliver the application to the clerk's office.

Absentee ballots must be mailed to the voter. Returned ballots should be mailed or may be delivered by an immediate member of the family to the Town Clerk's office by April 6 to be counted.

Mosquito board vacancies

There are still two vacancies on the mosquito committee. Anyone interested is urged to contact selectmen immediately at 383-9900.

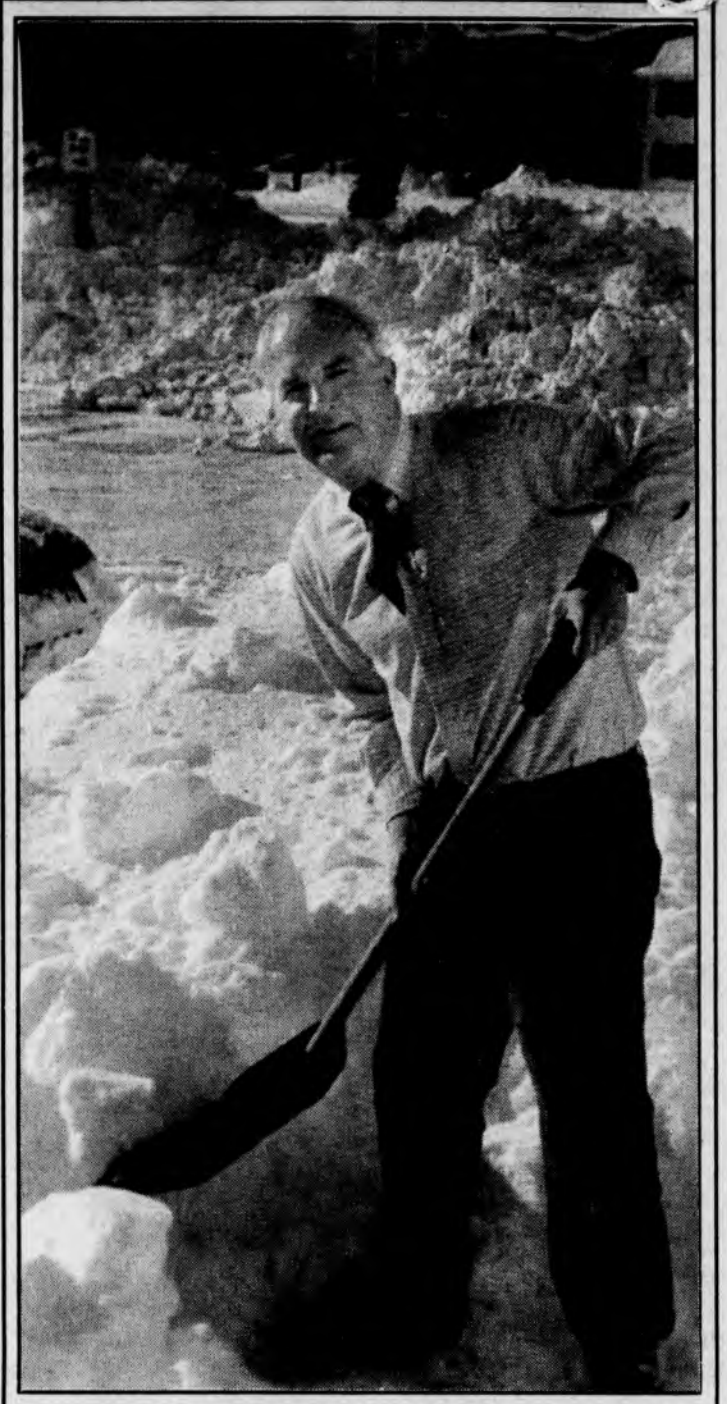
Election polling hours set

For the local election Saturday, April 6, the polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Selectmen set the hours this week.

John Brister named to harbor committee

Selectmen have named John Brister of the yacht club to the harbor committee.

The Big Dig



The Mariner caught building inspector Bob Egan hard at work outside town hall during a recent snow storm.

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Bedrock fractures focus at Tuesday landfill hearing

[redacted]RIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The potential impacts to area surface and ground water from the proposed 27.5 acre expansion of the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL) was to have been the topic addressed by the Cohasset Board of Health last Tuesday evening.

Instead, as the hearing sessions entered their eighth week, board members were given a "great lecture" (as Hearing Officer John Shea called it) on the subject of "fractured trace analysis" by geologist Patrick J. Barosh.

Speaking for the town, Barosh, who holds a doctorate degree in geology, was testifying as an expert in the field of locating bedrock fractures relating to ground water flow and hazards caused by contaminants in such cases.

He stated that the topography of the local region is made up of ancient granite and that "a network of faults" permeates the local area.

Relying on United States Geological Survey maps and Department of Environmental Protection aerial photographs, Barosh showed that that one such fault zone, as well as part of an eight mile magnetic dike, that used to carry iron mineral deposits intersect in an area directly adjacent to Cohasset Heights. He felt this area was of particular concern.

> *'They would be great open conduits for water.'*
> **— Patrick J. Barosh predicted.**

Noting that because of this fault zone and other smaller fractures in the local topography, bedrock on the South Shore does not conform to expected standards, and he explained this then makes for unexpected problems with regard to water run-off in areas where bedrock is extremely close to the surface of the ground.

"There are no uniform layers. Everything is variable and this is a nightmare for people," he said.

Barosh stated that in addition to this north/south fault zone another zone running in an east/west direction would also be affected by water run-off from CHL.

"They would be great open conduits for water," he predicted.

Barosh disagreed with CHL experts who felt that area peat deposits would help control water emanating from the landfill. He stated it was his opinion that these deposits were little more than sand and gravel and would have little if any effect.

He further stated that potential trouble spots would be in the James Brook area situated directly across Route 3A from the landfill, Sanctuary Pond and the Great Swamp. These areas would be particularly susceptible when heavy rainfall caused flooding.

Because of this detailed geological testimony Cohasset Heights attorney Anton Moherke questioned Barosh on whether or not he had the authority to speak on the subject of ground and surface water.

Though Moherke was cut short by the sudden adjournment of the night's session, cross-examination will recommence Thursday evening. While most hearing sessions have run well over the three hour time limit originally established, Tuesday's session lasted a relatively brief two and one half hours.

All parties are hoping to wrap up testimony on Friday, March 15. On that day the board will hold hearings starting at 9 a.m. in the Second Congregational Church and continue until closing arguments are completed.

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Officials to get on board for train committee

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MBTA environmental manager Andrew Brennan said the committee should likely include officials from various departments, such as public safety, selectmen and conservation, which will have an interest in how the rail line is designed.

The group will be formed soon and will meet for about two months, preparing a report in June.

The comments will be included in the environmental impact report which is due to be given to the citizen's advisory committee on the train by Labor Day and subject to a 30-day review.

The environmental review process should be finished by the end of the year, with preliminary construction due to start in late summer 1997.

Most of the 15-month construction period will start in spring 1998, with service to begin in 1999.

Plans currently call for the train to stop at the site of the former ice skating rink on Rte. 3A and in North Scituate Village.

Brennan said that although the MBTA will consider adding a stop in Cohasset Village, he was not optimistic that it will be built.

He said the village site is on a curve with poor visibility and therefore a spot engineers would be reluctant to stop at.

Secondly, the Americans With Disabilities Act requires full-sized, 800-foot long platforms for handicapped access, so a "whistle stop" without a platform, which some officials had hoped for at the village, is not likely.

However, Brennan praised a stop in the village because it would be within walking distance of a considerable number of residents, allowing them to commute without using their automobiles at all.

"I'd like to give it (Cohasset Village stop) full consideration," Brennan stated.

In response to questions about the role of the mitigation committee, Brennan said, "Our whole objective is to give you the opportunity to be involved."

He also said that if the town did not wish to participate, the effort will still proceed. "I'd rather come with it (the mitigation study) with the town's input than without it," he said.

"The cheapest and best mitigation is not to build it at all," said Beechwood St. resident Peter Robb.

However, Brennan disputed Robb's claims that the diesel train engines will cause more pollution than the cars that would be removed from the roads.

Conservation commission chairman Thomas Callahan, who said he was speaking as a private citizen and not on behalf of the committee, said he was disappointed to learn that the MBTA will file its applications under the state wetlands protection act and not under the local by-laws.

Brennan replied that as a state agency working in 104 communities, they need to file under a uniform law. However, he said that local laws would in fact be upheld.

Callahan then said he hoped the mitigation committee would include various points of view. "I hope they are not just a rubber stamp and sold a bill of goods . . . as the CAC (citizen's advisory committee) is . . ." he stated.

Gjesteby praised the formation of the committee, stating that it is necessary for the town to work with state officials to make the project as safe and convenient as possible.

Pratt criticized the process, saying that because the train will be built with state, not federal money, he hoped the Greenbush corridor communities will not be denied their full rights.

Brennan said that the state guidelines under which the project will be reviewed are as strict and in some cases tougher, than the federal guidelines.

Pratt to seek state ruling on conflict issue

Selectman Peter Pratt, an abutter to the Greenbush tracks and a Greenbush opponent, will petition the state ethics commission for a ruling on his status as an official regarding issues related to restoration of the train.

In a telephone interview Tuesday, Pratt said he realized the potential of a conflict during discussions with an MBTA official at the selectmen's meeting Monday (see related story).

"Maybe I can't or shouldn't comment on any of it," Pratt said about upcoming mitigation discussions.

In the fall of 1994, Pratt checked with town counsel regarding his participation in decisions and discussions about the proposed restoration of the train and was given the go-ahead.

At that time, Pratt said if the train goes ahead he would not vote on matters that directly affect abutters.

"That's a fairly well demarcated line" between the overall issue and those directly affecting abutters, he said at the time.

Hingham to sue MBTA over train

Cohasset readies for rail impact

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As Cohasset readies itself to mitigate impacts that the restoration of the Old Colony Greenbush line will have on the community, its neighbors in Hingham have played their historic trump card, and voted last week to sue the MBTA.

The suit appeals a recent decision by the Federal Transit Administration which will allow the MBTA to "segment" its three pronged rail restoration, using federal funds for the Middleboro and Plymouth lines currently under construction, but covering the costs of the Greenbush line with state money.

The elimination of federal funds, Hingham selectmen say is a blatant attempt by the MBTA to evade tougher federal environmental laws that protect valuable resources like the town's nationally registered Lincoln Historic District, and is the latest in a series of MBTA maneuvers to push the line through as quickly as possible, and at any cost.

Hingham will use the remainder (about $90,000) of the $100,000 appropriated through last year's town meeting to deal with the Greenbush issue "head on."

For nearly a year, Hingham has worked closely with Washington D.C. attorney Andrea Ferster, an expert in historic preservation law, who will file the suit in U.S. District Court in either Boston or Washington D.C.

The court battle could take from one to two years, said Selectmen Chairman Katharine Reardon, who noted that the injunctions will also be considered to prevent construction from beginning on the line.

Reardon estimates that this court action will use up the town meeting appropriation, and the board will have to tap the taxpayers for any further legal efforts. Hingham selectmen also transferred an additional $20,000 into their unclassified account last week, to pay for "technical assistance" needed to review the project and all desired mitigation measures.

Cohasset Selectman Martha Gjesteby, who is also a member of the state appointed Citizens Advisory Committee reviewing the MBTA's environmental feasibility studies, said if Hingham wants to sue, it's their right to do so.

"As a member of the CAC, I'm busy studying the finance and safety issues of the project. We're doing our job for the final environmental impact report," she said.

Eligiblity sought on local veterans

In the ongoing effort to complete the World War II Cohasset Historical Military Memorial, an oversight committee was established. The purpose of the committee is to determine to the best of its ability whether names in question meet eligibility requirements for inclusion on the wall.

After diligent research, the committee is left with several names it can find nothing about, and it is appealing to the public for help. Anyone with information that would help the committee determine the eligibility of the following people is asked to call Town Hall (383-9900): Margaret Drucilla Coleman, Ernest Elden Decker, Helen Marion Heartz, Joseph Lay Rohr Jr., William Roger Scannell and Shirley Eleanor Wright.

Those who call with information are asked to leave their name and telephone number at the selectmen's office and a member of the committee will contact them.

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Transportation issues are fielded at regional forum

By DAVID TIBBETTS
Cohasset Mariner

The future of transportation on the South Shore glitters like a distant star. There are plans to reopen the Old Colony Railroad, widen Route 3, and add additional parking facilities to South Shore communities.

Yet some of the plans threaten to swallow part of that luster like a black hole. Incomplete plans for Route 3 widening have communities mulling banding together to protect their interests. And Hingham gets ready to sue to block the Greenbush Line.

The South Shore Coalition and the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MEPA), two regional citizen's groups, held a joint transportation forum in Hanover earlier this month. The forum was billed as a chance for South Shore residents to see how these projects would affect their communities. Many questions, however, remained unanswered at the end of the meeting.

The most ambitious project to improve traffic conditions on the South Shore is a plan to widen Route 3. A 1985 plan recommended widening Route 3 from Route 18 in Weymouth to Route 44 in Duxbury. That plan was put on hold because of environmental concerns and because of the Central Artery Project.

With the artery project well under way now, state planners have turned their attention back to overcrowded Route 3. The 1985 plan had to be abandoned because much has changed in the last 11 years. Higher population numbers and changing demographics have forced planners to draw up a new plan.

The new study calls for Route 3 to be widened from Route 18 in Weymouth all the way to the Sagamore Bridge on Cape Cod.

According to Dan Beagan, director of Transportation, Planning and Development — Executive Office of Transportation and Construction, some ideas include using only the median strip to widen the road and creating an HOV lane along Route 3.

Tim Roache is the Route 3 project manager for the Massachusetts Highway Department. He said the state has set aside $15 million to study the widening and reconstruction of Route 3. Roache said that the state is considering adding a web-site so people can get information about the project on line.

Roache also said that the state was performing a "Major Investment Study," which institutes federal guidelines requiring the state to include the general population in the planning process.

It is too early for cost estimates or construction schedules, Roache said. He added that at this point, there are no concrete plans on how the widening would be accomplished. Also not addressed was the issue of the rotary at the Sagamore Bridge.

Jane Goedecke, chairman of the South Shore Coalition, said that the rotary will have to be included in the study. She said that MEPA is recommending the formation of an advisory committee to deal with Route 3.

State Rep. Jan O'Brien, D-Hanover, attended the forum. She advised residents of communities affected by the plan to take the initiative and get involved early in the planning stages.

The future of the Old Colony Railroad is more certain than the Route 3 project. The Old Colony Railroad ceased operations in 1959 due to financial insolvency. The MBTA is almost finished laying new track and making other improvements necessary to revive the defunct rail line.

The main section of the line will open on Dec.15, 1996. Trains will run from South Station to destinations in Middleboro, Kingston and Plymouth.

The Greenbush line remains embroiled in a controversy over the potential impact the railroad will have on an historic district in Hingham.

At the meeting Andrew Brennan, manager of environmental affairs for the MBTA, said that there was a strong possibility that Hingham would sue the MBTA to block the project. (See related story page 4).

"Few things in life are certain, but one thing that is certain is that Hingham will sue to block the Greenbush line. I'm not sure what they will sue us for, but I'm confident this project will continue because we're in line with federal and state regulations," he said.

The Greenbush line is scheduled for completion in 1999.

State Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Marshfield, offered some welcomed relief when he announced a recommendation by a special state commission studying MBTA financing to abolish property tax assessments for MBTA services.

Fringe communities like Hanover that don't have commuter rail service are expected to pay an assessment because many residents use commuter rail service in neighboring towns. The commission ruled that it is impossible to accurately predict how many people from fringe communities actually use the commuter rail in towns that receive service. The report recommends that all commuter rail property tax assessments should be abolished. (The governor, however, has filed a bill to eliminate the MBTA advisory board, which could result in keeping fringe community assessments without the benefit of a vote on the T budget.) Other recommendations include a freeze on all other assessments, downsizing the MBTA work force, increasing fares and using state revenues — not property taxes — as a source of equitable funding.

Hynes also said that the state has earmarked $50 million to expand marine commuting services on the North and South Shores.

Ron Morgan, the planning coordinator for the MBTA Park and Ride, provided a list of expanded Park and Ride services in South Shore communities. A 1,334 space garage will be added to the Quincy Adams garage in Quincy; 400 spaces will be added to the Quincy Center location and 308 spaces will be added to Hingham this summer.

Conte named acting chief

Cohasset police sergeant John Conte has been named acting police chief, stepping in for Brian Noonan who will be away during a two-week period this spring.

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A Public Meeting has been scheduled by the Sewer Commission to provide information and solicit responses from concerned residents regarding sewer warrant articles to be presented at the upcoming Town Meeting. The major focus of the meeting will be the warrant articles dealing with the design and construction of the proposed Straits Pond Wastewater Collection System and the related Intermunicipal Agreements (IMA's) with the Towns of Hull and Hingham. Other warrant articles for discussion will be the implementation of value effective Infiltration/Inflow repairs to the existing collection system and the adoption of an adequate cost recovery system to support future wastewater system expansion, improvement, operation and maintenance. Copies of the warrant articles and associated IMA's may be examined at the Sewer Commission's office at the Town Hall by appointment and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

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Town thrown lifeline at water hearings

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ticipant" and can attend the hearings and give written testimony, but will not be permitted to cross examine witnesses.

"We won at least half a loaf," said Cohasset Selectman Peter Pratt, who noted that the board is considering an administrative appeal of the DPU decision. Pratt said, with two board members out of town this week, selectmen will seek the advice of new Town Counsel Paul DeRensis on whether to appeal or at least file to reserve the town's rights to appeal the decision.

Pratt said it's important to study the implications of the DPU ruling and "whether or not the town will lose any substantive rights because we're not a full player."

While the board once thought Hingham, Hull and Cohasset's interests were similar enough to allow for "piggy backing" testimony, Pratt said it is now clear that the towns may have divergent views. At public hearings in January, Hull residents questioned why they were expected to pay as much their neighbors in Hingham. Hingham, by forcing Mass-American to change the site of the water plant in town, increased the cost of the plant substantially and will at least reap the benefit of having the company on its tax rolls. Cohasset rate payers share some of these concerns as well as a skepticism that, after paying triple what they are now paying, their water will be any better.

"We have lousy brown water and low pressure now," said Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante, who wonders how much better her "treated" water will be after it has travelled through 100-year-old pipes.

Pratt too has concerns about the condition of the pipes in the North Cohasset water district, which he said were installed in the early years of the 20th century as part of a private water system serving old estates in the area.

"In my opinion, the pipes in North Cohasset are probably the most decrepit in the entire system. The district is vastly undercapitalized," he said, adding "at the end of the day, we ought to know the depreciated value of those facilities."

Submerged beneath numerous other issues facing the town such as a proposed new school, sewer system upgrades and the proposed expansion of Cohasset Heights Landfill, the water rate issue has surfaced and the board is determined to keep rate payers from getting soaked.

"Cohasset is in the thick of it now, with all kinds of issues, and guess what? We have another one," Pratt said.

Cohasset will have until tomorrow, March 15, to appeal the DPU decision.

The water rate hearings will take place starting at 10 a.m. in the 12th floor hearing room at the Department of Public Utilities at 100 Cambridge Street, Boston. For more information call the DPU at 727-3500.

Baptist Church group can continue to meet

Selectmen this week gave the Cohasset Community Church permission to continue holding a Bible study group Friday nights at the town hall.

According to the Rev. Robert Hurlbut, group has attracted about four people at each meeting.

The congregation is affiliated with the Baptist church.

Rivers Bill is topic March 26

The public is invited to an open meeting of the Gulf Association to learn about the Rivers Bill on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lightkeepers' House.

The Rivers Bill has been before the Massachusetts Legislature for five years, and has been passed by the Senate. It still faces an uphill battle in the House.

The proposed Rivers Bill will affect everyone who owns property on or near the Gulf River, and it is vital that we all be informed of its implications.

Our speakers are Paul Burns, an environmental attorney on the staff of MASSPIRG, who will speak in favor of the bill. In opposition is Stephen Ryan, associate counsel for the Massachusetts Association of Realtors.

At this meeting both sides will be represented and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

Refreshments will be served.

Snow deficit rolls on

As of Friday, March 8, not including last weekend's storm, Cohasset now has a deficit in the snow budget of $100,918.

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PICTURE THIS/Tom Gruber

Name: Tom Gruber

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Goal: To have the 20th road race/walk be the best ever!

Best vacation: Family vacations on Nantucket.

Best day of your life: My wedding day.

Biggest worry: The weather on the day of the road race & walk, Sun. March 31.

Favorite holiday: A family Christmas.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite TV show: "Mystery" and "The Victory Garden."

Favorite book: Detective stories set in the Boston area, like Spenser, Doc Adams, or John Cuddy mysteries.

Favorite junk-food: Any dessert!

Most embarrassing moment: Being in Picture this!

Person you'd most like to meet: Roger Swain, host of "The Victory Garden."

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Leap baby joins the Doggett family of Cohasset!

Hasn't **Leo's Exxon** looked dashing lately, complete with the Tiger that has been out front on the weekends? When we asked Bob Fiori what the occasion was, he replied that it was "just to show appreciation to all of our customers!" They were even passing out beautiful carnations, something that most certainly was appreciated that freezing cold day. (Mine is still going strong and as lovely as ever.) Anyway, it's time to tell the Fioris that we appreciate them, and we do!

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Hopefully you were at the game — Cohasset vs. Rockland at UMass, Boston, and saw the big win! Then, on Monday morning it was nice to open the Boston Globe and see **Coach Ron Ford** and the team on the front page as the Div. 3 champs!

Did you know those guys would make a great trivia question? They were the last Cohasset High team to play at the Boston Garden and will be the first Cohasset team to play at FleetCenter. As this column goes to the paper, we don't know how the game will turn out, but want to take the time to thank our boys for an exciting season and say thanks for all their hard work and super playing. Hope they had as much fun as we did! Good luck!

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On the subject of sports, just to let you know — spring sports start the day school reopens — Monday, March 18.

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Headline — "Leap Year baby joins the Doggett family!" **Conner Keith Doggett,** born in the last two hours of Feb. 29, is the latest grandchild of **Tom** and **Polly Doggett** of Hugh Strain Road, Cohasset. Conner is **Dana** and **Chris Doggett's** fifth child.

Despite his love for Cohasset, Dana continues to feel that Orem, Utah is the place to live and raise his family. Hopefully we will get a chance to see Conner and the rest of his family during their next visit to his grandparents' home! Congrats to all of you.

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A Bible study is taking place on Friday nights at Cohasset Town Hall. Entitled "Who is Jesus?", it runs from 7 to 8 p.m., and everyone is welcome. For more information, call 383-9761.

❑

Folks are really pleased for **Michelle Goodson,** who will finally realize her dream of opening an organic food market. It won't be in Cohasset as she had hoped, but it will be closeby in North Scituate, next to Wilbur's, so that will have to be good enough for us. I can't wait until May — that's when Michelle hopes to open her store. We will be sure to keep you informed.

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Hats off to **Don DeMichele,** who was recently promoted to senior vice president of sales and communications for Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc. That's one business that has to continue to thrive — what is a turkey without cranberries in some form?!

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If you missed it , there is still time! Signups for **Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football** and cheerleading for the fall season will be Saturday, March 16, at the main entrance of Scituate High School from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at Deer Hill School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Boys and girls ages 7 to 13 are eligible to participate in three levels of competition based on age and weight.)

For information, call Joe Hughes, who will tell you about the football program (834-6504). For cheerleading info, contact **Judy Pollard** at 545-2259.

❑

We congratulate **Mark Whitman,** a junior at Cohasset High School, who is a celebrity, especially this week. Mark auditioned for the All State Festival Chorus and scored 97 out of a possible 100 points. As a result, Mark will be part of a 250-voice choir that will perform in Danvers March 14 through 16 at the All State Festival.

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Still on the subject of music, be sure that you mark Saturday, March 23, on your calendar right now. That is the date the **Second Congregational Church** will host a coffeehouse, featuring an evening of music and humor with folksinger Eric Kilburn. He is an extremely talented artist who has produced five albums, including his latest "Detours," which was nominated for a Boston Music Award for Outstanding Folk Album. Proceeds will benefit the Appalachia Service Project. A $5 donation will be accepted at the door. There will be a variety of crafts from Appalachia for sale as well. The time is 7 to 10 p.m. Go and enjoy yourselves!

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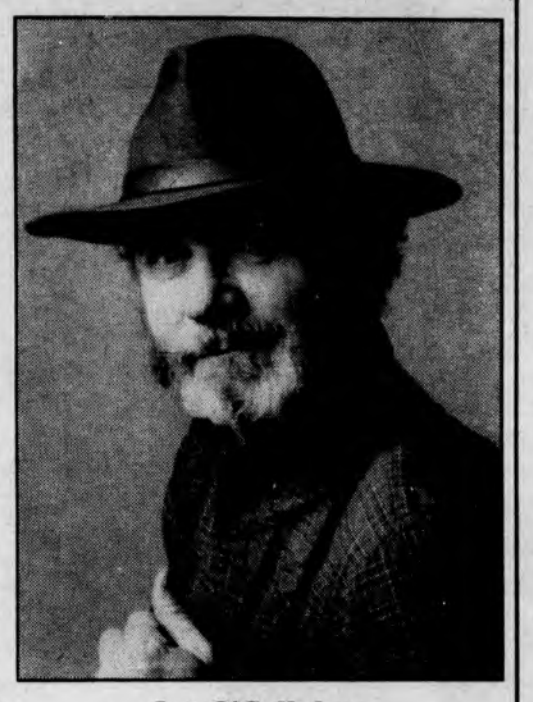
There are so many people who are away this week, hopefully having wonderful weather and a super time doing what they love best. Let's hope they will call when they get home and fill us in on their holiday delights! Please do — we are waiting to hear from you!

— Sallyann 383-0560

Family show with storyteller set for Sunday



Jay O'Callahan

Don't miss renowned storyteller Jay O'Callahan, who will present a family show on St. Patrick's Day, Sunday, March 17, at St. Stephen's Church at 2 p.m.

A native New Englander and Marshfield resident, O'Callahan draws upon his personal experiences, coming of age in the northeastern United States, to create tales of heroism and humor.

Individuals age five and older will find the show appealing, and the public is invited to attend. Tickets are $5 and are available at the Children's Exchange, South Main Street, or by calling St. Stephen's at 383-1083.

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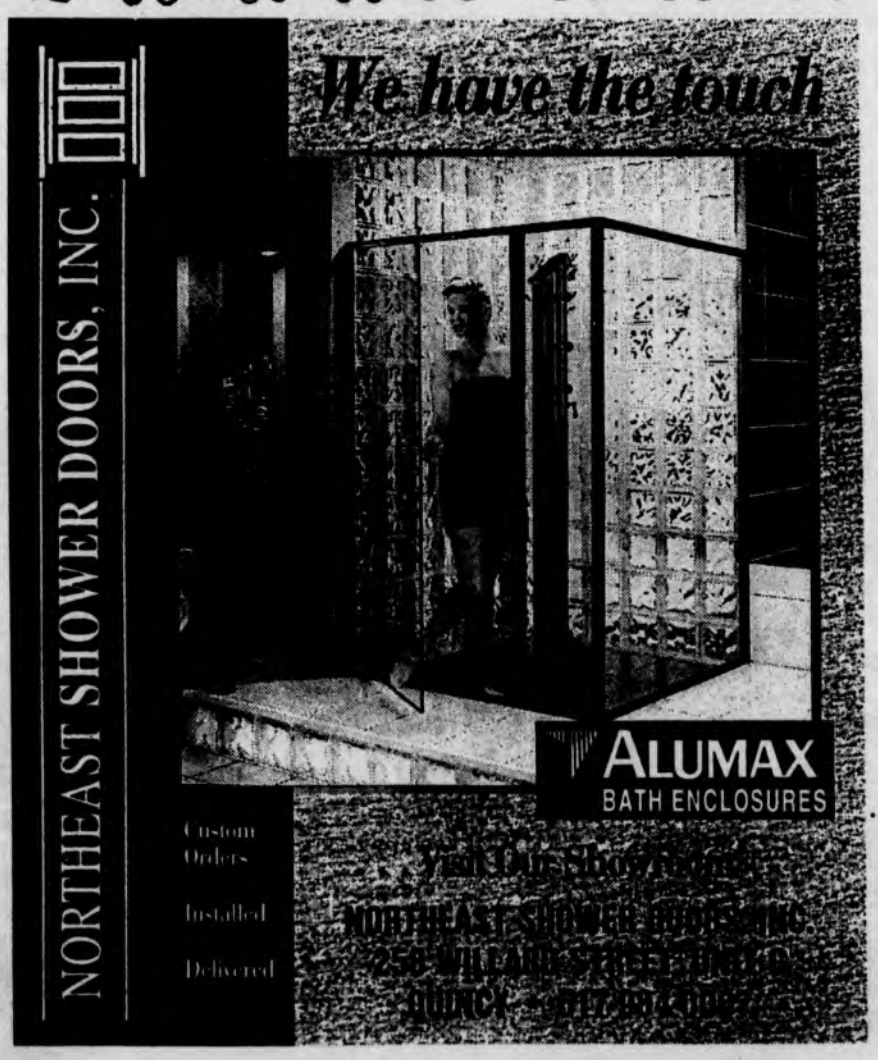

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Engagements

Schiffmann/ Walsh

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Schiffmann of Milton announce the engagement of their daughter, Roseann Schiffmann, to Richard C. Walsh, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Walsh III of Cohasset and Vero Beach, Fla.

Potolicchio/ O'Neil

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Potolicchio of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Dina-Leigh Potolicchio, to John D. O'Neil, the son of Joan D. O'Neil of Rye Beach, N.H. and Edward T. O'Neil III of Boston.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cohasset High School and the University of Rhode Island and received a master's degree from Northeastern University in communicative disorders. She is a speech pathologist with Boston Public Schools.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Belmont Hill School and the University of New Hampshire and is employed by Alexander and Alexander, Inc.

A November wedding is planned.

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Obituaries

Alice W. Badger

Summered in Sandy Cove

Alice Wetherbee Badger, 93, died Feb. 11 at The Arbors in Shelburne, Vt. after a long illness.

Mrs. Badger, the daughter of Winthrop and Alice (Clark) Wetherbee, was born in Boston and graduated from the Winsor School. She was a social worker before her marriage to Theodore Badger, a physician, who predeceased her in 1980. They lived in Chestnut Hill, Mass. and summered at Sandy Cove, Cohasset for more than 50 years, where Dr. Badger was an active participant in community affairs.

Boston antiquities, history, genealogy, gardening, conservation and birding were among Mrs. Badger's many interests. She was one of the oldest living members of the Massachusetts Audubon Society. She belonged to the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, Colonial Dames of America, Massachusetts Historical Society and the Society of Mayflower Descendants.

Pursuant to her interest in genealogy, she published a book in 1982 entitled "Four Ancestral Lines and Descendants of Erastus Beethoven and Fanny Babcock (Campbell) Badger and a monograph, "Some Descendants of the Early Welds Who Settled in the Boston Area."

In the book Mrs. Badger published, she describes the relationship of the family to the history of Minot's Light. She quoted from the diary of Dr. Badger's grandfather, Erastus Badger, in 1909: "April 16, 1851 was the high tide when Minot's Ledge Iron Frame light was swept away with the loss of two keepers. We lived at 24 Bridge Street and the water was so high it came into our kitchen and put out the Fire in our cooking stove. It was a terrible storm."

She writes further: "Later this hurricane was recorded as having the highest tide ever known for the City of Boston.

"E.B. Badger's company, Hicks and Badger, Coppersmiths and Sheet Metal Workers, worked on the rebuilding of the lighthouse at Minot's Ledge. (Mr. Badger's name was found on the copper sheathing of the lighthouse dome when it was repaired a few years ago.)

"Badger, who was 32 at the time, was the youngest of the group of workers whom he supervised. But he undertook to row them the mile and a half from the nearest point of land to the lighthouse each day, thereby wearing out the seat of his trousers!

"Erastus Badger recorded between 20 August and 15 November, 1860, 'Lighted the Lamp on Minot ledge light House for the first time. Cpt. B.S. Alexander US Engineer was there.' The lighthouse was officially lighted the evening of 15 November 1860, when the two keepers took charge."

In the '70s, Dr. and Mrs. Badger helped locate the original bell from the lighthouse that had been sold to a church in Bethel, Maine and now stands on Government Island in Cohasset.

Mrs. Badger was known for her wit and charm and an inimitable sense of humor, for her "green thumb" and for her outgoing nature.

She leaves two daughters, Martha B. Simpson of Bloomfield, Ct. and Ann B. Emery and her husband, Stanley, of South Burlington; six grandchildren and many nieces and nephews, including Priscilla Dewey Houghton of Cohasset.

Memorial gifts may be made to the Massachusetts Audubon Society, Lincoln, Mass.

A memorial service will be held April 20 in the Church of the Redeemer, Chestnut Hill.

Anna Lawrence

Lifelong resident

Anna J. (Faria) Lawrence, 90, of Cohasset, died March 9 at Logan Health Care Facility, Weymouth.

Mrs. Lawrence, a lifelong resident of Cohasset and a graduate of Cohasset High School, was a member of the Cohasset Senior Citizens.

She was the wife of the late Bernard Lawrence and leaves a sister, Christine Devereaux of Winthrop and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated March 12 in St. Anthony's Church.

Arrangements were made by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home,

Donations in Mrs. Lawrence's memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Bereavement support offered

The Hingham Visiting Nurse will offer a seven-week Bereavement Support Group on Thursdays from 7 to 8:30 p.m., beginning March 28, at the HVNA office, 10 Downer Ave., Hingham. The group will focus on helping people cope with grief and loss, and is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a family member or friend within the past year.

Grace Lettis, coordinator of bereavement services, will facilitate the meeting. There is no charge for the series, but preregistration is required because space is limited. For more information or to register, call the Hingham Visiting Nurse at 749-1160.

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EDITORIAL

Half a loaf for North Cohasset

North Cohasset folk haven't needed much of a voice about water issues until now.

When the taps started to go dry in town due to Cohasset's antiquated system of pipes and pumps two summers ago — North Cohasset residents, who get Hingham water, happily stayed out of the news.

Now the 600 or so Cohasset homes in the north end of town are no longer on the sidelines.

Those homeowners are faced with soaring water rates because of improvements, including a new water plant on Main Street in Hingham, being installed by Mass. American Water Company which also supplies water to Hull.

Now, thanks to some outspoken citizens who demanded attention — our town and state officials have worked overtime in recent days to make sure the interests of North Cohasset are represented at the Department of Public Utilities hearings on the water rate hike.

Our state legislators, Mary Jeanette Murray and Bob Hedlund, implored the governor's office to intervene with DPU chiefs and, as Selectmen Peter Pratt says, "won half a loaf for the town."

Cohasset officials, who had been excluded from participation because they missed the filing date, may now submit written and oral statements but cannot ask questions.

Selectmen have authorized new town counsel to make an appearance at the hearing today and secure the town's right to file an appeal to this DPU ruling.

As Mr. Pratt explained this is not a simple issue. Hull is mad that its being made to help pay the extra costs incurred when, at the town of Hingham's request, Mass. American increased the cost of the project by moving the water plant from its original site. Initially our selectmen believed Cohasset could "piggy-back" its testimony onto Hingham's and Hull's, but now that may not serve the town's best interest.

There are clearly some unanswered questions.

Cohasset may feel the same as Hull does about the increased cost. And the North Cohasset distribution system, dating to the early part of this century, is one of the oldest around, according to Mr. Pratt, who says there should be some depreciation there.

Being embroiled in a myriad of other issues — such as Cohasset Heights, the proposed new school, sewer upgrades, and our own town water capitalization project — is no excuse for our officials to ignore this one.

We're glad the citizens of North Cohasset spoke up and brought the problem to the forefront . Although our elected officials had to play catch up, they have promised not to drop the ball on this matter again.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sewer article is unfair to some

To the Editor:

I am responding to the Strait's Pond Sewer article on page 24 in the March 7 edition of the Cohasset Mariner. It is important for the residents of Cohasset to know that as currently proposed, the town will require all existing homes within the proposed sewering areas to be hooked up, regardless of the condition of their septic system.

In 1992, I was required to construct a septic system by the Town of Cohasset because my house had a failed cess-pool. The septic system was designed anticipating the adoption of Title V by the state. The cost of this system was $32,000 and there was no option to wait for a pending sewer.

In February, I was informed by Ted Guild, sewer commissioner, that my house was now included in the Straits Pond sewer area and that I will be forced to abandon my system, hire a contractor to remove the existing tank and install a pipe connection through ledge to the street and be subject to betterment charges of a yet undetermined amount. Current $16,000 estimates do not account for ledge, and will ultimately be assessed at the end of construction.

While the benefits of the proposed sewer system hold true for those properties with failed or antiquated systems, they do not hold true for those few properties with newly constructed systems. The goal of cleaning up town watersheds seems to be contradicted by a proposal to demolish these new systems while other failing systems in the same area remain without sewer options.

Please do not support a sewer proposal which forces abandonment of a few newly constructed private systems. A sewer commission which cannot address this inequity by exempting such systems should not be granted authority to assess unchecked betterment charges on its residents.

Alex Adkins
33 Black Rock Road

It's time to warm up your souls

To the Editor:

Being a transplanted Southerner, I am still learning how to conform to the New England way of life. After four years, I feel somewhat connected and yet certain experiences bring me back to my original Southern roots. My experience on a chilly January morning is a perfect example.

With my two babies in the back seat, both bundled and sleeping, we sat at a red light on the corner of Beechwood and 3A, when unfortunately my car stalled and refused to restart. With the temperature reading eight degrees and the babies asleep, I had no choice but to turn on my flashers, utilize my car phone, call AAA and a friend to pick us up. In the meantime, I was positively stunned to find car after car after car rudely honking, screeching their brakes and yelling out their windows at me. By the time I caught my frigid breath, I was horrified at the lack of cooperation for a woman obviously in distress in a stalled car, dangerously low temperatures and sleeping children in the back seat. As I sat there I counted 17 cars drive by, each one more annoyed than the other, using foul language, rolling their windows down, with one woman feeling compelled to get out of her car, knock on my window and ask me what I thought I was doing blocking traffic. When after 20 minutes a red Volvo station wagon pulled up beside me, I was hesitant to respond, but luckily my belief in human kindness was rekindled when she ask if she could help. (Thank you!)

As our winter drags on and freezes the ground, the puddles and reservoirs, I challenge you to not let it freeze your compassion for people. With the fast pace life of the Northeast, I challenge you to slow down, do something generous for someone or for your surroundings. The next time you see a car in distress, reach out and help, either by a nice gesture, a phone call or a wave. Don't turn into your current surroundings: cold, bitter and frigid. Think of the warmth of the summer, the majestic ocean, the breathtaking views from Cohasset and warm up your souls. In the South, we may be slow, but we are kind, compassionate and generous and would never let a mother with small children stay in a cold car on the side of a road for any length of time, much less give her grief.

Jane M. Forrer
5 Diab Lane

More letters on page 13

Question of the Week

The following candidates responded to the Question of the Week:

• **Selectmen candidates**: public records are just that [illegible]lic. What would you do to make sure that the press and local residents aren't stymied in their efforts for access to these documents?

Ronnie McMorris, selectman

An informed electorate makes good decisions. The ability of the public and the press to access documents is key to staying informed.

I don't know to what extent, if any, it is difficult for individuals to obtain information in Cohasset. If there are problems, I offer three suggestions to ease the flow of information:

• Because of the increasing complexity of town government, the Board of Selectmen and other town officials rely more on town counsel for guidelines defining a public document.

• Members of the Board of Selectmen should stay attuned to residents attending the meetings and watching at home who don't have information packets. Just a few statements on what's being considered can help the public better understand what's being discussed.

• All town officials should take on the responsibility of making sure residents are comfortable approaching them with their concerns.

As a member of the board, I will stress the importance of keeping residents informed by making sure documents in Town Hall are readily available. We're fortunate to have citizens who work hard to keep on top of the issues. Let's encourage participation, public debate and decision making in the public arena.

Nan Roth, selectman

Town records must be accessible to the public. State regulations clearly require that town officials make public documents available within 10 days of the date of request.

As selectman, I would work closely with the Executive Secretary to ensure that the town is in full compliance with these regulations. Logs with dates of the request and the status of fulfillment must be kept. Currently packets of materials for selectmen's meetings are provided to the press. I would make additional copies of materials available for the public at meetings.

Draft documents must be clearly marked to avoid misunderstandings or incorrect publicity about important issues under consideration. Legal documents involving ongoing litigation are sensitive and may be withheld upon legal opinion in accordance with the law.

As citizens, we benefit from full compliance with open disclosure requirements. We have the right to know what transpires in our town government. A well-informed electorate helps officials govern in a democratic manner.

Martha Gjesteby, selectman

The current Board of Selectmen has been criticized for unprofessional behavior. This usually refers to the time when some of my colleagues publicly criticized me for having made a document available to the press. They felt the document should remain secret and wanted to have me "censored." I thought the document should be public according to the open meeting law and I acted accordingly. History shows that when the matter was presented to the Secretary of State, it was ruled that both the meeting and the document were and should be public.

I mention this matter, not to reopen old problems but to show that I always have been dedicated to the open meeting law and the public's right to know. I intend to continue this practice to serve the people of Cohasset well.

• **School committee candidates**: the high school auditorium hasn't been refurbished since it was built in 1950, Supt. Stephen Hart told selectmen last week. In light of this and other deteriorating school facilities, do you think the school department has a long-range plan to cope with capital improvements? What contribution would you make to this effort?

Rick Shea, school committee

The School Committee has an appropriate plan that outlines the schools' long-range capital requirements. The challenges faced by the School Committee are to incorporate those requirements into the townwide capital plan, to communicate those plans to the town's residents and to finance that capital plan, while maintaining stability in the tax rate.

The financing of the town's capital needs is a complex task that will take a positive cooperative team effort among the town's boards and committees and creative new ideas. I will provide leadership in this effort by working with the Advisory Board, the Selectmen, the Town Accountant and with other town boards to prioritize capital improvements and devise a long-range financing plan.

The schools' capital plans and any capital spending warrant articles should be fully discussed prior to the annual Town Meeting. I have proposed the reinstatement of a "warrant review" meeting for this purpose.

In addition, the School Committee must seek innovative solutions. For capital improvements that reduce future operating costs, lease financing may be appropriate. For certain other school capital projects, alternative sources of funding should be sought to supplement town funds. While a school committee member, I will continue to work with the Cohasset Education Foundation to identify supplemental private funds.

Keith F. Knowles, school committee

During the last few months, the lack of both capital planning and the routine maintenance/improvement of our existing school facilities has become obvious. The report of the engineers hired by the School Facilities Committee and released last Fall expressed surprise at the lack of chemical treatment of the boilers in all three schools. This routine and inexpensive process inhibits corrosion and adds years to the life of a boiler, yet the school administration has seen fit to ignore this simple preventive maintenance procedure. Osgood School was allowed to deteriorate to the point that it became unusable, not through lack of funds, but through lack of attention.

At a recent School Committee meeting, those in attendance were informed that funds appropriated for maintenance and repair are often utilized for other more important educational purposes. To whit: money allocated for new windows at Osgood at least seven years ago was never expended for that purpose.

As a member of the school committee, I would insist on a specific capital and maintenance budget being submitted by each administrator and that each administrator be held accountable for maintaining the facilities put in their trust. I would also insist that a capital projection of at least three years be submitted and updated annually.

We should never again allow a school facility to deteriorate as Osgood has, nor should the taxpayer ever again be forced into the circumstances we have experienced during the last two months. Every dollar allocated for maintenance and improvements must be used for that purpose.

Owen O'Malley, school committee

If the school department has an adequate long-range plan to cope with capital improvements, it should have made it public several years ago. This action would have obviated much of the criticism of the new school proposal.

To have a long-range plan of capital improvements requires vision and courage. Unfortunately, men and women who possess these qualities either don't run for public office, or if they do run, don't get elected.

Apparently, many of us voters prefer short-term gains and gratification to long-term growth and development. The latter course requires sacrifice and honesty.

• **Treasurer-collector candidates**: it's a hassle getting billed quarterly for property taxes. Would you support returning to a semi-annual billing system? Why or why not?

Patricia Anne Walsh, treasurer-collector

Braintree, Marshfield, Quincy and Weymouth as well as Cohasset mail quarterly real estate tax bills four times per year. Hingham, Holbrook and Scituate mail quarterly bills two times a year, with two bills in the same envelope. Only Hull and Randolph, of neighboring communities, send real estate bills two times per year.

The reason treasurer-collectors are allowed under the law to bill more than once per year is that it evens out cash flows for the towns and saves money in not having to borrow on a short-term basis, which meant a substantial interest expense when real estate taxes were collected less frequently and it was necessary to borrow from banks to pay bills.

Moreover, mortgage lenders are required under state law to withhold real estate tax escrow payments for borrowers who put less than 30 percent down. The statute requires that lenders pay interest on these escrow accounts. One percent is the fairly standard arrangement. If the towns collect the money, they save the short-term borrowing at a higher percent, which would ultimately be a budget cost passed on to owners in higher taxes.

Several friends in towns where the bills are not mailed quarterly, but who receive two bills in the same envelope, have told me they have "misplaced" the second bill or "forgotten" to pay on time and been liable for interest payments to the town.

I would not change the Cohasset system unless a majority of all real estate taxpayers, after understanding short-term borrowing expenses, voted for a change.

Joe Buckley, treasurer-collector

To some of us, it certainly is a hassle being billed quarterly for our real estate tax bills. However, before I would support returning to semi-annual billing, I would want to study the cash flow of the town. By increasing the return on investments and stretching payment of bills, we may be able to change the payment schedule. However, it is most important to reduce borrowing by the town.

Quarterly payments affect people differently. People who make escrow payments with their mortgage payments are not bothered by either method. People who live on a fixed income may find quarterly payments more convenient.

I am glad this question came up, because for some time I have been concerned for another group of taxpayers. They are senior citizens living in Cohasset with very low monthly incomes ($700 to $1,100). If they are a couple, they may pay $440 a month for health insurance and their tax could be more than $200 monthly. They have great difficulty trying to save enough money to pay their real estate taxes. Even though they try to save some money every month, something will come up (like eating) and they will dip into the savings. When the tax bill comes, they really have to scramble to make payment. It would be nice if they could pay into an escrow account every month for their real estate tax payment.

Wigmore A. Pierson, treasurer-collector

I believe that the current quarterly billing system for property taxes should remain in place, pending a full review by the new Treasurer-Collector, the Advisory Committee and the Board of Selectmen.

Unless compelling reasons are brought forth in such a review, there are no immediately apparent reasons to make a change, especially since the quarterly collection of property taxes was adopted by the town only a few years ago.

Former Treasurer-Collector Elizabeth Ripley has said that the present quarterly system has reduced borrowing costs, improved cash flow and has been a factor in reducing delinquency rates of outstanding taxes due.

There are already too many issues causing alarm and distress among the citizens of Cohasset. Let the quarterly collection of property taxes remain in place for the time being.

Question of the Week:

Each week, the Cohasset Mariner will pose a question to the candidates. Responses to the question may be dropped off at Cohasset News on Brook Street or mailed to the Cohasset Mariner, 165 Enterprise Dr., Marshfield 02050. Or they may be FAXed to our Hingham office at 617-740-8955. All responses must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Responses to the candidates must be brief — a 250 word limit. Articles which exceed the limit will be cut. So be specific and make every word count.

If you have any questions about this election policy, please call editor Mary Ford at 749-0031.

The Question of the Week is:

• **For selectmen candidates**: do you think it's time that Cohasset hired a town manager? Why or why not?

• **For school committee candidates**: what in your view is the chief benefit of the education reform act? The biggest detriment?

• **For treasurer-collector candidates**: the treasurer-collector's office is closed to the public on Wednesdays. If elected, would you support a change in that policy?

• **For water commission candidates**: do you think heavy residential water users should be charged a higher rate for water used in excess of what the average household uses?

• **For sewer commission candidates**: how has the sewer problem affected business in the village? Will restrictions be lifted when the upgraded sewer plant comes on line?

• **For planning board candidates**: how important is it for planning board members to understand the town's zoning by-laws?

• **For health board candidates:** Cohasset recycles about 38 percent of its trash, some towns do much better. What steps should the health board take to encourage more recycling?

Question of the Week

• **Planning board candidates**: other towns, like Hingham and Hanover, have a full-time planning administrator on staff. Is there a need for a position like this in Cohasset?

Terry Atherton, planning board

There is no question that the addition of a full-time planning administrator would be of some benefit to the town. However, the creation of a new, full-time position would also increase costs in a period when the budgets for most other town departments are being cut. Unless the need for such a new position can be clearly demonstrated, it just wouldn't make sense to burden the town with this additional expense.

While other towns such as Hingham and Hanover have established positions for full-time planning administrators, Cohasset differs from these other towns in several ways.

First, Cohasset is smaller. Hingham, for example, has a population nearly three times that of Cohasset. As a result, the scale of the planning function is also smaller.

Second, the amount of land available for new development is severely constrained by the extensive amount of ledge and wetlands areas that exist in Cohasset. As a result, only a minimal amount of new development is possible unless there is a major increase in sewer capacity.

Third, Cohasset has a very well established set of zoning by-laws that prescribe the requirements that must be met for site plan approval. The planning board's role is typically limited to making minor changes to these by-laws from time to time.

If in the future, planning activities are subject to more rigorous regulatory review, a full-time planning administrator may become a necessity. At the present time, however, it would be difficult to justify the added expense.

Mike Mullin, planning board

I do not believe Cohasset needs a full-time town planner at this time. Hingham and Hanover are both larger towns with more commercial and residential development.

As seen by the candidates in this year's election, our town has a great number of talented, caring individuals who are willing to donate their time and resources to aid the town in making intelligent, informed decisions. In light of the current issues and needs in town, it does not seem fiscally sound to spend additional dollars for a job that's already being done.

Creating a new position will not resolve the current issues. The town boards need to work more closely together — sharing information and resources — to solve the current challenges and prepare for future growth.

• **Sewer commission candidates**:how did Cohasset get into this fix with the state ordering it to correct its sewer problems in the first place?

Ted Guild, sewer commission

The Cohasset Wastewater Treatment Plant was one of the first secondary treatment plants in the Commonwealth. It was, therefore, somewhat surprising that in 1975 Cohasset received Citation No. 1, under the (then) recently enacted Massachusetts Clean Waters Act, long before a number of notorious harbor polluters such as Boston, Lynn and Gloucester.

Basically, Cohasset was cited for a series of minor permit violations. At that time, the town could have corrected those violations, but for whatever reason, the town did not. By late 1979, the state became impatient and took Cohasset to court, which ordered fines for Cohasset at a rate of $10,000 per day.

In early 1980, the state and town negotiated an "Agreement for Judgment" under which Cohasset agreed to build a large central sewer plant. Cohasset was also forced to pay a token fine of $10,000 (one day).

Subsequently, a series of Town Meetings over the years voted consistently not to implement this project, and in 1994, we were able to negotiate a new agreement with the state. This directs Cohasset to investigate three basic alternatives and to recommend how wastewater disposal should be handled for the entire town.

We have now reached the final stages of this investigation, and the sewer commissioners have submitted several warrant articles for the March 30 special Town Meeting to implement the first segment (the Straits Pond/Hull Street area). We expect to submit the final segment to the 1997 annual Town Meeting.

• **Water commission candidates**: what will you do to help restore public confidence in the water department after two summers of dry taps due to distribution problems?

John P. Rafferty, water commission

Public confidence in the Water Department has increased over the past year as the water commissioners initiated needed distribution system repairs. I would plan to formalize a better long-term capital planning process and would initiate a more pro-active communication and education program to give residents a better understanding of critical issues important to them.

The new Forest Avenue extension improved water quality and pressure in areas of North Cohasset significantly last summer. This summer, further improvements to core distribution mains will improve water service to a wider customer base. We must continue to replace or clean mains on an orderly basis to avoid future surprises and to minimize lost revenues from leakage. A well-communicated capital budget plan should help raise understanding of key financial issues and increase confidence in management.

Many residents lack a full understanding of existing water quality and of the relative cost of our water. We should increase efforts to educate residents on just how clean our water is and on how our water rates compare to other communities. Many residents think Cohasset water tastes poorly. There are reasons why the water does not taste good even though it is of high quality. We need to educate residents on the options they have to improve taste. We should also poll residents on issues that concern them and respond accordingly.

Public confidence is often increased with good communication.

Candidates Corner

McMorris plans coffees

Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris, a candidate for the Cohasset Board of Selectmen, has three events scheduled to meet with voters in residents' home.

On Wednesday, March 20, at 9:30 a.m., a coffee will be held at the home of Victoria Hurley. This is an informal event, open to anyone who would like to meet or talk with the candidate.

Sue McNamara will host a coffee for neighbors and friends on Wednesday, March 20, from 4 to 6 p.m.

Edwin "Ned" Tebbetts is holding a coffee on Tuesday, March 26 at 8 p.m. for the candidate.

Anyone interested in attending any of these events may call 383-1219 or 383-9289.

Nan Roth plans coffees

The Committee to Elect Nan Roth to the Board of Selectmen will hold coffees every Sunday until Election Day. Anyone who would like to meet Roth and discuss her views on town government is welcome to attend and should call coffee chairmen Margie Steele (383-1319) or Ann Whelan (383-0034) for times and locations.

Candidates' night is slated

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce's next scheduled meeting is its annual "Candidates' Night," which will be held Thursday, March 21, at 7 p.m., at the Second Congregational Church.

The program will begin promptly at 7 p.m. so as to allow all the candidates a chance to present themselves and also to field questions from the audience. In addition to the seated audience, there will also be a viewing audience present via a live airing on our local cable station.

Each candidate can expect to have up to five minutes to present their positions to the business community and to the community at large. Competitors for the same office will follow one another alphabetically. Once all of the presentations for a particular office have been made, the audience will be invited to ask specific questions of those candidates. A chamber member will moderate the answer and rebuttal time in an effort to provide an equal forum for each participant and to insure a timely progression to the next group of candidates.

Ulmer announces run for board of health

Dr. Kevin M. Ulmer of 30 Margin St. has announced his candidacy for the open seat on the board of health.

"Anyone who has attended the recent hearings on the proposed expansion of the Cohasset Heights Limited landfill or watched on channel 3 will recognize how technical these deliberations have become. My broad scientific background in biology, chemistry, physics and oceanographic sciences will add an important new dimension to the board at this critical time," cites Ulmer. "I have been actively opposed to both the expansion and the continuing operation of CHL for several years now. Based on my own scientific analysis, the landfill poses a very real threat to the public health for generations to come."

Ulmer will bring a very unique combination of scientific skills to the board. He received his B.A. with Highest Honors in both physics and biology from Williams College in 1972, graduating Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa in only three years. Dr. Ulmer's Ph.D. was awarded in 1978 by the Joint Program in Biological Oceanography of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. His professional career in biotechnology started with his position as vice president for advanced technology with the Genex Corporation in Gaithersburg, Md., from 1979 to 1985. Genex was one of the original four genetic engineering firms. From 1985 to 1987, Dr. Ulmer served as the founding director of the Center for Advanced Research in Biotechnology, which is a joint center of the University of Maryland and the National Institute for Standards and Technology. In 1987, Dr. Ulmer returned to Cohasset to found SEQ, Ltd., the first of the genomics companies to evolve out of the Human Genome Project. He currently serves as executive vice-president and chief scientific officer for SEQ.

Dr. Ulmer is married with three children and also became a director of the Cohasset Education Foundation in 1995.

Cohasset town committee election results

REPUBLICANS		Samuel R. Pease	360	Susan Kent	101
Totals		Douglas R. Peck	347	Dorothy A. Keville	109
Group	274	Dennis L. Roth	346	Frederick R. Koed	142
Mark A. Baker	329	Matthew R. Steele	365	Patricia A. Laugelle	133
Patricia C. Buckley	422	Grace R. Tuckerman	366	Agnes McCann	107
R. Murray Campbell	375	Judith P. Volungis	369	Donna J. McGee	139
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Osgood School should be replaced

To the Editor:

It was with great regret that I heard the outcome of the special town election, rejecting the proposal to replace the Osgood School and renovate the Deer Hill School. Just because the entire $13.4 million proposal was rejected, however, does not mean that this is a dead issue. On the contrary, I believe that now is the time for citizens on both sides of the school issue to work together to find a viable alternative to deal with our present situation of overcrowding and deteriorating facilities at the Osgood School. Now is the time to rally in support of replacing, NOT renovating, the Osgood School.

The Osgood School is of wood frame construction; it has an inadequate fire detection system; it has no sprinkler system. To say that this building is a tragedy waiting to happen is an understatement. I believe it is in no one's best interest to merely put a $2,100,000 "bandaid" on a building that is obsolete, as was recently proposed at a meeting of the School Committee. As taxpayers, we will not be reimbursed by the state for any renovations; in the future, when Osgood is inevitably replaced, the cost will be greater — we will be throwing good money after bad. Right now, the bond market is favorable; interest rates are low; and 60 percent state reimbursement is probable. Down the road, this favorable climate may not exist, in which case, the burden to us as taxpayers will be greater.

As a community, our first priority should be the education of our children, in a safe, structurally-sound and pleasant environment. As property owners and taxpayers, we must acknowledge that a sound educational system is one of the primary factors supporting our property values. It is in the best interest of our entire town to maintain our educational facilities. Had the original override proposal passed, the increased tax burden for the median house ($242,000) in Cohasset would have been $111. This is less that $10 per month; between $2 and $3 per week. A revised plan to replace only the Osgood School would cost even less.

At that price, can we, the citizens of Cohasset, honestly afford NOT to replace the Osgood School?

Replacing the Osgood School is not a possibility or even a probability; it is an inevitability. I urge you all, as concerned parents, citizens and taxpayers, to encourage our town leaders to readdress the issue of replacing the Osgood School. I believe that this is an alternative with which we can all live.

Margaret Neeser Hillman
21 Norfolk Rd.

Thanks for spelling bee support

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Education Foundation would like to offer a very sincere thank you to all of the individuals and businesses who contributed to the enormous success of the Second Annual Cohasset Spelling Bee.

Because of the help from so many different people, the CEF was able to exceed their goal for this event, and raised more than $5,000. In addition to the businesses and individuals who sponsored an entire team, there were many people who gave whatever they were able toward a neighborhood team, and for this kind of support, we are deeply grateful. There is not enough space to list all of the people who helped make the evening so much fun and so successful, but to the spellers, judges, donors, and everyone else involved — many, many thanks.

Pam Speed
The Cohasset Education Foundation

Church to hold potluck suppers

The Beechwood Congregational Church will host potluck suppers during the next several months. Following each supper, a segment of the "Life on the Edge" video series by Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family will be presented.

The series offers a powerful presentation that equips teens and those who associate with them with the necessary skills for successfully dealing with the challenges of adulthood.

The suppers will begin at 6 p.m. in Merritt Hall at the church, followed by a video showing at 7 p.m.

The following programs will be offered:

March 21—"The Myth of Safe Sex"; April 18— "Love Must Be Tough"; May 16—"The Keys to a Lifelong Love"; June 20—"Emotions: Can You Trust Them?"; July 18—"When God Doesn't Make Sense"; Aug. 15—"Pornography: Addictive, Progressive and Deadly."

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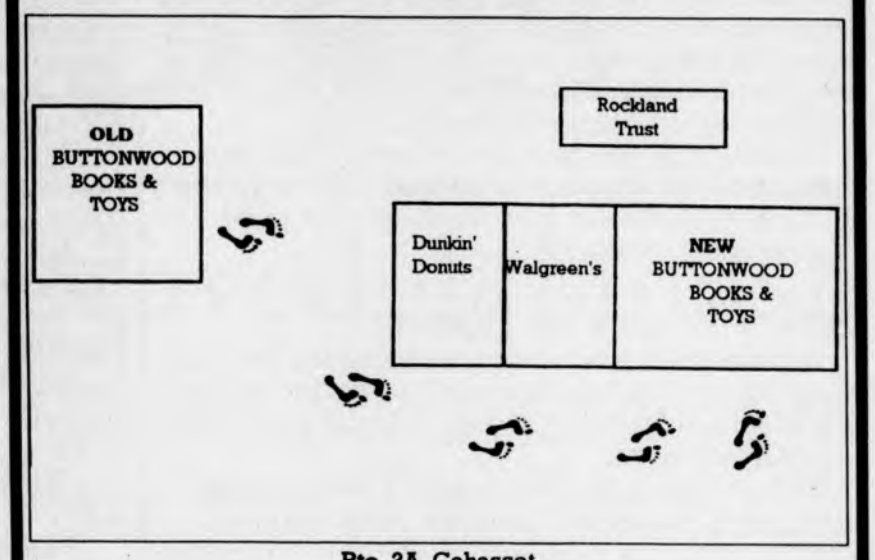

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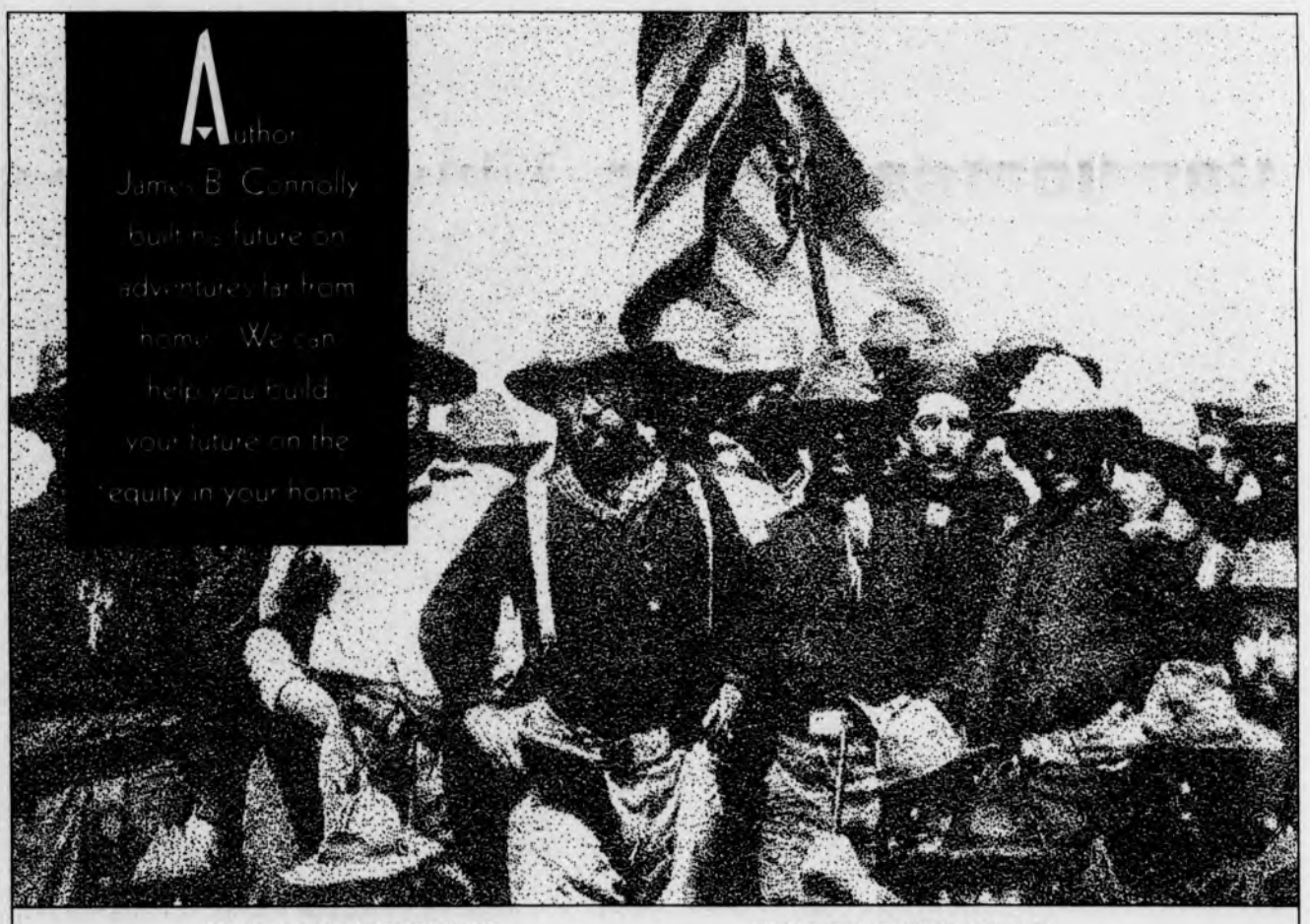

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It's Happening

Election supper to be held

The Beechwood Congregational Church is holding an Election Supper on Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. The supper has been a church tradition for more than 75 years. Candidates are welcome to come early to chat with constituents in a relaxed atmosphere, with each candidate introduced before dinner is served.

A family-style roast beef dinner, beverage and dessert will be featured. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are $6.99 for adults and $3.50 for children. To make reservations, call 383-1298.

Story hours at library

Registrations are being accepted for Spring Preschool Story Hour at Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The sessions will be held on Thursdays and Fridays at 10 a.m., beginning March 21 and 22.

Each 45-minute program consists of several picture book stories and simple fingerplays, songs and crafts. Children must be at least 3-1/2 to participate. To register, call the library at 383-1348.

Classes offered at center

Quincy College and Cohasset Elder Affairs are offering classes at Cohasset Community Center.

"Broadway Here We Come!" will be taught by Steve Dooner. Broadway musicals will be explored through recordings, videos and in-class performances. ($39/$25 seniors, for four Tuesdays, beginning April 2, from 9 to 11 a.m.)

Jennifer Laiks will hold a "Women's Writing From Around the World" workshop, where some of the most exciting new voices in today's literature will be discussed. ($75/$25 seniors, for eight Fridays, beginning April 12, from 2 to 4 p.m.)

"Investing for Today & Tomorrow" with instructor Joan O'Neil-Zona will meet for three Wednesdays, beginning May 1, from 9 to 11 a.m. Income-producing investments, common stocks, mutual funds and variable annuities will be discussed. ($39/family, $25 seniors)

Steve O'Brien is currently leading a class on "World War II Remembered" on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Ballroom Dancing in the Big Bank Era" will be offered by AnnMarie Cuff of Arthur Murray Dance Studio, Boston. ($49/$25 seniors)

Maureen Kiley will lead a two-hour workshop, "Feeling Good About Me," on Tuesday, May 7, from 9 to 11 a.m. Participants will learn to celebrate their "differentness" through laughter, sharing experiences and group discussion. ($12/$5 seniors)

CHS to host English night

The Cohasset High School English department, with the help of the PSO, will host a special English Night on Tuesday, March 19, at 7:15 p.m. at the high school. There will be opening remarks by English department heads Ed Leary and Ron Emmons.

All parents of present and future students are invited to learn about a variety of topics, ranging from writing programs offered and tips on the SAT I to Advanced Placement English and the team approach utilized in Grade 7. The results of a survey of recent graduates will also be available.

The evening will conclude with refreshments and an informal discussion at 9 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Antiques show and sale

The ninth annual Antiques Show and Sale will be held at Hingham Junior High School on Saturday, March 23, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on Sunday, March 24, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The popular event is sponsored by South Elementary PTO, and proceeds will benefit the school's children through the purchase of needed curriculum and technology items.

Antique dealers from New England will display and sell their wares. There will also be a raffle, home-baked items and light fare offered at reasonable prices.

Admission is $3.50 for adults, with children under 12 admitted free when accompanied by an adult. For further information, call the show co-chairs at 740-2351 or 749-8992.

Order daffodils for spring!

Due to severe cold weather on the West Coast, the American Cancer Society's delivery of 3 million fresh daffodils will be delayed by one week in many parts of Massachusetts.

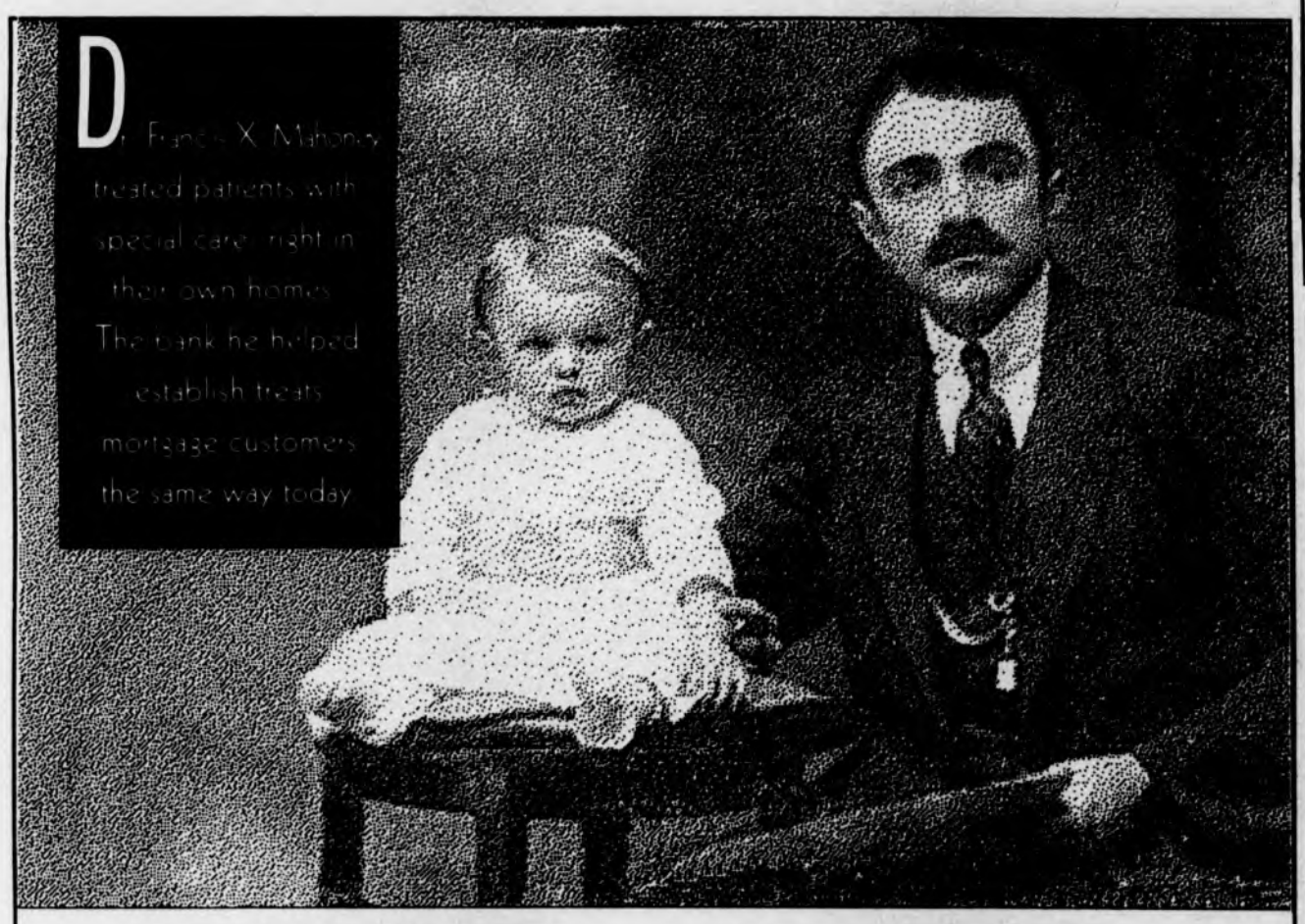
Therefore, the daffodil order period has been extended until March 15. Sales benefit American Cancer Society programs.

In most parts of the state, the blooms will arrive March 26-31. Anyone wishing to order daffodils may call the local ACS office.

SAT prep offered March 26

The South Shore Community Center is offering SAT preparation in math and English on March 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. for five weeks.

The course provides a review of basic skills in preparation for college boards. Class size is limited in order to tailor the program to the students' needs. Call 383-0088 to reserve a space.



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Mariner Sports

Reynolds named most improved gymnast

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

There were no Mo Vaughns on this winter's Cohasset High gymnastics team.

As important as Vaughn was in helping lead the Boston Red Sox to the American League East title last season, every one of the Skipper gymnasts were just as important for their squad's third consecutive South Shore League title.

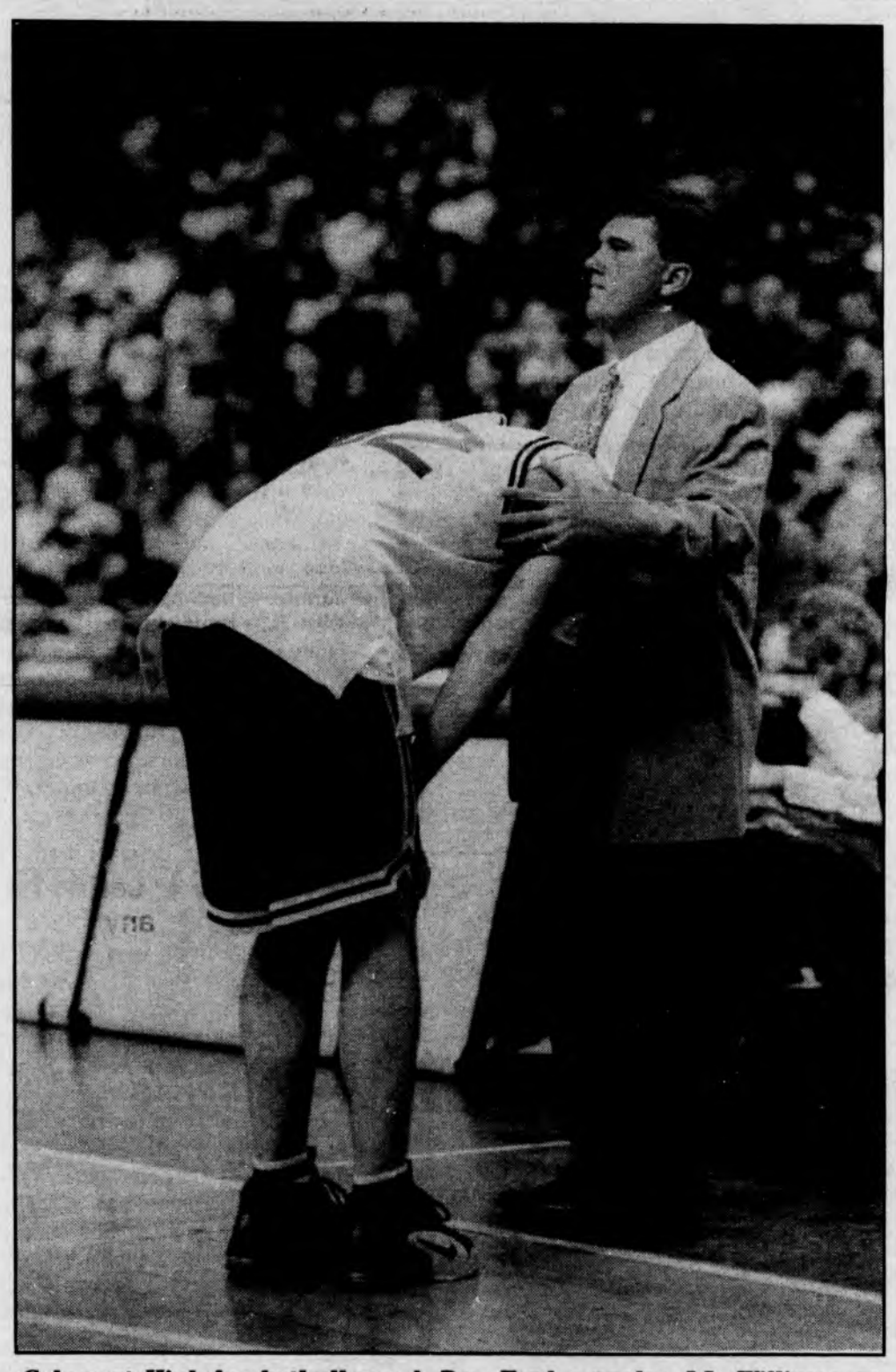
So, head coach Ruthann Ardizzoni decided she wasn't going to present an MVP award to any one girl on the squad at the annual award dinner at Kimball's By the Sea. With such a small team, losing a squad member for any length of time could have proved disastrous to Cohasset's quest for another league title.

Ardizzoni did, however, present several other awards to her squad members as a VCR played tapes highlighting the teams championship season.

Carolyn Pratt was honored as the most dedicated and won the perfect attendance award. Pratt didn't miss a single practice or meet. Kristen Reynolds was named the team's most improved gymnast and also the squad member displaying the most spirit and enthusiasm.

Balance and concentration earned Jodi Colwill and Tafana Fiore Beam Queen awards. The pair stayed on the balance beam in 10 of the team's 12 meets.

Ardizzoni, who announced last week she was stepping down after 11 years as the high school coach received gifts of flowers, a gift certificate to the Cafe Eleganza restaurant and a painting done by Fiore.



Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford consoles J.L. Williams as the clock winds down in Tuesday's Division 3 EMass final loss to Winchester.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Mike Dunphy tunes baseball skills in Florida

Cohasset's Mike Dunphy is one of 26 top high school and prep school baseball players from Eastern Massachusetts who is working on getting in shape for the baseball season at the South Shore Baseball Club's annual Spring Baseball Camp in Fort Pierce, Fla.

The camp is held at the St. Lucie County Baseball Complex on Florida's south Atlantic coast, a major league-quality complex with five baseball fields, a practice infield, two batting cages, and three hitting screens. There is a minimum of three hours of workouts or outside games each day against Division I high school, prep school and junior college teams from north of the Mason Dixon line who share the St. Lucie facility. At least seven games, some under the lights, are played against these teams, which regularly draw college and professional scouts.

"This camp has proven to be an excellent venue for serious baseball players to tune up for their upcoming high school seasons," according to SSBC and Camp Director Frank Niles of Weymouth. A number of last year's seniors moved on to higher levels of competition. Mike Spinneli signed with the Boston Red Sox, while four others went on the Division I college programs. There are also five players from last year's roster who are made a return trip to Fort Pierce this year.

"Our goal is to prepare every youngster for the high school season which will get underway shortly after we return," says Niles. 'These are youngsters who take their baseball very seriously and the coaching and conditioning they receive during their stay in Florida will give them two legs up on their competition."

Football, cheerleader signups

The Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football and Cheerleaders will hold signups for their fall 1996 season from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Sat., March 16 at the Deer Hill School in Cohasset. Boys and girls ages 7 to 13 are eligible to participate in three levels of competition based on age and weight. Football and cheerleading practice begins in mid-August for games played in September and October. The Scituate-Cohasset program is part of the Old Colony Youth Football League. For more information about football signup please call Joe Hughes at 834-6504. For cheerleading information call Judy Pollard at 545-2259.

Cohasset/Scituate adult recreation programs

Men's under-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Monday and Wed., 5:30 to 7:15 p.m. Runs through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's over-35 basketball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 5:30 to 7:15 p.m., and Thursdays, 5:30 to 9:00 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult advanced co-ed volleyball. Gates Jr. High School, Scituate. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25, payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

EXTRA POINTS/JOE REARDON

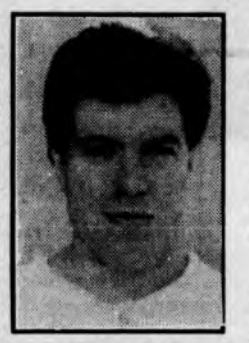
Cohasset was the best all along

Anyone who followed boys basketball in the South Shore League this season would have bet that if any team was going to win the Division 3 South Sectional title and advance to the EMass final it would be Scituate.

And who could blame them?

The Sailors finished the regular season with an undefeated record, a SSL title and No. 1 seed in the tourney. In the final SSL game between Scituate and defending champion Cohasset, the Sailors blew the Skippers away, winning by 20 points.

But the old theory that the regular season schedule goes out the window once the tournament starts proved to be true yet again.



Reardon

In their third meeting of the season in the semi-final round, Cohasset came up with a huge 57-56 win, bumping the Sailors from their focused course to the South title. The Skippers, who won the South Sectional championship last year, suddenly found themselves in position to win a second.

When the smoke cleared at UMass-Boston on Sunday, Ron Ford's crew was the South winner and off to the spanking-new FleetCenter for the EMass finals.

This was not supposed to be the year for Cohasset to be playing just six days before the start of the spring sports season. It was supposed to be Scituate's turne. The Skippers lost a whopping 10 seniors to graduation and were far from invincible. Not only did Scituate sweep Cohasset during the season, but the Skippers were on the down side of four other losses as well.

Even Ford had strong doubts the Skippers would make it all the way back to Causeway Street.

"I hoped they would," he said, "and they knew they could."

That was the key. No matter how well-

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Mariner Sports

Skippers stalled after South title

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after winning their second consecutive South title by holding off a surprising Rockland team, 59-53, at UMass-Boston.

Cohasset (19-7) was making its second EMass title appearance in a row after last year's classic triple-overtime defeat to Winthrop.

The Skippers' trailed by just four points, 30-26, at halftime as Jared Hardwick scored 16 of his 18 points in the first half. Cohasset stayed within six points of the North Sectional champs for the first 2:30 of the second half as Fred Howard, Ryan Bishop and Paul Michael-Quintin all collected buckets.

However, the Skippers had their problems stopping Winchester's fastbreak and the Sachems went on a 13-3 run for a 49-35 lead at 8:24. Cohasset's lone basket during the span was a three-pointer from Burke Davis, one of two he hit in the half.

Andy Murphy (19 points) was fouled on one of his countless drives in the lane. The shot was good and Murphy hit the free throw for a 39-32 lead. Davis drained his three-pointer, but Winchester scored its next 10 points on fastbreak drives. Murphy used some fancy moves inside, accounting for eight of the points.

Cohasset, though, began to make the game interesting by pulling within six points at 2:43 following a 13-4 surge. Davis and J.L. Williams connected on back-to-back three-pointers with 5:01 left. Williams was fouled and dropped in the free throw. Murphy hit a free-throw shot with Howard and Davis making good on all four of their shots from the line. Hardwick's lone basket at the half came on a bank shot to make it 57-51 with just under two minutes remaining in the game.

Hardwick's basket, though, was the last Cohasset would score. Winchester took advantage of Cohasset's fouls in the last 1:35 to go eight for 10 from the line. A Haig Goudzousian three-pointer in the final seconds capped the 11-0 Sachem run.

Ford was pleased with the Skippers' effort and their doggedness in getting back into the game after falling behind by more than 10 points.

"We had a good run going," Ford said. "Then they came down and hit those free throws. The played hard and could have quit. They're a young team and I think they learned a lot tonight. They could have folded (when) down 15 and they made a run at them.

"We have a young team with two seniors and I think we'll be back."

Cohasset had to contend with a surging Rockland High team on Sunday and couldn't afford to look ahead to a first visit to the FleetCenter.

Rockland High's basketball team had been adding exciting new chapters to its storybook postseason over the past week and a half by eliminating contender after contender after struggling into the tournament with a 10-10 record.

Cohasset, though, decided Rockland's fairy-tale campaign had gone on long enough and it was time to bring the Bulldogs back to reality.

"I thought we had one more miracle left in us, but time just ran out," said Rockland coach Tom Bailey. "That's the game. I've been around basketball long enough to know that."

The Bulldogs turned into giant killers once the regular season ended and the tournament began. They eliminated the second- and third-ranked squads of Greater New Bedford and Medfield, respectively, and also bumped Bishop Stang and Bellingham from the postseason.

Cohasset had ended top-ranked Scituate's run in the undefeated category by beating the Sailors in semifinal action last Wednesday. The victory was especially sweet after losing to Scituate twice during the regular season.

Rockland had to contend with Bishop's (19 points) inside game and a strong second half from Hardwick (19 points).

The Bulldogs were powerless in slowing the 6-foot-8 Bishop as he scored the Skippers' first eight points. Rockland hung close in the early going and took a brief 13-12 lead at 9:45 of the first half on a three-pointer by junior Jeff Gannon (18 points).

Cohasset answered with a 16-2 run, making it an 11-point contest with 1:09 left on a pair of free throws from Howard (four points).

Rockland had problems working the ball inside thanks due to numerous turnovers and sloppy passing. Peter Condon (21 points) began driving to the basket especially hard, allowing more room than the Bulldogs had seen earlier.

Condon wound up with 11 first-half points with the majority of them coming in the paint. The Bulldogs became more aggressive in the later stages of the opening half, but still trailed 31-22 at the intermission.

Ford wasn't comfortable with the lead against a team that had made a habit of coming back against its competitors all through the tourney.

"They're the toughest team to beat year in and year out," Ford said. "They're playing the same type of ball as when coach (Bob) Fisher was there.

"I told them at halftime this was Rockland and they weren't going to roll over for us. We were able to throw the punches back."

Rockland forward Chris Worden (11 points) hit a short jumper to open the second half. The Bulldogs then began to show flashes of what they had been doing since the end of the regular season. Worden's baseline drive spearheaded a 10-1 run, cutting Cohasset's lead to just two (36-34) with 9:07 remaining.

Davis scored his only basket of the game on a three-pointer, and just as quickly the Skippers connected on 10 of the next 12 points. Michael-Quintin (seven points) drained a big three-pointer with 5:53 left to play, giving Cohasset another 11-point lead, and added court space in the process.

"That was a big three," Ford said. "It opened the inside a little bit more for us."

Rockland refused to yield, however, and slowly narrowed the gap. Worden canned a three just before Gannon drew a foul while taking a shot on an inbounds pass from Tyrone Jefferson. He scored and hit the free throw Condon then made it a five-point game (53-48) on his drive through the lane at 2:25.

Cohasset failed to lengthen its lead on the Bulldogs in the next minute. It became a 53-50 contest with 1:29 remaining on Gannon's fancy move inside. He hit a three-pointer as well, but the Skippers cooly made good on four of six free throws. Hardwick then turned in a stunning two-handed dunk just before time ran out.

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coached, seemingly prepared and motivated the Skippers were, if they didn't go on the court with confidence as part of their arsenal, they'd be gone by halftime.

Cohasset showed its true character by putting together a 13-4 surge against Winchester, refusing to let its FleetCenter premiere end without a fight. A tough fight.

Even with Ryan Bishop, the team's big low-post player, having an off night, the Skippers were hitting their three-point shots and free throws.

However, on this mild, late-winter afternoon, it was not to be for Cohasset. Winchester was the better team. The Sachems eventually wore the Skippers down to the point where they just couldn't overcome the deficit. The valiant effort was surely there. The desired result wasn't.

Cohasset, though, left the Fleet with something more important than a victory. The respect Ford had for his players multiplied 10-fold.

It's now very clear why the Skippers wound up back in the EMass finals. They were the team of all the squads in Division 3 which wanted it the most. Cohasset got a taste of the game last year against Winthrop and knew it wanted to return to face the best team the North had to offer.

Winchester's victory was not a hollow one. The Sachems beat the best team in the South Sectionals. And Cohasset knew it.

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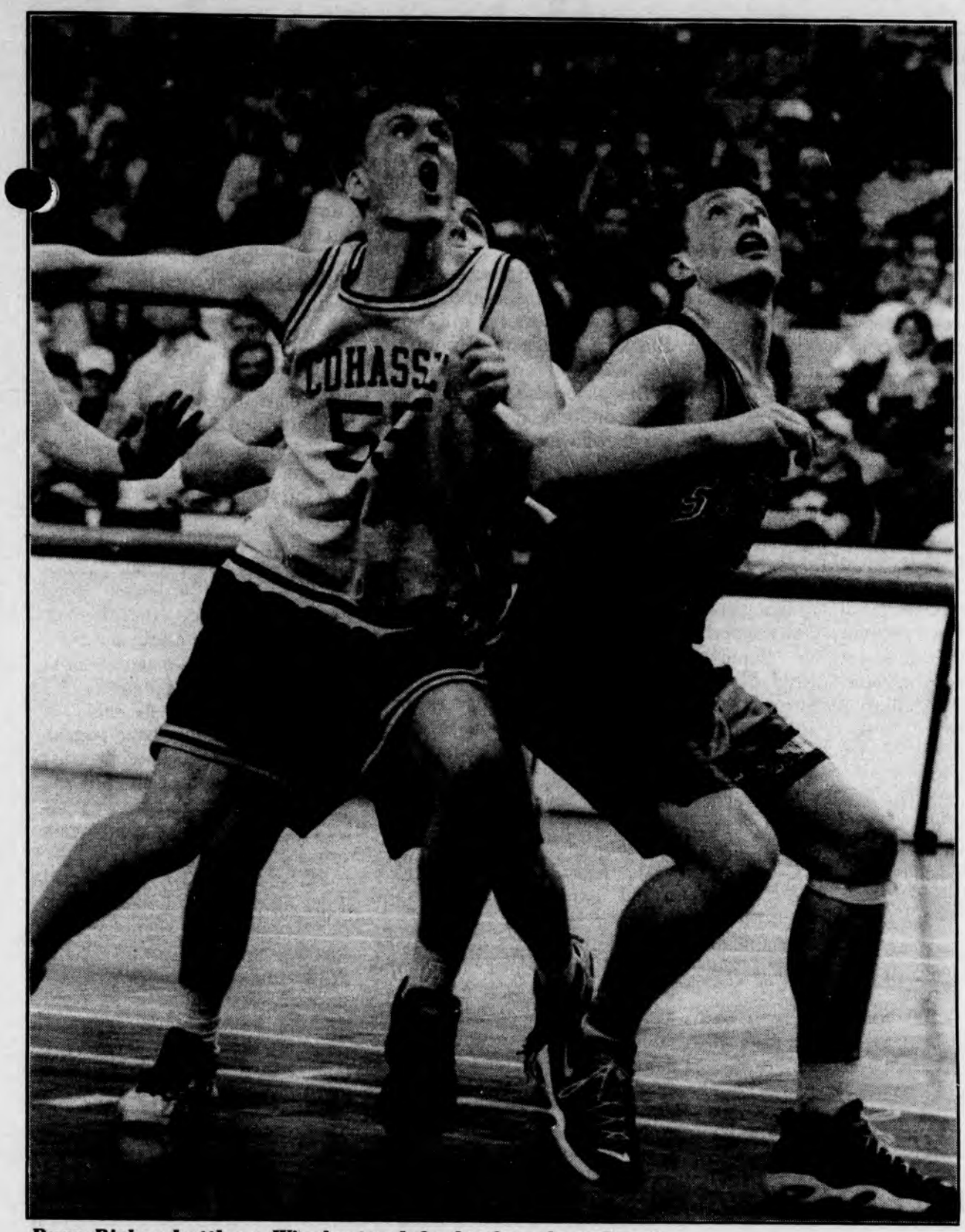
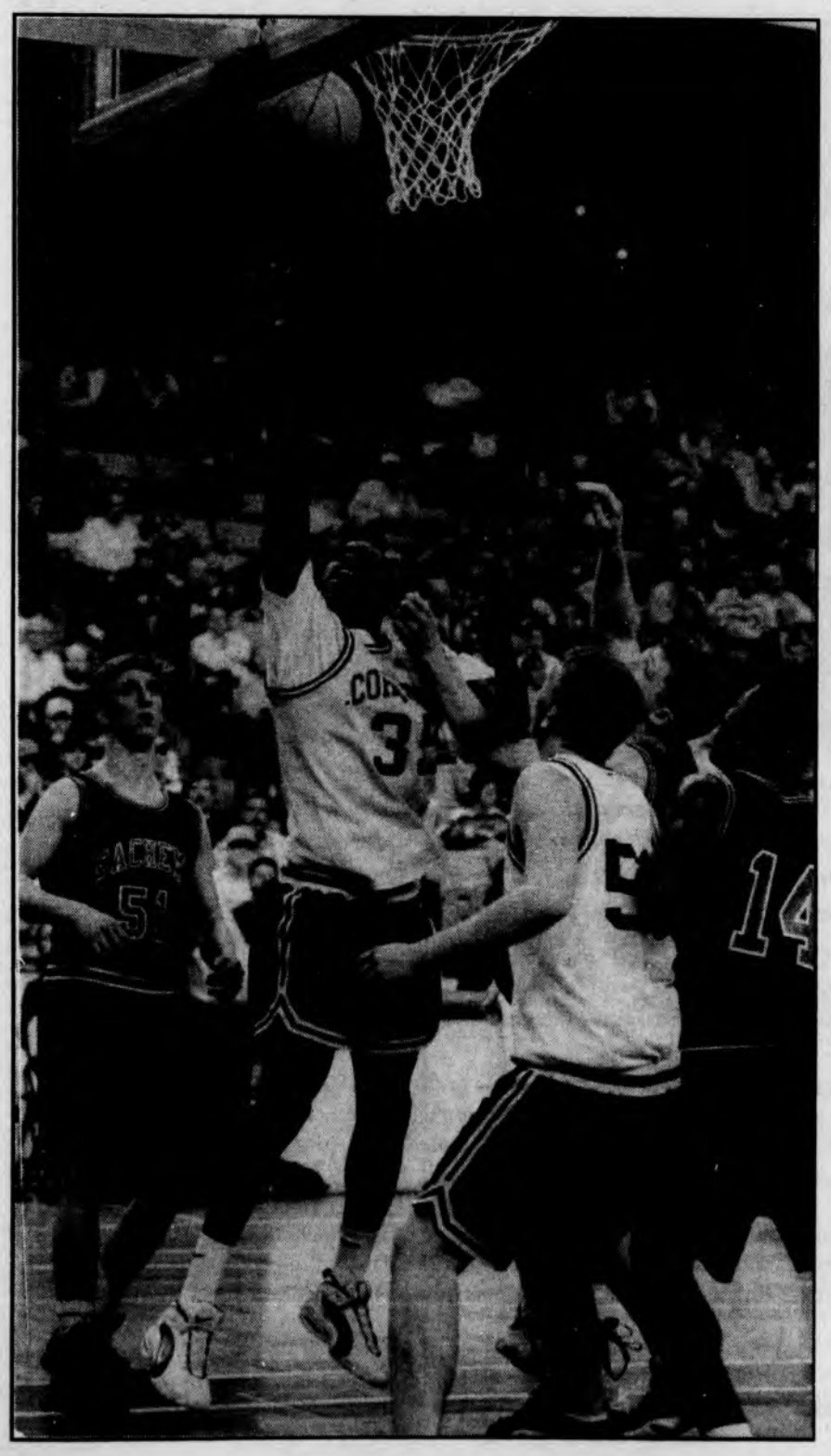
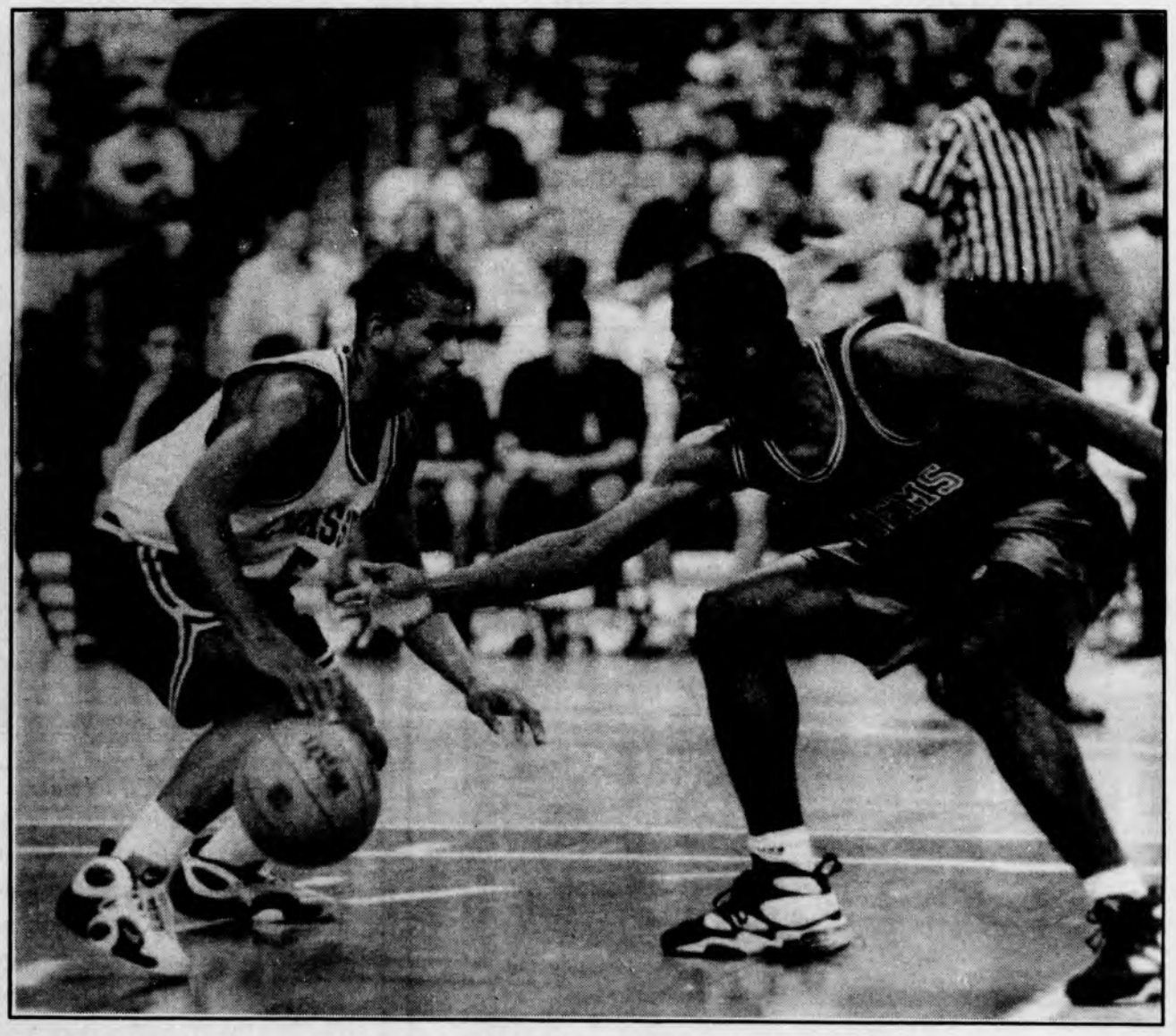


Ryan Bishop battles a Winchester defender for rebound position.

EMass Final, Take 2

Photos by Alan Chapman





Fred Howard challenges a Winchester defender as he moves the ball downcourt.

South Shore League MVP Jared Hardwick (35) puts a shot up for the Skippers.

Sewer questions dominate subdivision hearing

28 houses proposed off Jerusalem Road

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Whether or not a proposed subdivision on the site of the old Curtis Estate can hook into the sewer system, dominated discussion during a planning board hearing last week.

Steven Cory of the Jerusalem Road Limited Partnership has submitted preliminary plans calling for 28 houses on 45 acres of land off Jerusalem Road, near Forest Ave., Surrey Drive and Windy Hill Road.

The hearing was continued until April 3 at 9 p.m.

Some seven years ago, a facility to care for Alzheimer's patients was turned down for the site because the land would not pass percolation tests. Therefore, the subdivision would likely require sewer service.

Cory's attorney, Charles Humphries, told the board that plans call for the houses to be connected to the sewer line once it is expanded in the Strait's Pond area.

However, in a memo to selectmen, Edward "Ted" Guild, chairman of the sewer commission, wrote that due to limited sewer capacity, only existing homes will be connected to the sewer.

Humphries said that Hull officials favor adding the development to the sewer line and that such a plan would help Cohasset residents, since sewer costs will be borne only by those households receiving service.

"Based on our knowledge of the available capacity, not only do we benefit the Town of Cohasset, but we have a right (to hook up.) Hull will welcome the flow. We cannot use sewer policy to zone the town."

Planning board member Robert Sturdy said the sewer question "really concerns me."

He said that he hoped that nothing got built which could cost the town or the buyers huge amounts of money if regulations change again in the future.

Sturdy suggested that if the houses are built without the possibility of a back-up system, such as a septic tank, and the Hull sewer plant is closed in the future, the new houses will be worthless.

"What does the next Title V look like?" Sturdy asked, adding that he hopes "the town cannot get stung and the people who buy the houses cannot get stung."

When several residents asked why the proposal was being considered if it could not be connected to the sewer line, planning board chairman Alfred Moore replied that plans can be approved even if there is no imminent chance of their being built.

Humphries stressed the preliminary nature of the plans.

"We do expect in the process there will be a lot of discussion," he said.

In order to conform with the natural features of the site, he said many of the lots will be long and narrow.

A 2,700 foot-long dead end street, with two cul de sacs will be built from Jerusalem Road.

Since Cohasset has a 1,500-foot limit for dead end streets because of safety reasons, the road would need a waiver.

A locked gate would provide emergency service only onto Black Rock Road, Humphries explained.

The plans also call for a sidewalk on only one side of the street, which would need a waiver, since Cohasset subdivision rules require sidewalks on both sides.

In addition, the proposed road would need a waiver since it would rise at an 8 percent grade in some spots. This would also need a waiver since the town mandates a grade of no more than six percent.

Along Jerusalem Road, the land lies in the residential B zoning district, 35,000 square-foot lots. The portion in the rear of the site is in the residential C district, which requires 60,000-square-foot lots.

An eight-inch water main would connect the houses to the town supply.

A number of residents spoke against the project, citing the danger of increased traffic and disruption to the environment, in addition to questions about sewage treatment.

Bill and Gina Chisholm said the proposed road would be 70-feet from their bedroom window and pointed out that there have been three traffic accidents in the area in the past 20 days.

They also reported that drainage in the area is poor, with catch basins filling up with rocks on a periodic basis.

Joseph McElroy said he is concerned about any blasting that may be required to build the subdivision and he also mentioned possible flooding as a result of destruction of wild areas.

John Semonian said that without sewage approval, the plans "put the cart before the horse."

Other residents said water draining onto Jerusalem Road frequently froze, creating hazardous driving conditions.

Andrea Buffin wondered about the loss of wildlife habitat. "It's like living in a zoo," she said.

The developer's water consultant, Dr. Jerome Carr, replied that the dense growth of briars in the area inhibited all but the smallest animals, but said he would look into the situation further.

Planning board consultant John Modzelewski cited a number of areas which should receive further discussion, including the grade and length of the road, drainage and the need to avoid draining large amounts of water onto private property.

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This building at 50 Country Way in the Greenbush area of Scituate, currently for sale at $339,000, could be a major beneficiary of the proposed Greenbush restoration

SCITUATE - Now that the Weld Administration has given its final approval for the reconstruction of the Greenbush line there is renewed interest in commercial real estate in the vicinity of all proposed stations along that line, particularly in property near the terminus point in Greenbush. With thousands of commuters expected to use the Greenbush station as the starting point for their rail commute into Boston each day, the Greenbush locale is attracting the attention of investors and developers who see the need for expanded retail and office outlets there.

One site currently being offered for sale in Greenbush is the historic building at 50 Country Way which now houses several offices, a florist shop and three residential apartments. Situated on a 21,000 square foot lot with paved parking front and rear, the property includes an additional 22,000 square foot parcel in the rear which abuts the railroad right of way. This additional parcel would allow for a substantial expansion of the present building.

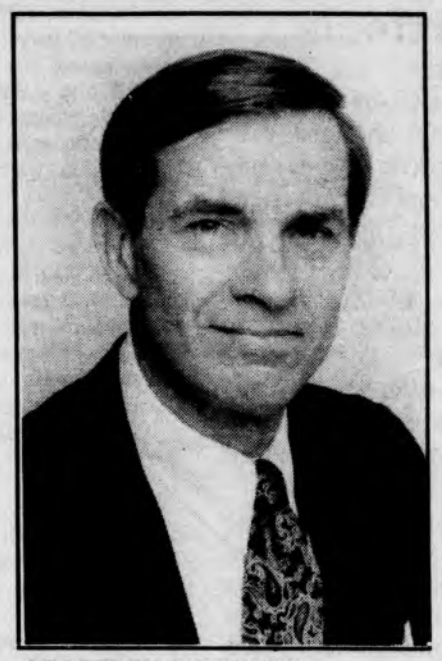
According to the owner, the current building produces an annual income of approximately $54,000 and has annual expenses, exclusive of mortgage payments, of approximately $17,000. The entire property is currently being offered for sale at $339,000. This listing agent is Chris Ford of **Hallmark 100 Properties** - 383-1888 (24 Hour Hotline 383-1888 ext. 2113).

Cohasset Business

Nothnagle promoted at Cambridge Savings Bank

Cambridge Savings Bank announces the promotion of Geoffrey E. Nothnagle of Cohasset to the position of senior vice president, commercial lending. Nothnagle holds a B.A. degree from Dartmouth College and an M.B.A. from Dartmouth's Amos Tuck School of Business Administration.

He has served as chairman and director of the Greater Boston American Red Cross and director of the Massachusetts Bay American Red Cross. He is treasurer of the South Shore Association of Retarded Citizens and is a fundraiser for South Shore Hospital and the Dana Farber Marathon Challenge.



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Conway Realtors raise $4,000 for Community Center

Jack Conway & Company raised nearly $4,000 for the South Shore Community Center by donating the use of its offices, telephones, and staff during the center's recent phone-a-thon.

Realtors from Conway's Cohasset, Hingham, Hull, and Scituate offices volunteered their time to man the phones and raise money to support the center's programs.

"This was really a tremendous success," said Center director Nina Belsan. "To have so many people put in a full day's work and then cheerfully spend several hours on the phones for our center is really heartwarming."

Belsan, who noted that the center is funded entirely by private donations, emphasized how important contributions of time and services from the business community are to non-profit organizations such as the Community Center.

"Without such support from local businesses, many non-profits would cease to exist," she said. "These types of in-kind donations and fund-raising activities allow us to ave money from our budgets, money that can then be applied to our programs."

Company chairman Jack Conway said it was only natural for the Conway Company to assist an organization like the community center.

"We're a neighborhood business and the community center benefits our neighbors," he said. "By supporting the center, we're helping to provide our customers with some worthwhile educational and recreational services."

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Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	7.20	7.83	7.77
Bank of Canton	617-828-5626	6.95	7.45	6.43
BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	NA	NA	NA
Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	7.09	7.46	6.02
Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	7.27	7.67	7.81
Cohasset Savings	617-383-1882	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	6.93	7.61	7.47
Community Bank	508-587-3210	7.07	7.45	8.09
Concord, The Coop. Bank	800-551-4663	NA	NA	NA
E. Bridgewater Coop.	617-378-2672	NA	NA	NA
E. Bridgewater Savings	617-293-4002	7.20	7.59	7.66
Hibernia Savings	617-345-0441	NA	NA	NA
Hingham Inst. for Savings	617-749-2200	7.728	6.910	7.990
Mutual Federal Savings	617-447-4488	7.41	7.85	7.66
N. Abington Cooperative	617-878-0045	7.47	7.81	7.54
Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	7.07	7.45	7.91
Randolph Savings	617-963-2100	7.11	7.59	NA
Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	7.41	7.77	7.11
Rockland Trust Co.	800-295-8400	NA	NA	NA
Scituate Federal Savings	617-545-0016	NA	NA	NA
Shawmut Banks	800-SHAWMUT	NA	NA	NA
South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	7.25	7.75	7.70
USTrust	800-290-8782	7.07	7.45	7.69
Weymouth Coop. Bank	617-337-8000	7.38	7.88	6.09
Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	7.73	7.87	7.47
CREDIT UNIONS				
Brockton Brotherhood C. U.	508-586-8557	7.04	7.35	5.84
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Navy Federal Credit Union	401-849-9797	7.07	7.41	7.65
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Mellon Mortgage Co.	617-843-2888	NA	NA	NA
Northern Mortgage Co.	617-871-4307	NA	NA	NA
Pilgrim Mortgage Co.	617-740-2336	7.132	7.633	6.373
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Compiled by The Commissioner of Banks March 8, 1996.

THE 35 MARINER

A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 3/12

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	15.7500	---
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.2100	---
Avitar	0.7188	-0.0313
Bank of Boston	46.3750	0.1250
Bradlees	1.7500	---
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	---
Chicago Miniature Lamp	29.0000	0.5000
Computer Identics Corp.	2.0938	---
Clean Harbors Inc.	2.6250	-0.3750
Copley Pharmaceutical	17.7500	0.2500
Chase Corp.	4.7500	---
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	---
DM Management	2.3750	-0.1250
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.3750	-0.1250
Grossman's	1.2500	0.1250
Ground Round	3.1250	-0.0625
Haemonetics	16.6250	-0.1250
Hills Stores	9.5000	---
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.3750	-0.3750
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.2500	---
International Electronics	3.9375	0.0625
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.1250	0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.6250	0.1250
J Baker	6.0000	---
First Years	11.0000	---
Lojack	9.7500	---
Organogenesis Inc.	16.8750	1.2500
Peoples Savings Bank	9.2500	0.1250
Plymouth Rubber	8.8750	---
Reebok	29.6250	-0.3750
Software Development	1.7500	0.0625
Stop & Shop	25.2500	-0.2500
AT&T	61.8750	-0.2500
Talbots	36.8750	1.5000
Westerbeke	2.8750	---

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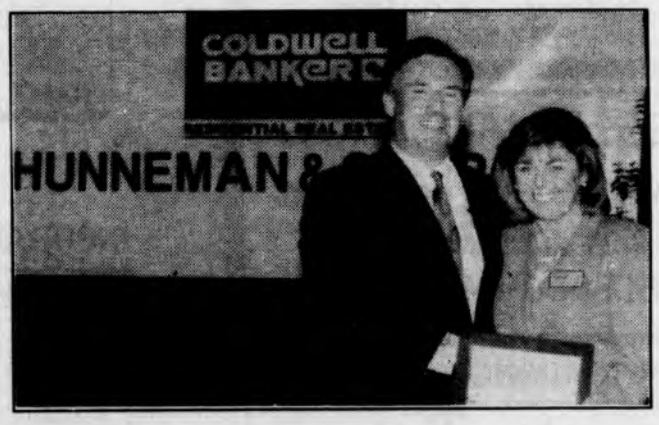

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Arrests were up in February

Training programs are focus for department

Police Chief Brian Noonan said with 17 arrests, February was a "busy month for the police department."

Seven of the arrests were for outstanding warrants; four for minors in possession of alcohol; two for violations of restraining orders; and one each for breaking and entering, assault and battery on a police officer, assault and battery, operating under the influence of alcohol, and motor vehicle violations.

Noonan said there were no "breaking and enterings" reported in February and two of the three, that occurred in January, were cleared up by the February arrest.

The dispatch center received 85, 9-1-1 calls last month, Noonan said.

He noted that dispatchers received some specialized training last month from South Shore Hospital paramedic, Peggy Cass, who explained policies, procedures, and use of dispatching paramedics on medical aid incidents.

"The training consisted of some call-taking procedures, specifically caller interrogation as it relates to information needed by the paramedics, determining the need for Advanced Life Support, and incident-specific questioning," Noonan wrote in his monthly status report to selectmen.

Also covered was dispatch criteria, radio communication, and incident coordination, he said.

Two police officers also received specialized training in traffic enforcement at the new Braintree State Police Training Facility last month.

Police Report

Friday, March 1

6:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Majestic Auto), investigated.

7:00 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Nichols Rd.), traffic warning issued.

7:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Hingham Line), departmental action.

7:38 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:46 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy. (Hingham Line), services rendered.

8:00 a.m, Sunny, 30

8:21 a.m., medical, Little Harbor Rd., referred to other agency.

9:42 a.m., fire alarm, King St., services rendered.

11:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic warning issued.

2:15 p.m., general services, Depot Ct., notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:00 pm., Sunny, 35

6:36 p.m., general services, HDQTS., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 29

Saturday, March 2

12:28 a.m., building check, Majestic Cars, Rte. 3A, departmental action.

12:52 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/SS Chevy, verbal warning.

2:01 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Hingh. Line, verbal warning.

2:38 a.m., suspicious activity, Cohasset Pizza, Rte. 3A, verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

9:39 a.m., larceny, Buttonwood Ln., investigated.

10:56 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (King Jewelers), departmental action.

12:38 p.m., general services, HQ Pond St./CJC Hwy., referred to other agency.

1:16 p.m., assist other PDs, Country Way, services rendered.

1:25 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

1:28 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St., investigated.

1:33 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Joy Place/N. Main St., investigated.

1:47 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., investigated.

2:02 p.m., assist citizen, HQ/Square, departmental action.

2:22 p.m., assist other PD's, Hingham Line/Cohasset Line, CJC Hwy., unfounded.

2:27 p.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop, CJC Hwys., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

2:37 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), S. Main St. (Square), vehicle stored/impounded recovered.

2:38 p.m., assist citizen, Hull St. (West Corner), no police service necessary.

2:46 p.m., assist citizen, Hingham Line, departmental action.

3:10 p.m., general services, departmental action.

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By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain Second Mortgage given by James Hegarty, a/k/a James K. Hegarty, Trustee of Tessahoc Realty Trust under declaration of trust dated December 30, 1991 and recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 9185, Page 25 to Peter Grahame Wade (the "Mortgagee") dated July, 1993, and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10017, Page 115, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 11:00 A.M., April 3, 1996, on the mortgaged premises described below, being known as 103 South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts and all singular premises described in said mortgage,

To wit: The land in Cohasset, being the premises shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Cohasset, Mass.", dated August 21, 1943, drawn by Joseph Selwyn, C.E. recorded in Norfolk Registry of Deeds at Book 2470, Page 426, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by South Main Street, 50.33 feet;

EASTERLY by a curve forming the intersection of South Main Street and Spring Street, 20.15 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by Spring Street, 65.76 feet;

SOUTHERLY by land marked "Benjamin F. and Christine M. Curley" and as indicated on said plan 112.36 feet;

WESTERLY by said land marked "Benjamin F. and Christine M. Curley" and in part by land marked "Katherine B. Noonan" as indicated on said plan, 51.16 feet, and

NORTHWESTERLY by Lot A as indicated on said plan, 141.56 feet.

Containing 12,299 square feet of land according to said plan. Together with a right of way to pass and repass to and from South Main Street which right of way is more particularly described in Certificate of Title No. 54545 registered with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 273, Page 145. The property is currently owned by Richard A. Bunstein by deed dated March 29, 1995 and recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 10854, Page 308.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and the date appointed for the sale and to further postpone the sale to later date at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and the date appointed for the adjourned sale date.

Said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, variances, special permits, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, UCC financing statements, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, unpaid water and sewer bills, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any, including, without limitation, a tax taking by the Town of Cohasset recorded in Book 8889, Page 313; Land Court Tax Lien Case No. 101869 T.L.; and Notice of Lis Pendens recorded in Book 10716, Page 124. This is a Second Mortgagee's Sale of Real Estate sold subject to the lien of a first mortgage currently held by Pauline V. Emilson, by assignment dated May 6, 1992 and recorded in Book 9343, Page 309.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this notice of sale and/or the terms of the memorandum of sale executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder provided that the second highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorneys, Palmer & Dodge, the amount of the required deposit set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice.

Terms of sale: TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($10,000.00) will be required to be paid in cash or by certified check at the time and place of sale as earnest money. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified check within twenty (20) days of the date of the sale and shall be deposited in escrow with the firm of Palmer & Dodge at One Beacon Street, Boston, MA, pending recording of the Foreclosure Deed and related documents.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

PETER GRAHAME WADE
present holder of said mortgage,
by his attorney,
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PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

to be held March 27, 1996 at 8:00 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset, Mass.

ARTICLE 17

To see if the Town will vote to rezone a portion of a certain district as shown on the Zoning Map identified as "Zoning district Map of the Town of Cohasset, Massachusetts, October 1, 1976 as revised to 1985" prepared by Edwin Young R.L.S., R.P.E. (hereinafter called the "Map") so that the light industry area east of Chief Justice Cushing Way and a portion of the light industry area northwest of Sohier Street and on the west side of Chief Justice Cushing Highway as shown on the area crosshatched on the Map, and identified "PL," located northwest of a straight line running from the intersection of King Street and Chief Justice Cushing Way south of Crocker Lane and ending at an intersection of the existing Light Industrial Zone and Trustees of Reservation land, and more particularly shown on a copy of the Map on file with the Town Clerk and showing the aforesaid area outlined in red and identified as "NEW HIGHWAY BUSINESS DISTRICT," be rezoned as highway business be eighty thousand (80,000) square feet; that the Town reprint the zoning map so said area shall be colored red and identified with the letters "HB"; and that the Town appropriate, transfer from available funds, or borrow a sum of money for the purpose of reprinting the Town zoning map to contain and reflect the changes authorized herein; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 18

To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 5 — AREA REGULATIONS, of the Zoning Bylaw by adding to Subsection 5.4 — Table of Area Regulations Notes, a new paragraph numbered 5.4.12 which shall read as follows:

"5.4.12. In any district a single flag pole may be constructed in excess of 35 feet, but not greater than 75 feet, for the display of non-commercial flags, provided it is placed no closer to a lot line than the height of the flag pole and, if illuminated, does not shine onto any abutting property."

ARTICLE 19

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell the real property known as the "Hagerty Property Showroom," together with the land adjacent thereto not to exceed 18,000 square feet, all as shown on a plan marked "Article 19" on file with the office of the Town Clerk on such terms and conditions as they deem appropriate and in the best interests of the Town of Cohasset; and further, as appurtenant to such sale, the Board of Selectmen are authorized to grant an easement on adjacent town land for the construction of a septic system to service the land and building being sold as authorized hereunder; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 20

To see if the Town will vote to amend the Town Zoning-Law and Town Zoning Map to rezone a parcel of land shown as Lot 11 on Board of Assessors' Map 37 as Residential A; or act on anything relating thereto.

ARTICLE 21

To see if the Town will vote to form a committee to investigate the most effective means for restoring to the real estate tax rolls the real property, together with improvements thereon, shown as Plot 33 on Board of Assessors' Map 18 and known as the Osgood School; the committee so appointed shall report to a Special Town Meeting in the fall of 1996; or act on anything relating thereto.

Submitted by
Alfred S. Moore, Jr.
Chairman
3/7, 14/96

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Hard-wiring of the police department's $55,000 state-of-the-art computer system got underway this week.

Training of police and fire personnel, who will be responsible for developing and maintaining the data, will begin April 1, Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

The new computer system, approved by the special town meeting in November, will streamline the police and fire departments' outdated record-keeping system.

Last fall, Selectman Jane Goedecke said she found "a Byzantine paper trail required to meet legal requirements, the state has for reporting" after touring the police and fire departments' storage facilities.

A single arrest for operating under the influence, for example, requires a police officer to fill out 13 forms, a process that can take two hours.

Noonan said the computer system will do away with incident cards and a great deal of paper work. He said it will also facilitate compiling annual statistics on crime rates, a task that takes a great deal of time now.

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Windy Hill residents riled over property taxes

Home values soar

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

While taxes have increased all over Cohasset following this year's revaluation, some residents of Windy Hill Road believe taxes are disproportionately high.

Seven residents of the neighborhood off Jerusalem Road in North Cohasset have applied for real estate tax abatements, according to assistant assessor Cheryl Pooler. All have been denied.

Pooler said that at 126, this year's town-wide revaluation actually brought in fewer abatement requests than the 250 average for other years following a revaluation.

The goal of the revaluation is for the assessed value of the property to accurately reflect market conditions, she said. In the case of Windy Hill Road, three houses there sold in 1993 and 1994 at prices noticeably higher than the previous assessments.

Specifically, she cited one home that had been assessed at $321,400 which was sold for $378,500 in 1993. In 1994, a house with an assessed value of $289,900 sold for $325,000. Also that year, a buyer paid $375,000 for a house that was assessed at $290,300.

However, Windy Hill Road residents have compared their valuations with those of other neighborhoods such as Fair Oaks Lane and Old Coach Road, which had more modest increases in valuations.

'I can't believe anything would go that much in one year.'

— Michael Lombardy, 27 Windy Hill Rd.

In a letter to his neighbors urging them to file for abatements, Windy Hill Road resident James Reilly said land values for his street are 25 per cent higher than land values on Old Coach Road and Fair Oaks Lane, which showed 8 per cent increases.

Another Windy Hill Road resident, Michael Lombardy, noted that the 24 per cent tax increase he faces this year is too high.

"I can't believe anything would go that much in one year," he said this week, adding, "I'd venture to say that other houses [in other neighborhoods] aren't taking the hit we're taking this year."

Lombardy said he filed for an abatement, which was denied because he missed the Jan. 28 deadline, due to incorrect information from a neighbor. He is now waiting for a response from the assessors to accept his application beyond the filing date because he made a "good faith" effort to apply in time.

Reilly also said in his letter that the tax increase for the Windy Hill Road homes is 15 per cent, or three times higher than the increase in the town budget.

But chairman of the board of assessors James Lagrotteria said one has nothing to do with the other.

"The valuation has nothing to do with the town budget," he said. The recent sales prices in the neighborhood "set the tone" for the valuations of the houses there.

The land valuations saw the largest increases, Lagrotteria said, because the land is a more valuable commodity.

"God aint gonna make any more land," he said, explaining that there is little land remaining in Cohasset that can be developed, which makes the presently developed land more valuable.

The lack of a sewer system in many areas, coupled with stricter regulations for septic systems, mean that anyone who wants to live in Cohasset is restricted to the currently available properties, he said.

Assistant assessor Pooler said the Windy Hill Road and the other neighborhoods named in comparison are not similar at all.

"There's no comparison with Fair Oaks," she said.

While Fair Oaks Lane is near the village and schools, Windy Hill Road is off Jerusalem Road and has water views. The two areas attract different buyers.

"People will pay more for those [waterview] locations," Pooler said, adding that this fact accounts for the higher valuations.

But Lombardy said that he could see the ocean, perhaps, from the roof of his house, and Straits Pond is barely visible.

For his year, Lombardy said, he probably has no recourse but to "write the check," but next year, he believes he will file for a tax abatement. In the meantime, he said, he will be paying careful attention to land values elsewhere in Cohasset.

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Cable-TV talks to start

Service could expand under new law

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Contracts for cable television service won't expire until 1999 in Cohasset and Hingham, but federal regulations allow negotiations to begin 36 months before the end of the pact.

This means the towns and the cable company can start talking now, and both sides have much to discuss.

Recent federal legislation has opened up the telecommunications markets so that cable television services will be allowed to provide telephone and internet access services, and telephone companies will be able to enter the cable television market.

Continental Cablevision itself is the subject of a recently announced intended purchase by USWest, one of the so-called 'baby bells' that was spun off from American Telephone & Telegraph in 1984.

Last month, Robert Hillman, chairman of the Cohasset cable television committee called the cable contract renewal process "frightening complicated." He asked Cohasset selectmen to consider hiring consultants to advise his committee as it bargains with Continental Cablevision.

As Hillman explained it recently, the telephone companies can move data through one form of technology, and cable companies do the same with different technology, but the coaxial cable used by the cable companies transmits more information and does it faster.

It is possible within the foreseeable future that a subscriber can have one company to provide all television, telephone, and internet services, he said.

Some of these additional services may be on the bargaining table during contract renewal negotiations.

In Hingham, cable television committee chairman James Morrison said Continental Cablevision could provide institutional network services that will link all town departments, but "it's never gotten off the ground."

Morrison called Hingham "a fairly affluent community," and guessed that 40 per cent of the households have a Macintosh or PC. Data services and institutional networks may be attractive services.

He would also like to see more television channels and equipment upgrades included under the terms of a new agreement.

J. Drew Horn, also a member of the Hingham cable television committee, would rather see greater flexibility for subscribers, who could chose the channels they want, and pay only for those. Rather

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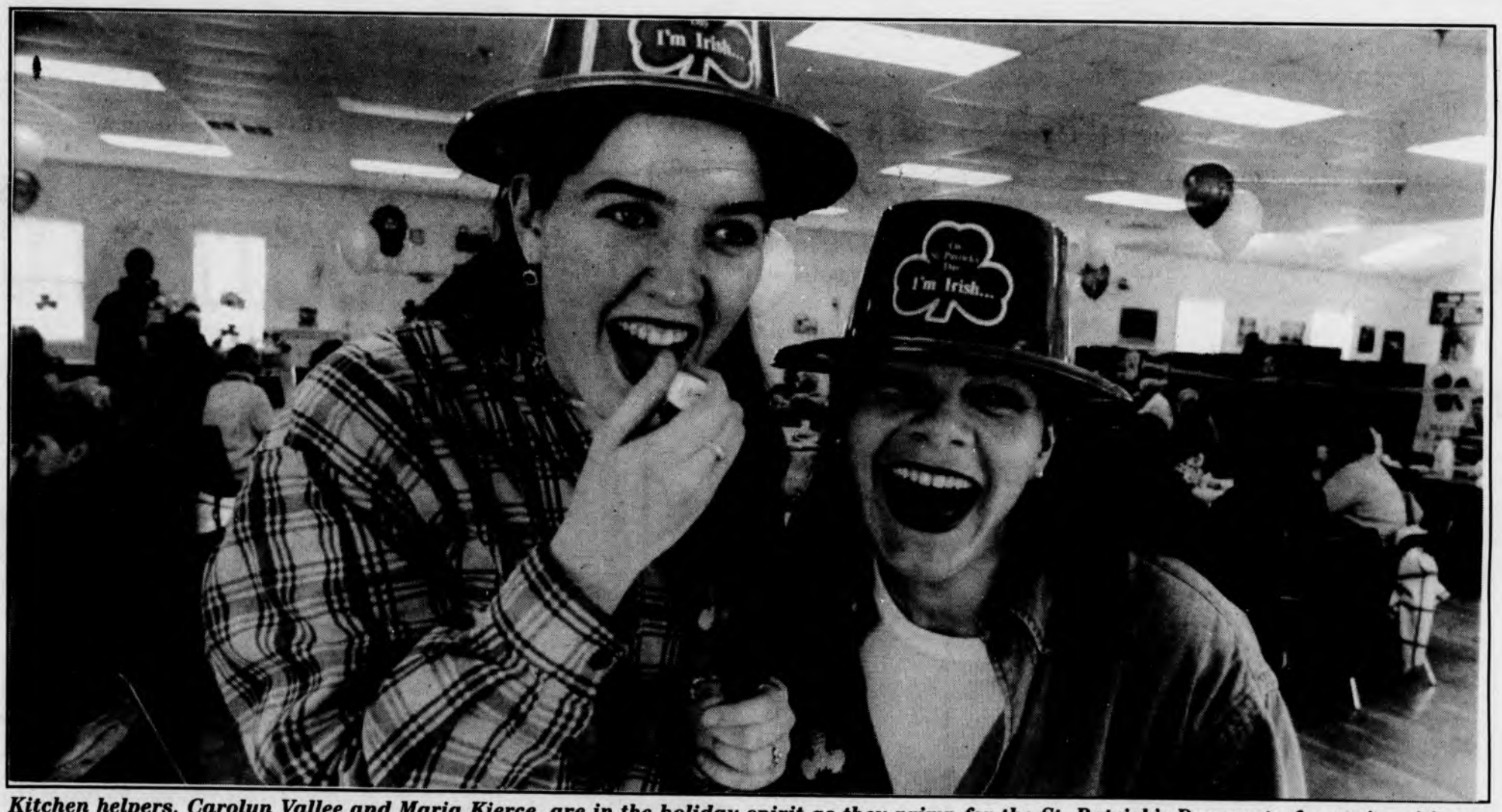

Kitchen helpers, Carolyn Vallee and Maria Kierce, are in the holiday spirit as they primp for the St. Patrick's Day party for senior citizens last week at the community center. For more photos see page 16.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Town won't abandon ship

Water rate hike fight to proceed

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Under pressure from residents, selectmen agreed Monday to continue fighting a huge water increase facing North Cohasset residents receiving water from a private company.

Selectmen also agreed to look into the possibility of hooking the households into the Cohasset Water Co. system.

The Mass-American Water Co., located in Hingham, wants the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU), to approve a 164 percent water rate increase which would be charged to some 600 North Cohasset residents living in 220 households.

The increase is requested to pay for a new $39 million water plant under construction in Hingham.

New town counsel Paul DeRensis said the plant was expected to cost $14 million, but that complying with the Hingham Zoning Board of Appeals decision allowing it to be built, drove costs up. He also said that it appears that during construction, the company picked the most expensive methods.

"Expert witnesses will say that the plant is more expensive than it should have

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This winter was one for the record books

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

It's official: another record was broken two weeks ago when yet another snowstorm pushed the winter's total accumulation above the 100-inch mark.

Mariner weather observer Bob Skilling put the official snow accumulation, as measured at the weather station in Hingham, at 105.8 inches, easily surpassing the 95.1 inches that set a record only two winters ago.

Skilling also noted a new low-temperature record was set at the weather station on March 10 when the mercury dipped to zero for the first time ever in March.

Another record was also broken as Cohasset's snow plowing costs exceeded the amount spent the year of the previous record.

According to Highway Supt. Harold Litchfield, this winter his department spent more than $164,000 to sand, salt, and plow Cohasset's streets. With

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Cohasset's Week

Selectmen table action on fire chief's contract

At the start of their meeting this week, selectmen agreed to table an agenda item labeled "take any action relative to fire chief's contract."

Selectman Chairman Merle Brown said that the contract with fire chief Roger Lincoln ends in November. However, a clause in the contract requires that either party indicate a desire to make changes six months in advance, by April 30.

Brown said the item would be discussed after the election.

Mosquito control vacancy

Although the weather is still cold, summer, with its attendant mosquitos, is just around the corner. The mosquito control committee is Cohasset's main defense against the disease-baring insects. One vacancy remains on the committee and anyone interested in helping is urged to contact the selectmen's office immediately.

New town report available

Featuring Janice Sargent's stunning photo of the Minot's Ledge Lighthouse fog bell on the cover, the 1995 town report is now available at the town clerk's office and the selectmen's room at town hall. The report contains vital records for the past year, lists the account of town meeting and contains the municipal budget. All committee, commissions and boards are also listed.

Henderson approves special town counsel

With legal costs surrounding the Cohasset Heights Landfill case skyrocketing, town counsel Richard Henderson reluctantly approved the hiring of a special counsel in the case.

In a March 4 letter to selectmen, Henderson wrote that he would approve attorney Kenneth Kimmell to represent the town at the landfill hearings now being held by the board of health.

However, Henderson wrote " . . . I did not feel that this appointment was either reasonable or necessary as, in my opinion, the town had access to sufficient professional advice to be adequately represented in the site assignment proceedings without the necessity of another special appointment."

Town administrator Greg Doyon recently told selectmen that the Cohasset Heights Landfill case is expected to cost some $244,000 in legal and engineering fees from November to June.

Selectmen plan to send the bills to the legislature and to state officials, but say they may have to borrow to pay the bills.

Fighting the privately-owned landfill has cost the town close to $500,000 in the past ten years.

Election polling hours set

For the local election Saturday, April 6, the polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Selectmen set the hours this week.

New school meetings set

There will be an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, March 23 at the Osgood School so interested citizens can tour the building. Members of the school facilities committee will be available to conduct tours.

There will be a public meeting to discuss the warrant article to construct a new elementary school to replace the Osgood School at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 27 in the audio visual room of the junior/senior high school.

Rivers Bill is topic March 26

The public is invited to an open meeting of the Gulf Association to learn about the Rivers Bill on Tuesday, March 26, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lightkeepers' House.

The Rivers Bill has been before the Massachusetts Legislature for five years, and has been passed by the Senate. It still faces an uphill battle in the House.

The proposed Rivers Bill will affect everyone who owns property on or near the Gulf River, and it is vital that we all be informed of its implications.

Our speakers are Paul Burns, an environmental attorney on the staff of MASSPIRG, who will speak in favor of the bill. In opposition is Stephen Ryan, associate counsel for the Massachusetts Association of Realtors.

At this meeting both sides will be represented and there will be an opportunity to ask questions.

Refreshments will be served.

Road race bake sale okay

The grade eight student council received permission from selectmen this week to hold a bake sale on the common during the March 31 Cohasset Road Race.

Milliken Field bill approved

A bill for $6,555 from R.A.D. Corporation for work at Milliken Field was approved Monday night by selectmen.

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Mon. 25	3:07	9.9	9:27	3:42	8.9	9:42
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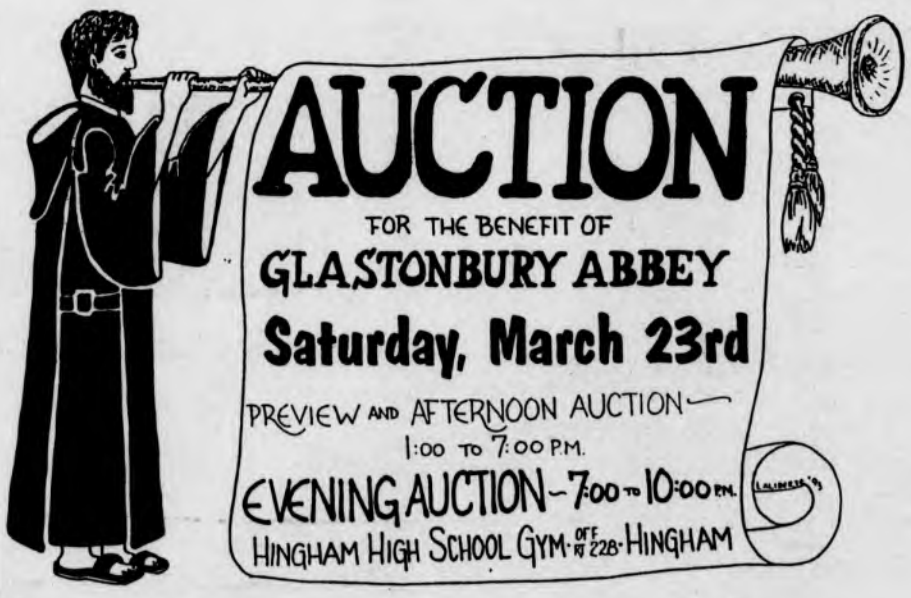

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Bigger water rate hike possible

Accord Pond presents snag

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As the town continues to fight for representation at the Massachusetts-American water rate hearings [illegible]e state Department of Public Utilities (DPU), which could lead to a tripling of North Cohasset rate payers' annual water bills, water company officials said this week a recent permitting glitch could cost customers even more.

At a press conference in the company's Hingham office, Mass-American President James Perry told town officials from Hingham and Hull that anticipated water use conditions limiting the amount of water that can be drawn from Accord Pond to be imposed by Hingham's Conservation Commission, will jeopardize the company's ability to deliver sufficient quantities of water for drinking and public safety purposes to its 10,500 customers in Hingham, Hull and Cohasset.

Perry said the restrictions which are likely to be attached to a permit allowing the company to replace about 400-feet of a leaking, 90-year-old water main running through wetlands to a new booster station near Accord Pond, came as surprise to the company, which filed to replace the pipeline in February.

The company is concerned that the old pipe will not be able to withstand the increased water flow and pressure expected when the new treatment facility, which is under construction in Hingham, goes on-line in June.

Hingham Conservation Agent Pine Dubois, who is recommending the restrictions be imposed, has her own concerns, and said she made the company aware of them last summer when the commission approved the booster station project.

Dubois said taking more water from the pond (on average the company draws 500,000 gallons per day, but Perry said the company may need to take as much as 4 million gallons per day during summer dry spells) will greatly impact the wetlands and wildlife in and around the pond and throughout entire watershed basin. Company officials were told last summer that any plans to increase the amount of water taken from the pond would require separate permitting from local and state officials, Dubois said.

But Perry insisted that state Department of Environmental Protection water management restrictions which limit the company's average daily water use each year from all of its sources - including the pond to 3.51 million gallons, provides sufficient protection for the watershed.

If the restrictions are imposed, Perry said the company will be forced to launch a legal appeal for which customers will pay in higher water bills. Rate payers can also expect to foot the bill for any increased costs due to construction delays, Perry said.

Perry's statements drew harsh criticism from town officials in both Hingham and Hull who accused the company of poor planning and management.

Hingham's Conservation Commission is expected to take the issue up at its next meeting, Monday, March 25.

Permit fees increased

At the recommendation of building inspector Robert Eagan, selectmen this week raised fees charged for plumbing and gas inspections.

Residences will be charged $30 for an inspection of up to three fixtures, with a $7 charge for each additional fixture.

A re-inspection will cost $20, while a water heater or boiler inspection fee will be $25.

The town will charge $120 for a new house inspection.

Commercial sites will be charged $40 to for a plumbing inspection of up to three fixtures, with $10 for each additional fixture.

There will be a $30 re-inspection fee.

The town will charge $35 for water heater or water steam boiler inspection at a commercial site.

Warrants mailed

The financial news facing Cohasset is not all bad. Selectmen were pleased to learn that it cost half to mail the town meeting warrants than it did for the special town meeting in January.

Town administrator Gregory Doyon reported that in January it cost $700 to mail the warrants to residents, but that last week the mailing was organized by carrier route, reducing the work and costs of the post office.

Doyon also thanked the volunteers who helped with the mailing. He said the $14 lunch they were given more than paid off, since the volunteers did the extra work of organizing the warrants by carrier route.

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Landfill lawyer finds fault

Sohier Street wells come under fire

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The potential hazard to Cohasset's emergency water supply dominated last Thursday evening's and Friday morning's Board of Health hearing sessions on the proposed 27.5 acre expansion to the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill (CHL).

Testifying for a second evening in support of the town's effort to block expansion, geologist Patrick Barosh continued to focus his attention on the path contaminated water from the landfill would flow after reaching fracture and fault lines in bedrock surrounding the Cohasset Heights area.

"Once the ground water reached bedrock it would tend to follow its (bedrock) surface, which would be northeast," Barosh explained.

This direction of flow would pose a threat to the two town wells on Sohier Street, he said. At present these wells are inactive, but according to Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) guidelines are classified as emergency backups to the town's water supply.

Barosh further stated that a fault line lies directly under these wells and that once escaping from landfill containment contaminated water could reach bedrock anywhere from "a couple of days to a few months" and be on its way to the well area.

CHL attorney Anton Moherke repeatedly assailed Barosh's authority to speak as an expert witness on the subject of potential water hazards, stating that Barosh's expertise was more in the field of fault and fracture analysis.

Robert Weimar, vice-president for the engineering firm of Camp, Dresser & McKee, in concurring with Barosh revealed that at certain points the ground water level in the landfill could be up to 40 feet higher than the bottom of the protected liner used for the containment of landfill debris.

It was his opinion that this fact alone made the site unsuitable for any expansion.

Friday morning's session started with geologist Peter Dillon, testifying for CHL, stating that water quality samples taken from the Sohier Street wells in 1994 showed possible contami-

Cool compromise reached for library

This week selectmen agreed to a plan to install air conditioning in phases at the Pratt library.

Sheila Evans, chairman of the library trustees, said that the staff offices on each floor of the library could be air conditioned for $8,000.

She said the fall special town meeting will be asked to approve air conditioning for the central portion and the wings.

Evans said the library staffers are the only town employees working indoors which do not have air conditioning. She said that because they work nine-hour shifts, the staff have been exhausted during the recent hot summers.

However, Evans said the trustees were happy to postpone the other work to help reduce the demands on the town's free cash.

Originally, the trustees wanted $50,000 to air condition the entire library. The figure will be amended to $8,000 on town meeting floor.

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with town's geology expert

nants which would not meet current safety criteria and would have to be treated prior to any use. This, coupled with potential economic costs to the town in having to upgrade the wells, would, in his opinion, prohibit future development.

When asked by Moherke if the wells could ever be used as a general public drinking water supply, Dillon responded, "Definitely not."

Saying that water preservation is precious, Moherke exhibited a photograph of each of the Sohier Street wells in their present condition and asked former DEP official Brian Donahoe if he had ever seen a public water supply in worse-looking shape.

"Not really," Donahoe had to admit.

Cohasset Water Commission Chairman Fred Koed stated that while the wells in their current state leave a lot to be desired (one well is presently open to the elements and contains levels of harmful bacteria, and a fire last summer in the well area did serious damage) the town does have future plans to revamp the wells.

Koed said these plans were due in part to the droughts of recent years coupled with the town's continuing reliance on having to ask for backup water from the towns of Hingham and Scituate.

This session was to have been the last in the lengthy proceedings, with closing arguments being submitted in written form by all parties to alleviate any further hearing dates.

But, due to a sudden medical emergency in the family of CHL attorney Moherke, Hearing Officer John Shea was forced to adjourn the rest of the day's testimony. The final session has been rescheduled for this Saturday (Mar. 23) — exactly two months and 18 sessions from the initial opening of the Cohasset Heights expansion hearings.

Police charge selectmen with sex discrimination

By a unanimous vote, the police union has accused selectmen with discriminating against men when it requested to a civil service list from the state only containing females.

In February, selectmen decided to request an all-female civil service list from which to interview candidates to fill a vacancy in the department.

"We feel it's very highly discriminatory," officer Paul Laugelle told selectmen Monday night.

Selectman Peter Pratt disagreed. "Discrimination is a difficult term," he said and asked how requesting the all-female list is discriminatory.

"You eliminate all other candidates," Laugelle replied.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said that other lists of potential police officers which selectmen could have requested, such as local preference or veterans and families of those killed while serving in the military, are also discriminatory.

Laugelle replied that those lists are far less restrictive than the all-female list.

He said the local preference list contains the names of those living in the Cohasset area, not just in the town.

In making the all-female list, the state civil service commission must by-pass many men with higher scores in order to find enough women.

There are currently two females among Cohasset's 13 patrolmen, while all four sergeants are males.

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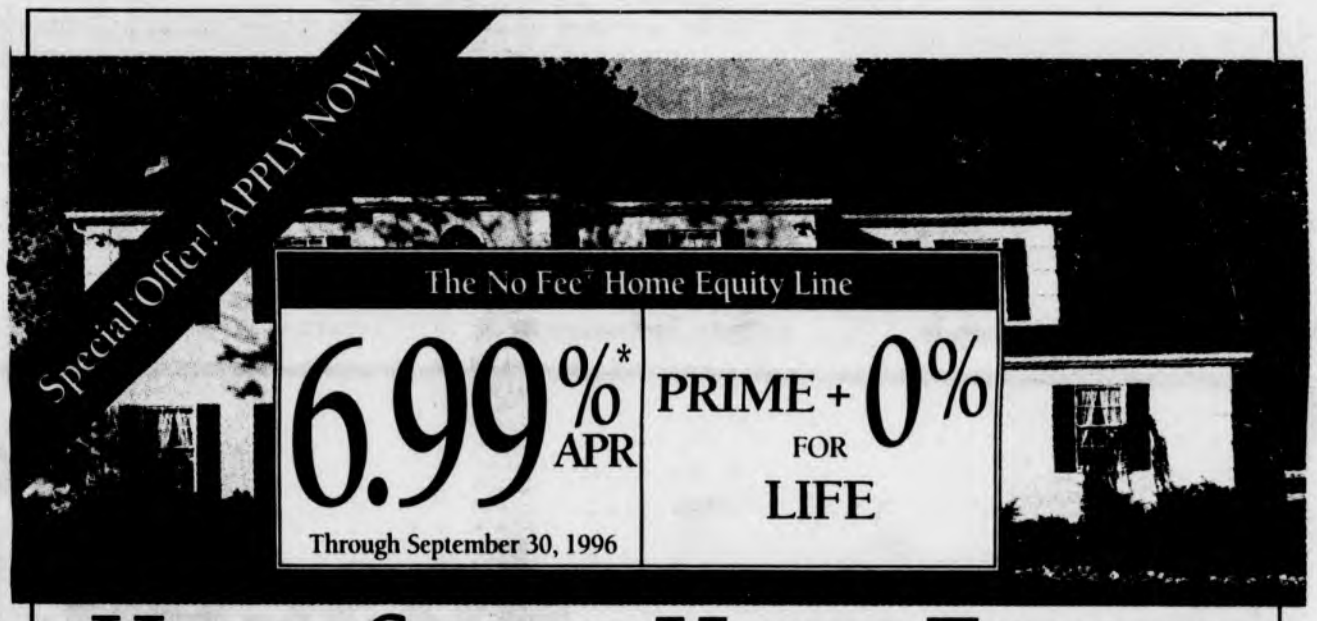

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Cable-TV talks to start, service could expand

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than more channels, he believes that most cable television subscribers are not using the 60 channels that are presently available, and should be allowed greater selectivity.

On two occasions, Horn said, Continental Cablevision has agreed to survey its Hingham subscribers to determine how many use the community access channels 3 and 53. However, the survey has not yet been done.

Horn would like to see "commercial" channels, such as shopping services, excluded from the billing formula.

He also said initial strategy sessions have been hampered by the regular presence of a Continental Cablevision representative who attends the committee's meetings.

Horn said he has reviewed the open meeting law, and believes the committee is prevented from going into executive session to discuss strategy.

Continental Cablevision general manager Richard Donahue said the company's representatives attend all meetings, "regardless of the contract situation." He added that a consultant hired by the City of Brockton advised the cable television committee there that excluding the cable representative "could taint the [contract renewal] process."

"It does put them in an odd position, I'll admit that," Donahue said.

But for the next contract, Hillman said he thinks the cable television committee should focus on the television service, rather than delving into additional services that Continental Cablevision can provide in the future. The next contract can be awarded for a maximum of 10 years, and when that contract approaches expiration, other services can be considered. He noted that at this time, the cable television committee's duties do not extend beyond television.

Horn also said Hingham should address television service at this point, adding that the committee's scope has not been broadened at this time to include other technologies. The cable television committee is an advisory body, reporting to the selectmen. However, if the selectmen determine these other services are of interest to a sizable number of residents, then the board can so instruct the committee.

Hillman said that the quarterly reports Continental Cablevision provides to his committee show few minor subscriber complaints, and those are resolved in a timely fashion. However, his concern for Cohasset's next contract is that the community has a deal that is "at least as good as other cities and towns in southeastern Massachusetts."

Continental Cablevision comes to the bargaining table with offers of more channels to its subscribers, Donahue said. Some with be "pay-per-view" services, while others will be included in the basic cable service. In addition, new "tiers" of service will be available, packaged, he said, by categories such as sports, movies, and children's programming.

With advances in technology, subscribers will eventually have access to close to 500 channels.

Selectmen pledge to fight water rate hike

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been," the attorney predicted.

"This increase is outrageous," resident Maria Plante wrote in a memo to selectmen.

During Monday night's meeting, Plante and other residents said the water company is slow to respond to repairs.

They also pointed out that senior citizens comprise a high percentage of the affected rate payers.

Selectmen told DeRensis to appeal a decision denying the town the right to speak at the hearing now underway on the rate increase.

The hearing officer in charge of the case denied the town's request to intervene in the hearings because Cohasset applied too late and claimed attorneys representing Hull and Hingham will in fact be speaking for Cohasset ratepayers as well.

DeRensis said there is a possibility that Hull's lawyer is claiming that Hull ratepayers will not benefit from the improvements and should therefore not have to pay for them. DeRensis said there is a possibility that the Hull residents could be shielded from the full rate increase.

But it is unclear if Cohasset ratepayers would be shielded if they do not have representation. He said the Cohasset residents "are kind of victims of the whole process."

DeRensis said it will cost the town $400 to appeal that decision to the full DPU board, but he was not optimistic that the hearing officer's decision would be overturned.

He did say the DPU would probably protect the rate payers.

"It's likely to work out alright," he said. "I can't guarantee that."

If the town does intervene in the case, it would cost an estimated $5,000 in legal costs, plus the cost of engineers to testify on the poor condition of the water pipes in Cohasset.

However, in the event that Cohasset is not allowed to intervene in the case, DeRensis will still have the opportunity to make a 20-minute presentation on the rate increase at the end of the hearing and to file a brief.

In addition, selectmen agreed that Cohasset should start looking at the possibility of connecting the 220 houses in North Cohasset.

DeRensis said that if the town took the water company property by eminent domain, it would have to pay the valued cost of the property, even if it is old.

The Town of Nantucket, which he represents, purchased a plant through eminent domain from the Mass.-American Water Co.

Selectman Chairman Merle Brown suggested it might be cheaper to simply lay new water mains connecting the area to the town water supply.

In addition, selectmen also told DeRensis that he should only attend those sessions of the DPU hearing that are necessary, in an attempt to hold down costs.

Brown said, "We have to have money some place. I don't know where we're going to get it."

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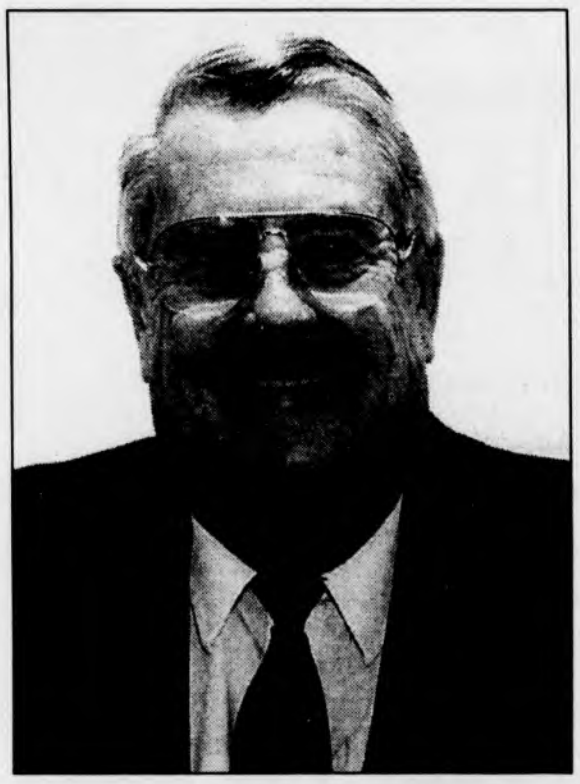

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Snow record broken

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$45,000 budgeted for snow removal, the department was almost $120,000 "in the red."

By comparison, during the winter of 1993-94, the highway department spent $149,000, which was $105,000 over the budgeted amount.

Litchfield said the DPW used 2,581 tons of sand and 678 tons of salt.

Sand used in Cohasset was purchased from P. A. Landers Company of Marshfield which as the low-bidder to sell sand at $4.90 per ton. Continental Salt Company of Staten Island, New York sold road salt to Cohasset at $38 per ton.

Litchfield said he was very satisfied with Landers' service to the town, with prompt deliveries when the stockpile had be replenished during the winter.

"Landers was excellent," he said. "They were here right after we called them."

The end of the winter finds the highway department in reasonably good shape, given the amount of work that was required. Litchfield said there were a few minor breakdowns, and some equipment needs minor repairs, "but there's nothing major."

Litchfield reported that in 1995, the last sanding or plowing turned out to be March 17. The year before, the date was March 13.

Although spring arrived yesterday, there's always a chance that Mother Nature may add some more to the snow accumulation.

Skilling reports that spring snow is not entirely uncommon. According to weather station records, since 1980, there have been four significant spring snowfalls, most recently on March 23, 1994 when 4 inches of snow was recorded.

In addition, he said, there was 6-1/2 inches of snow on March 24, 1993, a little more than 7 inches on March 29 and 30 in 1984, and a "spring blizzard" on April 6 and 7, 1982 which produced a foot of snow to bury crocuses.

Police chief contract ok'ed

Monday night selectmen unanimously approved a new three-year contract, with a modest raise, for police Chief Brian Noonan.

The contract, which is effective from March 1 of this year, sets Noonan's salary at $54,000 for the first year. Starting March 1, 1997, the salary will be $55,500, rising to $56,500 for the third year of the contract.

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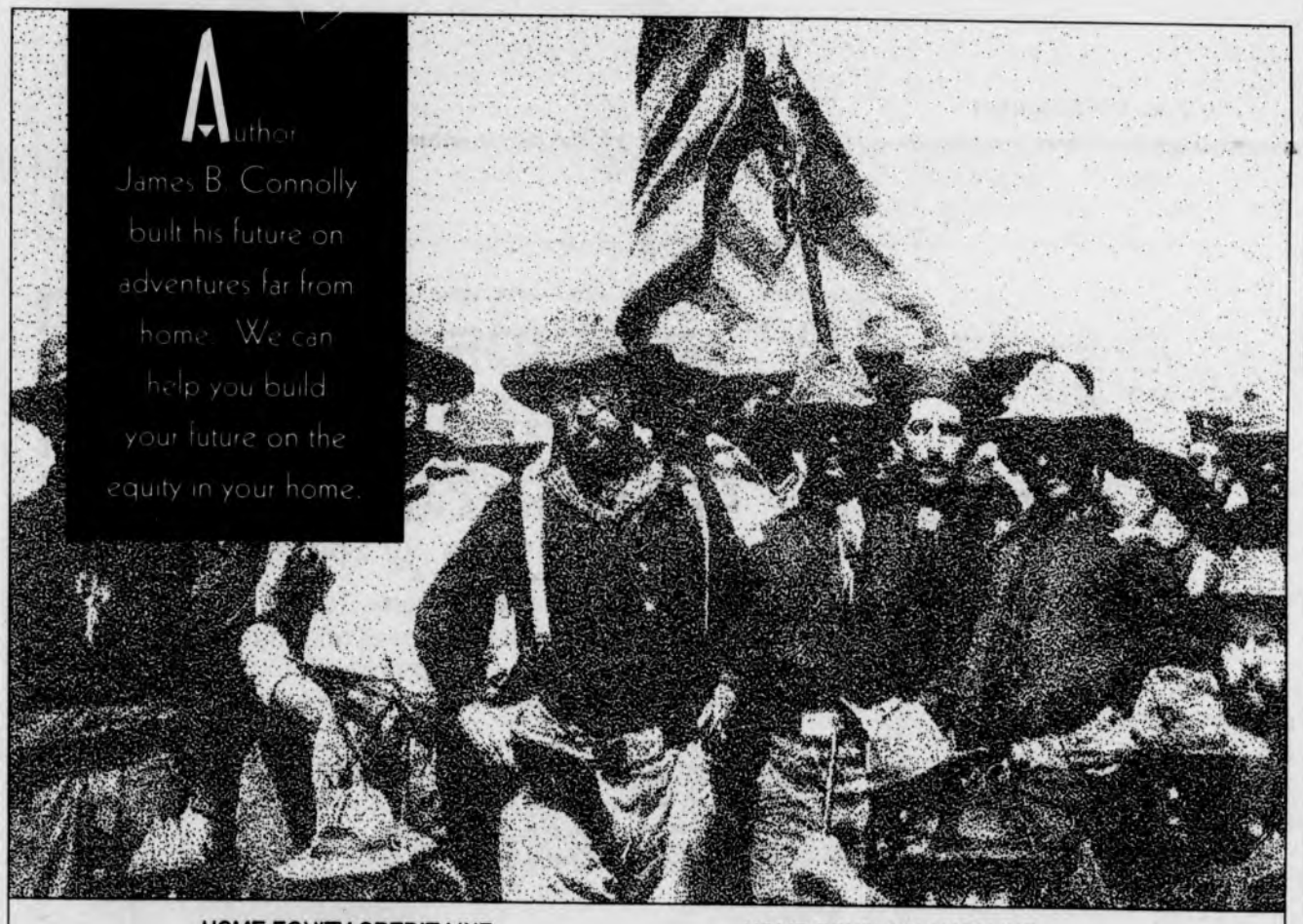

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Chris Golden is 'euphoric' about spelling bee!

Erin Sutherland, daughter of **Sue** and **Ted Cox** and **Peggy** and **George Sutherland** of East Harwich, has been named to the dean's list at UMass, Amherst for the fall semester. Erin is a senior majoring in history and education and will graduate in May.

While at UMass, she has continued teaching gymnastics at the college level during every semester since her freshman year. As a sister in the UMass chapter of the Delta Zeta sorority, Erin has been active in community service work and in helping the elderly in the Amherst community.

Erin and her friend Ali Welz are busy planning a spring break cruise to five Caribbean islands with Erin's aunt, Diane Williams. Sure looks like there will be a lot to talk about by the end of March. Don't forget to let us know all about your trip!

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Norwich University informs us that **John O'Leary,** Jerusalem Road has been named to the dean's list for the fall semester for achieving a grade point average of 3.0 or higher. John is a member of the Class of 1999 with an undeclared bachelor of science major.

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Christopher Golden is not only feeling euphoric these days, he knows how to spell it! That is the word that won him the chance to compete in the Patriot Ledger spelling bee on March 23. The bee will be held at Weymouth High School. (It is not open to the public, but we'll let you know about Christopher.) He is 13 years old and in grade 7 at Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School. Congrats to you, and we're all behind you, so let us know how you do.

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Candice Buckley, the daughter of **Lynn** and **Gerald Buckley,** is one of nearly 100 first-year undergraduate women at Dartmouth who will undertake paid research internships for the winter and spring terms through the college's Women in Science Project. Candice will work with Dartmouth professors Xiahong Feng and Laura Conkey on tree rings and stable isotopes for climatic analysis in northern China. She will spend up to 10 hours a week in a lab, working closely with faculty members and their research teams.

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We sure hope that **Sam Esposito** is feeling better after suffering a heart attack a few weeks ago. Everyone who knows Sam knows he won't be down for long. He is so strong and busy he'll say he doesn't have time to be sick! We all love you, Sam, and are counting the days until we see you "around town" again.

Louise G. Littlehale of the Cohasset Garden Club attended an orientation meeting March 14 at the Museum of Fine Arts to plan for the 20th annual 'Art in Bloom' festival of flowers and art April 30-May 2 at the museum. To celebrate flower design as an art form, arrangements by 70 New England garden clubs will interpret masterpieces throughout the museum's world famous collections at the festival. For information and reservations, call (617) 369-3395.

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Congratulations go to **Brooke C. Lombardy,** a senior at Archbishop Williams High School, who made the honor roll for the second quarter.

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Rik Tinory, owner of Tinory's Productions in our fair town, sure made the news last week as he so fondly remembered George Burns after his death. Tinory recorded some songs for George Burns when he came her to perform at the South Shore Music Circus. George even sent him an autographed picture of himself shortly before he passed away. It is nice that he has such good memories of such a popular and kind man.

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Nicholas B. Terry was named to the dean's list at Bates College as a result of his scholastic standing during the first semester of the 1995-96 academic year. Nicholas, a sophomore history major, is the son of **David** and **Suzanne Terry** of Margin Street. A dean's list student, he is a 1994 graduate of CHS.

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Let's give a rousing cheer to **John Dominic Demick,** the brand-new son of **Ann S. Demick,** DMD and **David F. Demick,** MD. John was born on Feb. 22 at 6:50 p.m., and he weighed six pounds, four ounces. His maternal grandparents are **Eleanor R. Shea** of Pittsfield and **John F. Shea** of Bonita Springs, Fla. John's paternal grandparent is **Dorothy Demick** of Pittsfield. Congratulations go to all of you!

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Don't forget the Chamber of Commerce is holding its annual **Candidates' Night** this Thursday at 7 p.m. at Second Congregational Church. Candidates will get the chance to present themselves and field questions from the audience. In addition to the seated spectators, there will be a viewing audience present via a live airing on local cable television. With all the races this year, it should be an interesting evening. You can ask your questions of your favorite candidate! See you there.

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As school begins after spring vacation, so do all the spring sports. Why not post a copy of the schedule where you can refer to it with ease, so that you can support our athletes!

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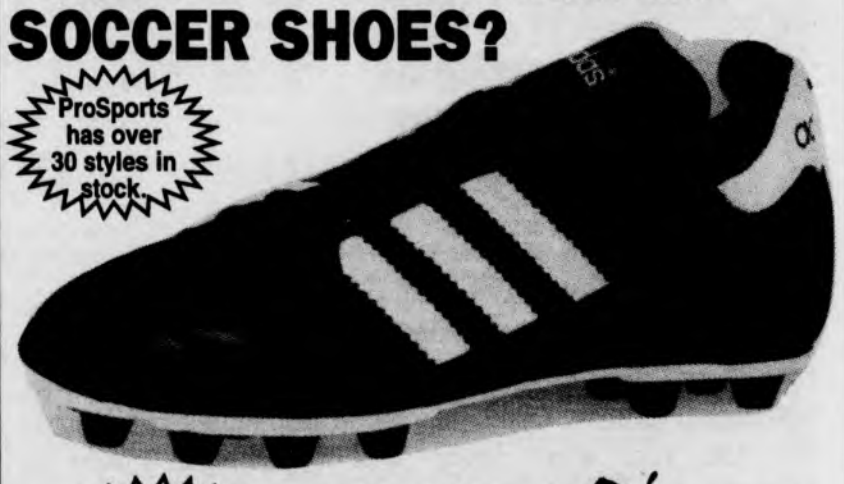

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Best vacation: Tour of Mexico.

Best day of your life: Finishing graduate school.

Biggest worry: Having rain all summer!

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving.

Favorite season: Summer, definitely!

Favorite TV show: "E.R."

Favorite movie: "Up Close and Personal."

Favorite book: "The Lorax," by Dr. Seuss.

Favorite junk-food: Doritos!

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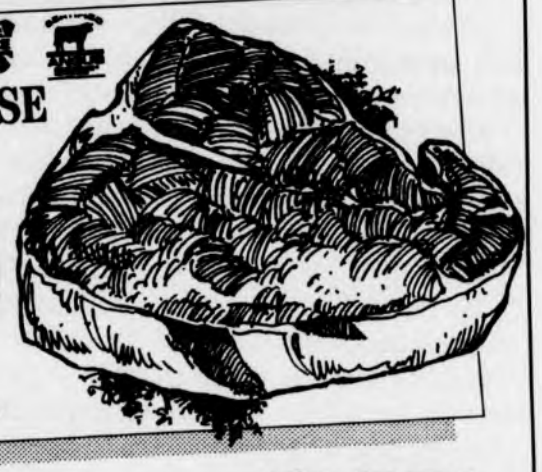

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EDITORIAL

Cohasset Village

We'll bet we have something in common: we love Cohasset.

The word "unique" really applies to this lovely outcropping of ledge with its mix of personality in everything from its home styles to its people.

But one part of town confounds us. The Village. It desperately needs a jolt of vitality to insure it will thrive and be a vibrant part of town.

Several village merchants, in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, apparently agree and have put out the call to residents for advice on what can be done to perk up Cohasset's "downtown."

Empty storefronts like those at the former Colonial Pharmacy and Village Fare don't generate confidence that business is booming.

There is good news. Just two examples are The Red Lion Inn, which has new owners, and Hingham Institution for Savings, which had the confidence in Cohasset Village to come to town and, as an added bonus, beautifully renovate and restore the antique brick building it occupies.

The Village Renaissance Committee has also added the caring touch with upgrading the walkway between the parking lot and South Main Street among its other beautification efforts.

Hingham Square is bustling and Scituate Harbor is starting to flourish with new restaurants and other businesses headed for Front Street. While Cohasset Village is much smaller — that's no reason why it can't be a magnet for shoppers and an attractive place for businesses to open offices. What could be nicer than being sandwiched between our beautiful town common and the harbor, the way Cohasset Village is?

So merchants and the Chamber want to know what kind of businesses residents would like to see in the village, how the village can be marketed to other towns, and what can be done to make it more inviting.

A village committee meeting is slated for 5:30 p.m., Thursday, March 28 at French Memories. Interested town officials, citizens, and merchants are encouraged to attend.

Those who can't attend should send comments or suggestions to the Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 336, Cohasset or contact Dean Rizzo at 383-1994.

In the meantime, we should all try to support our village and town merchants by shopping in Cohasset whenever possible.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Town wants its money back

Dear Governor Weld:

The Cohasset Board of Selectmen were recently provided with an updated projection of costs associated with the landfill expansion site assignment application by Cohasset Heights Landfill, Ltd. We are disturbed to learn that the cost to the Town of Cohasset taxpayers for the January to June 30 time period will exceed $240,000, bringing the total FY1996 cost to an estimated $325,000.

The board hereby requests that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts reimburse the Town of Cohasset for these costs, because the site assignment procedure under the Solid Waste Act is an unfunded state mandate. In order to protect its interests, the town has had to engage one law firm to represent the Board of Health which is operating in a quasi-judicial capacity as well as a second firm to represent the interests of the town of Cohasset. In addition the town has had to hire environmental experts to challenge the findings of the proponent's engineers, so that we can be assured that the Town's water supply and wetlands are safeguarded. All of this is as a result of an unwieldy state-mandated permitting procedure. The proponent was required to file a $2,000 per acre application fee which does not come close to defraying the town's cost.

The board wishes to also remind you of the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs' deliberate exclusion of the C.H.L. and Rockland Landfill Facility from its landfill moratorium as well as the failure of the Department of Environmental Protection to aggressively enforce its regulations on a current landfill facility which is damaging the environment. Had each of these state agencies been diligent in pursuing its goal of protecting the environment, perhaps the town would not have had to incur this large expenditure.

We ask that you join in supporting our request for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to reimburse the Town of Cohasset for these expenses.

Merle S. Brown, Chairman
Peter J. Pratt, Vice Chairman
Martha K. Gjesteby
Jane O. Goedecke
Michael H. Sullivan

Selectmen sent this March 6 letter to Gov. Weld.

Local students need your help

To the Editor:

April 25, 1995, 50 students and five teachers from Cohasset High School participated in a town-wide cleanup of three sites that were in danger of becoming breeding grounds for mosquitoes.

The sites were James Brook, Sanctuary Pond and a tidal creek off of Border street. This removal of debris freed water from the dams of trash that had held it back for so long. Included in the piles blocking these waters were tires, telephone poles, and other very interesting natural and human generated trash. By the end of a six-hour day the waters at all these spots were flowing again, thanks to all the hard-working volunteers.

The experience was great fun and extremely gratifying. This year on April 23, the students of Cohasset High would like to carry out the second annual National Day of Service. This day has been designated by the Massachusetts National and Community Service Commission as a day when residents of towns all over can take part in cleanups such as this one.

This repeat of last year's service, however, would be even better if you would join us in the removal of debris from these sites. If you are interested in joining the students this year or are able to donate tools (rakes, picks, shovels, even boots and gloves: all of these are needed and would be greatly appreciated), then please call Jack Buckley at Cohasset High School (383-6100). Thank you very much for your interest and support, we hope to see you on April 23!

Holly Pereira, Allison Ritts
Environmental Studies students

more letters on pg. 13

Question of the Week

The following candidates responded to the Question of the Week:

• **Selectmen**: do you think it's time that Cohasset hired a town manager? Why or why not?

Nan Roth, selectman

The issue of whether Cohasset needs a town manager is complex. The town needs a stronger, more effective planning process which will involve all departments in analyzing assets and services, projecting needs and combining this information into a comprehensive financial and asset management plan.

Funnelling all information and authority through a town manager would be an effective way to control such a process and would provide a single locus of responsibility and authority in town. Yet, a town manager form of government is only as good as the manager hired. All power and control for day-to-day activities would be held by one person, good or bad.

The change to a town manager system of government is certainly one that could be explored through a Charter Commission process. However, it should be possible to operate our town more effectively using our present system.

The selectmen need to bring our various departments together, to encourage them to communicate fully and frequently with each other and the public. In facing our large number of capital and maintenance projects, town activities must be well-planned, financed and coordinated.

Martha Gjesteby, selectman

The question on whether or not Cohasset is ready for a town manager has again been raised. I am definitely in favor of a change, but I would like to offer some of the pros and cons. These could be helpful if citizens want to delve further into the matter.

These are some of the pros of having a town manager:

• As managers do the hiring and firing, it could take "politics" out of the process.

• A town manager would be a professional with intimate knowledge of federal and state law as well as town bylaws.

• A town manager would also be familiar with available grants as well as having the knowledge of how to write grant applications.

• The saying is "that a more efficient operation of the government by a town manager should at least create enough savings to pay his salary."

• A good town manager should be instrumental in creating better communications between the selectmen and the public as well as with other departments.

Here are some of the possible negatives of having a town manager:

• There could be too much power concentrated with one person.

• The selectmen will be less involved in the day-to-day operation of the town. This includes contract negotiations with town employees.

If we should want to make a change, Town Meeting would have to vote to make a petition to the Massachusetts General Court. This is covered by Mass. General Law 41 section 23A. We would not need to create a charter to accomplish this purpose.

Ronnie McMorris, selectman

Cohasset recently changed the title of executive secretary to town administrator in order to more accurately reflect the job being performed. I favor taking the next step and making the position a town manager to meet the present needs of the town.

Cohasset's proposed operating budget for fiscal year 1997 is almost $17 million. We face major capital proposals from the board of health, sewer commission and school department. Given the size of the budget and the number of major projects, the selectmen need to play a greater role in developing an overall plan for the town. A multi-year financial play that includes goals, priorities and timetables can be developed by working with residents and the various departments. A professional town manager with a background in public administration or business administration would help us achieve that goal.

The selectmen and residents would remain responsible for policymaking. But a town manager would have clearer authority than a town administrator and greater ability to coordinate the work of town boards. The actual management of the town government would move from a volunteer board to a trained professional.

In Hull, the town manager prepares the budget and is drafting the town's first five-year capital plan, which will link declining debt to the phasing in of future capital projects. Cohasset needs this kind of coordination and planning.

Throughout my campaign for selectman, I have stressed the need to focus on management and planning and to establish priorities and timetables. Cohasset has already moved toward centralized management.

• **School committee**: what in your view is the chief benefit of the education reform act? The biggest detriment?

Owen O'Malley, school committee

In my view, there is no benefit in the Education Reform Act of 1993. It represents a pure power grab on the part of the state. One of the act's detriments is that it grants to local governing boards the right to abrogate legally elected school committees.

Keith F. Knowles, school committee

The chief benefit of the Education Reform Act has been the opening up of the educational process. Historically, education in Massachusetts has been controlled by the teachers' union and professional educators. Parents and taxpayers had only a limited say in the process. The Reform Act has brought about three new ways in which the public can control the educational destiny of their children.

First, charter schools owe their existence to their ability to employ individuals who are experts in their field(s), rather than only certified teachers. Second, school councils created by the Reform Act give citizens the opportunity to participate directly in decisions made by each school in the district. Finally, the development of comprehensive evaluations for both teachers and administrators will eventually allow our school system to prune away dead wood. The implementation of teacher competency testing will ensure that we are entrusting the education of our children to only the most qualified individuals.

The primary drawback of the act is the difficult and traumatic transition period it has brought about. As teachers, administrators and school committees grapple with new financial restrictions and requirements, budgets will need to be realigned. Curriculum changes brought about by state standards will create the need to realign teaching staffs and course requirements. The loss of direct personnel authority by the school committee makes the roles of superintendent and principals even more critical. These drawbacks aside, each of these adjustments is a small price to pay for what should be a very positive end result.

Rick Shea, school committee

I believe the chief benefit of the state's Education Reform Act is its evaluation requirement. In business, you cannot improve what you cannot measure. The same is true in education. Under education reform, students will be evaluated against core curriculum standards and must demonstrate competency to graduate from high school. Teachers and administrators will also be required to meet measurable performance standards. The School Committee will have an important role in this process by setting performance standard policies and approving school improvement plans.

The biggest detriment of the Education Reform Act is that it mandates expanded responsibilities for school districts without providing additional state funds.

Implementing the Education Reform Act will be a challenge for the School Committee, but one which will provide an opportunity for positive changes in the management of the Cohasset schools.

• **Treasurer-collector:** the treasurer-collector's office is closed to the public on Wednesdays. If elected, would you support a change in that policy?

Wigmore A. Pierson, treasurer-collector

The office of treasurer-collector is now shorthanded, with Sally Lincoln recovering from hip surgery and the newly elected treasurer-collector needing time to settle in. This is not the time to expand office hours.

However, during the week when quarterly property tax payments or excise taxes are due, it may well serve the public interest to have the office open on certain Wednesdays.

Patricia Anne Walsh, treasurer-collector

One rainy Friday evening, March 15, I visited Sally Lincoln at Braintree Rehabilitation Hospital as promised in one of our telephone conversations. Her good news was that she would be going home in a few days.

Sally worked for many years as assistant treasurer before her accident. She was esteemed for always being cheerful and accommodating while counting and receipting departmental "turnovers" of money and checks, although frequently interrupted by the telephone, explaining insurance and retirement benefits to retired town employees.

Former Treasurer-Collector Elizabeth Ripley requested closing the office on Wednesdays to permit employees to catch up on their workload and post receipts so they could concentrate in relative peace and quiet. It can be difficult to balance with constant phone calls and a stream of people wanting to be waited on. As the employee most familiar with working conditions, I asked Sally her reaction to the Mariner's question.

She said, as I had also observed, they had often waited on citizens on Wednesdays. Residents sometimes ignored the "Closed Wednesday" sign on the window, opened the door, walked into the office and requested and received assistance.

Sally knew, from keeping in touch with the office by telephone, that last Wednesday, March 13, Linda was out of the building taking a computer course, and Nancy was catching up on posting the January receipts in the ledger.

Sally's recommendation, with which I concur, is that since the part-time employee has been additionally cut from the budget proposed for next year in the Town Meeting warrant, the office remain "closed" on Wednesdays.

Joe Buckley, treasurer-collector

If elected Treasurer-Collector, I will run the office like a business. The taxpayers will be the customers and the office, as far as possible, will be run for their convenience.

However, to say I would open the office on Wednesday at this time would not be good business sense. In every action we take, the cost to the town and the effect on the tax rate must be foremost in our minds.

Taxpayers can save themselves time and help hold down administration costs by mailing their payments.

Question of the Week:

Each week, the Cohasset Mariner will pose a question to the candidates. Responses to the question may be dropped off at Cohasset News on Brook Street or mailed to the Cohasset Mariner, 165 Enterprise Dr., Marshfield 02050. Or they may be FAXed to our Hingham office at 617-740-8955. All responses must be submitted by Noon on Tuesday. There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

Responses to the candidates must be brief — a 250 word limit. Articles which exceed the limit will be cut. So be specific and make every word count.

If you have any questions about this election policy, please call editor Mary Ford at 749-0031.

The Question of the Week is:

• **For selectmen candidates**: what is your position on restoration of the Greenbush Line of the Old Colony Railroad? Why?

• **For school committee candidates**: why does the school budget have line-item autonomy at town meeting? Should that be changed?

• **For treasurer-collector candidates**: what is the town's bond rating? Why is it important? Can it be improved?

• **For water commission candidates**: Cohasset officials, unlike those in many other South Shore towns, have said the town's water problems are related to distribution and not supply. If that's the case, is there a need for residents to practice water conservation?

• **For sewer commission candidates**: could Cohasset save some money by buying into the proposed pumping station in the west corner area of Hingham rather than using the North Cohasset fire station site?

• **For planning board candidates**: will Cohasset's part of Route 3A look like Route 53 in Hanover in a few years? What can the planning board do to prevent that?

Question of the Week

• **Planning board**: how important is it for planning board members to understand the town's zoning by-laws?

Mike Mullin, planning board

Of course Planning Board members should have a good understanding of Cohasset's zoning laws and their application. It's the job of the Planning Board to ensure that the zoning laws are enforced.

But a solid understanding of the zoning laws is not enough. A good planning board candidate — or any town candidate — must possess additional intangible qualities:

• Courage — the willingness to voice views and opinions that may not be the most popular.

• Common sense — an underrated value that is the key to effective town government — an ability to anticipate both the short- and long-term effects of each decision made by the board.

• Altruism — running because you believe you can help Cohasset, not to gain media exposure or additional linage on your resume.

I have studied, and have a good understanding of, Cohasset's zoning laws. What I don't know yet, I'm willing to put the time into learning. More importantly, I'm running for the right reason — a true desire to protect Cohasset's size and uniqueness.

Terry Atherton, planning board

Since the primary role of the planning board is to review development plans to insure that they conform to the town's zoning bylaws, an understanding of these bylaws on the part of the board's members is essential.

As with any other set of rules and regulations, these bylaws are often subject to interpretation.

In addition, under certain circumstances, it may be in the town's best interests for the board to recommend that variances be granted for certain non-conforming aspects of a particular site plan. Because of this, the board member's knowledge of the zoning bylaws must go far beyond just the wording. To make effective decisions, board members must also have an understanding of why each of the zoning bylaws was written and how they have been interpreted in the past.

• **Sewer commission**: how has the sewer problem affected business in the village? Will restrictions be lifted when the upgraded sewer plant comes on line?

Ted Guild, sewer commission

The sewer moratorium has had a restricting impact on the Village. For this reason, in recent years, the Sewer Commission has received important assistance from the Chamber of Commerce. This led directly to the renegotiation of the town's Agreement for Judgment with the Commonwealth and to the present sewer expansion program.

As noted in last week's column, the sewer commissioners expect to submit the final segment of the program (the Village and central Cohasset) to the 1997 annual Town Meeting.

Once construction has been completed (probable date is late 1999), the sewer ban will be lifted, and there will be no further special state-imposed sewer restrictions on the Village area

• **Water commission**: do you think heavy residential water users should be charged a higher rate for water used in excess of what the average household uses?

Richard Muncey, water commission

Every Cohasset household is different. Therefore it is difficult to figure an average residential water usage.

I feel that everyone should be charged the same residential water rate regardless of the amount of water consumed. If one household uses 2,000 cubic feet with five household members, and another uses 5,000 cubic feet with the same number of residents, they will pay for the amount of water used. One water bill will obviously be higher than the other.

With the new project of remetering the entire town with outside readers, every home will now have an accurate reading of its water consumption. This will increase revenue.

As a commissioner, I plan to enforce a stricter penalty on water users who violate any water ban the town may impose.

With the addition of new mains and rehabilitation of the water system planned again for this summer, the consumption will go up. More people will be using more water because of better water pressure. This again will increase revenue.

The Board of Water Commissioners is currently in the middle of a new rate study. This will give the board a better knowledge and understanding of water rates and where they should go.

John Rafferty, water commission

This is an excellent question and a topic getting more attention in the water industry. The Cohasset Water Commission is reviewing this issue currently.

Yes, I think residents who consume above average volumes should pay more. Heavier use requires larger water mains and greater plant capacity. The larger mains are more expensive, and higher volume usage increases operating costs. As more customers install "thirsty" automatic sprinklers, one can argue that they should pay a higher step-up rate for consumption over the average. An increasing rate structure also helps water conservation by making "excess" use more expensive.

Roughly 22 percent of water utilities nationally have inverted (higher volume, higher price) rate structures, 37 percent have uniform structures (higher volume, constant price) and 38 percent have declining structures (higher volume, lower price). However, use of the inverted rate structure is increasing as the cost of securing, treating and distributing potable water rises.

In Cohasset, we have a uniform residential rate structure comprised of a quarterly $25.74 fixed charge plus a variable charge equal to $3.80 per 100 cubic feet. Approximately 60 percent of the customer base uses less than 2,000 cubic feet of water per quarter. Only 32 customers have larger meters (over 5/8-inch) for higher volume usage.

Water rates in Cohasset remain high for the average customer. However, by adopting an increasing rate structure with a step-up rate above the average usage level, we should get a more appropriate cost distribution and possibly a slight decrease in average rates.

Candidates' Corner

Knowles to speak at coffees

School committee candidate Keith Knowles will field questions from interested citizens at two coffees scheduled this weekend. The first, at the home of Bill and Katheryn Morgan of 20 Bow St., will be held on Saturday, March 23, beginning at 4 p.m. The second coffee, at the home of Don and Mary Kennedy, 41 Stevens Lane, will be held on Sunday, March 24, at 1 p.m. Any person interested in Knowles' views on the issues facing our schools is invited to attend either coffee. For more information, call the Morgans at 383-9132 or the Kennedys at 383-9599.

Other opportunities to talk with Knowles will be at the Beechwood Congregational supper on March 28 and the televised Chamber of Commerce Candidates Night on March 21. Anyone wishing to obtain a more extensive insight into his positions may call him directly at 383-1331. Donations to Knowles' campaign may be sent to the Committee to Elect Keith Knowles, c/o Dean Rizzo, 22 Depot Court, Cohasset 02025.

Shea to meet voters at neighborhood coffees

School Committee candidate Rick Shea invites Cohasset residents to meet him and discuss school issues at upcoming neighborhood coffees. The first is from 4 to 6 p.m., Sunday, March 24, at the home of Wilson and Susan Pile, 65 Elm St. The next is from 7 to 9 p.m., Tuesday, March 26 at the home of John and Linda Campbell, 95 Beechwood St. Call Sue McNamara at 383-6945 for directions.

McMorris plans coffees

Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris, candidate for the Board of Selectmen, has three coffees scheduled to meet voters in town.

Paul and Eileen Corbett are inviting guests to their home Monday, March 25, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Ned Tebbetts and Chartis Langmaid are hosting a coffee Tuesday, March 26, beginning at 8 p.m.

On Friday, March 29, Margy Charles is holding an event from 7:30 to 9 p.m. to give residents a chance to meet and talk with McMorris.

Anyone interested in attending any of these events may contact Mary Foley, 383-9289, or Donna French, 383-9901.

Nan Roth plans coffees

The Committee to Elect Nan Roth to the Board of Selectmen will hold coffees every Sunday until Election Day. Anyone who would like to meet Roth and discuss her views on town government is welcome to attend and should call coffee chairmen Margie Steele (383-1319) or Ann Whelan (383-0034) for times and locations.

Meet the candidates tonight

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce's next scheduled meeting is its annual "Candidates' Night," which will be held Thursday, March 21, at 7 p.m., at the Second Congregational Church.

The program will begin promptly at 7 p.m. so as to allow all the candidates a chance to present themselves and also to field questions from the audience. In addition to the seated audience, there will also be a viewing audience present via a live airing on our local cable station.

Each candidate can expect to have up to five minutes to present their positions to the business community and to the community at large. Competitors for the same office will follow one another alphabetically. Once all of the presentations for a particular office have been made, the audience will be invited to ask specific questions of those candidates. A chamber member will moderate the answer and rebuttal time in an effort to provide an equal forum for each participant and to insure a timely progression to the next group of candidates.

SAFE presents candidates night

SAFE (Stop Any Further Expansion) will present a Meet the Candidates Evening on Thursday, March 28, at 8 p.m. in the Bancroft Gallery of South Shore Art Center.

Candidates for the board of selectmen, board of health and water commission will make brief presentations and answer questions from the audience. Coffee, dessert and informal discussions with individual candidates will follow the presentations.

Election supper to be held

The Beechwood Congregational Church is holding an Election Supper on Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. The supper has been a church tradition for more than 75 years. Candidates are welcome to come early to chat with constituents in a relaxed atmosphere, with each candidate introduced before dinner is served.

A family-style roast beef dinner, beverage and dessert will be featured. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are $6.99 for adults and $3.50 for children. To make reservations, call 383-1298.

Cohasset Mariner election policy

The Cohasset Mariner will not accept letters from candidates or letters endorsing candidates. The Mariner will publish letters about campaign issues up until the March 28 issue before the election.

Candidates are encouraged to advertise their campaigns in the Mariner. For information about deadlines and costs for political advertisements, please contact Judy McCaffery Perry at 1-800-649-6661.

Capital budget planning failed

To the Editor:

Once again let me say that I recognize the need for replacing the abandoned Osgood School. The timing is unfortunate. In 1973, when the school population was 1,984 pupils, a similar effort had to be abandoned for lack of adequate sewerage. (There were 1,218 pupils in 1995.) Little has been heard about it until now. Meanwhile the town has obligated itself for new playing fields, the Hagerty property, and a new DPW garage, besides facing the state mandated sewer projects and landfill capping.

There is no backing off from these obligations. With the prospect of paying off the whole debt service on the school for up to five years until the state picks up on its agreed-upon share, the whole package will mean an increase in our taxes of 36 percent — it would have exceeded 38 percent under the original school proposal. Somehow the capital budget planning has failed; our priorities might have been differently ordered.

Postponing the Deer Hill improvements is certainly a help; I don't understand why the town was not given that option in the first place, nor do I understand why, having put that aside, the School Committee saw fit to add $140,000 to renovate the gym and auditorium this coming year when they knew that the town was trying to cope with an already heavy tax burden.

This whole thing must have been apparent to the school people for a long time. Why have they waited so long and then presented as an emergency? We were shown a movie graphically displaying neglected maintenance and housekeeping at the Osgood School along with the implication that the building is structurally unsound.

Yes, we need a new school, but I think our townspeople can make a responsible decision without this sort of hyperbole. After all, it is their responsibility.

Daniel C. Cotton
27 King St.

School reimbursement guaranteed

To the Editor:

The School Facilities Committee would like to clarify some issues that have arisen relative to state support for the new elementary school building project.

Provided that our proposal is submitted by June 1, 1996, Cohasset will be guaranteed 60 percent reimbursement for the total cost of the project. Since the School Building Assistance Act was established in 1948 there has never been a time when the State of Massachusetts has failed to fund an approved project.

There has also been a concern raised about the possible curtailment of funding during the bond pay back period. When the Commonwealth makes its first reimbursement payment, the total amount required to repay the reimbursement of the bond issue has been guaranteed by the state. There is no possibility that the reimbursement would stop until the state's full payment is made.

Anyone with any further questions should call me or the superintendent of schools.

Bob Beggan, Chairman
for the School Facilities Committee

Coffeehouse to feature Kilburn

The Second Congregational Church will host a Coffeehouse on Saturday, March 23, from 7 to 10 p.m., featuring an evening of music and humor with award-winning folk singer Eric Kilburn. He will perform original songs in a show spiced with funny stories and unpredictably zany punches.

A $5 donation will be accepted at the door. Refreshments and a variety of crafts from Appalachia will be available for sale. All proceeds will benefit the 1996 Appalachia Service Project this summer, when 84 Cohasset High School students and adult advisers will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families.

Support for new school urged

To the Editor:

This time the Cohasset School Facilities Committee needs and deserves support.

I was chairman of the Advisory Committee in the early 1970s when essentially the same issue of building a new lower school came before the town. The Advisory Committee was unanimously opposed to that project mainly due to the fact that population surveys, at that time, predicted a significant decline in the school enrollment over the next five years. The Osgood School was then less than 50 years old and we believed the expenditure was not justified.

This time around, however, the situation is significantly different. The Osgood School building is some 25 years older, and wear and tear plus building code requirements require major changes. Also we are now experiencing a growth in the school population. We either have to make significant renovations to the existing building with no state reimbursement, or build new with 60 percent state aid. To renovate is a band-aid approach that will likely cost the town as much and maybe more than a new facility (with the state reimbursement). We all know that updating an old structure is guaranteed to uncover unforeseen problems that inevitably result in added unexpected costs that can be very significant. Let's not be penny-wise and pound foolish.

I believe that the new school is now justified and should be supported by the voters of Cohasset.

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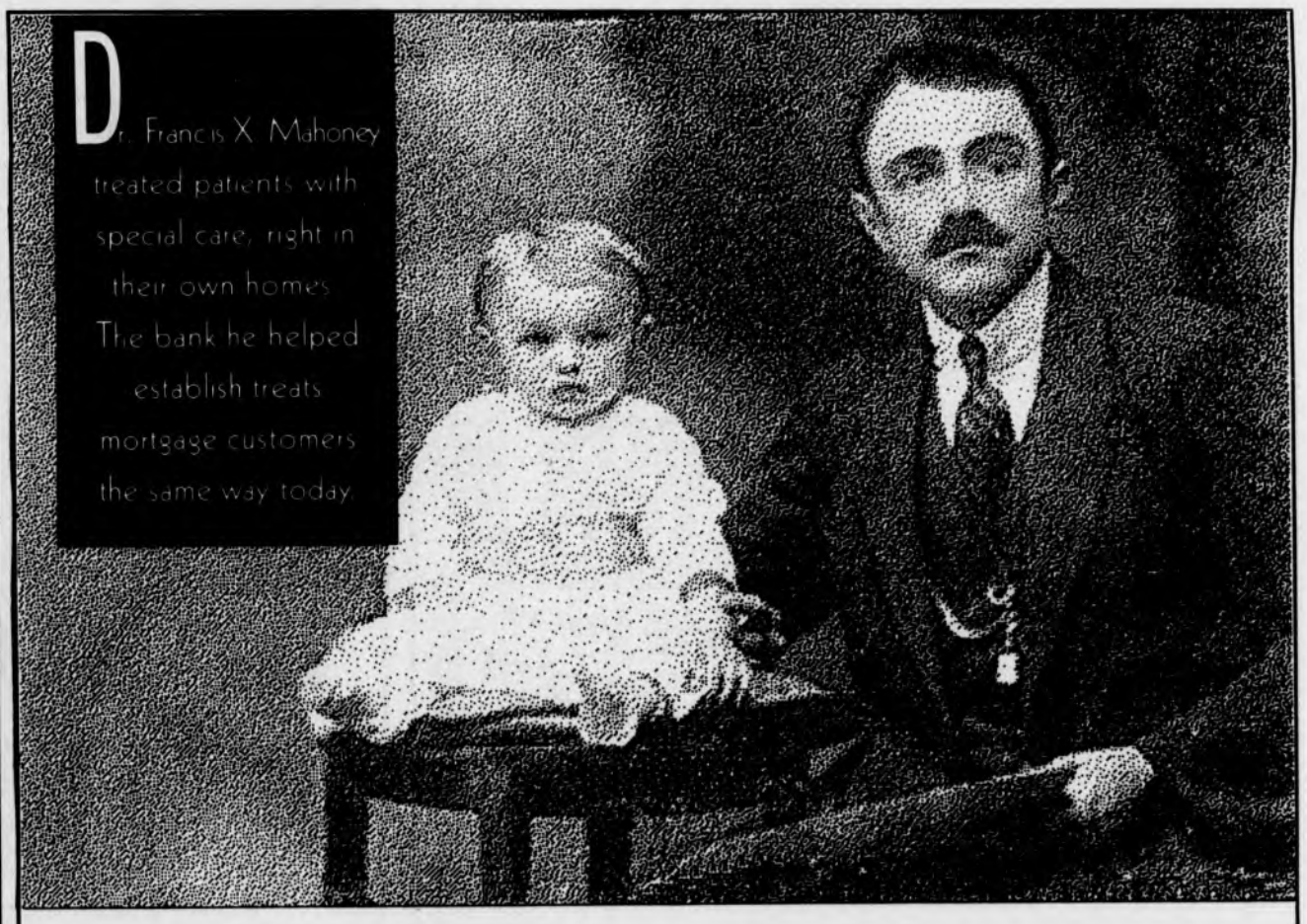

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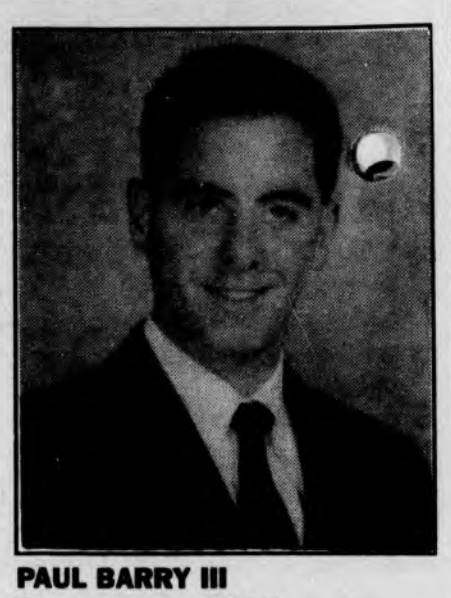
Cohasset Business

Barry Waste Services acquires Daly Disposal



PAUL BARRY III
Company president

Barry Waste Services & Recycling Company, Inc., has acquired Daly Disposal of Cohasset. Terms of the deal were not name public by president Paul Barry III, but he emphasized the strategic importance of the company's 300 new clients.

"We're a family-owned company which has succeeded by delivering quality, courteous and reliable service to our customers," he said. "Basically we're going to try to provide the same type of quality service to these new customers that we have provided to our regular customers over the past few years."

The company started out as a demolition and construction roll-off container company. It collects residential and commercial waste in areas south of Boston and as far west as Framingham.

Chamber, merchants seek advice about future of Cohasset Village

Several Cohasset Village merchants, in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce, are looking for advice from residents. Cohasset Village offers a unique atmosphere, but there are several concerns facing the village which are critical to its survival.

What kind of businesses would the people of Cohasset like to see in the Village? How can we market Cohasset Village to neighboring towns? Can we make it more inviting to patrons?

Residents are encouraged to let the merchants and Chamber know what they think. A village committee meeting will be held Thursday, March 28, at 5:30 p.m. at French Memories. Interested individuals, town officials and merchants are encourage to attend.

Those who are unable to attend are asked to send their comments to the Chamber of Commerce at P.O. Box 336 or contact Dean Rizzo at 383-1994..

Coffee brewing is topic

"Brewing the Perfect Cup at Home" is the topic of a seminar offered by Jim Ganke of Quikava on Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at South Shore Community Center. Fresh baked muffins will be served.

Characteristics of coffee, fundamentals of brewing, types of brewing, decaffeination process and specialty coffees and espresso will be discussed.

Quikava House coffee and travel mugs will be distributed, and there will be a raffle. Tickets are on sale at SSCC for $5 by April 3 and for $7 thereafter. Call SSCC at 383-0088 for further information.

THE MARINER 35

A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 3/19

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Avitar	1.2188	0.3750
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Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	29.5000	1.0000
Computer Identics Corp.	2.0313	—
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.0000	0.2500
Copley Pharmaceutical	17.5000	-0.5000
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.8750	0.1875
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.6250	0.1250
Grossman's	1.3438	-0.0938
Ground Round	3.3125	-0.0625
Haemonetics	16.5000	-0.2500
Hills Stores	12.5000	0.2500
Hingham Instit. of Savings	13.7500	-0.5000
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.5000	0.2500
International Electronics	4.0000	0.1250
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.2500	0.1250
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First Years	11.0000	—
Lojack	9.5000	—
Organogenesis Inc.	17.3750	—
Peoples Savings Bank	9.2500	—
Plymouth Rubber	9.1250	—
Reebok	29.0000	-0.1250
Software Development	1.6875	—
Stop & Shop	25.8750	-0.5000
AT&T	61.8750	—
Talbots	40.1250	2.2500
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School News

METCO dinner, tour is planned for March 24

The Boston METCO parents have planned their annual dinner for Cohasset host families Sunday, March 24 at the Dorchester Community YMCA. The location has been changed from Northeastern University because participants will be able to use the indoor pool for one hour (with life guard on duty) and use the basketball courts at the YMCA for two hours.

In conjunction with that event, the Cohasset METCO committee has scheduled a field trip earlier that day to the Museum of Afro-American History, the African Meeting House, and the Black Heritage Trail, all in Boston's Beacon Hill neighborhood. A bus has ben reserved to take METCO host families from Cohasset to Beacon Hill for the national park tour and then on to dinner at the YMCA.

The bus will leave Cohasset High at noon and return about 5:30 p.m. The Black Heritage Trail National Park tour takes about two hours (1-3 p.m.); the dinner is from 3-5 p.m. If anyone would prefer to drive, the tour will begin at 1 p.m. in front of the Robert Gould Shaw Memorial across the street from the State House at the corner of Beacon and Park Streets. Please RSVP to METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (6006) or Cliff Chase (1574) as soon as possible.

Kindergarten screening set

In accordance with Section 306.1 of the Massachusetts Special Education Law (Chapter 766), Cohasset Public Schools will conduct a screening program for children who will reach the age of five on or before Sept. 1, 1996.

The entry screening program will take place at Osgood School on April 10 and 11. Contact the school secretary at Osgood, 383-6117, for more information.

Third-graders host Deer Hill hoedown

The Osgood gymnasium was transformed recently into an old-fashioned barn with hay and streamers. The children dressed for the occasion with hats, boots, ties, dresses, bandannas and jeans. Parents were invited to their child's regular physical education class last week as a finale to their square dance unit. The parents had an opportunity to see some of the concepts and skills which their children have been learning in Mr. Weydt's physical education class.

This class began with the children participating in an aerobic dancing session that stressed the benefits of exercise, proper warm-up and cool-down techniques and how to monitor their pulse rate. After the aerobics session the parents were treated to a fantastic show of square dancing by the third graders. They do-si-doed and promenaded around without missing a beat.

After the children performed, the hoedown really began as children encouraged (or pulled) some parents up on the dance floor to participate with them.

The hoedown really got underway when parents, like those shown here, participated, says PE teacher Mike Weydt.

Council seeks candidates

Each of Cohasset's three schools has a School Council made up of the principal, teachers, parents and a community representative. The council is charged with formulating a school improvement plan and meets monthly. Parent representatives are elected for two-year terms by the parent body for each of the schools.

There are five openings for parent school council representatives: one at Osgood, two at Deer Hill and two at the Jr./Sr. High. Individuals interested in serving should submit their names and a paragraph about themselves and their interest in serving on the council to the PSO Nominating Committee, Box 30, Cohasset 02025 no later than Friday, March 29. The election will be held April 11 through 18.

All parents who will have children at a specific school for the two-year period 1996-98 are eligible to serve on the council. For further information, call nominating committee members: Kathy Ofsthun (383-9396), Lesley Faber (383-2071), Susan Meikleham (383-6151), Jean Muir (383-1850), Susan Pile (383-6088) or Mary Sullivan (383-6666).

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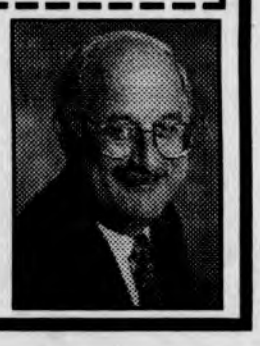

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St. Patrick's Day party!

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At left, Ann Hayes and Edna Finnegan get a hug from Paul Wiggins, an Irish tenor who provided the entertainment, at the St. Patrick's Day bash sponsored by the Cohasset Council of Elder Affairs.

Philomena Morelli may not be Irish but you wouldn't have known it at the "Irish Bash" at the South Shore Community Center last week.

Barbara Elliott claps to the Irish music provided by Paul Wiggins of Muse, Inc.

Staff photos/ Alan Chapman

Ann Hayes and Rose Kierce do the jig at the popular party.

Don White and Roy and Fran Conn cheer St. Patrick. Dinner, which was catered by Carmine, included the traditional corn beef and cabbage.

Mariner Sports

A sure sign of spring

Record field expected for 20th running of Cohasset Road Race

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Boston Marathon isn't the only road race celebrating a milestone this spring.

It may be a few years behind Boston, but the Cohasset Roadrace By The Sea 10K will be run for the 20th consecutive year on March 31 beginning at 1 p.m.

Prior to the race, a beach walk will be held starting at Sandy Beach and covering the same course. Last year the walk attracted a field of 250.

Tom Gruber, who along with Roy Fitzsimmons, is co-director of the event, said the race field should top last year's record of 850 runners. Gruber has received several inquiries from people who have never run the race before. He expects the majority of runners to register on Sat. March 30 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. and on race day.

Volunteers numbering close to 60 will man the course and finish line. Twenty-seven of the volunteers are Rotary Club members, the main sponsor of the race.

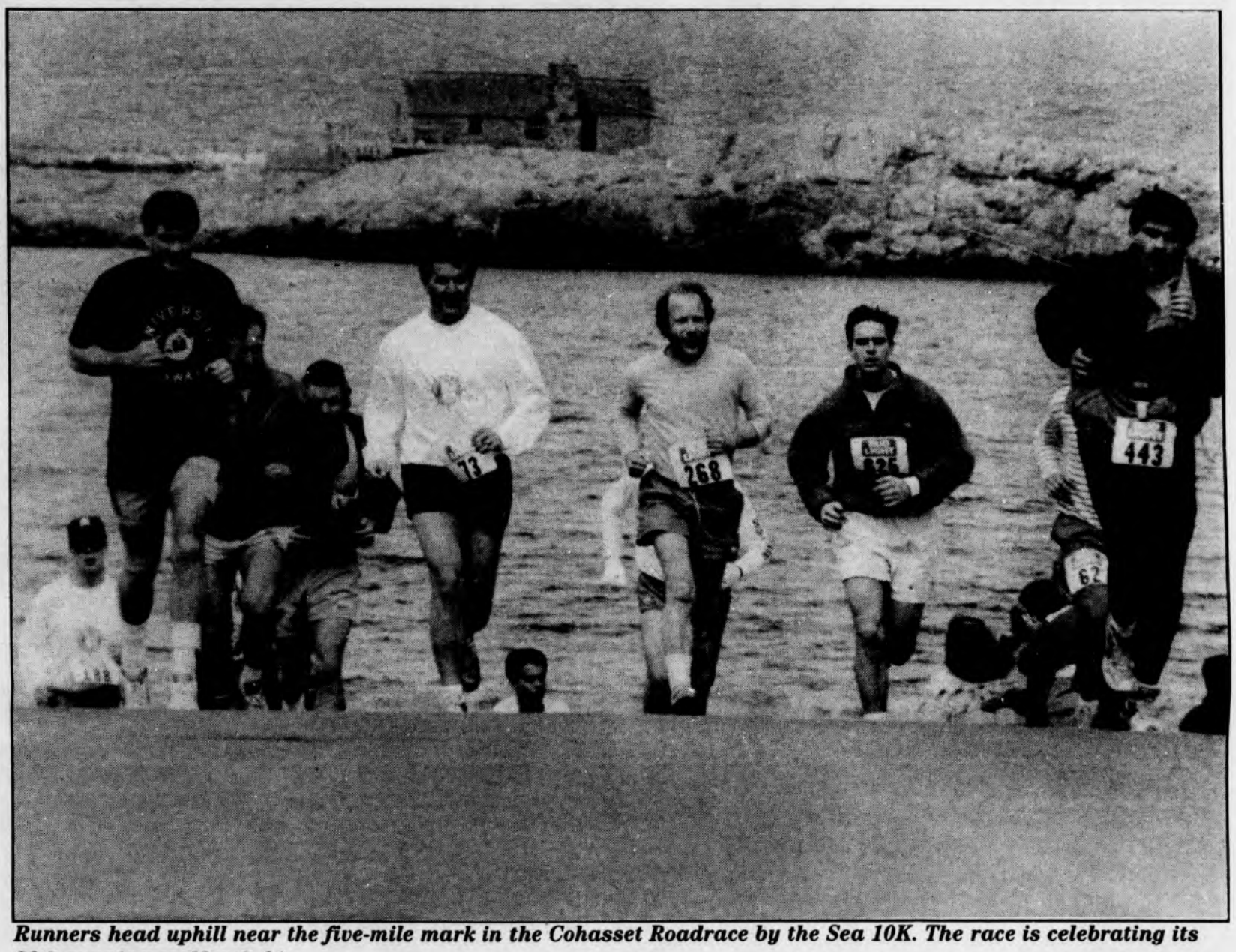
"It takes quite a crew to put this thing together," Gruber said. "We're kind of proud of the fact we've been able to put this thing together for 20 years.

"It's really fun to see the town come together and have a good time."

For several years marathoners have used the scenic 6.2 mile race as their last tune-up before the prestigious Patriot's Day event. But the race has a charm all its own.

With the start on Cohasset Common, runners get a New England flavor not found in most races. The course then winds its way down Elm Street and past Kimball's By The Sea before it heads down the tree-lined portion of the course on Atlantic Ave. The course then runs along the shore, passing Sandy Beach onto Jerusalem Road.

Ironically, runners don't always have the opportunity to take in the gorgeous scenery of the ocean on one side and breathtaking homes on the other as they navigate the winding hills and stiff winds of Jerusalem Road.



Runners head uphill near the five-mile mark in the Cohasset Roadrace by the Sea 10K. The race is celebrating its 20th running on March 31.

Photo by Alan Chapman

The toughest part of the course comes just near the five-mile mark when runners take the left from Jerusalem Road onto Forest Ave., put their heads down and lean into the steep 80-yard hill. Once they reach the top, the course mercifully heads downhill again along Forest Ave. The final mile follows North Main Street back to Cohasset Common and the finish line in front of town hall.

Local kids gather for weekly dose of Magic

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Gulping cokes and throwing down cards on the blue and white picnic table, the group of youngsters are lost in the world of Magic.

No, they're not on vacation at a theme park. The kids battle futuristic creatures and try to outwit one another while taking part in the weekly tournaments, run by Pastimes owner Elliot Goldberg.

The cards, Magic The Gathering, have become extremely popular over the last year and a half and possess a language all their own. Players use a 60-card deck made up of five different colors. Each color represents a particular defense or offense in the game. Some cards are more powerful than others. The object of Magic The Gathering is to knock the 20 points each player starts with, down to zero or "no life" by killing off the opponent's creatures.

Goldberg, whose store is located on Route 3A, decided to start the tournaments when the kids who frequent his store suggested they meet on a regular basis.

"The kids wanted me to have a tournament," said Goldberg, who admittedly is much more knowledgeable about sports cards. "A couple of them will be here when I open on Saturday waiting for the tournament to start."

Twelve-year-old Sloan Sherman of Cohasset played in his first tourney at Pastimes on Saturday. He was short about 20 cards, but that has never been a problem as far as Goldberg is concerned. He gave the youngster 20 cards he could keep.

Sherman said playing at Pastimes was the best location to get a game going full steam. "It's a lot more fun than playing at someone's house," he said. "You don't have to worry about your parents yelling at you when you get loud."

Each player pays $3 to enter the tournament. The winner receives two-thirds of the money in the form of merchandise credit in the store while the second-place finisher wins the remaining one-third.

Goldberg usually sits back and watches the kids play in the round-robin tournament because Hull's Joe Porter is on hand to serve as referee.

The 24-year-old Porter, a 1990 graduate of Hull High School, bought his first pack of Magic The Gathering cards at a book store in the South Shore Plaza just under two years ago.

Goldberg said Porter is so adept at the game "he doesn't speak English, he speaks Magic."

Porter was attracted to the futuristic art on the cards and quickly built his collection to more than 10,000 cards. He best describes the game as "a cross between Dungeons and Dragons and poker."

He has a good time helping the kids learn and improve their skills at the game.

"I come down, have fun and socialize," Porter said. "It's a way to get kids to do something fun instead of hanging around."

The Gathering is not the only set of cards. Magic has more expensive packs with rare, individual cards worth as much as $500. Goldberg sells his packs for $2.50.

Porter says the game is not only fun, but educational as well. Facets of geometry and math are utilized and quotes from Shakespeare are on many of the cards.

Players must decide if the card they use to kill off a creature will be detrimental later in the game if they are in a position to win and could have put the card to better use them.

Dough Smith, a 10-year-old from Scituate, learned how to play the game last summer. He especially likes thinking out strategies and using his wits in trying to win.

"I like the basic rules and that you have to use your brains," Smith said.

Mike Sadler, an eighth-grader at Cohasset High School has played in every Pastimes tournament since Goldberg began holding them. Sadler is a fan of poker and fantasy. "It's a good game for me," he said.

Porter not only helps out Goldberg on Saturdays, he also competes in tournaments.

He recently entered a tournament at MIT where the decks of cards used were worth up to $3,000.

"They get serious about this game," Porter said. "I went down there with a deck that cost $3.50 and made it to round three."

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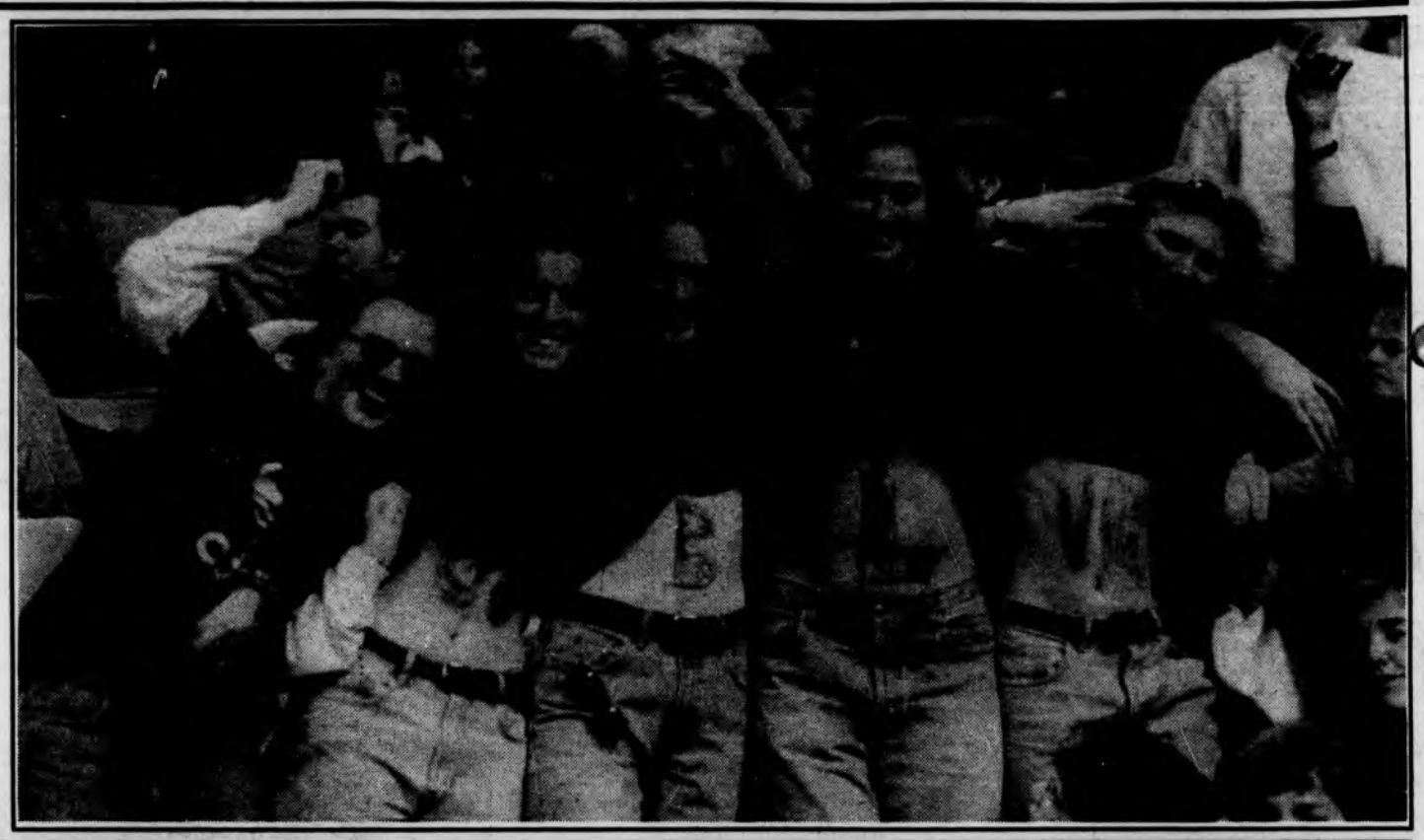
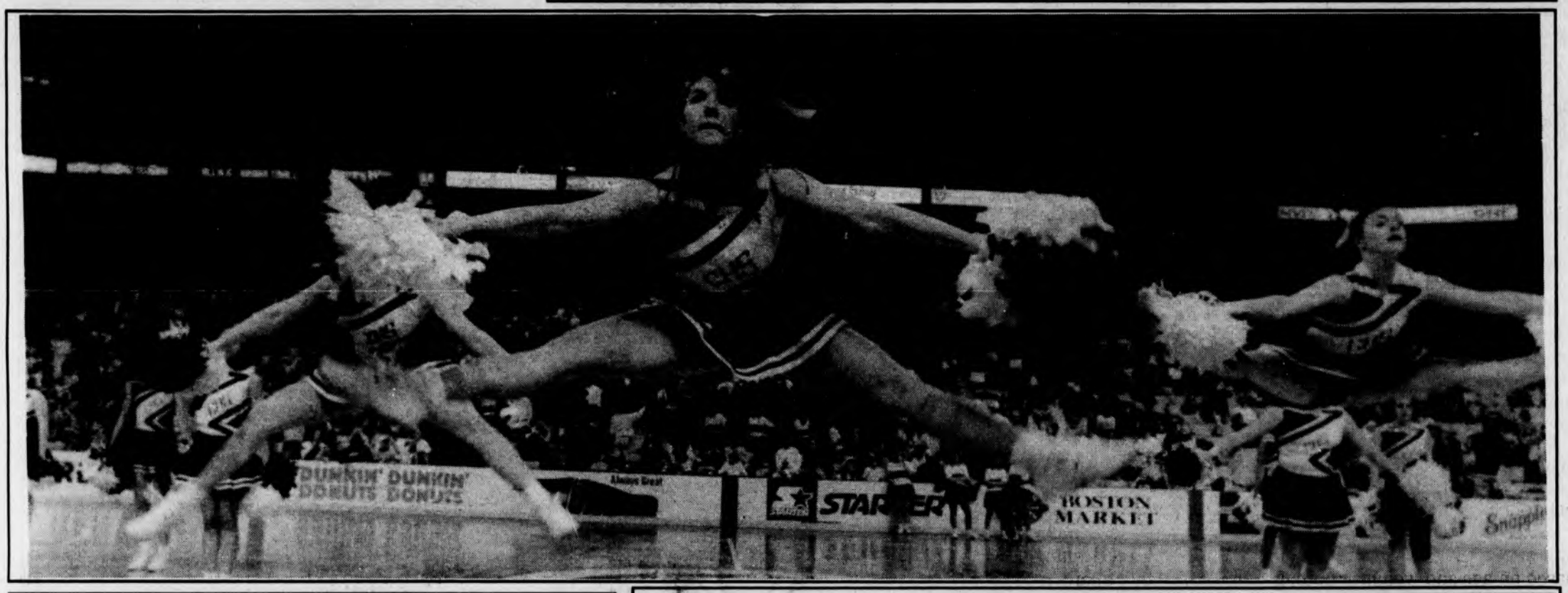
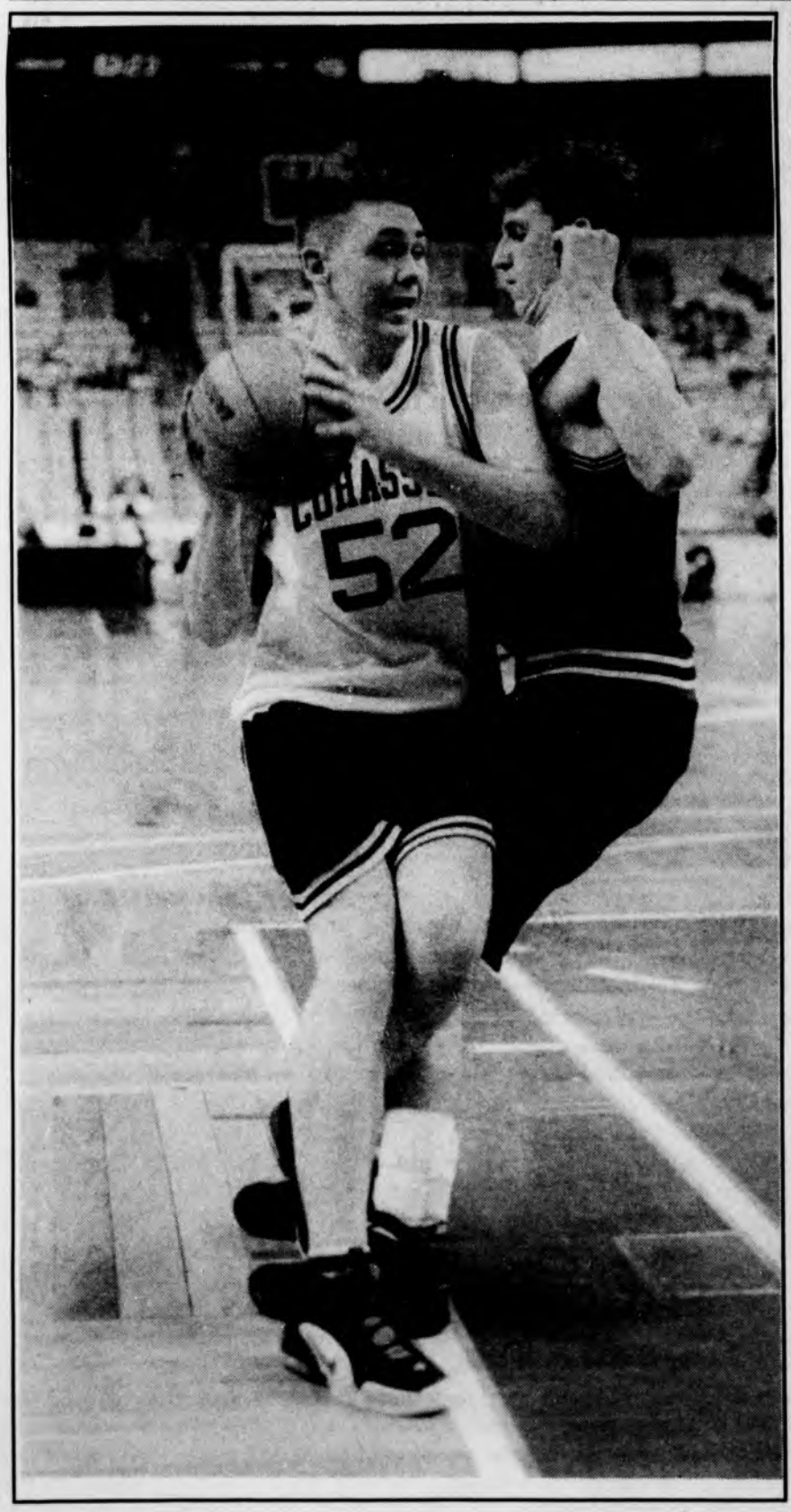
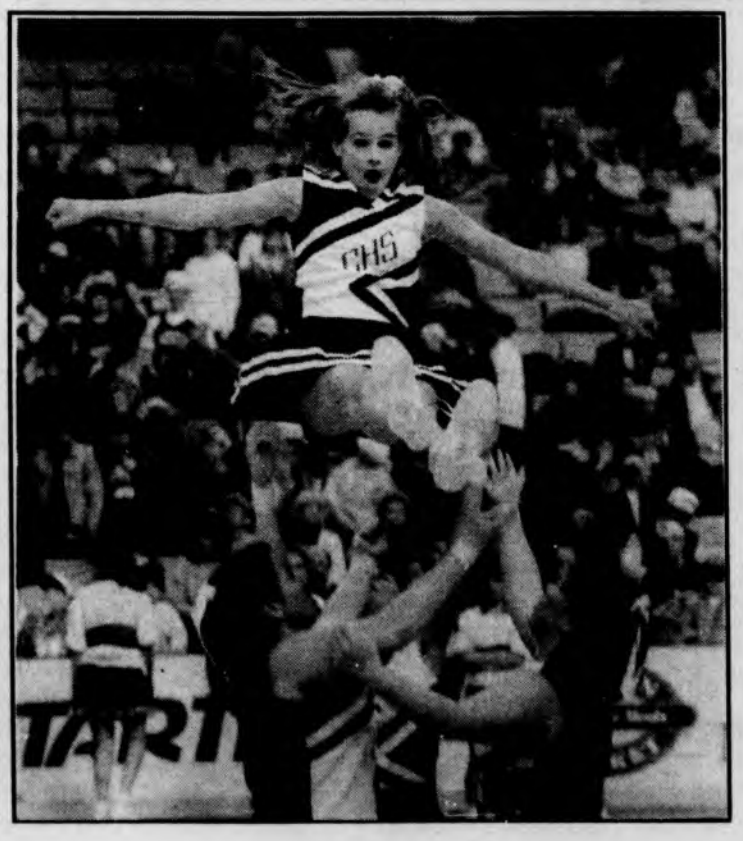
Skippers storm the Fleet

Photos by Alan Chapman









(Clockwise from top) Cohasset High basketball fans Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Emily Henderson, Kelley O'Donnell, Karin Niessink and Rachael Carlisle let their navels do the cheering at the FleetCenter. (Middle) Skipper cheerleader Meredith Equi leads the squad through a routine at the half. (Right) Matt Belson (13) and Jamie Buick (40) keep a watchful eye on their respective defenders during fourth-quarter action. (Bottom)Cohasset High cheerleader Andrea Grew gets her own view of the FleetCenter during a routine. (Left) J.L. Williams (52) attempts to get by a Winchester player during the Division 3 EMass finals.

Mariner Sports

Local kids gather for weekly dose of Magic

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However, Porter entered to prove a point. He was convinced expensive wasn't necessarily better and was sure he could match the others play by play.

"I did it to show no one needs expensive cards to play this game," he said. "You just need to know what you're doing."

Porter is convinced Pastimes could draw more players, but Goldberg would rather limit the number to no more than 14.

"You could probably get every Magic player in Cohasset here," Porter said. "We'd have to start the games at 10 a.m. and we'd probably have a winner by now."

Goldberg said the game is especially popular with junior high and high school students.

"They're getting into it because it's a really fun game," he said. "As long as the kids want to do it, I'll have it there for them."

Goldberg paused, then added with a laugh: "The stakes are low, but the excitement runs high."

Magic The Gathering tourney players include (clockwise from bottom left) Garrett Williams, Andre Skorupa, Sloan Sherman and Mike Sadler.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Legion baseball meeting

There will be a mandatory American Legion baseball meeting on March 21 at George H. Mealy Post 118, 98 Summer St., at 7:30 p.m. All players interested in participating in the upcoming season should attend. For further information call John Carr, 383-0331, or Scott Arnold, 545-1896.

Football, cheerleader signups

The Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football and Cheerleaders will hold signups for their fall 1996 season from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sat. March 23 at the Deer Hill School in Cohasset. Boys and girls ages 7 to 13 are eligible to participate in three levels of competition based on age and weight. Football and cheerleading practice begins in mid-August for games played in September and October. The program is part of the Old Colony Youth football League. For more information about football signups call Joe Hughes at 834-6504. For cheerleading information call Judy Pollard at 545-2259.

Cohasset Youth Baseball signups

Cohasset Youth Baseball Association will hold signups Saturday, March 23, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Deerhill School for Farm League (5, 6, 7), 8-year-old Minor League, Minor League (9, 10, 11), Major League, 13-year-old Pony League and 14-15-year-old Senior League. Call Mark DeGiacomo for additional information at 383-6413.

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Saturday, March 2

4:32 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

4:38 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:44 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

4:56 p.m., emergency services, Sohier St., services rendered.

6:11 p.m., officer wanted, Linden Dr., services rendered.

6:21 p.m., general services, Pond St., HQ, services rendered.

6:47 p.m., emergency services, Jerusalem Rd., no police service necessary.

7:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ledgewood Dr., departmental action.

7:17 p.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave., area search negative.

7:44 p.m.., officer wanted, Linden Dr., departmental action.

8:22 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Arrowood Dr., departmental action.

8:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Windy Hill, departmental action.

8:42 p.m., emergency services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

9:03 p.m., general services, Rte. 3A, services rendered.

10:00 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Beechwood St., services rendered.

9:40 p.m., suspicious activity, Town Square, HQ, services rendered.

10:17 p.m., officer wanted, Town Square, area search negative.

10:42 p.m., general services, Pond St., HQ, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 32

Sunday, March 3

1:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Hingham Line, traffic warning issued.

1:17 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main/Square, traffic warning issued.

1:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Clay Spring Rd./Arrowood, verbal warning.

5:55 a.m., general services, Black Horse Ln., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

10:01 a.m., medical, St. Anthony's Church, S. Main St., services rendered.

11:35 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St. (Square), investigated.

12:43 p.m., animal complaint, Massasoit Ave., Hull, departmental action.

1:10 p.m., officer wanted, Woodland Dr., investigated.

1:47 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

2:16 p.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy. (Walgreens), investigated.

4:10 p.m., general services, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

5:25 p.m., emergency services, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

5:50 p.m., annoying phone calls, Parker Ave., HQ, investigated.

6:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

9:55 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., services rendered.

10:26 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 21

Monday, March 4

12:36 a.m., officer wanted, Cushing Rd., departmental action.

6:56 a.m., vandalism, Pond St. (Cohasset High School), investigated.

6:56 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, West Corner, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 26

10:42 a.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., no police service necessary.

11:35 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

3:20 p.m., officer field investigation, Hillside Dr., no police service necessary.

3:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/S. bound, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 30

4:27 p.m., medical, Clay Spring Rd., removed to hospital.

5:27 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. by River Rd., traffic warning issued.

9:28 p.m.., suspicious activity, Tedeschi Plaza, no police service necessary.

11:31 p.m., vandalism, Olympic Texaco, departmental action.

11:42 p.m., suspicious activity, Cushing Plaza, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 24

Tuesday, March 5

12:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Summer St.).

1:29 a.m., fire alarm, Pleasant St., services rendered.

1:54 a.m., medical, Pond St., removed to hospital.

2:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Cohasset Knoll), departmental action.

7:34 a.m., general services, Border St. (Chart House), referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 32

9:31 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), S. Main St./Forest Ave., investigated.

9:57 a.m., medical, CJC Hwy — Stop & Shop, services rendered.

11:30 a.m., suspicious activity, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Partly sunny, 44

6:04 p.m., annoying phone calls, S. Main St. HDQTS., referred to other agency.

7:32 p.m., fire alarm, Pond St., accidental/defective alarm.

9:14 p.m., civil complaint, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

11:52 p.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., removed to hospital.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 37

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To wit: The land in Cohasset, being the premises shown as Lot B on a plan entitled "Plan of Land, Cohasset, Mass.", dated August 21, 1943, drawn by Joseph Selwyn, C.E. recorded in Norfolk Registry of Deeds at Book 2470, Page 426, said lot being bounded and described as follows:

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Containing 12,299 square feet of land according to said plan. Together with a right of way to pass and repass to and from South Main Street which right of way is more particularly described in Certificate of Title No. 54545 registered with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds at Book 273, Page 145. The property is currently owned by Richard A. Bunstein by deed dated March 29, 1995 and recorded with Norfolk Deeds in Book 10854, Page 308.

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Police Log

Wednesday, March 6

12:34 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy. (Cushing Plaza), investigated.

1:07 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., no police service necessary.

7:22 a.m., emergency services, S. Main St., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 36

8:48 a.m., medical, S. Main St., referred to other agency.

12:10 p.m., vandalism, Elm St., departmental action.

2:17 p.m., emergency services, Ripley Rd. by Post Office, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Rain/snow, 25

4:05 p.m., fire alarm, Sohier St., accidental/defective alarm.

6:26 p.m., general services, Icy conditions on Beechwood st., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 36

Thursday, March 7

1:37 a.m., general services, Icy roads, referred to other agency.

1:37 a.m., general services, Icy roads, referred to other agency.

1:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main (Common).

1:55 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

6:15 a.m., officer wanted, Reservoir Rd., investigated.

7:18 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), traffic warning issued.

7:26 a.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 34

10:22 a.m., fire alarm, Elm St., referred to other agency.

3:26 p.m., assist citizen, VERC Mobil, services rendered.

4:00 p.m, Snowy & blustery, 27

4:09 p.m., emergency services, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

5:08 p.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

5:57 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

6:38 p.m., emergency services, Sankey Rd., referred to other agency.

6:48 p.m., suspicious activity, Stop & Shop, area search negative.

6:55 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Way by Mary Lou's, no police service necessary.

7:41 p.m, local ordinances/by-laws, Pleasant St., departmental action.

7:54 p.m., escort, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

7:55 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Fair Oaks Ln., notification made/message or summons delivered.

8:52 p.m., fire alarm, Summer St., services rendered.

11:33 p.m., general services, Scituate line to Red Lion Inn, services rendered.

11:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St.

11:37 p.m., emergency services, Summer St., referred to other agency.

12:00 a.m., Snow, 30

Cohasset resident Donald Staszko (center) holds one of the OshKosh B'gosh teddy bears he donated to the Cohasset Police Department. Cohasset officers hand out teddy bears to young children shaken by an injury or domestic troubles. When the department recently ran out of bears, Staszko stepped in to donate more — upgrading the supply to colorful, cuddly OshKosh B'gosh bears. Picture to the left of Staszko is Police Chief Brian Noonan and to the right is Officer Lisa Matos, who is assigned to domestic violence cases and works with children in the PALS (Police Assisting Local Schools) program.

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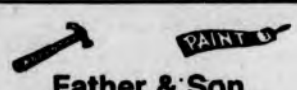

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The evening will feature the famous Toni Lynn Washington Band, a contemporary jazz and blues band presented by Joe Hajjar of The Yard Rock in Quincy. Also included are hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, practical tips for runners and walkers and a silent auction celebrating health, wellness, travel and leisure. All are invited to attend, regardless of whether they are planning to participate in the 10K road race or not.

This year a pledge-walk, which will benefit SSCC programs, will be added to the popular "run or walk" event, scheduled for Sunday, March 31, beginning at 1 p.m. A fun-walk will cover the same course or an optional three-mile course starting at 10 a.m. Both follow the scenic thoroughfares of Cohasset and are expected to draw more than 1,000 participants.

To participate in the pledge walk or to reserve tickets for Friday's festivities, contact Nina Belsan at 383-0088 or 545-5462. Applications for the road race and walk are available at The Good Sport, Curtis Liquors and the SSCC. Call 383-6550 for further information.

Teen Center plans ski trip

The first annual Teen Center/Recreation Department ski trip will take place on Saturday, March 23, at Waterville Valley Resort, N.H. Participants should meet at Town Hall parking lot by 5:15 a.m. The bus will leave promptly at 5:30 a.m. and return by 7 p.m.

On Friday, March 29, there will be a Poker night at the Teen Center from 7 to 10 p.m. All 7th-, 8th- and 9th-graders are invited to try their luck at the black jack, poker and craps tables. No money is needed, but winners will receive prizes.

'Happiness is a Choice' is topic at April 3 event

The Social Service League of Cohasset will present "Happiness Is A Choice" with Linda Weltner, award-winning Boston Globe columnist, on Wednesday, April 3, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Chart House on Cohasset Harbor. Admission is $7.

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Naturalist to give talk

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 26, at the Walton Rodgers Hall at St. Stephen's Church.

Naturalist and photographer Joy Viola will lecture about the wildlife and flowers of the Aleutian Islands.

Coffee will be served at 9 a.m., followed by the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Easter egg hunt is April 6

The Cohasset Recreation Commission will conduct its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 6, at noon at Deer Hill School for children ages 3 through 11.

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The annual egg hunt is made financially possible by donations from Cohasset Police Association, George H. Mealy, American Legion Post #118, Rotary Club of Cohasset and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9146, Cohasset.

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Town meeting expected to draw a crowd

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

With big ticket items like the proposed $9.9 million new school and $5 million-plus in sewer improvements on the agenda, town meeting won't have trouble drawing the 100-voter quorum needed to get underway.

In fact, Town Moderator George Marlette estimates that ten times that number or 1,000 citizens, may make their way to the high school gymnasium for town meeting Saturday.

"I cannot recall this type of expectation," said Marlette, adding that eight "checkers" will be at the door to check in citizens as they arrive and additional tellers will be on hand to count the votes. An overflow room — most likely the high school audio visual room — will be available if the gym cannot accommodate everyone.

Marlette plans to start the meeting promptly. He will allow only 1/2 hour for lunch (Boy Scouts will provide refreshments) and will extend the meeting until 6 p.m. in order to accomplish as much business as possible. He expects town meeting to be continued to a second session at 7:30 p.m. Monday.

Town meeting will be televised live on cable-TV.

The first five articles in the annual town meeting warrant — including the town's proposed $16.9 million fiscal year 1997 operating budget — will be taken up first. Articles in the special town meeting, including those on sewer improvements

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Shaw's breaks ground

A construction worker watches as the ground is prepared for installation of a retention pond near Bergson's. The retention pond is the first step in the demolition and reconstruction of Cushing Plaza by Shaw's Supermarkets.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Construction at Cushing Plaza gets underway

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Bulldozers will be a familiar sight at Cushing Plaza for the rest of the year as Shaw's Supermarkets breaks ground, setting the stage for reconstruction of the Route 3A shopping center.

Company spokesman Bernie Rogan said the new Shaw's should be up and running by this time next year and the supermarket will be the last piece of the plaza puzzle to open.

But before demolition of existing buildings and construction of new ones begin, the first step in the project is installing a new retention basin next to Bergson's restaurant.

He explained that the retention basin is needed to capture run-off. Shaw's had to purchase additional land to accommodate the water run-off which currently goes across the roadway continuing on its way toward the harbor.

Shaw's will build facilities in the plaza and catchments in the parking lot area to trap the water so it moves more slowly and is dissipated.

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Selectmen grapple with Straits Pond sewer issue

Affected residents are in an uproar

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

Fearful that angry residents could defeat the Strait's Pond sewer article at Saturday's town meeting, selectmen indicated Monday night they may support a compromise allowing the town to pick up some of the cost of the project.

Selectmen desperately want the article passed, since the town faces fines of $2,000 per day if it is defeated. The sewer project is proceeding as a result of an agreement with the state to correct pollution in the pond.

Residents have erupted over plans to have households on the sewer line to pay the entire $5.6 million cost and vowed to defeat it unless the town chips in.

"The article will crash and burn," unless the town picks up some of the cost, Jay Cody of Jerusalem Road predicted.

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Welcome to JobSmart

This week, Community Newspaper Company introduces JobSmart, a new publication geared toward job-seeking professionals.

In addition to job listings from leading area companies, JobSmart will feature interesting stories about the job market in the area. It will also provide helpful advice on how to land the perfect job.

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Cohasset's Week

Permit fees increased

At the recommendation of building inspector Robert Egan, selectmen last week raised fees charged for plumbing and gas inspections.

Residences will be charged $30 for an inspection of up to three fixtures, with a $7 charge for each additional fixture.

A re-inspection will cost $20, while a water heater or boiler inspection fee will be $25.

The town will charge $120 for a new house inspection.

Commercial sites will be charged $40 to for a plumbing inspection of up to three fixtures, with $10 for each additional fixture.

There will be a $30 re-inspection fee.

The town will charge $35 for water heater or water steam boiler inspection at a commercial site.

Town meeting to address Forest Ave. drainage

After a presentation by DPW superintendent Harold Litchfield, selectmen this week endorsed town meeting article 24, which calls for a series of drain pipes and catch basins to correct drainage problems on Forest Ave. and Heather Drive.

VoTech assessment zooms

Cohasset's assessment for the South Shore Regional Vocational Technical High School is increasing a nearly 162 percent over the current figure, town administrator Gregory Doyon announced last week.

The town's assessment for the coming fiscal year will be just below $67,500, up from the current nearly $26,000 figure.

The number of Cohasset students attending the school has increased to eight from three, which in part caused the jump in assessments.

However, because Cohasset is the smallest town in the system, its per pupil costs are greater. State aid is based on enrollment figures from 1993.

"We are getting hit very hard," Doyon said.

Cohasset's per pupil costs are roughly $8,000, compared with $6,000 for Scituate and $4,000 for Norwell.

Doyon said he has sent town accountant Michael Buckley's analysis on the subject to the Mass. Municipal Association.

Selectmen said they will consider seeking ways to get the state cost formula to be changed.

The vocational school district includes Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell, Hanover, Rockland, Abington, Hanson and Whitman. Students from other towns, such as Marshfield, are accepted on a space available basis. Each town pays based on the number of students it sends to the school.

Goedecke thanked for service

During what was her last regular meeting Monday night, her fellow selectmen thanked Jane Goedecke, who is not seeking re-election, for her work during her two terms on the board.

"We're going to miss you," said selectman chairman Merle Brown with a smile.

"I'll miss everything about it," Goedecke replied.

Later, at the close of the long, tumultuous meeting, Goedecke said "Thank you for a long, happy relationship."

She has not indicated her future plans.

Lee Cisneros photograph hangs at town hall

Another stunning work by popular Cohasset photographer Lee Cisneros is now hanging in the selectman's office.

The photograph, which was hung Monday, features the common facing town hall on a summer day. Lush green is the predominant color in the photograph, which also contains an expanse of majestic blue sky.

The large photograph is framed with a dark green mat.

Other works of the King Street resident, including ocean views, already hang in the office.

The public is welcome to stop in and see the photographs during business hours.

Putziger retires from ZBA; Chittick is appointed

After 12 years, Myrna Putziger had decided not seek reappointment to the zoning board of appeals.

Selectman Peter Pratt, who is selectmen's liaison to the ZBA, praised Putziger's work and said her decision to step down is viewed with "great displeasure to all of us."

He recommended that the senior associate member of the ZBA, S. Woodworth Chittick be appointed to replace Putziger.

That vote was unanimous.

Selectmen will send a letter thanking Putziger for her service.

There are three associate ZBA members and Chittick's appointment has created a vacancy. Anyone interested should contact the selectmen's office as soon as possible.

Clean water appointments

Upon the recommendation of the board of health and the conservation commission, selectmen Monday night appointed John Bryant and John McNabb to the regional committee on clean water. Bryant was also appointed to the local water resources protection committee, on which McNabb already serves.

Litchfield contract approved

Effective April 1, Harold Litchfield will become the town's first appointed department of public works superintendent. He is currently the elected highway supervisor.

Last year town meeting voted to abolish the highway supervisor's position and consolidate departments in a DPW.

Monday night, selectmen approved Litchfield's three-year contract, valid through April 1, 1999.

For the first year his salary will be $47,000, with raises of between two and five percent for the additional years.

Thomas Wigmore appointed communications officer

During their long meeting Monday night, selectmen appointed Thomas Wigmore fulltime communications officer. He is currently a parttime communications employee.

Two communications dispatchers, David Weeks and Lindsey Coyle, are resigning April 7.

Weeks will join the state police, while Coyle will work for the City of Newton.

Tide Chart

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March/April 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 28	5:51	8.9	——	6:33	8.2	12:14
Fri. 29	6:49	8.9	12:31	7:29	8.4	1:10
Sat. 30	7:45	9.1	1:27	8:19	8.8	2:02
Sun. 31	8:35	9.3	2:19	9:04	9.2	2:48
Mon. 1	9:21	9.6	3:06	9:45	9.6	3:30
Tues. 2	10:04	9.9	3:50	10:24	10.0	4:11
Wed. 3	10:45	10.1	4:32	11:02	10.4	4:51
Thurs. 4	11:25	10.3	5:14	11:41	10.8	5:31

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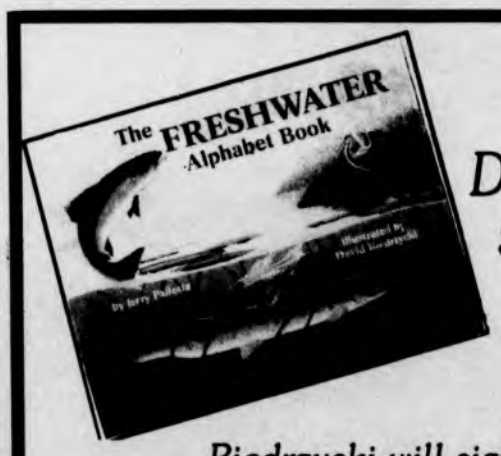

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PICTURE THIS/Roger Whitley

Name: Roger Whitley

Occupation: Chairman of the advisory committee; architect.

Goal: To stay healthy.

Best vacation: Hiking in Austria last summer.

Best day of your life: In Fiji, the day my wife Kitty and I were sworn in to the Peace Corps after 10 weeks of training.

Biggest worry: Forgetting to bring something important to a meeting.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: I like them all!

Favorite TV show: "M*A*S*H."

Favorite movie: "September Affair" with Joseph Cotton.

Favorite book: "Miles from Nowhere" by Barbara Savage.

Favorite junk food: Hershey's Hugs.

Most embarrassing moment: Any interview!

Person you'd most like to meet: My great grandfather, Matthew DeBock.

Pet peeve: People who drive under the speed limit between my house and the RTF at closing time on Sundays.

Two town counsels in Cohasset

Technically, Cohasset has two town counsels, John DeRensis of Deutsch Williams, who was recently hired, and Richard Henderson, who has announced his resignation.

Selectmen wanted to accept Henderson's departure Monday night, but they have not received his official resignation letter.

They also plan to appoint Henderson special town counsel for a three small matters which he has been working on. Henderson will continue to bill the town $85 an hour for his special work, the fee he charged as town counsel.

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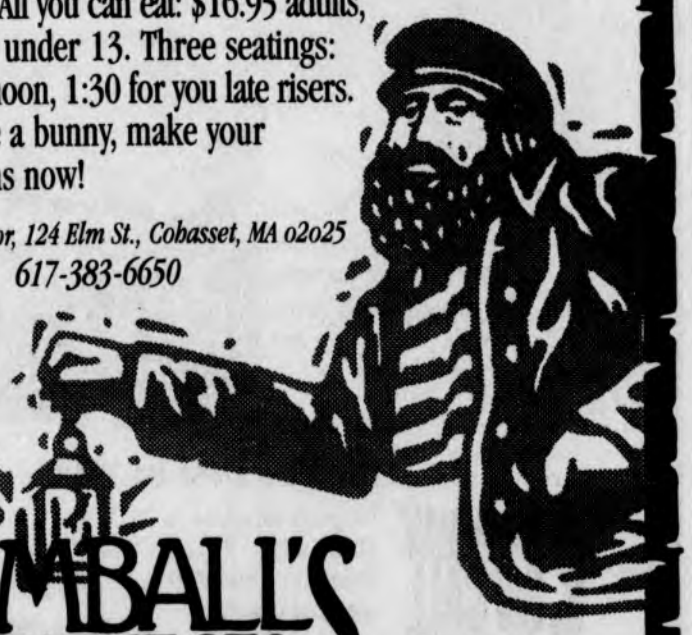

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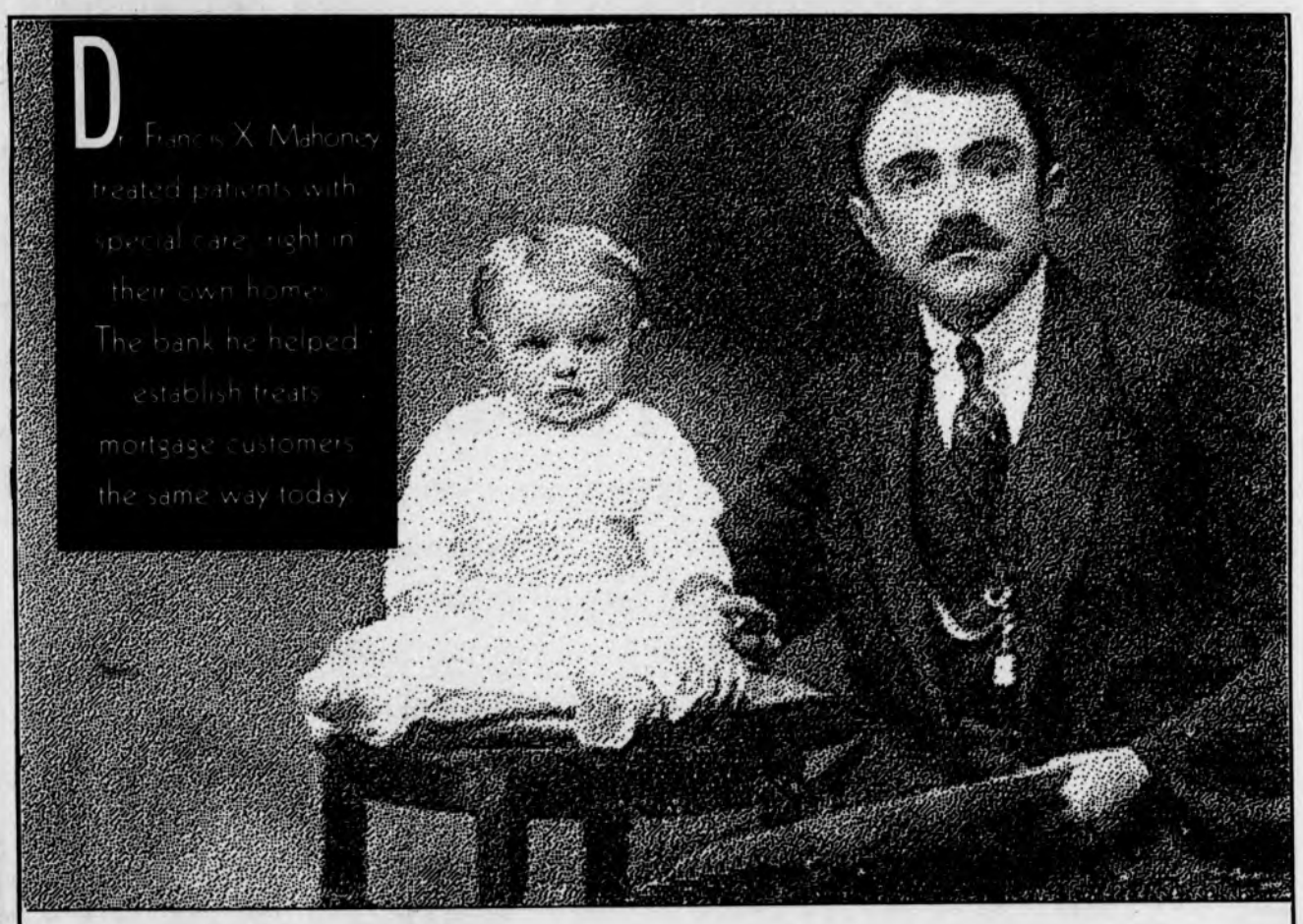

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Crowd expected at town meeting

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and the new school will be taken up next, Marlette explained. By discussing the budget first, voters will have an understanding of a sense of how much money the town has, how much free cash is available, and where the money is going and why, he said.

The school and sewer articles, which require a 2/3 vote, are expected to generate considerable debate and will likely be voted on by paper ballot, Marlette said.

Some voters will likely watch the proceedings on television and come to the meeting when an issue comes up they feel strongly about. Marlette has no problem with that behavior.

"It's perfectly appropriate that some prefer to delegate the routine business to a few," he said.

Town meeting will also take up selling the Hagerty showroom and instituting a pay-per-bag system at the RTF, among other business.

Changes approved at Red Lion Inn

Selectmen Monday night approved a change in the liquor license at the Red Lion Inn. Longtime manager of the restaurant, Philip Smith, whose name was on the original license, is no longer employed at the inn.

Carl Akerblom, who bought the business at auction for $300,000 earlier this year, will be on the license.

The change is only temporary, since a change in license requires a public hearing. Akerblom's attorney Paul Kauffman said they will seek a new license with a hearing. He said the new manager will be present to answer any questions then.

Selectmen wanted to know about Akerblom's experience in the restaurant business.

Kauffman replied that Akerblom, a longtime Marshfield resident, worked for three years at a Miami Beach club, serving as bartender for one year and two years as manager.

In addition, Akerblom told the board that he holds an associate's degree in business and runs a contracting business.

Construction gets underway

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"It will be like a labyrinth," Rogan explained.

Once the run-off problem is resolved, the construction cycle to the rear of the existing plaza will get underway with demolition of the buildings at the back of the site. Then construction of the new retail center including the Shaw's store will begin.

"The smaller retailers will open first," he said explaining that Shaw's will need full access so the supermarket cannot open until the plaza and parking lot are finished.

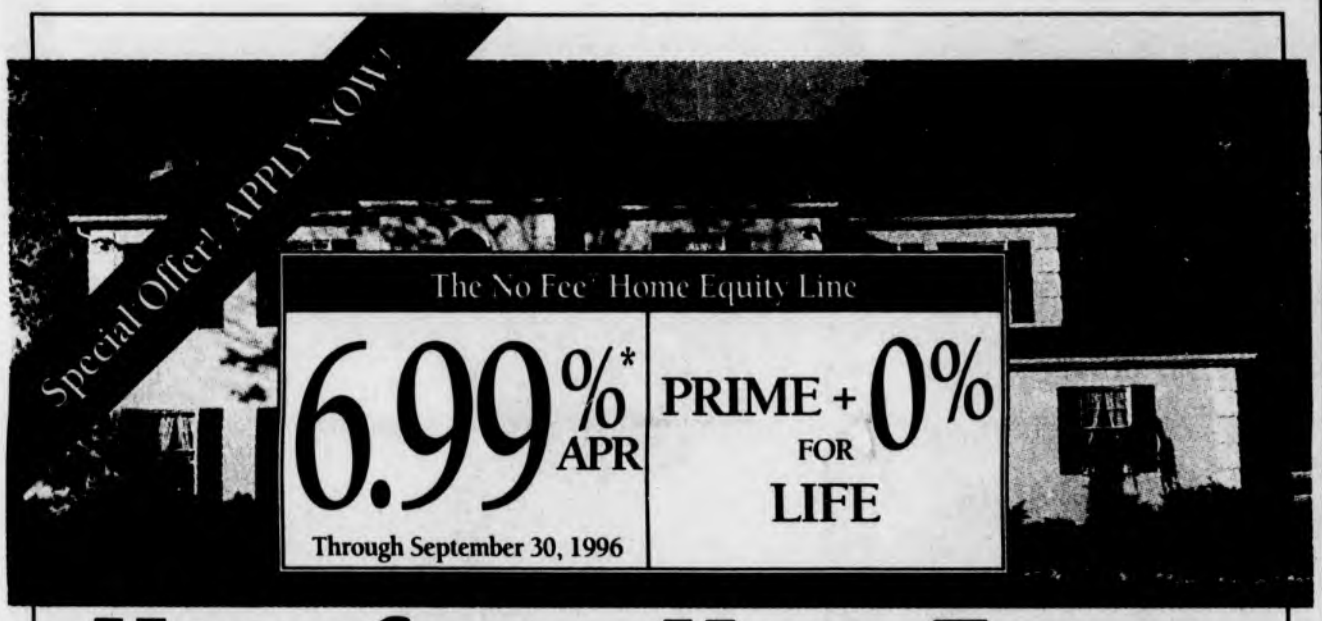
The building housing Walgreen's will be the last to go, Rogan said.

In the meantime most plaza businesses have either moved out or relocated to their temporary homes. Buttonwood Books has moved over next to Walgreen's, the dentist office is moving across the street to the former Nissan dealership building (site of old Bergson's) and the Consignment Shop is in the former health club site near BayBank, to name a few. Papa Gino's has reopened up the street in Cohasset Plaza.

Last November, town boards allowed the project to proceed by agreeing about conditions to be imposed on the Shaw's supermarket plaza, settling an appeal Shaw's brought against an earlier zoning board decision. No fast-food restaurants will be allowed at the plaza and vehicles leaving the plaza will be allowed to turn left onto Route 3A providing a police officer is present at peak hours or a traffic light is installed. Earlier, the ZBA had forbidden a left-hand turn.

The project includes a 40,000 square-foot supermarket and another 30,000-square feet of additional retail space on the 24-acre site.

Built in the late 1950's, the shopping center which originally housed an A&P Supermarket, has had a troubled history in recent years. Several years ago, its owners, Buildner's Holding Co., went bankrupt and the Old Stone Bank took the property over. When that bank failed, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation took control. The board of health has repeatedly threatened to close down the shopping center because of the the failed septic system at the site. The new supermarket will generate 225 part- or full-time jobs. Headquartered in East Bridgewater, Shaw's currently owns about 90 stores.



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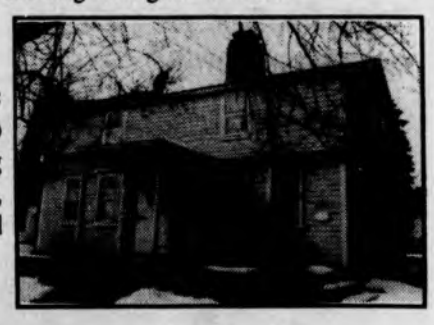

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Water flow issue is focus of final landfill hearing

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Board of Health concluded its public hearing on the proposed 27.5-acre expansion of the town's privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill on March 23.

In an eight-hour closing session, board members heard form the last three scheduled witnesses, rebuttal witnesses speaking on behalf of Cohasset Heights and last-minute motions filed by attorneys for both sides.

Hearing Officer John Shea, in an attempt to shorten testimony and ensure that no further hearing dates would be required, relaxed the tone of the day's proceedings from their previously structured state, much to the relief and satisfaction of all concerned parties.

Sohier Street resident Mary Gainor, the last witness to speak against CHL's application, opened the morning session by presenting the board with a series of 16 photographs, taken by her last January and February, showing water run-off and silt movement traveling from the east side of King Street towards the Sanctuary Pond area.

Though under cross-examination from CHL attorney Anton Moherke, Gainor said she did not know the origin of the water she photographed and was therefore unable to state categorically whether or not it came from CHL property.

Professional engineer Steven Gioiosa, testifying on water issues related to land owned by the Trustees of Reservations, stated that there has always been an historical flow of water in the area south of the landfill towards Boulder Lane from heavy rainstorms.

It was his opinion that excess water in this particular area is not due to the existence of the landfill but, instead, is natural to the topography of the area, which, he explained, "has probably not changed in over 1,000 years."

Therefore, he stated, a group of endangered red maple trees in this area are not dying off due to the existence of Cohasset Heights, but they are only following nature's course.

"Stress vegetation coincides with the natural topography of the land," he said.

This point was echoed by Gioiosa's associate, Rod Gaskell, who added that in other stress-suffered portions of trustee-owned land, "habitat and wetlands regeneration is clearly coming back."

Gaskell also noted that salt deposits found on trustee land have been traced back to the state Department of Public Works property adjacent to the landfill on Crocker Lane.

Board of Health officials must now give weight to hundreds of pages of direct testimony as well as cross-examination, examine 141 related exhibits and render their decision for or against the Cohasset Heights site assignment application within a 30-day period (on or about April 23).

Shea thanked everyone for their patience and cooperation during the two months of lengthy, oftentimes confusing proceedings and started the board's decision clock with the adjournment of this last session.

At the end, those in attendance applauded each other's efforts, and one participant, when asked what he will do now that the hearings are completed, was overheard to respond, "Get back to the life I once had."

More landfill hearing costs okayed

Still staggered by the costs, selectmen last week approved payment of nearly $10,500 for engineers Fugro East, for work on the Cohasset Heights Landfill hearings, which wrapped up last week.

Selectmen have estimated that fighting the landfill expansion request will cost close to $250,000 between November and June.

Selectman chairman Merle Brown said that state environmental affairs secretary Trudy Cox will not return his calls.

Selectman Michael Sullivan suggested getting state Sen. Robert Hedlund and state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray to arrange a meeting between Cohasset officials and Cox to discuss the landfill costs.

In addition, selectmen will ask the legislators to introduce a bill seeking state compensation for the costs associated with holding the hearings, which were mandated, but not paid for, by Cox.

The town of Warren received some $200,000 from the state after holding a similar hearing, according to selectman Peter Pratt.

Turkey Hill land purchase to be postponed

Town meeting will not be asked to proceed with the purchase of land known as Turkey Hill, article 8. Instead, town meeting will only be asked to indicate approval of such a purchase, pending the arrangement of state and other funding.

Other items to be postponed include work to the high school gym.

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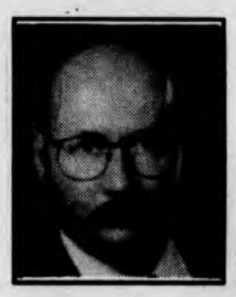

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Battle lines drawn over sewer articles

By DAVID JOHNSON
Special to the Mariner

In what was likely to be a preview of town meeting, last week's hearing on the sewer articles turned into a royal donnybrook, as many residents furiously objected to paying the entire bill for connecting to the sewer.

The battle lines were clearly drawn during the explosive March 20 hearing in the town hall auditorium, which was attended by some 50 people.

On the one hand, residents living in the Strait's Pond area are outraged that some 345 households are being asked to pay all of the costs associated with the $5.4 million project.

Although figures are not yet available, residents of the harbor area who are on the sewer line will also pay the full cost of the roughly $2.9 million expansion. Annual charges in the harbor area are likely to continue to average about $500 a year.

Many speakers accused officials of not providing adequate information.

"You cannot make me pay for this sewer," Jerusalem Road resident Patrick Plante shouted. "You (commissioners) are so ridiculous, what you think people can pay."

Officials, however, say that homeowners not on the sewer line face septic system repairs to comply with Title V regulations which could easily cost $30,000, which they must face without town help.

Sewer commission chairman Edward "Ted" Guild, and some residents, called the proposed financing mechanism fair, since if the sewer costs were spread over the entire town, it would add some $200 to the average tax bill.

Guild also said that since property on the sewer line will increase in value, homeowners will recoup their investment. He said the town as a whole would not benefit from the project, which brought jeers and boos from some in the audience.

Speakers also pointed out that if property values rise, taxes will increase, benefitting the town and adding to the expenses of homeowners.

The Strait's Pond project will cost each household an average of $16,000 for 20 years, which will be paid for in betterments of roughly $1,000 each year, added to the tax bill.

Operation and maintenance will cost each household nearly $400, on average, each year.

In addition, it will cost an average of $2,500 to connect each house to the sewer line, a one-time charge.

Two residents, Anson Wheeler and Albert Sencabaugh, did endorse the plan on environmental grounds. Leaking septic systems are blamed for much of the pollution in Strait's Pond.

"If anyone feels the sewer is a bad thing, you have to look at the options," Wheeler stated. "I will be delighted to scrape up."

Sencabaugh reported that the Strait's Pond conservation group endorsed the project.

However, the other speakers appeared unanimously opposed to the plan. Some charged that the sewer commission was asking residents to approve the plan without providing all the necessary information.

Others said that if only those who benefit from a project should pay for it, they will not support the proposal to build a new Osgood Elementary School since they will not have children attending it.

"We have an excuse for not voting for the school," Plante said. "We can't afford both."

In addition, North Cohasset residents face a whooping 164 percent increase in water rates, from the private company supplying them water.

Calling the water charges "outrageous," Guild said he favored connecting them to Cohasset water, which is cheaper.

Beechwood St. resident Herb Towle, who is not on the sewer line said, "We are going to hit a small group and we are going to hit them hard. I feel this is an unfair."

Maria Plante said that close to half of residents in the area are over 65 and cannot pay the betterments.

Guild replied that residents who cannot afford the betterments can arrange to have them postponed until the property is sold, when the sum would be paid off all at once.

Several speakers questioned whether banks representing property purchasers would require the homeowner to pay off the betterments before the property would be sold.

Among her other comments, Plante said a precedent is being established by only asking direct users to pay for a project.

"We will begin the erosion of the school committee. The school department does not only ask parents to pay for the Osgood School."

Jim Maloney of Hull Street pointed out that Hingham is paying half of the costs of the sewer extension in that town.

Guild replied that the Hingham project will only add $6 to the average tax bill, so those not benefitting directly will only face minimal charges.

Muriel Silvia of Arrowood Street said that the town should have taken advantage of favorable federal funding a decade ago and passed the sewer article then.

She predicted that those opposing the project could be outvoted at town meeting by residents who don't want to pay.

Ed Fox said, "People here are opposed to the town writing a check and having us sign it."

When Guild pointed out that the town is under a court order to do something to end pollution and upgrade its sewer facilities, several people said the situation is another unfunded federal mandate.

"This is an unfunded mandate," Jim Radley of Windy Hill Road said, "It's reasonable that the town make a contribution."

Virginia Norman of Todd Lane predicted that costs of the project will be too low. "I've never heard of a town project that didn't cost more money," she said.

Deborah Mann of Jerusalem Road feared that the whole town might be asked to pay for future sewer expansions at a later date.

She also questioned the effect those postponing their betterment charges would have on the rest.

In an angry exchange, Joseph McElroy wanted to know if those living on private drives would have to pay for the laying of the sewer line from the public street. The cost of is expected to be expensive in some areas because workers must blast through ledge rock.

Guild replied that he considers Windy Hill Road to be a public road, even though it is technically a private way. However, he said the status of some of the area's roads would have to be examined.

Walter Schroeder of Jerusalem Road said it is unfair to assess betterments based on lot size. He said he has a large lot, but only three people live in the house. He asked why he should pay a higher betterment cost than someone else with a small lot, but more demand on the sewer.

At the close of the meeting, Wheeler defended the commission. "You have been pretty thoroughly beat up tonight and I don't think it is fair." As an engineer, he said that exact answers can be elusive. "The numbers that we've gotten are good faith efforts by reasonable people."

Officials get larger raise

Noting that the town offered three percent raises to employees in the unions, selectman Martha Gjesteby said Monday night that the non-union officials should receive the same.

Earlier, 2 1/2 percent increases were voted.

Selectmen approved the increase, which represents a $4,000 increase in the

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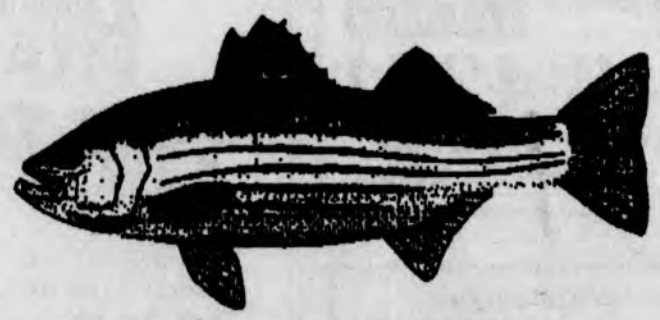

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Selectmen grapple with sewer issue

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"If you want us to help you avoid litigation and fines, we need a commitment from you," former selectman Diane Sullivan, also of Jerusalem Road, shouted at the board.

She wants to offer an amendment requiring the town to pay half the cost, while another resident, Maria Plante, wants the town to pay one hundred percent. They may try to work out a compromise.

It will cost Cohasset taxpayers an average of $200 per year for 20 years if the town does pay half.

Selectmen said amendments can be submitted to town administrator Gregory Doyon, who will obtain a legal opinion on the wording in order to save time on town meeting floor.

However, at the end of the stormy session, selectmen would not agree to rescind their vote in favor of special town meeting article 4, which provides for a sewer line in North Cohasset, saying they did not want to risk being in non-compliance with the agreement, which they signed more than a year ago.

Sewer commission chairman Edward "Ted" Guild predicted that the article's defeat would likely land the town in court, and liable for fines of $2,000 per day. Another town meeting to pass the article would be likely, he said.

Guild reminded selectmen they supported the article recently and said the project cannot be postponed.

"We went over this and you approved it, unanimously, four weeks ago. There is nothing new," he said.

"To postpone the article can't be done under the agreement. This is expected, that we are going to do it and do it now," Guild stated. "The state considers Strait's Pond to be the number one ecological problem in town."

In what turned out to be one of the longest and most turbulent selectmen's meetings in recent memory, several North Cohasset residents also hinted that they may oppose other articles — including the new elementary school and air conditioning at the library — which will not benefit them personally.

Diane Sullivan asked why the air conditioning would not be charged to those who use the library, while Cody stated that parents will not be charged betterments for building the new school.

Selectmen Jane Goedecke and Michael Sullivan pointed out that those houses not on the sewer line face expensive repairs for their own septic systems under Title V rules. Repairs which can routinely cost $30,000 and run as much as $70,000 in Cohasset.

Goedecke said she has received many calls from constituents who do not feel it is fair for them to pay for the sewer.

"Who's going to help me fix my septic system?" Goedecke asked.

She also disputed residents' claims that the sewer would not increase the value of their property, stating that prospective home buyers will be drawn toward property on sewer lines, with Title V questions solved.

Also during the meeting, Guild announced that Hull has agreed to accept an additional 15,000 gallons of daily capacity from Cohasset at its treatment plant. The total capacity will be 80,000, up from the original 65,000.

Guild said this means they will be able to add Forest Notch, as well as Linden and Rustic Drives to the sewer. Although this increases the number of homes on the sewer to 345, the average cost of the project is expected to decline only slightly, to $1,026 per year, per homeowner, from $1,052.

In response to a question from Plante, Guild said that the sewer might be extended up Old Coach Road and Rust Way in three years if capacity permits.

The town will seek eminent domain easements on these streets at town meeting anyway. Guild said they want to include all possible areas on the easement list, so they only have to go through the process once.

Guild also said that the state will make available $500,000 per year, for six years, for Cohasset residents not on the sewer line to upgrade their septic systems.

The money will be available at a subsidized rate of 3 percent and administered by the town.

Early in the discussion, selectman Peter Pratt suggested approving the concept of splitting the costs, and then holding hearings to consider the exact percentages.

Michael Sullivan opposed this idea, stating that residents would have to know what cost they incur when they make the vote.

Diane Sullivan said she was "incensed at the unmitigated gall" in asking residents to pay the whole cost.

She also blasted selectmen for not fighting more vigorously the proposed 164 percent water increase North Cohasset faces.

"You fell down on the job, you didn't get it done," she said.

When asked why Hingham is paying half of its sewer costs, Guild again stated that the project in that town is small, and will only add $6 to the average tax bill.

Selectmen are expected to discuss the issue again at their meeting Saturday at 9 a.m. before town meeting.

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Clark and Ramsden bring home the gold

Sunday, March 17, was a memorable day for **Ellery H. Clark Jr.!** The USATF Eastern Masters Region Master's Championship was held on that day, and Mr. Clark won four gold medals — in the 20-pound weight throw, 16-pound shot put, long jump and 200-meter run. He got a two-minute standing ovation for his efforts, and no one could believe that he was there from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. We surely are in awe of you, too, Mr. Clark!

Also competing in the championship was **Joanne Ramsden,** who did awesomely well herself! Four gold medals, too! Congrats!

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The next time you are at CHS, be sure to stop in **Clark Chatterton's** office and take a look at the plaque that was awarded him last week at the Athletic Directors Convention. Given by the MSSADA, Clark received the President's Award of Merit in recognition and appreciation of his significant contributions, sincere dedication and outstanding service to Massachusetts high school athletics. The award was presented on March 20.

On March 21, **Larry Shultz** was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by the MSSADA, which recognizes all that Larry has done for sports, the youth of Cohasset and his contributions in these areas, both as an outstanding teacher in our schools and in the field of recreation. We congratulate you, and thank you for your dedication to our children.

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Colby College in Waterville, Maine, announced this month that **Laurie B. Bronstein** of Cohasset was named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the first semester of the 1995-'96 academic year. Laurie is the daughter of **Barry** and **Judith Bronstein** and is a member of Colby's Class of 1996. She is majoring in sociology.

Colby College also sent us word that **Douglas F. Schultz** has been named to the dean's list for the first semester of the 1995-'96 academic year. The son of **Gerald** and **Regina Schultz,** Doug is a member of Colby's Class of 1997 and is majoring in government.

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We also want to congratulate two gents who are attending Boston College High School. **Robert C. Morgan,** the son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Morgan,** Jerusalem Road, and **Benjamin T. Smoot,** the son of **Mr. and Mrs. John Smoot** of Hull Street, both made high honors for the second quarter.

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Kudos must go to **Joseph F. Andrade** of Cedar Street, who earned himself a spot on the dean's list at UMass, Amherst for the fall semester.

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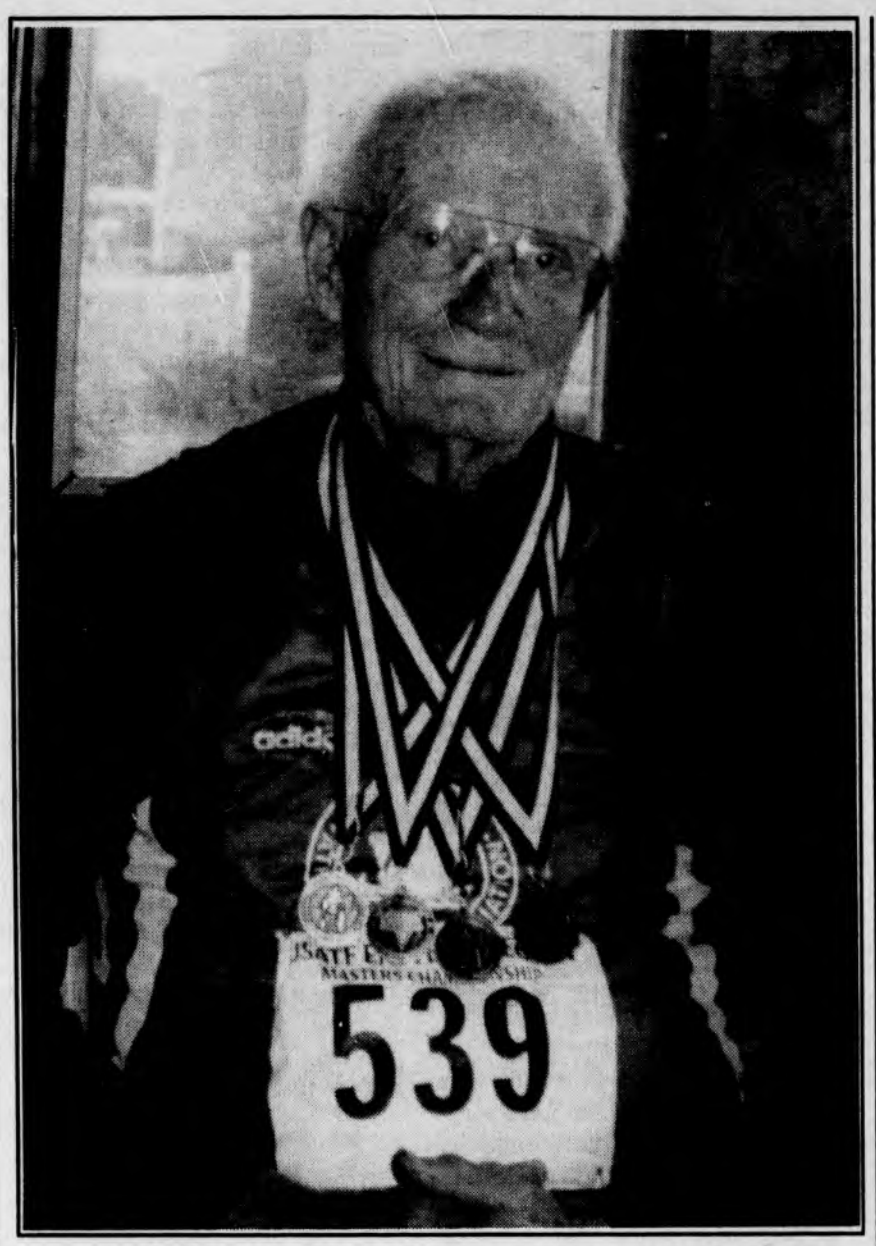
Nine upper school students at Derby Academy received coaches' awards for winter sports at a recent morning assembly. One member of each team is selected for "contributions benefitting all who take part in athletics."



Cohasset's Ellery H. Clark Jr. wears the four gold medals he won at the USATF Eastern Region Masters Championship, March 17. Clark also earned a standing ovation for his efforts.

Coaches Brooks Robbins and Janet Evans-Fuller praised the students for their selflessness, skill, thoughtfulness, daily endeavor, attitude and genuine love of the game.

Kara Gaughen was one of the recipients for grade 6 girls basketball, and **Corinna Noering** of Cohasset was the recipient for JV girls basketball.

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Here's a special announcement from Surrey Drive — there is a new baby in the Durant family! **Harrison James,** son of **April** and **Jon Durant** and brother of **Matthew,** 3, was born on March 11 at 8:35 a.m. He weighed seven pounds, nine ounces. Maternal grandparents are **Robert** and **Katherine Hutchinson** of Hingham. Paternal grandparents are **Kingsley** and **Joan Durant** of Tobey Island, Mass. and Stuart, Fla. Best of luck to all of you. Love little Harrison to pieces!

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Boy, a lot of students from Cohasset who attend Derby Academy sure did us all proud! On the headmaster's list (an average of A- or above in academic subjects) were **Charles Anderson, Michael Fallon, Kara Gaughen** and **Corinna Noering.**

Second honors (achieving a B or B+ average in academic subjects) went to **Kristen Deane, Geoffrey McWilliams, Carter Noon, Morgan Pierson** and **Kate Schroeder.** We are all proud of you and your efforts. Keep up the good work!

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Obituaries

Helen E. Murphy

Helen E.(Dennehy) Murphy, 85, of Concord, formerly of Arlington, died March 22 at Rivercrest Nursing Home, Concord.

Born in Cambridge on April 21, 1910, she was the daughter of the late Dennis and Bridget L. (Gill) Dennehy. She attended Cambridge public schools and graduated in 1928 from Cambridge High and Latin School. She was a resident of Arlington for more than 30 years before moving to Concord in 1977.

During the late 1940s and '50s, Mrs. Murphy was employed as a secretary for the George B. Graft Company in Cambridge.

Mrs. Murphy was the wife of the late Humphrey J. Murphy, who died in 1976. She leaves three daughters, Helen E. Minihane of Concord, Mary M. Dennehy of Cohasset and Lee A. Heiser of Littleton; a son, Robert P. Murphy of Arlington; nine grandchildren and one great-granddaughter. She was the mother of the late Lawrence J. Murphy, who died in 1991.

A funeral Mass was held March 26 in St. Bernard's Church, Concord, with the Rev. Paul O'Brien as celebrant. Burial was in the family plot in Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge, where Fr. O'Brien read the committal prayers.

Contributions in Mrs. Murphy's memory may be sent to the Amaryllis Foundation, P.O. Box 269, Marshfield 02050.

Freida P. Morrison

Freida P. Morrison, 71, of Norwell, formerly of Cohasset, died March 6 at Brigham & Women's Hospital, Boston, following a long illness.

Born in Lawrence, Mass., she graduated from Lawrence High School in 1942 with "great distinction" and from Burdett College, Boston, in 1944, where she was enrolled in the executive secretarial program. Mrs. Morrison was a resident of Cohasset for 20 years before moving to Norwell.

She worked for the Felters Company in Boston as secretary to the sales manager prior to her marriage and for D.S. Kennedy & Co., Cohasset, from 1959-64 in several capacities, from typist in the production control department to security officer and secretary to the general manager.

From 1964-68 Mrs. Morrison worked as security officer and secretary to the general manager at J.J. Henry & Co., Cohasset, and for General Dynamics, Quincy, from 1968-70 as secretary to the director of industrial relations.

She was employed by R.F. Systems, Inc. in Cohasset in 1970-71 as secretary to the manager of the military division and by the Norwell Housing Authority, where she lived and worked as a secretary, from 1977-85.

Mrs. Morrison leaves two daughters, Suzanne Favreau of Shelburne, N.H. and Valerie Emerson of Wayne, Maine; two brothers, Anthony Padden of Westwood and Edmund Padvaiskas of Troy, N.Y., and three grandchildren. She was the daughter of the late Sylvester Padvaiskas and Annie Favreau.

A funeral Mass was celebrated March 9 at St. Helen Church, Norwell.

Arrangements were handled by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home of Norwell and Cohasset.

Donations in her memory may be made to South Shore Hospital, 55 Fogg Road, South Weymouth 02190, att: Foundation Office.

Roxanne N. Curtin

Roxanne N. (Ritter) Curtin, 42, of Cohasset, died March 16 in University Hospital, Boston.

Mrs. Curtin graduated from Cohasset High School in 1971. She was a homemaker.

Her love of family, people and her faith were predominant in her life, and she was known for her wit and smile.

Mrs. Curtin leaves a daughter, Nichole M. Curtin; her parents, Harry and Marjorie (Higgins) Ritter of Cohasset; two sisters, Darleen Gerrard of Cohasset and Lynn Zelius of Sarasota, Fla. and two nephews.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, March 23, at the Second Congregational Church, Cohasset.

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Donations in her memory may be made to Second Congregational Church, Christian Education Fund, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

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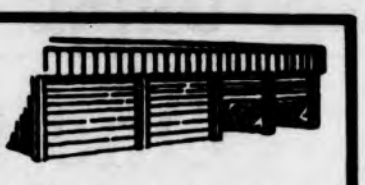

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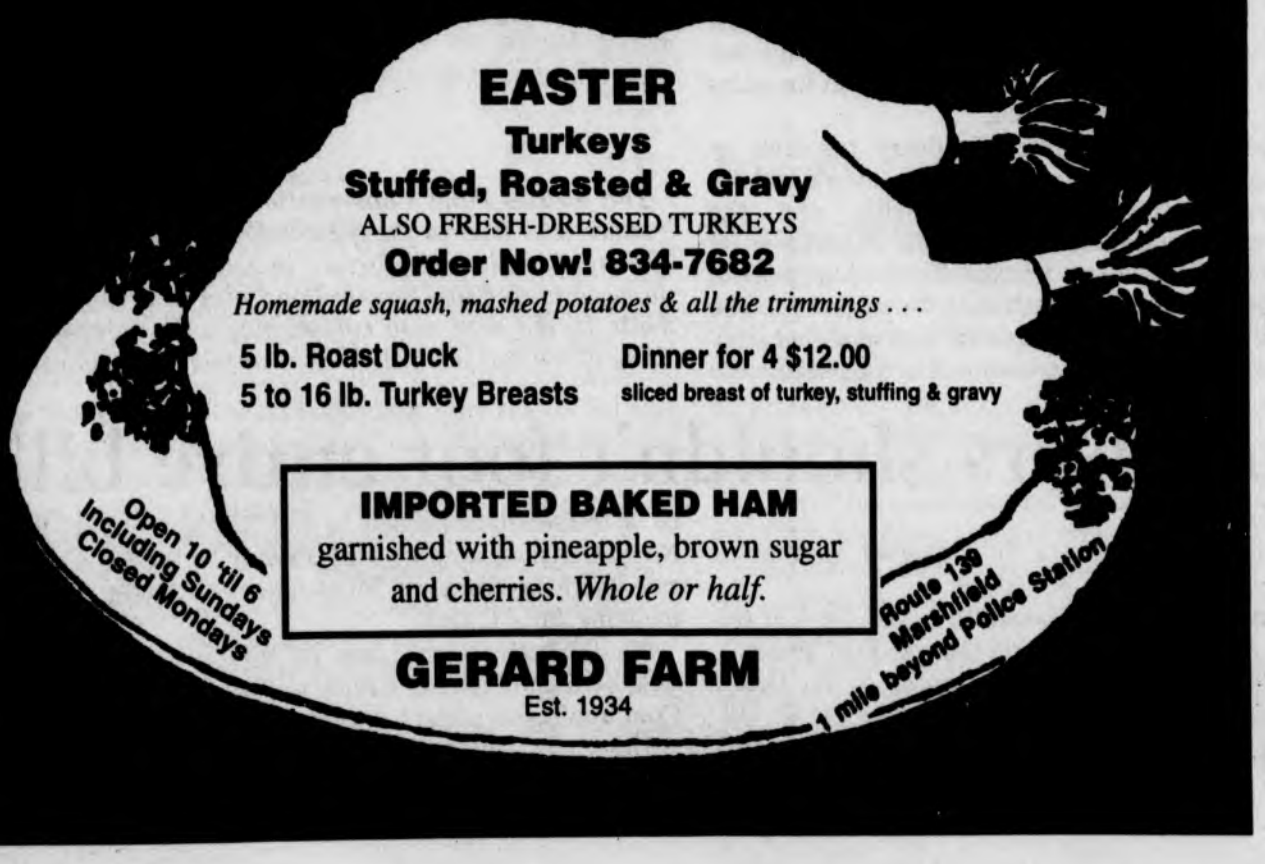

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Cohasset is still one town despite the divisive debate on the proposed new school and sewer improvements which are pitting some of us against our town officials and fellow citizens.

As Cohasset prepares for town meeting Saturday — which includes big ticket items that will increase our property tax bills — it's important to step back and remember that we're a community as well as a democracy.

We doubt there will be many fence sitters at special town meeting which will take up the proposed $9.9 million new school and upwards of $5 million in sewer projects. The event will provide a stage for emotional rhetoric by those whose minds are made up.

But for everyone's sake, we hope that all who attend will refrain from loud applause and cheering for their side. We also don't want anyone to be intimidated from speaking up because they're afraid they'll be subject to boos or angry glares.

If your neighbor feels the opposite to the way you do — don't let the issue end years of being neighborly.

Remember everyone has the right to be heard and the right to vote their conscience.

And don't overlook all the other business at town meeting including authorization to sell the Hagerty house showroom and approval of the town's $16.9 operating budget for next year.

Town meeting groupies will be the first to tell you that this very old, very pure form of government is also a great way to welcome spring and get together with fellow townspeople.

We encourage those citizens with strong views to distribute all the literature they want on the issues. Hold signs and speak out, try to persuade, get involved.

But please go to town meeting Saturday with an open mind — not about the issues necessarily — but about the right your neighbor has to hold a different opinion from your own.

— Mary Ford
Editor

North Cohasset sewer system support urged

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The idea of providing sewer service to Cohasset has been an issue for as long as memory serves. Now the residents of the town have an opportunity to resolve this problem in the Straits Pond watershed, which is among the most troubled areas, and is of particular concern to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection. The town remains under court order to provide a town-wide wastewater treatment plan, part of which is included as Article 4.

This article, in the Warrant for Town Meeting, Saturday, presents a plan to install a sewer line, which would service the Straits Pond area and connect to the Hull sewer system. The Hull side of Straits Pond is already sewered. Hull town officials support the idea and are near an agreement. The plan calls for the cost of the project to be funded through a betterment bond, a financial instrument to be repaid over 20 years at low interest rates. All or a majority of these costs will be repaid by those residents who will benefit from the new sewer line.

At present, homeowners in the area face significant wastewater treatment system repair or replacement costs (as high as $70,000) in the event their system is considered "failed" under Mass. Title V environmental regulations. These regulations consider depth to the water table, soil condition, presence of ledge, distance to surface water, and lot size. Straits Pond is unique because it is negatively affected by all of these characteristics.

A sewer line would improve the condition of Straits Pond, which is polluted by leaching wastewater systems, many of which would fail a Title V inspection (even though they seem to work fine). Failed systems prevent the sale of a home until upgrades are made. The sewer would also have a significant beneficial effect on real estate values and the tax base. As most residents are aware, Title V has had a detrimental impact on the sales of homes in the town of Cohasset.

This project has undergone significant research by experts, and is supported by the town's Sewer Commissioners, the Board of Health, and the Conservation Commission, as well as the Department of Environmental Regulation, Coastal Zone Management, and Office of Environmental Affairs at the state level. The feasibility phase has been completed by a qualified engineering firm, and final costs are subject to the bid process to take place in the design phase of the project. Town approval is required to move forward to this next phase.

Few disagree that a sewer in this area is a good idea. The issue appears to be how to pay for it. Some have expressed that the Town of Cohasset should pay for a portion of the project cost. After all, it is a municipal project, and it would avoid a town-wide fine and improve a town pond. Any degree of town subsidy would obviously be warmly received in the short run, but may come back to haunt Straits Pond residents in the form of tax increases later.

While the town subsidy idea has merit, too large a percentage is not likely to pass in a town-wide vote due to the increased sensitivity of tax increases in the town. This would also involve more bureaucracy, delays and if history is an indicator, would result in another more costly proposal, if not a stalemate altogether. It all boils down to what is fair. Perhaps the percentage of town subsidy should be addressed considering how many will directly benefit, but keeping in mind that we are all one community. The town can simply not afford too high a percentage on every project.

But what is really important is that the Article 4 pass Town Meeting, Saturday. We urge all residents of Cohasset to vote yes on this Article. Residents of North Cohasset will benefit at little or no cost to other taxpayers and at a much lower cost than other wastewater system options. Let's not miss another opportunity to improve the environmental quality of our town.

THE STRAITS POND CONSERVATION
Executive Committee
Anson Whealler
Bill Signorelli
Stephen K. Lucitt
Jay Cody

The Straits Pond Conservation is a group of homeowners who live in the Straits Pond area of Cohasset. The organization was formed in August of 1994, and its purpose is to clean Straits Pond and to bring the residents in the area into compliance with pertinent sections of the revised Title V environmental regulations.

Sewer users shouldn't foot entire bill

To the Editor:

I would like the readers of the Cohasset Mariner to know that I am not against sewering!

What I am vehemently opposed to is Article 4 in the Warrant for Special Town Meeting (March 30 at 10 a.m.). This article gives unprecedented authority to our Board of Sewer Commissioners to mandate paying the $6 million bonding for this project to 1/10th of our Cohasset taxpayers. This $6 million cost is unfair and unjust and will be a tremendous burden to the 220 households in the North Cohasset area who are already facing a 164 percent rate increase from the Mass-American Water Co. commencing June 1, 1996.

Final construction costs of this sewer project are unknown and I am not willing to give our Board of Sewer Commissioners a blank check.

The Board of Sewer Commissioners is dividing our

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Question of the Week

The following candidates responded to the Question of the Week:

• **Selectmen**: what is your position on restoration of the Greenbush Line of the Old Colony Railroad? Why?

Ronnie McMorris, selectman

I believe it is important for Cohasset to concentrate its efforts on mitigating the environmental impacts that will result from restoration of service on the Greenbush line.

Our residents clearly have concerns about safety, traffic, noise, wetlands and the siting of the train station. In order to minimize the adverse effects and maximize the benefit our community will experience from the train, we need to formulate a plan.

The MBTA has requested that the town form a committee comprised of town officials to participate in the design of the rail line. In addition to that committee, I favor the formation of our own town study group that would represent the interests of residents and businesses. This group would work with town officials in developing a plan that best suits the interests of Cohasset.

For example, this group would look at methods of reducing the train's impact on residential neighborhoods. It could also examine how to site the station to most benefit local business. I continue to stress the importance of having a plan in place instead of reacting to proposals from the state.

Martha Gjesteby, selectman

The Greenbush Line restoration has been approved by the current administration, but the final environmental report has yet to be approved.

As a town official, I will demand compliance with all safety issues. Of special concern is the Pond Street area. I will work to have the Greenbush Line create a station in the center of town as well as a reconstructed town parking lot.

The railroad bed which is owned by the town will be taken by eminent domain. This will bring money to the town.

The restoration of the Greenbush Line will help the commute to Boston as well as the environment. I will support the restoration if the state decides to go ahead with the project.

Nan Roth, selectman

Travel to Boston from Cohasset has always been a challenge. With major construction on the Central Artery over the next 10 years, rush-hour driving will be terrible. The boat provides a good alternative, but it doesn't connect to other public transportation or take everyone where they need to go. The T requires a drive to Quincy. T parking is costly and fills up early.

That leaves the train as the only other available commuting alternative. The state says that the Greenbush Line will be constructed, whether we like it or not.

As the train line is constructed, we must be vigilant in protecting the safety of all citizens, the rights of abutters and the integrity of the environment. We must make a special effort to ensure that the train is minimally disruptive to our community and negotiate strong agreements to that effect with the MBTA.

We should recognize that the train can be a vehicle to revitalize downtown Cohasset. A "walk-on" station (without parking) in the village would allow many commuters to walk to the train. Property values would increase overall by making our town even more attractive than it is already. Finally, a train station could provide the pedestrian traffic needed to make downtown shops profitable.

• **School committee**: why does the school budget have line-item autonomy at town meeting? Should that be changed?

Rick Shea, school committee

State law governing the "support of public schools" stipulates that town meeting shall establish the total appropriation for the schools, but may not limit the authority of the school committee to determine expenditures within that total appropriation. One reason for this law was a desire to take "politics" out of school hiring and other detailed spending decisions. A negative aspect of this law is that taxpayers might feel they cannot comment on or influence school spending choices.

I strongly believe that taxpayers should review, comment on and influence the school committee on school budget matters, even at a very detailed level. However, I do not believe that town meeting is the appropriate forum for a line item discussion.

Taxpayer input is much more helpful and relevant when received during the budget review process. The school committee holds open budget review meetings on each of the three school budgets, then has an open meeting with the advisory committee. There is one final open budget review meeting just before the town meeting.

The challenge for the school committee is to make this process work so that interested taxpayers can participate in a meaningful way. Sometimes formal processes do not result in a dialogue in which each side is really listening to the other. I have proposed holding informal breakfast meetings to discuss school matters. I will also use the three local newspapers to better communicate on school issues of concern to taxpayers.

Keith Knowles, school committee

While approximately 60 percent of our tax dollars go to the school budget, the components of that budget are exempt from town meeting involvement. Beyond approving or rejecting the budget in its entirety, citizens at town meeting are unable to affect the appropriation for individual items. This restriction is by state regulation, and essentially cannot be changed by an act of Cohasset voters.

Given that fact, it is incumbent upon those who are concerned with how the school budget is developed to become actively involved in the process. Other than school stalwarts, few citizens attend school budget hearings, nor are they aware of those hearings. Unfortunately, those who do participate are not always provided with the documents needed to properly evaluate the budget requests.

As a school committee member, I intend to publicize the meetings at which budgets will be presented, providing concerned citizens with the ability to participate in that process. Beyond that, I will insist that sufficient copies of each administrator's budget be available to those attending the hearings and any other concerned citizen. By actively involving taxpayers in the process, those concerned with the issue will be in a far better position to act on the final budget.

Owen L. O'Malley, school committee

I believe that the school budget was originally given line-item autonomy in order to insulate the schools from political control.

Ironically, due to influence of the National Education Association, and certain outside groups, such as Planned Parenthood and various gay and lesbian organizations, the schools have become more and more politicized.

Public schools have no business promoting AIDS awareness courses, sex education, extremist environmental groups, and multi-cultural attacks on Western civilization.

Yes, I believe that the schools should not have line-item autonomy, and should be more open to public review.

• **Treasurer-collector**: what is the town's bond rating? Why is it important? Can it be improved?

Patricia Anne Walsh, treasurer-collector

As of May 1995, the town's bond rating changed from A to A1, which as far as I know is the highest, but we have to be careful that the town's bond rating doesn't go down.

The bond rating is important because the town is able to get acceptance by investors and not failure as occurred with a recent state issue.

Joe Buckley, treasurer-collector

In May 1995, Moody's Municipal changed Cohasset's bond rating from A to A1, based on the following key factors: a residential community near Boston with wealth levels well above the state's; sound finances; comfortable reserve levels are maintained; debt position is strong; considerable additional borrowing is expected.

Another factor is the fact that voter support for recurring operating overrides and debt exemptions has provided additional financial flexibility.

The town's bond rating is like our credit rating — the better it is, the easier it is to borrow and receive better interest rates.

To improve the bond rating, we have to increase our assets; in other words, keep our property values up. That can be accomplished by maintaining our schools, building new schools (even better with the aid of state funding), installing sewer systems, keeping roads in good shape and having pride in our property and town.

We must maintain a strong, stable administration, fiscal responsibility and good labor relations.

My personal opinion is we should do everything possible to maintain our present rating while we improve our schools and sewer systems. We are still in a good position to borrow to accomplish this. Then our property values will be higher, and by paying down on some of our debt, our bond rating would improve.

Wigmore Pierson, treasurer-collector

The town's bond rating in May 1995 by Moody's was set at A-1. It is important to keep the cost of borrowing as low as possible, and a high bond rating keeps the costs low.

According to my financial sources, it is unlikely that the town's bond rating can be improved beyond its already outstanding rating.

• **Planning board**: will Cohasset's part of Route 3A look like Route 53 in Hanover in a few years? What can the planning board do to prevent that?

Terry Atherton, planning board

Route 53 in Hanover is typical of the strip-mall development that has occurred in many suburban areas since the late 1950s. This type of development is visually unattractive and can create horrendous traffic problems. Unfortunately, it could happen in Cohasset. The time to have eliminated the possibility of this type of development was back in the 1950s, when zoning was first established in many South Shore communities.

Unlike Hingham and Scituate, where much of Route 3A was zoned for residential use, the property along Route 3A in Cohasset was for the most part zoned for highway business. As a result, the ability of the planning board to block development is limited. However, the zoning bylaws do include a number of provisions that allow the planning board to control how development occurs. Fast-food restaurants, for example, would require a special permit.

By carefully reviewing development proposals to insure that they conform to zoning bylaws, the planning board can prevent the type of uncontrolled strip development that has occurred in other towns.

Mike Mullin, planning board

Before we undertake any new commercial development, I would like to see Cohasset fill the empty shops downtown. I realize the Village is somewhat isolated. We need to give shoppers an incentive to make the trip. Any new business approved should offer its patrons convenience and value.

Along the same lines, although I am personally opposed to the train, I do believe we must make the best of a bad situation by supporting a Village stop. The additional foot traffic could be the boost needed to fill the empty storefronts.

Route 3A in Cohasset cannot support the traffic that strip malls and fast-food places would generate. That's one of the reasons we've limited commercial development thus far. The addition of Shaw's will create even more congestion.

Our section of Route 3A was not designed to handle the traffic which Routes 53 and 139 do. For the safety and convenience of Cohasset residents, as well as other travelers, the planning board must limit commercial overdevelopment of Route 3A.

Question of the Week:

This was the final week for Question of the Week. Next week's issue will feature candidate profiles.

The Cohasset Mariner will not accept letters from candidates or letters endorsing candidates. The Mariner will publish letters about campaign issues up until the March 28 issue before the election.

Candidates are encouraged to advertise their campaigns in the Mariner. For information about deadlines and costs for political advertisements, please contact Judy McCaffery Perry or Claudia Oliver at 1-800-649-6661.

Question of the Week

• **Water commission**: Cohasset officials, unlike those in many other South Shore towns, have said the town's water problems are related to distribution and not supply. If that's the case, is there a need for residents to practice water conservation?

John Rafferty, water commission

Until last summer, Cohasset's water problems were primarily related to distribution, but as the summer drought continued and demand increased because of the new mains, Cohasset began to have a supply problem. Despite a water ban last summer and heavy autumn rains, consumption for the period of August 1995 through January 1996 increased almost 40 percent over the same period in the prior year. That resulted in seriously diminished water reserves until heavy autumn rains brought levels back to normal at year end.

We have a three million gallon per day plant at peak capacity and a large supply of water from the Aaron Reservoir and Lily Pond watersheds, versus demand of only 0.7 million gallons a day on average and 1.2 million gallons per day at peak. Accurate long-term supply/demand forecasting will remain difficult until further distribution system improvements are completed this summer. We simply need another year of new demand data to establish new supply/demand baselines.

Until the water department clarifies Cohasset's new average and peak water demand, it remains prudent for residents to practice conservation. The potential addition of 225 new North Cohasset residents presents further complications. I believe the water department should proactively communicate various demand and supply measures to town officers, and develop a long-term water resources plan to maintain our wonderful source of clean, healthy water.

Richard Muncey, water commission

Water is the most taken for granted utility people have. You can live without every other utility, but you can't live without water. It doesn't matter how much water is available — there is always a need to conserve it. Only the future will tell us where our supply will lie.

• **Sewer commission**: could Cohasset save some money by buying into the proposed pumping station in the west corner area of Hingham rather than using the North Cohasset fire station site?

Ted Guild, sewer commission

Cohasset's engineers and Hingham's engineers are studying the cost of pump stations in their respective towns in the West Corner area. We have discussed the possibility of sharing a pump station jointly, and I expect this will prove to be the most economical solution.

We will not know, however, until Hingham's engineers determine the location of their proposed pump station and its cost. The most important point at this time, however, is that Hingham and Cohasset are communicating on this subject with the objective of evolving the optimum solution for both towns.

We have drafted an intermunicipal agreement under which Hingham would share 50 percent of the cost of Cohasset's pump station and would thereby reserve 50 percent of its capacity. The two towns are substantially in agreement on this text, and we will ask for town meeting approval on Saturday (Article 5 of the special town meeting) in case this proves to be the optimum financial solution.

If Hingham does decide that it is in its best interest to purchase 50 percent of the Cohasset station's capacity, this will reduce capital costs in the North Cohasset sewer service area by roughly six percent. Similarly, I would expect a comparable reduction in cost if the Hingham pump station proves to be the more economical alternative.

Candidates' Corner

McMorris events planned

Cohasset selectman candidate Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris will appear at two events this week, offering residents the opportunity to attend and discuss town issues.

Margy Charles will hold a coffee on Friday, March 29, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at her home. On Sunday, March 31 at 3 p.m., Merle and Joan Brown are inviting friends and neighbors to their home to meet Ronnie.

For information or directions, call Mary Foley at 383-9289.

Nan Roth plans coffees

The Committee to Elect Nan Roth to the Board of Selectmen will hold coffees every Sunday until Election Day. Anyone who would like to meet Roth and discuss her views on town government is welcome to attend and should call coffee chairmen Margie Steele (383-1319) or Ann Whelan (383-0034) for time and location.

SAFE presents candidates night at 8 p.m, March 28

SAFE (Stop Any Further Expansion) will present a Meet the Candidates Evening on Thursday, March 28, at 8 p.m. in the Bancroft Gallery of South Shore Art Center.

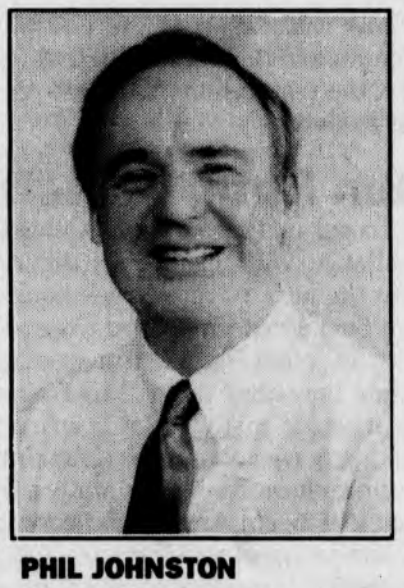
Candidates for the board of selectmen, board of health and water commission will make brief presentations and answer questions from the audience. Coffee, dessert and informal discussions with individual candidates will follow the presentations.

Election supper is tonight

The Beechwood Congregational Church is holding an Election Supper on Thursday, March 28, at 6:30 p.m. The supper has been a church tradition for more than 75 years. Candidates are welcome to come early to chat with constituents in a relaxed atmosphere, with each candidate introduced before dinner is served.

A family-style roast beef dinner, beverage and dessert will be featured. The public is invited to attend. Tickets are $6.99 for adults and $3.50 for children. To make reservations, call 383-1298.

Johnston campaign reception planned



PHIL JOHNSTON
Seeks Studds' seat

The public is invited to meet Phil Johnston, Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District, at a campaign reception on Sunday, March 31, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Chart house, 44 Border St., Cohasset.

The event will be co-hosted by Rep. Frank Hynes (D-Marshfield/Scituate) and Marshfield Selectwoman Faith Jean.

Johnston recently resigned his post as New England director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to launch his campaign for the seat being vacated by retiring U.S. Congressman Gerry Studds.

Prior to his appointment by President Clinton, Johnston served as director of the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial in Washington, D.C., an institution which has focused on social justice and human rights for more than 20 years. Johnston served as secretary of human services in Massachusetts from 1984 to 1991. From 1975 to 1983, he was a five-term state representative from the 10th Plymouth District.

For more information about the benefit reception, call Phil Johnston for Congress headquarters at (508) 747-1996.

New school is cost effective

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In 1972 we were members of the School Facilities Committee, which recommended renovations and additions to the Osgood and Deer Hill Schools at a cost of $1.4 million. The committee's recommendation did not receive the required two-thirds vote at Town Meeting.

Twenty-five years have passed, educational space requirements make existing school space even less appropriate, and the buildings have deteriorated further. Fixing up the Osgood School is not a good option. Cohasset would have to pay for 100 percent of any renovation cost, and the result would still be substandard space. A new school which meets contemporary educational requirements, built on the Deer Hill property with 60-percent state funding, is far and away the most cost-effective solution.

We urge all citizens to vote to support this project at the March 30 Town Meeting and the April 6 override election.

Barbara W. Bliss
Sheila S. Evans
John F. Keane
Robert L. Julian
Barbara M. Power
Sumner Smith Jr.
David C. Whipple

Sewer users shouldn't foot entire bill

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town. We should remain a community of sharing and caring, as we all did in the past when the Town of Cohasset paid for the Elm Street plant. The unfunded mandate from the state is to our entire town not just the small areas in North Cohasset and Central/Hillside areas. Where was the support of this board back in the '80s when the Metcalf and Eddy report was presented to the town with 95-percent funding?

If the policy of the users' fees is applicable to this sewer project, then it would be logical to conclude that the Chairman of the School Committee mandate the parents of only the children attending Cohasset Schools to pay for the $9 million school bond, and the parents of children riding the school buses pay the $180,000 cost for new buses!

Please vote no on Article 4 at Special Town Meeting.

Maria A. Plante, Chairman
Comm. to Vote No on Art. 4
798 Jerusalem Rd.

'New school' questions welcomed

To the Editor:

Saturday, March 30, the School Facilities/Building Committee will bring a school building proposal to the floor of Cohasset Town Meeting. This project differs from the proposal presented in January in that it asks only to replace the present Osgood School with a new preK-3 elementary school. Renovations to the Deer Hill School are no longer included in this project.

We feel that the original project, defeated by just 28 votes in February, would have best met Cohasset's future educational needs in a fiscally responsible way. However, we must at this time provide an educationally adequate facility for our elementary school population, and we cannot ignore the condition of the much beloved but dangerously aging Osgood School. The reasons for replacing the Osgood are many (i.e. space, safety), and they have been discussed in numerous forums over the past year. The Cohasset School Committee unanimously and wholeheartedly supports the School Facilities/Building Committee's recommendation to replace the Osgood School now. It's an educationally sound decision.

We would urge anyone who has questions about this project to contact one of the members of the School Committee, or Superintendent Steve Hart. Your questions will also be welcomed at Town Meeting.

Cohasset School Committee
JoAnne Chittick
Maureen Jerz
Ralph Kidder
Jim Kirk
Nancy Sandell

Repairs, not new school, needed

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

March 23, I had the delightful experience of touring the Joseph Osgood Elementary School. I found the school to be charming, and most of the classrooms bright and open. My tour guide was very sociable and helpful. She escorted me through the entire building. I saw the old shooting range and even climbed up to the attic. At the end of the tour, I walked down one side of the outside of the building and looked at the roof and wall.

I must say it is my perception that the School Committee, School Facilities Committee, superintendent and principal have failed the citizens of the town and the students and staff of the school. I saw a building that was in need of maintenance. I saw a building that has been neglected. I saw a building that is not clean. The vents were all dirty and some of the exhaust fans needed to be taken apart and cleaned of grease and dirt. I saw clutter in a stairwell leading to the attic storage area. I saw areas of the building that could be used but have not been touched. I saw hallways with student storage cases in them that should be in the classrooms. I saw a very nice play yard for the children that the administration has allowed to become a parking lot. I saw bathrooms for the students that needed to be properly maintained.

I must also say I feel that the taxpayers of the town have been misled. The School Committee and the School Facilities Committee have failed to do their jobs. The School Committee should have a policy that insures proper maintenance of the buildings that the taxpayers have entrusted to them. The School Facilities Committee, according to the Town By-Law..."shall, as circumstances require, investigate and study the condition and adequacy of school facilities, and shall report to Town Meeting its recommendations as to major maintenance and remodeling of present buildings, additions thereto, new buildings, and location and acquisition of sites."

In my opinion, we are faced with some major repairs to a building that is worth keeping in our school system. We do not need a $9.89 million project to solve a lack of proper maintenance and an obvious breakdown of systems. The major problem we have with our schools, today, is poor management.

I urge all citizens to attend the Town Meeting March 30, and to vote no for a new school. I also urge citizens to mandate that those who are entrusted with the care of our buildings do the job!

F. Roy Fitzsimmons
Chairman of the Concerned
Cohasset Taxpayers Ballot
Question Committee
116 Doane St.

Support revised school proposal

To the Editor:

As a resident of Cohasset for more than 40 years, whose three children attended the local schools from K through 12, we strongly support the proposal to replace the Osgood School. Partly this reflects a sense of responsibility to provide succeeding generations the opportunities and advantages that our own children enjoyed. Their schooling here prepared them well for college and their subsequent careers, as well as sharpening their understanding of education as a priority in a complicated world.

But party too, it reflects concern for the future of this special town. In conversation with an Andover realtor, we learned that North Andover had also failed to pass an override requiring additional investment in the schools. The realtor asserted that property values showed an immediate decline. "It is the most shortsighted action a town can take," she said. "The first question I am asked from people interested in buying property is about the schools, irrespective of whether there are schoolage children in the family." One person's experience, maybe. But if true, it warrants second thoughts from all those who either failed to vote the first time, or who found the original price too high.

The revised proposal is the very least we can do to ensure a bright future for Cohasset's children and for the town.

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Attendance at town meeting urged

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Two capital expenditure items: replacement of the Osgood School and Wastewater System Improvements (Sewage) will dominate the March 30 Town Meeting agenda and may commit townspeople to spending an estimated $27,000,000.

I hope people will remain open-minded until all the facts are discussed. The Osgood School needs to be replaced and putting more students into the junior/senior high school is not a good idea. Unfortunately, none of us really know what replacement of the Osgood School, as currently proposed, will cost. After the $13.4M Override Article was defeated, I attended a School Facilities Meeting and realized that the engineers couldn't risk proposing a less costly architectural scheme because they had not done sufficient engineering analysis. This was not entirely their fault because they did not receive funding last year to do the analysis. Hopefully, they will have the facts ready for us on March 30.

I do strenuously object to misinformation in the flyer being distributed by supporters of replacing the Osgood School. The engineers and school officials have clearly stated that adding onto the Deer Hill School would save $1M in construction costs, and I believe that better common-use facilities and substantially lower overhead costs would be realized. If we want a stand-alone PK-3; let's give the reasoning and not misrepresent the financial implications.

The sewage articles are no less compelling. Because the project is being phased, many people may not realize that the March 30 Town Meeting will really commit us to spending an estimated $17,000,000; not just the $5,000,000 for the Straits Pond portion. Article 4 proposes that the users pay 100 percent of the cost. If this happens, the 260 households in the Straits Pond area will see their sewage costs jump $1,400 to $1,500 per year. The 580 businesses and households in the Village/Hillside area will see their costs jump $1,900-$2,000 per year.

If there was ever a reason to participate in the Democratic process; it will be Saturday, March 30.

Joseph R. McElroy
59 Windy Hill Rd.

School proposal endorsed

To the Editor:

As parents of children who attended Cohasset's public schools in the 1960s and 1970s, we wholeheartedly endorse the current proposal to build a new school to replace the Osgood School on the Deer Hill property for $9.9 million.

Having recently had a tour of the Osgood School, we were dismayed by the amount of deterioration and the crowded, undersized classrooms and play areas. The children of today deserve the right to enjoy the same excellent education in safe, sound, uncrowded facilities which our children had. A new school need not be extravagant but should certainly meet minimum standards.

We understand and sympathize with many townspeople's concerns about the impact of the expense of building a new school on their real estate taxes. They should keep in mind, however, the encouraging fact that the state is expected to pay for 60 percent of a new school as contrasted with nothing for renovations to Osgood. The deadline for this state funding is fast approaching, and now is the optimum time for the town to make this critical investment.

We urge Cohasset's fair-minded citizens to vote for the current proposal to build a new elementary school, both at the Annual Town Meeting March 30 and also for the override at the Town Election April 6.

Frances and Bill Weeks
103 Border St.

School will benefit all

To the Editor:

Cohasset desperately needs a new elementary school now while we can share in state funding. As school physician for the last 40 years, I can attest to this need. As a small example of the crowding over the years, I present the Health Room which has been moved all over the building to meet changing needs, from an inside closet room in the cellar opposite the furnace to its present reduced area almost out the front door. Our sick youngsters must share this area with the overworked attendance lady, who also checks on lunch money and multiple other minor problems as she tries to keep the entrance clear to the inadequate teachers' bathroom.

The school personnel have contended with this archaic building with grace and good humor, but they must be running out of steam.

Let us do what is right and vote for a new school now for the benefit of all our citizens, who want what is best for our children and for ourselves in this very special town.

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School department to check out private busing option

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

In keeping with the advisory committee's recommendation to consider capital budget items in the fall and general budget and emergency items in the spring, the school committee revised some requests.

The committee voted to move the article for a new auditorium at the the high school to the town meeting in the fall.

Another article called for the purchase of a new bus for $90,000.

The school committee discussed switching to private transportation in order to save money. If that route is chosen the bus would be dropped as an article.

School Superintendent Stephen Hart said he had received bids from two major and two smaller busing companies.

He said that it would cost the school department and the town less if a combination system, with a vendor and some in-house routes, was used for Cohasset's busing needs.

The in-house service would serve special needs and accessory routes, such as trash disposal.

The regular, kindergarten, late, and athletics routes would be handled by the contracted company.

As part of the agreement the new company would hire all of Cohasset's bus drivers.

The cost for the combined service would be approximately $176,000.

If Cohasset stayed with the busing system in use now, it would cost approximately $212,000.

A major reason for the jump in price is an increase in insurance costs and the buses themselves.

Hart added that maintaining the busing system takes a lot of administrative time.

Hart said after the meeting that if the advisory board agreed with the committee's assessment of the situation then the $90,000 bus would be removed as an article.

In other business, the school committee:

• Unanimously passed the approximately $7.2 million 1997 fiscal year budget. The budget represents a five percent increase over last year, which can mostly be attributed to technology and special education. There is also an additional position for an elementary teacher at Osgood School.

"We do look very closely at the budget," said Hart. "We do implement zero-based budgeting," which means that the line item figures are revisited every year.

• Unanimously passed the performance standards for teachers and administrators with the superintendent's recommendation.

The standards will be submitted to the teacher's association where they will be bargained.

The performance standards are mandated by the state under the Education Reform Act.

There are eight standards, such as delivery of instruction, classroom management and currency of curriculum.

Another big piece of the standards is that the teachers and administrators set their own goals.

The standards contribute to professional development and will influence staff management decisions, such as reduction in force.

Cohasset had its own set of evaluation standards before it was mandated by Education Reform, and the instrument was right in line with the future recomendations.

"The evaluation instrument we have is one of the best in the state," Hart said.

Ryan Sawchuk, a student represenative to the committee, said all teachers should pass out student evaluations, so the students could make some suggestions. Only some teachers pass out evaluations now.

• Voiced their continued support of the Cohasset Lobster Lab, an educational facility where students would get hands-on experience in science, at the Hagerty property.

There is an article on the warrant that gives the selectmen authorization to sell the Hagerty property.

• Approved the formation of a girls lacrosse club team. The team will be on a self-supporting basis to see if interest maintains, if it does it will become school supported. Approximately 40 girls have gone out for the team.

• Approved an out-of-state trip for the boys lacrosse team to travel to Gilford, Conn. on March 30.

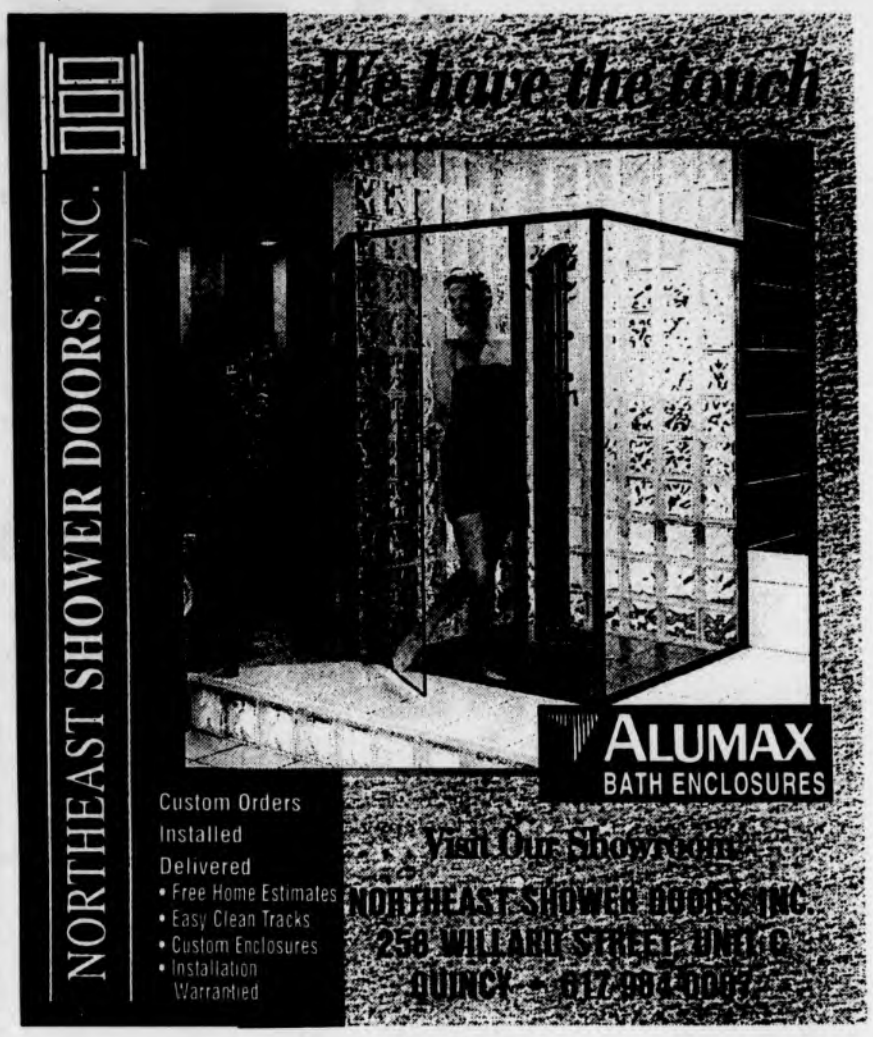
Barnes Field improvements

Bob Moody told selectmen Monday night that he wants to make Barnes Field, where Little League games are played, "somewhat like Fenway Park."

He plans to remove the green wood behind the back stop and replace it with fencing. The bleachers would be moved slightly away from home plate and placed behind the fencing and dugouts.

The field itself will receive sod and the Hingham Institute for Savings has donated an electronic scoreboard.

He agreed with selectmen that parking along North Main St. is dangerous and a parking plan will be reviewed.



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Cohasset Business

Art exhibit at Chart House

An art exhibit featuring four local artists opened Friday night at the Chart House.

About 50 people gathered to toast the artists at a reception held in the lounge area of the restaurant. General manager Ed Sopneski, along with his assistant Marjorie Devoe, contacted Maureen Stebbins about organizing art exhibits that featured the work of local artists. These exhibits are scheduled to change about every eight weeks. A reception for the artists will celebrate the opening of each new exhibit.

The four artists featured in the current exhibit are: photographer Melinda Brown and watercolorists: Rita Kirk, Patricia McCarthy and Maureen Stebbins.

Everyone is encouraged to stop in and view the paintings and photographs which are for sale.

Anyone interested in exhibiting in a future show at the Chart House should contact Stebbins at 383-0279.

Local artists: Rita Kirk, Patricia McCarthy, Melinda Brown and Maureen Stebbins pose by some of their art work on exhibit at the Chart House. Exhibits will change about every eight weeks, organizers say.

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Gourmet eatery gets its food license

The new owners of the Village Gourmet, plan to open a fancy food store at the 5 South Main St. location.

Denise and Gary Bismore told selectmen last week that the space is being remodeled, with the counter on the left as customers enter, and 16 seats on the right. They are not increasing seating.

Denise Bismore said the new restaurant will be called The Silver Spoon Cafe and will feature bagels, muffins, deli food, rotisserie chicken, fruit, cake and coffee.

She said it will be "more upscale" than the Village Gourmet.

With a background in catering and in food distribution, Denise Bismore will be the president of the parent company, Dapper Dan's Inc., which will do business as the Silver Spoon.

Gary Bismore, who will be the vice president, is an executive chef.

Selectmen approved the common victualler's and Sunday licenses pending approval from all town departments, such as wire and building.

Coffee brewing is topic at seminar

"Brewing the Perfect Cup at Home" is the topic of a seminar offered by Jim Ganke of Quikava on Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at South Shore Community Center. Fresh baked muffins will be served.

Characteristics of coffee, fundamentals of brewing, types of brewing, decaffeination process and specialty coffees and espresso will be discussed.

Quikava House coffee and travel mugs will be distributed, and there will be a raffle. Tickets are on sale at SSCC for $5 by April 3 and for $7 thereafter. Call SSCC at 383-0088 for further information.

The 35 Maine

A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 3/26

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	16.0625	0.0625
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.3700	—
Avitar	1.6250	0.3125
Bank of Boston	50.0000	0.3750
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Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	29.2500	0.7500
Computer Identics Corp.	2.0625	0.0625
Clean Harbors Inc.	2.6875	0.1875
Copley Pharmaceutical	17.5000	0.2500
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.6875	0.0625
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.3750	-0.1250
Grossman's	1.6563	0.1563
Ground Round	2.8750	—
Haemonetics	16.3750	—
Hills Stores	11.2500	—
Hingham Instit. of Savings	13.7500	—
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.2500	—
International Electronics	3.6250	-0.3750
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.5625	-0.1250
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Plymouth Rubber	9.0000	0.1250
Reebok	29.3750	0.2500
Software Development	1.6875	-0.1250
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It's Happening

Palm Sunday organ recital at St. Stephen's

As part of its recital series, Fredrick Guzasky, organist and choirmaster at St. Stephen's Church, will present an organ recital Sunday, March 31, at 3 p.m. Featured composers include Dupré, Heiller, Bach and Rheinberger. Guzasky is also on the faculty of the Boston Conservatory. As a recitalist, he has performed in New England and the Midwest, as well as in London, receiving the Boston University Outstanding Performance Award and the EMACT Award in conducting. Highlights of more recent seasons include a tour of Russia and Latvia with an engagement at the Dom Cathedral in Riga.

As a composer, he has to his credit several Masses, numerous choral anthems and several instrumental works. Guzasky is also author of the "Gregorian Chant Handbook," and regularly gives chant workshops in the Boston area.

Guzasky began his studies in organ at the age of seven with A. Sligting of the American Conservatory in Chicago. He has since attended Harvard, Millikin University, the University of Illinois, Northwestern, and has attended Eastern Illinois University for his masters and Boston University for his doctoral studies.

The church, at 16 Highland Ave. in Cohasset, has handicap access, and plenty of parking in the village lot. For information call (617) 383-1083.

Easter egg hunt is April 6

The Cohasset Recreation Commission will conduct its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 6, at noon at Deer Hill School for children ages 3 through 11.

The Easter Bunnies will arrive by Cohasset fire truck at 11:45 a.m., and the hunt will begin at noon.

The annual egg hunt is made financially possible by donations from Cohasset Police Association, George H. Mealy, American Legion Post #118, Rotary Club of Cohasset and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9146, Cohasset.

Parenting workshops offered

Two Pre-school Parenting Workshops are being offered at the Cohasset Community Center on April 9 and 16, from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

On April 9, the topic will be "Understanding Behavior and its Influences" and "The Goals of Misbehavior."

"Methods of Effective Discipline" will be discussed on April 16.

Workshops are open to any Cohasset parent of pre-school-aged or younger children and will be led by Frank Fitzgerald, adjustment counselor at Osgood School.

"Parenting Young Children" by Dinkmeyer and McKay will be utilized during the workshop. The book is available at Buttonwood bookstore. To register, call 383-6117.

Story hours at library

Registrations are being accepted for Spring Preschool Story Hour at Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The sessions will be held on Thursdays and Fridays at 10 a.m.

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Life stories provide window to the past

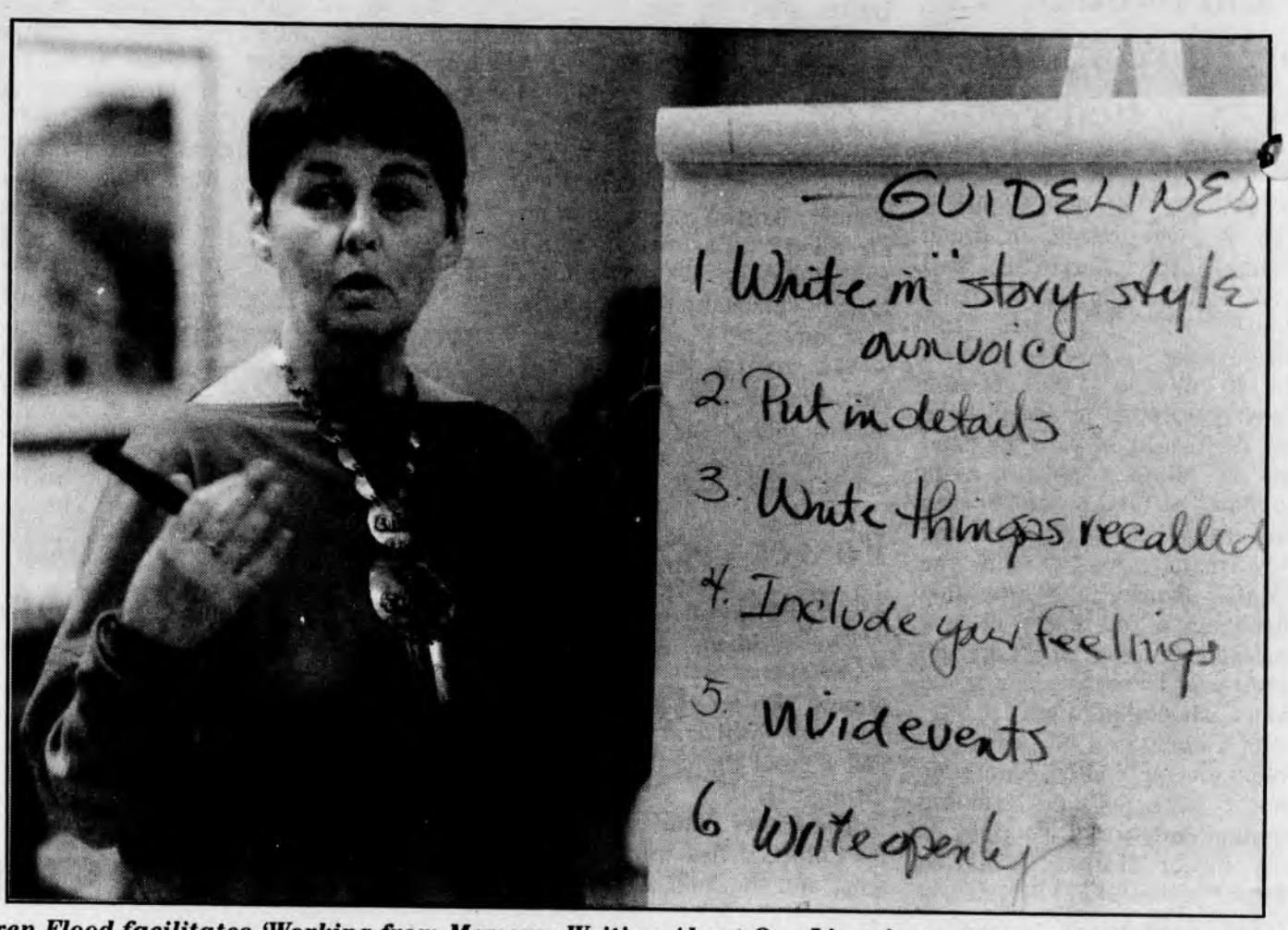
By ALISON SHYER
Special to the Mariner

When her daughter died last year, Norma Childress realized that it was left to her to be the family historian. Rhonda, who was 55 and suffered from a rare blood disease, had always been the one who did the family's remembering for them.

Mary Edmonds calls herself a frustrated journalist. She complains that in her generation no one asked any questions, no one got any answers. She's been thinking lately that she'd like to leave something behind for posterity, answer some of those questions.

'This work fell into my lap, but I quickly realized what a privilege it is to be a witness to people's life stories.'

— Karen Flood, workshop facilitator.



Karen Flood facilitates 'Working from Memory: Writing About Our Lives,' a writing workshop sponsored by the Council for Elder Affairs at the community center.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Both Childress and Edmonds — and eight other area senior citizens — just wanted a little technical support, needed a little push to document their decades of memories and insights. Enter Karen Flood and "Working from Memory: Writing about our Lives," a writing workshop sponsored by the Cohasset Council on Aging.

Flood, who is a private consultant, was hired at the last minute, when the original facilitator canceled. She has a degree in psycho-spiritual development from Lesley College, and jumped at the chance to run the class for senior citizens at the South Shore Community Center. She says she is not a writing teacher but is more concerned with helping people "access their memories and the meaning of their lives."

Until this class, Flood had never worked with seniors. She spends much of her time counseling, as she puts it, "from her own values." She is enthusiastic and highly concerned with the notion of personal development. Her clients tend to be school systems, therapists and even the Girl Scouts. She seldom works with corporations. "It's not about a profit motive."

The format according to Flood, was really up to the class. She merely set guidelines. One of her few rules was, "Don't ask any question you're not willing to answer yourself."

"I just wanted to build non-critical, non-judgmental ways of listening to stories. The idea was to enable them to share their stories, stories that need to be told."

After the first class and what Flood called "getting to know you time," each week everyone was asked to write two pages. The first few topics were assigned — "How did you get into your major life work?" for one — but as the weeks went by, the topic was left to the individual.

The workshop was originally scheduled to run only four weeks but ended up lasting 12. "It was clear almost from the beginning that four weeks wasn't going to be enough," said Flood. The class got permission from the center and continued.

At each two-hour meeting, some people would read what they'd written, some wouldn't. The criticism was not about right or wrong but about openness. The discussion and feedback was constructive: What worked? What posed a challenge? What would the listeners like to have heard?

Peter Palmer, 73, a semi-retired consultant and the only male in the group, said that the uncensorious atmosphere of the class "makes for a very pleasant get-together. You know you're not going to get put down."

Egged on by his wife Jean, 64, who also took the class, Palmer added that the success of the group must be credited to the fact that there were (almost) only women: "Nobody tries to take over," he conceded, "if there were men in the group, someone would always want to go first."

Indeed, for the participants — nine women and one man, with ages ranging from 64 to 83 — this method seemed to work well. They continue to meet on their own once a month.

The Palmers, who are from Dedham, said that they had long been discussing their mutual desire to document some of their history, including their family tree, but needed help with "style and learning how to get it all down." It was just coincidence that they noticed an ad in the Boston Globe for Flood's class.

Eleanor Smith, 83, retired 16 years ago from her job as the director of the Tufts Library in Weymouth. She had seen so many people in search of family histories — her own brother had done some genealogical research — and decided that she'd like to do some chronicling of her own. Besides, she said, "I haven't done much since I retired and I needed something to get me going."

Edmonds, a retired nurse, decided to write about the Coconut Grove fire, in which 490 people were killed. She had only been a nurse for about a year on that night in 1943, the same night as the big BC/Holy Cross game (whose outcome she can't remember) and her brother's wedding. It was after 1 a.m. when she was picked up and brought to Cambridge City Hospital, and then later Boston City Hospital. She worked for two straight days and did everything — treated the wounded, identified the dead and even made toast. After those two straight days of pain, death and misery, Edmonds never again reunited with any of the people next to whom she "did many things I had never done or seen before." After 53 years, Edmonds said, "I kind of think I'd like to leave something that's never been told."

Flood started another workshop on March 20 at the Cohasset Community Center, this time the eight-week workshop meets once a week.

"This work fell into my lap," she says, "but I quickly realized what a privilege it is to be a witness to people's life stories."

Although Kathy Bryanton, the director of the Cohasset Council of Elder Affairs, originally spearheaded this program in conjunction with Quincy College, future "Working from Memory" workshops will be held independent of the college. Bryanton introduced this class — as well as many others — because she "is not of the philosophy that bingo is what you should be doing in the senior center."

The class meets on Wednesday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the senior center at 383-9112.

Nurse recalls Coconut Grove fire

The following excerpts are from the writing workshop at the senior center.

After two days, when things were beginning to get organized, I was relieved...My white uniform was long gone — everyone was in scrubs — hundreds of us — most of us nameless. I remember putting my head down on a cot several times, but I was always awakened 'cause someone needed either me or the cot.

I was going to write a profound dissertation about my tiny part in the Coconut Grove inferno one day — but so much of that has dimmed. And the words never did quite tell the story. It was more than 50 years ago. But I will never forget the smell.

— Mary Edmonds, 78, Cohasset

It's late 1945. I've been in the Army almost four years, but the war is finally over. Now I have to make some decisions concerning my future...I could stay in the Army. I was offered a commission as a radar officer. But what would my future be in the peacetime Army without a college degree?...To me, the choice was obvious. I'd had enough of the Army with its regulations, red tape, dress code, and do-what-you're-told-and-don't-rock-the-boat attitude...However, my interests were directed toward engineering school — career and family would come later.

— Peter Palmer, age 73, Dedham

I believe Helen was the fourth or fifth child to be born to the couple who were my maternal grandparents, making her my mother's sister. I knew nothing about her or that she ever existed until I was a teenager...she left the homestead in her late teens or early 20s to venture on her own, never to live with her biological family again...Helen did make an attempt to see her mother again, but that was thwarted by her protective brother...She was a woman ahead of her time all right, unfortunately she suffered for here independence. The Bannon family actually disowned her and that is what is truly sad...What a price she paid to be on her own!

— Jeanne Palmer, age 64, Dedham

I had met a wonderful Cadet at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy to whom I was married in 1934. This began a life so different from my former sheltered life. I was quite timid and unsure of myself. It was the era of formal calls, calling cards, white gloves and hats. Before my husband and I made a call on a senior officer and his wife, we studied up on current events in order to have something to say for the required 20-minute call. My husband was pushing me up the steps to the house and I was balking all the time, saying, "I can't carry on a conversation for 20 minutes." As anyone who knows me now — I certainly overcame that problem and probably have overdone it.

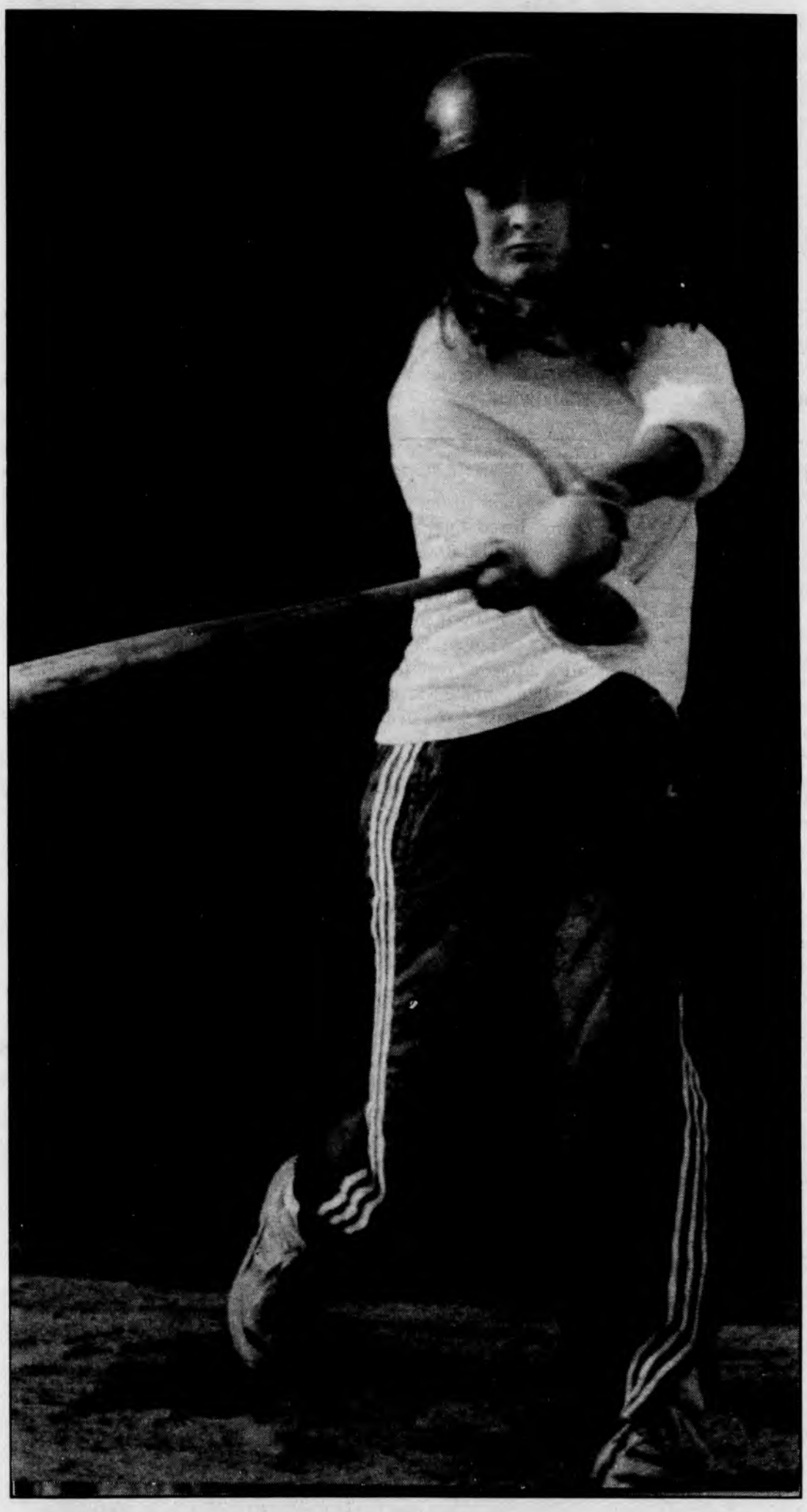
— Norma Childress, 84, Cohasset

The best cruise I ever sailed on was in late June and early July of 1973. It was a trip to the west coast of Africa to see a total eclipse of the sun, the longest total eclipse until the year 2150...The cruise was organized by many astronomy clubs, planetariums and university astronomy departments. The group had chartered a British ship, the P&O Lines Canberra, and had arranged a fine program of speakers, including the astronauts Scott Carpenter and Neil Armstrong, Isaac Asimov, the science fiction writer, and others....Heading for Africa, we were soon out of European shipping lanes and saw few other ships. We were a world unto ourselves...The day of the eclipse arrived, Saturday, June 30th. Long before the appointed hour, astronomers were filling up the deck space with telescopes, cameras and tripods. Gradually the shadow began to cover the sun. At the moment of totality, the corona was brilliant and it lasted for six minutes.

— Eleanor Smith, Cohasset

Mariner Sports

March (Race) Madness!



High pre-registration puts race on record pace

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The usually tranquil Cohasset Common will be anything but this Sunday.

Pre-registration for the 20th Annual Cohasset Road Race by the Sea is up a whopping 50% from last year with just over 450 runners. That statistic alone practically guarantees the largest field ever will gather behind the starting line at 1 p.m. in front of the South Shore Community Center. Last year's race is the biggest to date with 850 official entrants.

The possibility of a record-setting field is just fine with co-director Tom Gruber, a member of the Cohasset Rotary Club. The club is sponsoring the race in cooperation with the SSCC.

"I think it's good for Cohasset," Gruber said. "The road race is bringing in lots of runners and I assume they don't come alone. It's a great showcase for the town with a couple of thousand people milling about.

"That's as big as Harborfest, practically."

In past years the majority of local runners have registered for the race the day before from 9 a.m. - Noon at the SSCC. Those runners not from the area fill out their entry blanks from 9 a.m. - Noon on race day.

The fully sanctioned 10K has also served as a tune-up for the Boston Marathon, which is held two weeks later. Gruber believes part of the reason for the expected large turnout is the fact that Boston is celebrating its 100th anniversary.

But that's not the only reason. Many of the same faces make Cohasset a not-too-be-missed race on their competitive calendar because of the efficient manner in which it's run and the course's overall charm.

Starting at the common it proceeds down Elm Street and turns onto Atlantic Ave. Runners pass Sandy Beach and then begin the winding stretch of Jerusalem Road, easily the most scenic section of the race. The course then turns onto the infamous Forest Street hill near the five-mile mark and then takes a left onto North Main Street and the finish in front of the town hall.

Cohasset has been ranked as one of the most scenic races in New England on the pages of New England Runner magazine and is also a fast course under favorable weather conditions.

Saturday is supposed to be clear with temperatures in the 50s. Gruber is hoping Sunday's weather is just as conducive to road racing.

"If Sunday is a continuation of Saturday it should be a good day," Gruber said.

Gruber said the partnership between Rotary and the SSCC in sponsoring the race has been a good one. The SSCC is sponsoring a dance and auction at The Chart House on Friday night beginning at 7:30 p.m.

"I think they've responded very nicely with their help" Gruber said.

Gruber also commended the work done by the Rotary, not just with the race, but other projects as well.

"We're always there to help out the community," he said. "We don't have a lot of members, but we do a lot for the people of Cohasset."

Olympic champion to attend race

Herb Elliot, the gold-medal winner in the 1,500-meter race at the 1960 Rome Olympics, will be the special guest at Sunday's Cohasset Road Race by the Sea.

Elliot, the greatest miler of his era and a legend in his homeland of Australia, is a former world record holder and retired from track racing undefeated in his premier event. He will be riding in the lead vehicle at the race.

Cohasset High softball player Megan Fahey steps into a pitch during practice. High schools along the South Shore opened their spring sports practices this week in anticipation of next week's season-openers in several sports.
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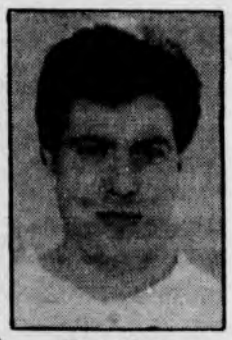
Don't dive into world of sports cards


Reardon

The visions are still vivid. You'd buy a couple of packs of baseball cards, tear them out of their wax wrappers and chew the rectangular piece of sweet gum, sifting through the cards to pick out the stars. In the mid '70s when I was buying cards routinely, a George Brett, Pete Rose, Carlton Fisk, Johnny Bench or Hank Aaron card would more than make up for an otherwise lousy pack.

Times have changed drastically, however. These days, where the special "insert" cards have added a new dimension to the market, dealers practically ignore the rest of the pack in search of that magic subset gem.

Cards spell money for dealers. And depending on how adept they are at buying and selling, these weekend warriors can make some serious money.

Dealers come out of the woodwork come Saturday and Sunday, set up tables they've paid between $20-50 each for in various function halls and malls around New England and try to peddle their array of cards, autographs and memorabilia.

The sports card market has been saturated with new companies, sets and special "limited edition" cards. Trying to keep up with all the new products is practically impossible.

But those who have the itch to start collecting again or try their hand at dealing sports cards need not get frustrated. Newcomers should decide what cards they want to deal or collect after attending a few card shows to get a feel of what interests them.

Unfortunately, because the bottom line in card dealing is profit, there are a number of dealers who will try to get your cash no matter what. I can count on one hand the number of card dealers and store owners I trust 100 percent. Of course there are other honest ones out there, but I haven't made the rounds enough to get to know them as well as some others.

So here's a few pointers of how to get started, what to avoid and some hints in

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Mariner Sports

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

BOYS TENNIS
4/1 Norwell
4/8 at Norton
4/9 at Scituate
4/11 Abington
4/22 Hanover
4/29 at Carver
4/30 at Norwell
5/6 Norton
5/7 Scituate
5/9 at Abington
5/13 at Hanover
5/20 Carver

GIRLS TENNIS
4/1 at Norwell
4/3 E. Bridgewater
4/8 Norton
4/9 Scituate
4/11 at Abington
4/22 at Hanover
4/29 Carver
4/30 Norwell
5/2 at E. Bridgewater
5/6 at Norton
5/7 at Scituate
5/9 Abington
5/13 Hanover
5/20 at Carver

SOFTBALL
4/1 at Norwell
4/3 E. Bridgewater
4/8 Norton
4/9 Scituate
4/11 at Abington
4/22 at Hanover
4/23 Hull
4/29 Carver
4/30 Norwell
5/2 at E. Bridgewater
5/6 at Norton
5/7 at Scituate
5/9 Abington
5/13 Hanover
5/14 at Hull
5/20 at Carver

BASEBALL
4/1 Norwell
4/3 at E. Bridgewater
4/8 at Norton
4/9 at Scituate
4/11 Abington
4/20 at Provincetown, 10 a.m.
4/20 at Chatham, 2 p.m.
4/22 Hanover
4/23 at Hull
4/25 Provincetown
4/29 at Carver
4/30 at Norwell
5/2 E. Bridgewater
5/6 Norton
5/7 Scituate
5/9 at Abington
5/13 at Hanover
5/15 Hull
5/20 Carver
5/22 Chatham

GOLF
4/22 Abington
4/23 Hanover
4/29 at Norton
4/30 at Carver
5/1 at Norwell
5/2 Norwell
TBA Scituate
5/7 at Abington
5/9 at Hanover
5/14 Norton
TBA Carver
5/21 at Scituate

TRACK
4/3 at Norton
4/8 at Norwell
4/11 at E. Bridgewater
4/22 Hull (Scituate)
4/25 at Scituate
4/29 at Abington
5/2 at Hanover
5/9 at Carver
5/13 All League
5/14 All League

J.V. LACROSSE
4/3 at Cape Cod Academy
4/9 Sandwich
4/11 Marshfield, 4 p.m.
4/17 at Brookline
4/22 at B.C.
4/26 Duxbury
5/2 Norwell
5/8 Cape Cod Academy
5/14 Sandwich
5/17 at Duxbury
5/20 at Derby
5/23 Brookline
5/29 Norwell, 5:30 p.m.
5/31 Marshfield

LACROSSE
4/2 Walpole
4/9 Sandwich
4/11 Weymouth
4/15 at Westwood
4/17 at Brookline
4/19 at Norwell
4/23 at Duxbury
4/26 at Hingham
4/30 at Barnstable
5/3 Falmouth
5/7 at Marshfield
5/10 Norwell
5/14 at Sandwich
5/17 Marshfield
5/21 Barnstable
5/23 Brookline

All games have a starting time of 3:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

SSCC dance, auction, March 29

The South Shore Community Center is hosting a dance and silent auction at The Chart House in Cohasset to kick off the road race weekend. For more information contact Nina Belsan at (617) 383-0088 or (617) 545-5462 to participate in the pledge walk and/or for tickets to the Friday night dance and auction. Tickets are $20 per person.

Little league coaches needed

Coaches are needed for all Cohasset Little League programs. Anyone interested in coaching should attend the coaches meeting April 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Deerhill School. Anyone interested in coaching Farm, Minor or Major League should attend. Contact Bob Moody for more information.

FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon. 837-4843

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buying cards.

*Start off small: Buy a few packs of cards at a local store or card show. Sift through them. Depending on the company and sport, you may just pull an insert.

*Check the value of the cards: While there are a number price guides for sports cards, nearly all dealers and collectors swear by the market cost from Beckett magazine. The periodical puts out a baseball, football, hockey, basketball, car racing and future stars price guide. The guides list the "star" players' price as well as the subsets and their prices. Players not listed by name are commons or semi-stars.

*Put any card worth $1 or more in a soft sleeve and top loader: Soft sleeves are good for those cards at less than a $1, but I recommend adding a top loader, which you can purchase at shows or shops, for those cards over $1. This seems to be the norm for most dealers, but it does fluctuate. The top loaders protect the card from "dinged" or worn corners and help keep the card in mint condition.

*Never pay full price for a card at a show: Why pay full price when there's no need to? Most dealers sell their cards at 25-50% off depending on what the card is. If a dealer wants the full price for a card, just walk away. You can do better with a little hunting around.

***Buy low and sell high:** This is tricky but it can be done. This is the key to business and financing no matter what the product. Sports cards are no different. There are dealers out there who will sell some of their cards far cheaper than the total price value. You have a better chance of getting cards at lower percentage if you have plenty of cash on hand. This is what the smart buyers do. One dealer I'm friends with has purchased cards as low as 15 percent of their total value. But dealers know he'll buy his cards on a weekly basis. He's a savvy dealer who's fearless when it comes to parting with a buck. In the end, both dealers are happy with their transaction.

*Be very careful buying autographed cards or memorabilia: The exception are cards in autographed subsets that are listed in price guides. Autographed balls, pucks and caps should come with a certificate of authenticity. But bogus certificates can be produced pretty easily. Again, buy autographs from a dealer or store owner you trust. I've heard of show dealers who forge signatures at the show then put them in their display cases at very expensive prices. Be warned.

*Be selective in your collecting: If you're a Ken Griffey Jr. fan, why not stick solely with Junior's cards? One collector I've met is a huge Dante Bichette fan and he buys nothing but the Colorado Rockies star's cards. Whether they be quarterbacks, goalies, pitchers or teams, every collector has a favorite category.

*Have fun: Sure, there are a lot of skunks in the business, but that comes with the territory. Most importantly, buy cards you like. Collect the players you want to collect. There is no written rule you have to have the biggest, most expensive collection on the block. Enjoy what you're doing and don't go broke doing it. After all, they are only cards.

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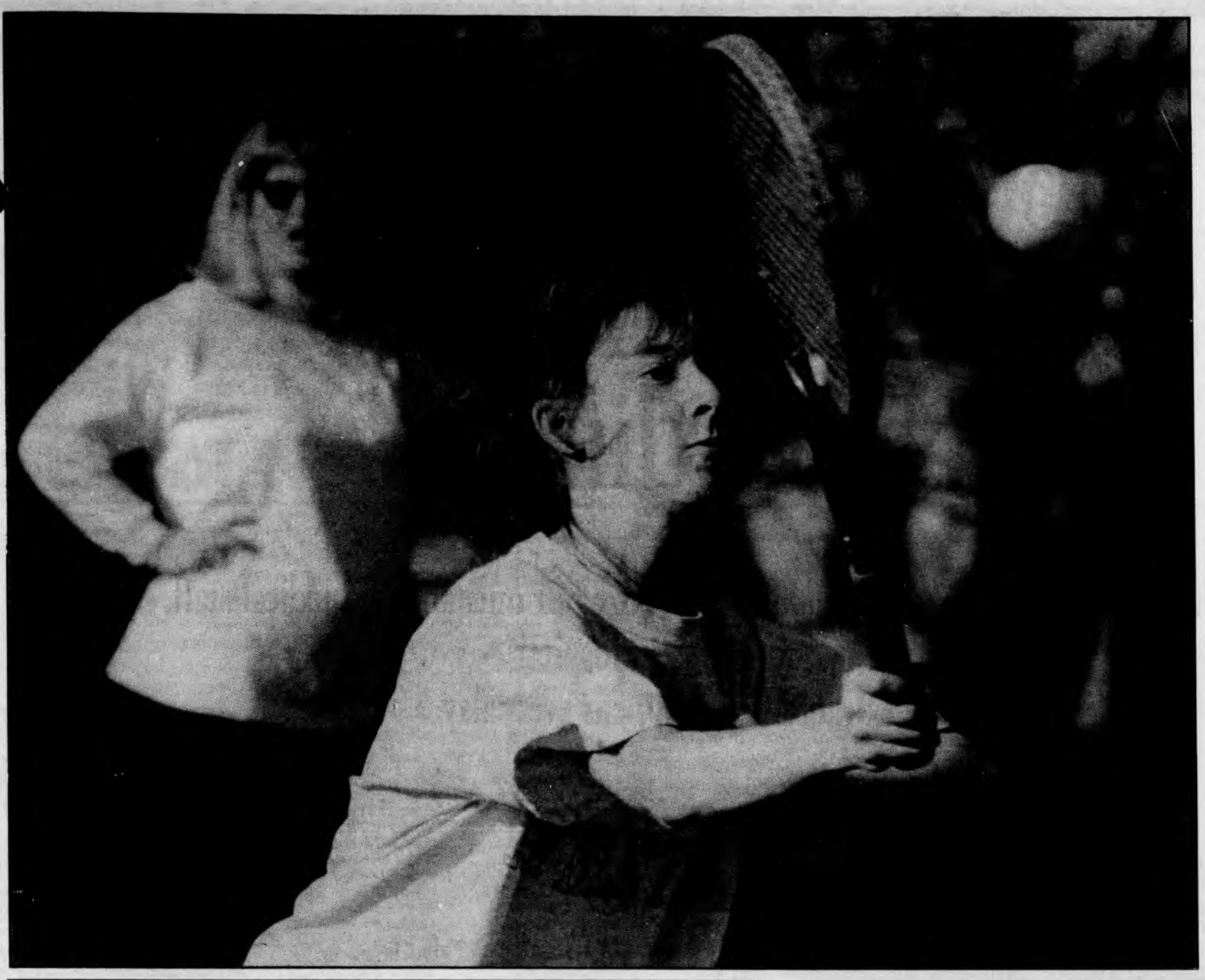

Skippers spring into action

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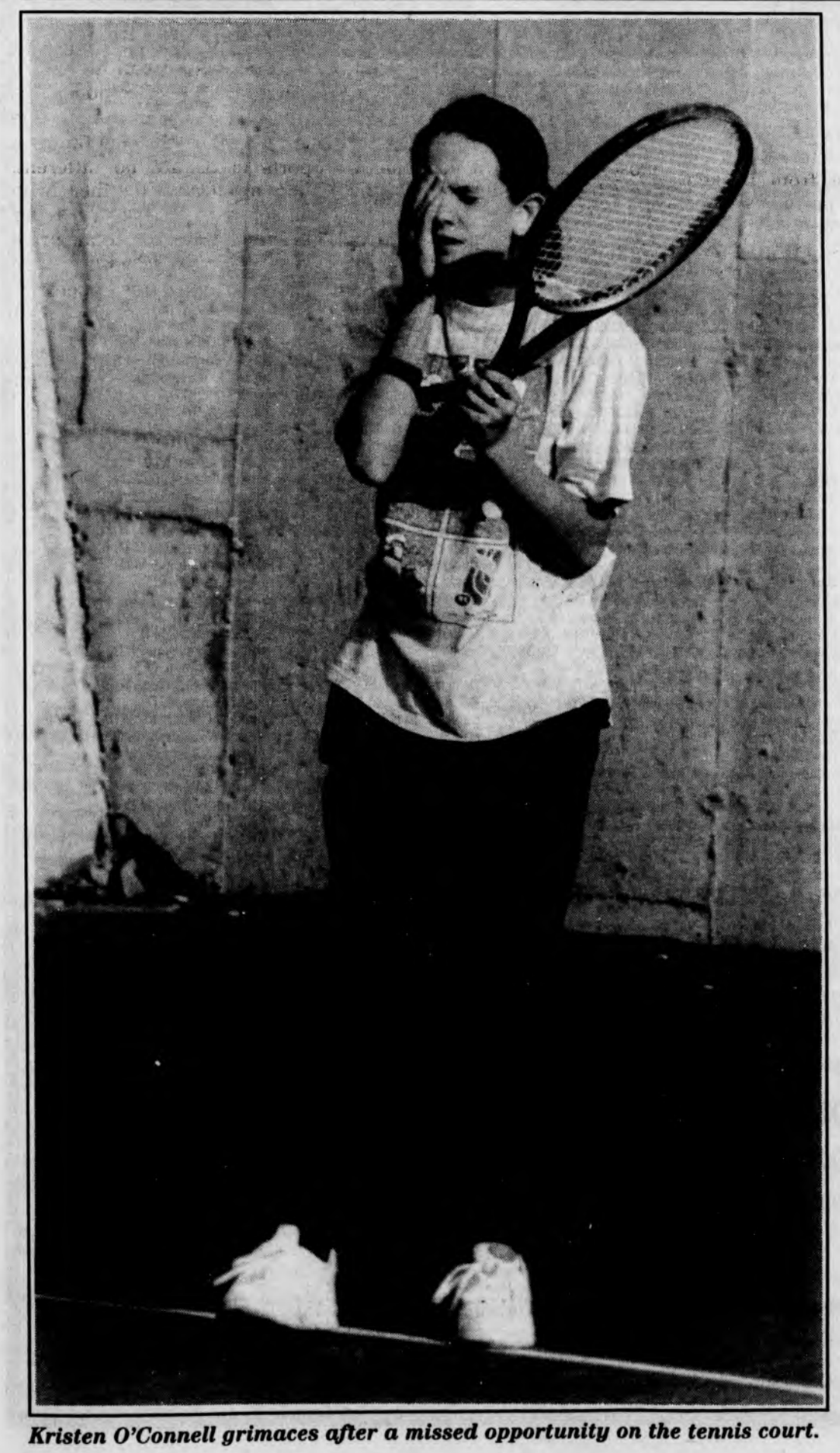
Katie Brister knocks off a volley under the scrutiny of coach Sarah Meehan.



Kristen O'Connell grimaces after a missed opportunity on the tennis court.

Michelle Ward practices her bunting technique at softball practice

Chris Pratt is tagged out by Greg Taylor during baseball practice.

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Second education foundation spelling bee spells success

By JIM KINCH
Special to the Mariner

The crowd was multitudinous, the tension was incessant, and some of the contestant's voices were tremulous at the start of the Second Annual Spelling Bee sponsored by the Cohasset Education Foundation on Wednesday, Feb. 28.

Rick Shea, CEF president, called the group at the high school cafeteria to order, and announced the incredible success of the event. Nearly thirty three-person teams (sponsored both by individuals and corporations) had raised more than $5,000 to fund the Skillful Teacher Program, in which Cohasset teachers are trained in techniques to improve their classroom skills.

Curt Collins, principal of Cohasset High School, served as moderator. As friends and family cheered them on, teams ranging from the "Wannabees" in matching caps and tee-shirts to "The Wise Men" (the Revs. Gary Ritts, Cliff Cutler and John Mahares) battled for the championship. Pencils scratched and papers flipped as each round progressed. Most teams fared so well in the beginning that Collins moved quickly to the toughest category to define the best spellers. The ranks began to thin as teams stumbled on words such as calculiform, trichinosis and jocosity. After 90 minutes, "The Soccer Club" (David Buick, Paul Cotter and Terry Kahn) were triumphant, and were awarded gift certificates to The Fire King Restaurant in Hingham. The second place finishers, "Carolyn's Hornets" (Carolyn Horn, Regina Shultz and Kyle Lubitz), won gift certificates to Buttonwood Books.

The war of words was videotaped by Jody Doyle, so that those who missed the fun can view it Friday, March 8, at 7 p.m. on Channel 3.

Much of the credit for the success of the event goes to the organizing committee of Chairperson Pam Speed, along with Midge Stone, Jack McCarthy, Rick Shea and Rick Flynn.

Special thanks go to the corporations who sponsored teams: Dunkin Donuts (two teams), Hingham Institution for Savings, Nitrogas, Hunneman Coldwell Banker and Hallmark 100.

The very generous donations of prizes and refreshments from The Cohasset Pizza House, Victoria's, Papa Gino's, Stop & Shop, Don Stazsko, Ed Kane and Betsy Detweiler are gratefully acknowledged.

The CEF has promised that next year the words will be even harder, so keep the dust off of those dictionaries.

School Notebook

Teen Center bake sale set

On Saturday, April 6, at the annual town Easter Egg Hunt, the Teen Center will sponsor a bake sale. Bakers are wanted and those who can find the time to support this community program and supply some baked goods will be appreciated.

Cakes, cupcakes, brownies and all "wrappable," transportable baked goods are welcome. Call Rose Collins (383-0760), Paula Knowles (383-1331) or Rosemary O'Connell (383-6552) to volunteer. Donations may be dropped off at Deer Hill by 11 a.m. or arrangements can be made with a committee member for earlier drop off.

The Teen Center maintains an on-going wish list which includes end tables, table lamps, a small dorm-size refrigerator, and a Super Nintendo system. Financial contributions are welcome and may be sent to Cohasset Youth Resources, PO Box 11, Cohasset 02025.

PAC meeting is April 2

The regular monthly meeting of the Cohasset Parents' Advisory Council will take place at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 2 at the Deer Hill School library. Donna Hartlage, principal of Deer Hill, is the guest speaker. An informal discussion will follow. For further details, contact Ann Whitley (383-9310) or JoAnn Pilczak (383-0268).

Artistic youth recognized

Two Cohasset Junior-Senior High School students, Julia Chase and Liz Good, received honorable mentions for their outstanding artwork in the 46th annual Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards competition.

Special honors were given to all Globe art award winners at a ceremony Feb. 11 at the State Transportation Building in Boston.

The competition, which is designed to recognize and reward promising young artists and encourage them to continue their studies in fine arts, is open to all students in grades 7 through 12 from public, private and parochial schools across Massachusetts. The program is administered by the New England Art Education Conference in cooperation with the Massachusetts Art Educators Association.

For more information about the competition, contact The Boston Globe Scholastic Art Awards at 482-1313.

Osgood video presented

The Cohasset Quality Education Committee is sponsoring presentations of a video about the Osgood School facility on cable television Channel 3 on the following dates:

- Monday, April 1 at 7:15 p.m. before and immediately following the selectmen's meetings;
- Thursday, March 28, at 5:30 p.m.;

Scholarships are available

Academic-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for one academic year of study abroad. Multi-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for two or three years of specific degree-oriented study abroad, and Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarships are offered for three or six months of intensive language study and cultural immersion in another country.

Students who have completed at least two years of college study and are interested in pursuing study abroad may contact Peter Pearce at (617) 946-4200 for details and an application.

Kindergarten screening set

In accordance with Section 306.1 of the Massachusetts Special Education Law (Chapter 766), Cohasset Public Schools will conduct a screening program for children who will reach the age of five on or before Sept. 1, 1996.

The entry screening program will take place at Osgood School on April 10 and 11. Contact the school secretary at Osgood, 383-6117, for more information.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/Mike Coates

It is important to acknowledge that students deserve recognition not only for outstanding deeds and achievements but for daily behavior and attitude, which commands our attention over time. Even more so when they represent growth and maturity. In short, the little things add up and they don't go unnoticed. Such is the case with a recent nominee for student of the month, Mike Coates.

Mike seems to have heard the wisdom of the sages who call out to seniors, "this is your last year of high school. Carpe Diem!"

Mike has seized the day by joining the football team. Coach Knurek praised Mike's work ethic and noted that he "had a positive influence on younger players." Coach Knurek also acknowledged that Mike's daily commitment to practice resulted in "dramatic improvement."

Mrs. Wondolowski has also noticed Mike. "He's shown tremendous growth since I knew him as a sophomore. He conducts himself in a way that young students should emulate."

Mr. Buckley echoes his colleague's sentiments and sees Mike a young man who decided to set a tone for his final year of high school very different from his previous years. From his courtesy and kindness, to his new classes and new athletic endeavor, Mike is showing us that you can teach an old student new tricks.

— Mr. Buckley

Mike Coates

School council nominations due on Friday, March 29

Each of Cohasset's three schools has a School Council made up of the principal, teachers, parents and a community representative. The council is charged with formulating a school improvement plan and meets monthly. Parent representatives are elected for two-year terms by the parent body for each of the schools.

There are five openings for parent school council representatives: one at Osgood, two at Deer Hill and two at the Jr./Sr. High. Individuals interested in serving should submit their names and a paragraph about themselves and their interest in serving on the council to the PSO Nominating Committee, Box 30, Cohasset 02025 no later than Friday, March 29. The election will be held April 11 through 18.

All parents who will have children at a specific school for the two-year period 1996-98 are eligible to serve on the council. For further information, call nominating committee members: Kathy Ofsthun (383-9396), Lesley Faber (383-2071), Susan Meikleham (383-6151), Jean Muir (383-1850), Susan Pile (383-6088) or Mary Sullivan (383-6666).

Social Service League scholarship is offered

The Social Service League of Cohasset is accepting applications for a $1500 scholarship being offered to any Cohasset resident furthering his or her education in the medical or social work field.

Application forms are available from the league office at 16 Highland Ave. weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at Cohasset High School. Applications must be returned by April 12. For more information, call 383-0771.

Hospital offers scholarships

The Friends of South Shore Hospital, the hospital's 800-member auxiliary, is offering four $750 scholarships to local high school seniors who are planning a career in health care.

Eligible seniors must live in communities served by SSH and must have been accepted to study health care at an accredited higher learning institution. Other factors include financial need, high school records, recommendations of guidance counselors and personal references.

Applications are available at SSH's main lobby information desk, 55 Fogg Road, South Weymouth. Completed forms must be returned by Monday, April 15, to Ms. Winston Hall, scholarship Committee chairwoman, 11 Downing St., Hingham 02043. For additional information, call Ms. Hall at 749-0664.

Community Center classes

Quincy College and Cohasset Elder Affairs are offering classes at Cohasset Community Center.

"Broadway Here We Come!" will be taught by Steve Dooner. Broadway musicals will be explored through recordings, videos and in-class performances. ($39/$25 seniors, for four Tuesdays, beginning April 2, from 9 to 11 a.m.)

Jennifer Laiks will hold a "Women's Writing From Around the World" workshop, where some of the most exciting new voices in today's literature will be discussed. ($75/$25 seniors, for eight Fridays, beginning April 12, from 2 to 4 p.m.)

"Investing for Today & Tomorrow" with instructor Joan O'Neil-Zona will meet for three Wednesdays, beginning May 1, from 9 to 11 a.m. Income-producing investments, common stocks, mutual funds and variable annuities will be discussed. ($39/family, $25 seniors)

Steve O'Brien is currently leading a class on "World War II Remembered" on Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Police Log

Friday, March 8

4:28 a.m., assist other PD's, Linden Dr., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 30

8:39 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

12:13 p.m., suspicious activity, Bottom of Oak St., area search negative.

12:14 p.m., officer field investigation, Pleasant St., false call.

1:07 p.m., assist other PDs, Red Lion Inn to Scituate line, services rendered.

1:45 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Highland Ave., no police service necessary.

4:49 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., no police service necessary.

7:02 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Plaza) investigated.

8:49 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Doane St., investigated.

11:36 p.m., officer wanted, Sohier St., services rendered.

11:40 p.m., officer wanted/disturbance (family), Ledge Way, investigated.

12:00 a.m. Clear, cold, 18

Saturday, March 9

12:48 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St..

1:38 a.m., Officer Quigley in with Gregory Hembree, DOB: 6/14/74, under arrest Poss. of Class "D". William Frehill, DOB: 4/10/75, under arrest Minor Trans. Alcohol.

4:34 a.m., building check, Rte. 3A Tedeschi Plaza, accidental/defective alarm.

6:18 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cold, 18

8:44 a.m., assist citizen, Highland Ave., services rendered.

8:49 a.m., general services, Tad Lane, snow & ice complaint, Hwy. called, departmental action.

9:00 a.m., general services, Beechwood St./S. Main St./Sohier St./Ripley Rd., snow & ice complaint, Hwy. called, departmental action.

9:16 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy/Stop & Shop, departmental action.

12:11 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Forest Ave./King St., departmental action.

12:32 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., departmental action.

12:11 p.m., snow & ice complaint, Forest Ave./King St., Hwy. called.

2:12 p.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., HQ snowdrifts in road, departmental action, Hwy. called.

4:15 p.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

4:44 p.m., suspicious activity, Lamberts Lane, investigated.

4:45 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:30 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Cushing Plaza, no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 20

Sunday, March 10

12:22 a.m., fire alarm, Border St., services rendered.

1:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square, verbal warning.

1:54 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Beechwood St., verbal warning.

2:03 a.m., civil complaint, Border St., referred to other agency.

3:05 a.m., disturbance (general), Hull St.

3:21 a.m., Officer Lennon in with Stephen Sunnerberg, DOB: 1/22/72, 175 Mann Lot Rd., Scituate, Under arrest OUI alcohol.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cold, 18

9:50 a.m., fire alarm, N. Main St., investigated.

10:13 a.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

11:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Highland Ave., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

12:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., verbal warning.

1:25 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Depot Ct., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

1:41 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Hingham line.

2:00 p.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Daniel O'Brien, 11 Burgess St., Sagamore, DOB: 6/21/53, arrested on warrant.

2:11 p.m., general services, N. Main St., transport to Hull, services rendered.

3:00 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St., traffic warning issued.

3:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

2:28 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

3:24 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Grace Dr., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 43

4:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Stop & Shop, verbal warning.

4:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., area search negative.

5:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Scituate line, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:26 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy., investigated.

5:59 p.m., building check, Ripley Rd. (Osgood School), investigated.

6:45 p.m., building check, Elm St., investigated.

7:51 p.m., fire alarm, Hull St., investigated.

11:14 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy./Hingham line, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 28

Monday, March 11

4:12 a.m., noise complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

6:37 a.m., general services, HQ, services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 30

8:03 a.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy (Bergson's), services rendered.

11:11 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main/Dolan Lane, verbal warning.

11:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:59 p.m., officer wanted, Parking Way, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 41

4:22 p.m., medical, Elm St., investigated.

6:03 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., field interrogation report prepared.

6:15 p.m., assist citizen, Seavy Eng., services rendered.

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Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96P0517E1

Estate of RALPH L. SMITH late of COHASSET
In the County of NORFOLK

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A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that HENRY C. LARSEN, Jr., of NORWELL in the County of PLYMOUTH and THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of BOSTON of BOSTON in the County of SUFFOLK be appointed executors named in the will without surety on the bond.

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12:00 a.m., Clear, 30

Tuesday, March 12

12:44 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.. (Beechwood St.) referred to other agency.

12:47 a.m., suspicious activi- Bound Brook Ln. (Mill Ln.), estigated.

7:08 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy (Hingham Line), investigated.

7:27 a.m., officer wanted, Parker Ave., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 35

9:53 a.m., fire alarm, Buttonwood Bks. — Cushing Plaza, referred to other agency.

10:30 a.m., suspicious activity, Evergreen Ln., investigated.

10:41 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd., services rendered.

3:31 p.m., suspicious activity, Woolworth's lot, unfounded.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 38

4:50 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way at Sohier, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:35 p.m., building check, S. Main St., secured building.

6:20 p.m., emergency services, Wheelwright Farm, no police service necessary.

10:07 p.m., message delivery, Reservoir Rd., no police service necessary.

10:20 p.m., suspicious activity, Tad Ln., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 30

Wednesday, March 13

4:35 a.m., assist other PDs, Border St. (Scituate Line), departmental action.

5:02 a.m., leaving scene, Border St. (Otis Ave.), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

11:01 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Ripley Rd. by post office, investigated.

2:56 p.m., medical, Stagecoach Way, no police service necessary.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 49

4:25 p.m., civil complaint, King St., departmental action.

4:47 p.m., suspicious activity, Doane St., departmental action.

4:54 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stanton Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:24 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Woodside Cemetery, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:26 p.m., assist other PDs, Hull St./East St., services rendered.

8:12 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., services rendered.

11:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Woolworth's, departmental action.

11:50 p.m., annoying phone calls, Parker Ave., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Thursday, March 14

1:35 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, verbal warning.

6:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Pond St.).

6:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Schofield Rd.), traffic warning issued.

7:33 a.m, traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Scituate Line), arrest.

7:35 a.m., warrant arrest, Ptl. Quigley in with Robert H. Crane, 4 Stanton Rd., Cohasset, DOB: 3/27/47.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 48

10:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, Weymouth, services rendered.

4:00 p.m, Partly sunny, 50

8:14 p.m., general services, Pond St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., 40 degrees.

Friday, March 15

12:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Hingham Line), verbal warning.

3:02 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Beechwood St.).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 48

11:07 a.m., medical, Parkingway — Dr. Golden's office, referred to other agency.

11:07 a.m., officer field investigation, Jerusalem Rd., false call.

10:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Greek Church — Jerusalem Rd., peace restored.

2:15 p.m., threats (other), S. Main St., departmental action.

2:59 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Rain, 52

4:02 p.m., officer wanted, Oak St., investigated.

4:23 p.m., message delivery, N. Main St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

6:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, disorderly conduct, Beechwood St./CJC Hwy., arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with Daniel Cullinan, 58 Mordecai Lincoln Rd., Scituate, DOB: 8/13/49, arrested for disorderly person.

7:48 p.m., medical, HQ, services rendered.

8:34 p.m., general services, HQ to Scituate Mordecai Lincoln Rd., services rendered.

8:59 p.m., fire alarm, Border St. (Chart House), no police service necessary.

9:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Square), verbal warning.

11:17 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Hingham Line, verbal warning.

11:25 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy/to N. Scituate, services rendered.

11:38 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd./Jerusalem Ex., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Lt. rain, 48

Saturday, March 16

12:42 am., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, verbal warning.

1:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Cohasset Imports, verbal warning.

1:10 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Tedeschi Plaza, verbal warning.

3:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza/3A, verbal warning.

3:37 a.m., building check, King St., services rendered.

4:49 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd., no such person can be found.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, windy, 33

8:34 a.m., incapacitated person, CJC Way by Beechwood St., area search negative.

12:54 p.m., assist citizen, American Image, referred to other agency.

3:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. by Scituate Line, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

3:28 p.m., general offenses, S. Main St. by Scituate Line, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 40

4:16 p.m., emergency services, Jerusalem Ln., services rendered.

8:17 p.m., general services, Pond St., no police service necessary.

11:00 p.m., suspicious activity, Ash St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 32

Sunday, March 17

12:43 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd./Forest Ave. Ext., traffic warning issued.

2:26 a.m., assist citizen, Hull St./Abbey, services rendered.

3:37 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Hingham Line, verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cool, 36

8:09 a.m., medical, Wheelwright Farm, removed to hospital.

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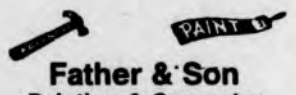

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Cable TV committees claim little to negotiate

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Journal

Although cable television committees in six area towns are ready to begin negotiating new licenses with Continental Cablevision, they learned Tuesday there are few items on the bargaining table.

Representatives of the state cable television commission told committee members that the towns cannot set rates, cannot require particular cable television channels, and are essentially bound to renew their towns' licenses with Continental Cablevision.

The towns of Cohasset, Hanover, Hingham, Hull, Norwell, and Scituate are all served by Continental Cablevision, and are now beginning the contract renewal process. Representatives from those towns meet this week at the Hingham town office building, with state cable television commission officials, and representatives of the cable company.

Several committee members wondered, in light of these state regulations, what there is left to negotiate.

Hingham committee member Donald Willy said the towns were not told, 15 years ago, that they would be required to automatically renew their licenses for cable television service.

"What is there to discuss?" he said. "Now we're told we have no options."

Drew Horn, also from Hingham, added, "We can negotiate, but we have no leverage."

Helen Koronaides, assistant general counsel for the state cable television commission, said that even if the town committees use one of the four criteria to deny license renewals, the cable company must be allowed to remedy their complaints

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Cohasset's Week

Legal bill questioned

As the town's free cash dwindles to alarmingly low levels, selectmen have been increasingly anxious to hold down the town's skyrocketing legal costs.

Last week, they tabled action on a legal bill from special counsel Bernstein, Cushner & Kimmell, for $17,000.

Selectmen chairman Merle Brown objected to items such as $950 for copying which were included in the bill.

However, other selectmen said the amount is likely high because Kenneth Kimmell has been representing the town at the Cohasset Heights Landfill hearings, which has generated an enormous number of documents which must be shared among the landfill, the town and the various citizens' groups involved.

Kimmell's total bill for work related to the hearings will likely be $38,000, higher than the $23,000 originally estimated.

Between November and June, Cohasset will likely spend close to $250,000 on the CHL hearings.

Barnes Field improvements

Bob Moody told selectmen last week that he wants to make Barnes Field, where Little League games are played, "somewhat like Fenway Park."

He plans to remove the green wood behind the back stop and replace it with fencing. The bleachers would be moved slightly away from home plate and placed behind the fencing and dugouts.

The field itself will receive sod and the Hingham Institution for Savings has donated an electronic scoreboard.

He agreed with selectmen that parking along North Main Street is dangerous and a parking plan will be reviewed.

Changes ok'ed at Red Lion

Selectmen last week approved a change in the liquor license at the Red Lion Inn. Longtime manager of the restaurant, Philip Smith, whose name was on the original license, is no longer employed at the inn.

Carl Akerblom, who bought the business at auction for $300,000 earlier this year, will be on the license.

The change is only temporary, since a change in license requires a public hearing. Akerblom's attorney Paul Kauffman said they will seek a new license with a hearing. He said the new manager will be present to answer any questions then.

Selectmen wanted to know about Akerblom's experience in the restaurant business.

Kauffman replied that Akerblom, a longtime Marshfield resident, worked for three years at a Miami Beach club, serving as bartender for one year and two years as manager.

In addition, Akerblom told the board that he holds an associate's degree in business and runs a contracting business.

Milliken Field questions

After considerable discussion about how soon Milliken Field will be ready for baseball, selectman Michael Sullivan agreed to talk with Wayne Sawchuk of the field committee and report back at the next selectmen's meeting.

Peter Laugelle said that the contractor is not likely to be finished for a few days more.

School athletic director Clark Chatterton said that some games could be played at other sites, including Norwell High School.

However, he said that there are not enough suitable practice sites for the baseball team.

Elected officials get raise

Noting that the town offered three percent raises to employees in the unions, selectman Martha Gjesteby said last week that the non-union officials should receive the same.

Earlier, 2 1/2 percent increases were voted.

Selectmen approved the increase, which represents a $4,000 increase in the budget, unanimously.

Jean Simonds is thanked

At their meeting last week, planning board members thanked Jean Simonds, who is stepping down after five years on the board.

Simonds, who is regarded by town hall insiders as thoughtful and hard working, was thanked for her contributions to Cohasset planning. The other board members said they would miss her.

For her part, Simonds said she has enjoyed serving on the board.

Housing slated for Beechwood/Rte. 3A

Engineer Paul Mirabito told the planning board last week that the W. K. W. Family Ltd. Partnership intends to build eight small houses on the northwest corner of the intersection of Rte. 3A and Beechwood St.

Mirabito said the houses would be small and located on lots about 3/4 of an acre.

The planning board approved a Form A subdivision plan, which divides the land into lots, but does not constitute subdivision approval.

Jane Goedecke honored

Outgoing selectman Jane Goedecke received a standing ovation during last week's town meeting.

Goedecke is stepping down from the board, on which she has served since 1990.

She served on the advisory committee from 1985 to 1990.

Selectman Chairman Merle Brown praised her "great strength of purpose" and cited her "mental and physical vigor" while serving on the board.

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Sun. 7	1:03	11.1	8:25	2:36	10.2	8:41
Mon. 8	2:49	11.1	9:14	3:26	10.0	9:31
Tues. 9	3:40	10.9	10:07	4:20	9.7	10:25
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Open space funds ok'ed; Turkey Hill stage set

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Town meeting authorized spending $12,000 for obtaining professional services to assist in the preparation of an open space and recreational plan for the town.

This sets the stage for the town to apply for state money to put toward the purchase 20 acres of "Turkey Hill" off Rte. 3A in Cohasset near the Hingham town line. The land will be used for conservation purposes and be managed by the Trustees of Reservations, the private conservation group which also owns Worlds End in Hingham and the Thayer and Whitney Woods Reservation, which is adjacent to Turkey Hill.

"(This plan) puts the town in position to apply for state grant money for acquisition of open space and recreational space," Conservation Commission Chairman Thomas Callahan explained.

He said if this plan had been in place, the town could have applied for state money to offset purchases of the Hagerty and Lily Pond properties, which the town bought several years ago.

Callahan said the $12,000 figure is based on the amount that Hingham and Norwell spent doing their plans.

The Trustees of Reservations has an agreement with the landowners, the Sapanaro family, for the purchase of Turkey Hill. The conservation commissions of Hingham and Cohasset have agreed to submit an application for state grant funding to support 54 percent of the acquisition costs. Hingham plans to purchase the 30 acres of Turkey Hill in that town. The Trustees and two other private groups, Hingham Land Conservation Trust and the Cohasset Conservation Trust have embarked on a campaign to raise private funds to support the acquisition.

Town meeting also authorized the town to investigate the "ways and means" of acquiring the land. Callahan said the "best guess" is Cohasset's share will be about $109,000 to be requested at the fall town meeting. The price for the entire parcel is about $932,000 including acquisition costs. The Cohasset portion (20 acres) is assessed at $336,000 with $6,400 in annual real estate taxes paid to the town, $1,400 of which is paid by the radio tower on the site and will continue, Callahan said.

He said the benefits far outweigh the town's loss of $5,000 in tax revenue for the site, which, as one of the highest hills along the South Shore, has a panoramic view of the Boston Skyline.

"It's quite a bargain to purchase a truly unique piece of property," Callahan said.

"Let's not pass this opportunity up."

Selectmen support original pay increase

Prior to town meeting, selectmen rescinded their vote of earlier in the week awarding three percent pay increases to elected officials and non-union local employees.

They had felt that the increase was in line with what the four union contract's awarded to employees.

However, after being told by John Seavey of the personnel committee, that the union contracts gave 2 1/2 percent raises, selectmen changed their vote.

Hoopmen are honored

In one of several resolutions Monday, town meeting praised members of the Cohasset High School boys basketball team on their 19-7 season, for their sportsmanship and fair play.

"They are a credit to themselves and their community," said the resolution read by school committee member JoAnne Chittick.

The team won the South Sectional Championship but lost to Winchester in the Div. 3 EMass finals at the FleetCenter, March 12.

Sprinkler system gets nod

The town has accepted provisions of a state law requiring installation of automatic sprinkler systems in lodging or boarding houses.

The Red Lion Inn is the only building in town that will be affected, Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said.

"The law was enacted after a rooming house fire on the North Shore claimed 15 lives," Lincoln explained. He said there is a five-year grace period so the property owner has time to plan.

"Over the past 20 years or so, the town has enactd several important fire prevention laws," Lincoln said. "By accepting another law, we are protecting another group of our residents."

Library staff stays cool

The town will spend $7,000 to install air conditioning equipment in the staff offices at the Paul Pratt Memorial Library.

Library trustee Sheila Evans explained the library has in hand specifications for a $50,000 air conditioning system for the whole library but held off because of "pressures on the free cash situation for the town."

Free cash is operating surplus budget not committed to other projects and is currently at about $10,000, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

Evans explained engineers said the units are designed so they can cool the staff offices independently from the rest of the library.

Selectmen and the capital budget committee endorsed the request and praised the trustees for their "spirit of cooperation" in holding off on asking for money for the entire project.

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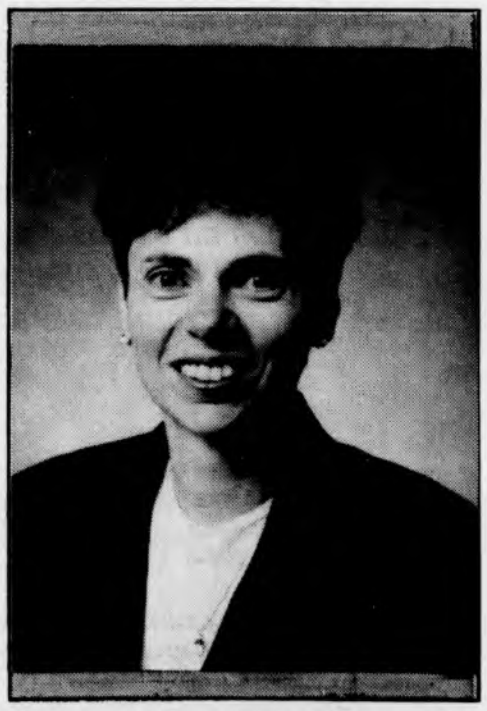

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Strait's Pond sewer articles flow by voters

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costs will be $435, on average.

In addition, residents will pay entirely for the operation and maintenance of the system, which will cost users, on average, $400 per year.

Originally, users of the sewer were going to be asked to pick up the total cost, which outraged many North Cohasset residents, and prompted fears that last weekend's town meeting would turn into a nasty brawl.

However, the session held at the high school was friendly, with several speakers going out of their way to complement each other and thank officials for the compromise.

Former selectman and former sewer advisory board member Diane Sullivan presented the amendment, which was drafted by several Strait's Pond area residents and worded by town counsel Paul DeRensis.

Later she savored the victorious vote, calling town meeting "a very pleasant, wonderful surprise."

She also predicted the question would pass on the ballot as well. Sullivan said "a good cross section" of Cohasset attended town meeting and supported the article.

In making her case, Sullivan appealed to community spirit.

"The town is a town, a community of all of us. We felt it was entirely unfair that one portion of town should pay. It should be treated as a community issue. We thought it (charging users the whole cost) was divisive and not equitable. We're here to appeal to you in your sense of fairness."

Although Edward "Ted" Guild, chairman of the sewer commissioners, supported the agreement, he reiterated that he still believed the original plan, because of the potentially exorbitant price of repairing a septic system in accordance with Title V rules. In Cohasset such repairs routinely cost $30,000 and in some instances, have hit $70,000.

Guild, selectmen and other officials originally felt that since property on the sewer line would be more valuable those benefitting should pay.

Last week, Guild announced that to help Cohasset residents with Title V septic repairs, the state will make $500,000 available each year for six years at 2 1/2 per cent interest. Each loan is estimated at $20,000.

Guild, selectman Peter Pratt and advisory committee chairman Roger Whitley all spoke on behalf of the amendment in an effort to ensure that the article passed.

Pratt said that if the town rejected the plan, it could face fines of up to $10,000 per day for failing to comply with the agreement signed with the state to clean up Strait's Pond pollution.

Earlier in the week, Guild had said the fine would likely be about $2,000 per day. However, regardless of the amount, selectmen were anxious to avoid costly litigation on the sewer and hence pushed for the compromise, even if they were only mildly enthusiastic about it.

During a selectman's meeting Saturday morning before town meeting convened, several Strait's Pond residents said they were reluctant to place the compromise on the ballot, since it if it fails they would pay all the costs.

However, selectman Michael Sullivan told them that officials could not endorse the compromise unless an override provision were included. He said that if the amount were included in the $16.9 million operating budget, it would force an override on general expenses. If that question failed, it would "cripple the town" Sullivan said.

A procession of residents supported the measure during the town meeting debate, which last more than one hour.

Joseph McElroy of Windy Hill Road, which is in the sewer area, stated that he has paid for a variety of projects in town which do not directly benefit his area, including legal costs associated with fighting Cohasset Heights Landfill, which some activists say threatens the Cohasset water supply, even though he receives his water from a private company in Hingham.

In addition, McElroy said the whole town has been paying for half the cost of providing sewer lines to the downtown Cohasset area for years.

"A town divided against itself cannot survive," he said, paraphrasing President Abraham Lincoln.

McElroy also said that if he is forced to pay all of the sewer costs, he will not vote for a new elementary school, since he does not have children who will attend.

One school supporter later called this statement "blackmail."

Patricia Walsh stated that the when the sewer commission was created out of the water department, it received the right to assess betterment charges without town meeting approval.

Guild agreed that this is true, but said that his board did not wish to assess a percentage of fees without seeking town meeting sanction, which he called a more fair process.

Robert V. Davenport of the board of health urged the sewer project proceed, calling it "the most environmentally safe solution." He said the area is rife with failing septic systems which have vexed health authorities for years. Some lots in the area are full of ledge and lack adequate space for new septic systems, while others are believed to be near underground water supplies which drain into Strait's Pond, a state-designated critical environmental area.

"The issue is fairness," said Steven Lucitt of Jerusalem Road, pointing out that a sewer plant is part of a municipal infrastructure which cannot be built by a group of residents by themselves. "We need the town. We are not North Cohasset. We are not a separate area of town. It is unprecedented and unfair to have ten percent of the population pay one hundred percent of $6 million." He added that the project will enable the entire town to avoid paying fines to the state over pollution.

Anson Whealler, also of Jerusalem Road, said "Article four may not be ideal, but the alternatives are so much worse."

One of the four people who voted against the article, Lynn Eisenhauer of Hobart Lane, called it unfair.

"I would love to be on the sewer," she said. "I would pay for it. What about all the residents who have to spend in excess of $50,000 putting in a new septic system for Title V? Now they've got a double whammy."

She predicted that there is a chance the measure may be defeated at the polls.

"A lot of people are intimidated at town meeting," she said, adding that people she knows who are also opposed to the article were unable to attend.

Eisenhauer also said she is opposed to other override item, the new elementary school, stating "We can't afford the taxes."

Town moderator George Marlette, who received considerable praise for moving the meeting along, credited last week's Mariner editorial, written by editor Mary Ford, for setting a tone of reconciliation at the meeting. The editorial, from which Marlette quoted at the start of the meeting, urged citizens to vote their consciences and respect other points of view.

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Hagerty showroom to stay in town's hands

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The town will retain ownership of the Hagerty house after all.

Selectmen had hoped town meeting would give them authority to sell the former showroom and office building of Cohasset Colonials, a furniture kit company that relocated to Hingham when the town bought the 2.2 acre harborfront site, including the house three years ago.

If town meeting authorized the sale of the house and 8,000-square feet around it, selectmen would have asked voters to rezone the parcel from light industrial to residential A to conform to to the rest of Parker Avenue.

Selectmen must now go back to the drawing board.

"We have tremendous interest in the desire of the town on what to do with his property," Selectman Jane Goedecke said. "We want to get closure on this so we can keep the building from falling down."

Several speakers, including Robert M. Davenport of Blackhorse Lane and Keith Knowles of Border Street, noted that they had the impression when town meeting approved buying the parcel in 1993 that the house would be sold to offset the purchase price.

"Let's get out as gracefully as we can," Knowles said.

But the advisory board recommended against selling the Victorian house.

"The town worked long and hard to get its hands on this valuable land and we feel it would be a shame to give it up," adviser Dan Evans said.

Dean Rizzo of the Chamber of Commerce said selling the house would get the town "out of the rental property business and return the house to the tax rolls."

Roger Whitley, who is advisory board chairman but spoke as a citizen, warned that 8,000 square feet should not be carved out of the parcel which abuts Government Island.

Last year the town had an offer from a business to buy the house which it would use as office space and a store. And a local citizen had expressed interest in renting the building from the town for a nominal feel and turning it into a marine educational center.

The Hagerty Property Committee, which is coming up with a recreational plan for the site, recommended to selectmen sin February that the house be sold.

Hagerty board chairman Alfred Moore, who is also planning board chairman, told selectmen in February that if the town does not sell the property, alternatives such as moving or demolishing the building should be considered. The building inspector has said the house needs extensive repairs.

Flag article defeated

Despite some strong lobbying by proponents, town meeting defeated a zoning change that would allow 75-foot flag poles displaying non-commercial flags in town through a special permit.

Although Wayne Sawchuk tried to persuade voters that the special permit would prevent problems, the majority was not convinced.

"If we don't include restrictions on the size of the flag in relation to the pole...we'll see the worst looking thing in town," Herb Towle warned.

Rocco Laugelle countered by saying no flag pole is too high.

"I wish we had one 150 feet high and see Old Glory flying."

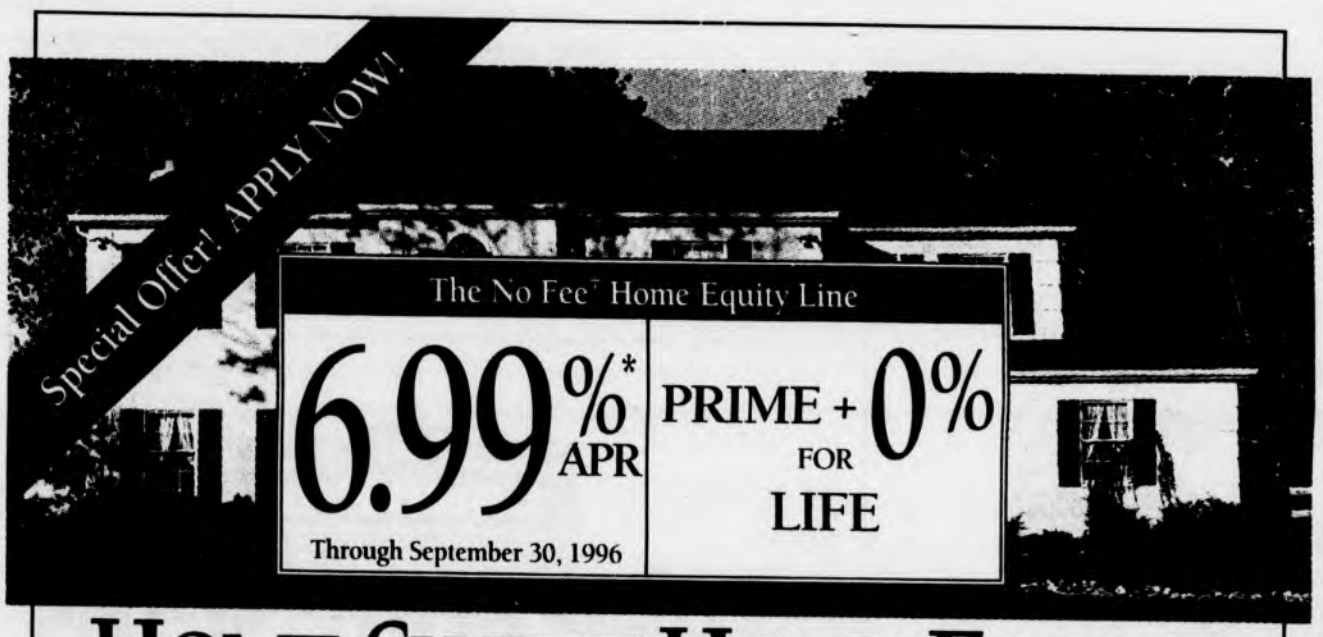
Lucia Woods said while the 100 foot flag pole looks good on the town common, she would not want to see them all over town.

Ray Buckley, a POW in World War II, reminded everyone that the flag is a symbol of freedom and there is protocol, including that if the flag is flown at night, it be illuminated.

Tom Callahan, saying he meant no disrespect, said the use of large flags remind him of auto dealers and fast food establishments and do not belong in Cohasset.

Betty Ripley is honored

Town meeting honored former Cohasset treasurer-collector Elizabeth B. Ripley for her 28 years of service and dedication to the town. Ripley resigned recently to accept the position of treasurer-collector for the town of Marshfield.



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Voters to decide on new school on Saturday

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their tax bill in fiscal year 1997, which starts July 1; about a $205 increase in each of the next four years; and about a $98 increase in each of the next 15 years, Town Accountant Michael Buckley said.

This is the second time voters will be asked to approve paying for a new school. The project has been scaled back from the $13.4 million new school/Deer Hill renovation project that was narrowly defeated at the ballot box Feb. 10. The new project is to build a new elementary school (to replace the aging Osgood School) on the Deer Hill campus but does not include renovations to Deer Hill.

The state will reimburse the town for 60 percent of the cost of the new school, officials said, but will not reimburse the town for upgrades and repairs to the Osgood School because of its age and the small size of its campus.

The project overwhelming passed town meeting, which on Saturday and again on Monday evening was packed with parents of school-age and preschool children, for the vote on the article.

Although the "school" article easily passed town meeting Saturday, prior to the close of the session, a motion was filed for reconsideration which meant debate could resume Monday. But the motion to reconsider failed to win a majority at Monday's continuation of town meeting silencing any more discussion on the article.

During Saturday's session, a motion to stop debate failed after members of the school facilities committee, which studied Cohasset's school needs and came up the the new school proposal, and the school committee implored the town meeting, stacked with parents, to give opponents a full hearing.

Discussion Saturday did continue, highlighted by Fred Quelle's presentation on population trends in Cohasset starting with the "gappers" born during World War II and progressing through the "boomers" and to the children of the "gappers."

"We do not have a crisis here in terms of the numbers of students the schools have to handle," Quelle concluded.

But Supt. Stephen Hart said studies show that many more students move into town than are born here.

But at Monday's session, school board member Jim Kirk said all options had been considered "over and over again."

'In the final analysis, this issue deserves to be put before the town Saturday,.'

— Jim Kirk, school committee.

"In the final analysis, this issue deserves to be put before the town Saturday," he said.

David Chase, secretary of the School Facilities Committee, said his board had conducted 65 meetings on the issue including informational sessions and formal presentations.

"We believe no new information has come forward," Chase said and asked that the vote to reconsider be defeated.

However, Roger Whitley, chairman of the advisory board, said although the majority of his board favored the new school project, they felt strongly that discussion should not be cut off and the subject should be reopened and reconsidered.

Lenora Jenkins of Jerusalem Road and Roy Fitzsimmons of Doane Street said the issue was fairness and said opponents did not get equal time during Saturday's session.

The new school will house grades Pre-K through 3. Officials say the Osgood must be replaced for safety and space reasons and a new school will enhance educational quality with modern, upgraded facilities including a cafeteria, gym and art and music rooms.

Town meeting voters also passed an article ensuring that the $180,000 recently put up by two private citizens — so that architectural plans for the new school could proceed in order to meet the filing deadline — would be reimbursed to the donors whether or not the override passes. The town must submit plans before June 1 to ensure that the project receives state reimbursement under its current formula.

The school department could not spend town money for the plans without town meeting approval because the override to pay for the project had failed.

Town counsel assured voters that there was nothing illegal about the money being donated privately.

Selectman Peter B[illegible]t explained that selectmen [illegible]t obligated to stand before town meeting and ask that these citizens be repaid but that voters had the right to defeat the article and therefore the private individuals would have to pay for the work to date.

Voters also approved forming a committee to investigate the most cost effective means for restoring the Osgood School to the tax rolls should the new school be approved Saturday.

The school committee has already voted to return the building to the town if the new school is built.

The override Saturday is necessary because the price tag of the project cannot be absorbed within the constraints of Prop. 2-1/2, the state law that caps the annual tax levy for municipalities at 2-1/2 percent.

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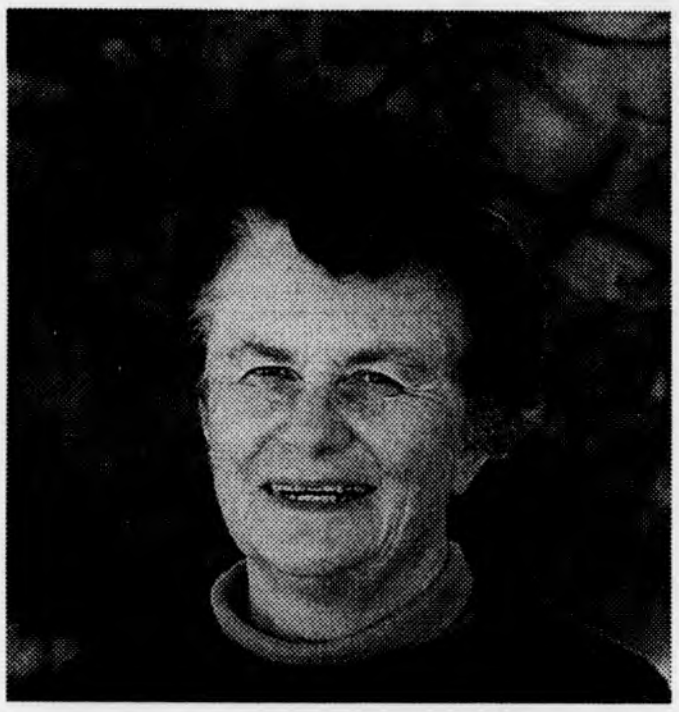

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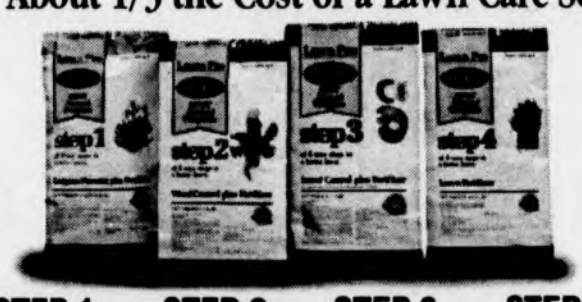

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60 percent turnout predicted

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election to attract upwards of 60 percent of the town's 5,108 registered voters.

Absentee voting, which is often used to gauge election interest, has been high, she said.

Registered voters may vote absentee until noon Friday and ballots may be returned by a relative as late as early Saturday morning, Douglas said.

In addition to an override ballot question to ask for authorization to borrow for a $9.8 million new elementary school (see related story), voters will have lots of candidates for town office to choose from.

There's a four-way race for two seats on the board of selectmen. Incumbent Martha Gjesteby, who is seeking a fourth term, faces challenges from conservation commissioner Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris, former advisory board chairwoman Nan Roth, and health board member Robert V. Davenport.

Talk-show host and historical commission member Wigmore Pierson, conservation commission secretary Patricia Anne Walsh, and Joseph D. "Joe" Buckley, president of Cohasset Elder Affairs are vying for the full-time treasurer-collector's position recently vacated by Elizabeth "Betty" Ripley.

Incumbent sewer commissioner Edward "Ted" Guild, who has served 13 years, is facing a challenge from Jack Noble.

Terry Atherton and Mike Mullin will fight it out for an open seat on the planning board.

And John Rafferty and Richard "Chip" Muncey are battling for the open seat on the board of water commissioners.

The school committee race for Nancy Sandell's seat is being sought by Keith Knowles, Richard "Rick" Shea, and Owen O'Malley.

Running unopposed are: George L. Marlette III for reelection as town moderator; Marion L.Douglas for reelection to the town clerk position; Sheila S. Evans, Doris R. McNulty, and Roger L. Lowe to the board of library trustees; James W.. Lagrotteria for reelection to the board of assessors; Kevin M. Ulmer who is seeking his first term on the board of health; John D. Muncey for housing authority; and Thomas Wigmore for the recreation commission.

Form A lots approved

Just before town meeting, the planning board approved plans dividing up land owned by Cohasset Heights Landfill in the event that the proposed zoning change to classify part of Rte. 3A a highway business district, passed town meeting. (The citizens' article was postponed).

By subdividing their land into lots, even though a building or subdivision plan is not in place, the landowner would ensure that any future building on the site would be done under the current zoning, which is light industrial.

Known as a Form A, the procedure puts lot subdivisions on record in the event that the zoning in an area should change.

The lots might never be built upon. Building and site plans would still have to be approved by the appropriate town boards, even if a Form A designation is in place.

Engineer Wayne Sawchuk presented two Form A plans, on behalf of Barry.

The 24-acre site of the former Deck Point housing proposal, has been divided into eight lots.

That land is owned by Crocker II Realty Trust, with which Barry is associated.

A second Form A plan was presented showing the consolidation of lots at the Cohasset Heights Landfill site, which Barry owns, further north on Rte. 3A.

Another Form A plan, which is not in the proposed zoning area, was approved for four houses owned by Harold Litchfield at the northeast corner of Rte. 3A and Beechwood St. By dividing up the property so each house is now on a separate lot, it would make them easier to sell.

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With sales totalling over $6,000,000 for 1995, Crocker was recognized at the company's Northern Regional Conference at the Newton Mariott, Newton, Massachusetts.

Entering real estate in 1977, Jane Crocker joined Dean & Hamilton in 1980. Also top office broker for 1995, she has won numerous awards over the years.

The Prudential Prime Properties, Dean & Hamilton Division, which is independently owned and operated, became an Affiliate of the Prudential Real Estate Affiliates in 1993. The Prudential Real Estate Network now has over 1,200 offices, 34,000 sales associates and brokers and 1995 sales totalled more than $52.3 billion.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann

Cohasset junior gardeners take home 15 ribbons!

Thirteen students from Cohasset participated in this year's New England Flower Show, the third largest flower exhibition in the world. The Community Garden Club of Cohasset sponsors the junior club for children in the first to eighth grades.

Christine Lovallo, a third-grader at Osgood School, was the winner of two first-place blue ribbons. Other blue-ribbon winners were: **Amelia Butman, Mary Fegreus, Caroline Henderson** and **Kate Henderson.**

Second-place red ribbons went to: **Julia Lovallo, Kristen Lavigne, Lydia Guild** and **Nicholas Lavigne.** Honorable mentions were awarded to **Sarah Pease** and **Jessie Guild.** Add them up and you will find the Junior Gardeners of Cohasset took home 15 ribbons from the New England Spring Flower Show. Everyone is proud of all the winners, and we certainly congratulate them for all their hard work!

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Martha and **Michael Gangemi** told us their really exciting news last week — their brand-new baby girl, **Julia Ann Frederick Gangemi** was born Feb. 20. Julia joins her two big brothers, **Michael,** 4, and **Lyle,** 2. Congratulations to all of you!

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The University of Vermont's College of Arts & Sciences sends us great news this week. **Laura T. Andrews** made the dean's list. Let's give her a round of applause for all her hard work. Keep it up!

❑

Here is the latest word from Winston-Salem, N.C. — **Kristen Jeanne Grassey** of Ledge Way has qualified for the 1995 fall semester dean's list at Wake Forest University. To be named to the dean's list, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.0 or better for the semester. Kristen is a junior at the school. Congratulations!

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Hope all of you will remember to thank **Donald Staszko** when you see him. As you know, he donated some Oshkosh B'gosh teddy bears to the Cohasset Police Department (the police officers use them to help calm children in need, or just to let a troubled youngster know they are there for them), and everyone applauds the idea!

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Here's to **Harold Litchfield,** who this week begins his new role as the town's first public works superintendent, which means he will head the combined highway, tree and park and transfer station departments. You can bet he will do a grand, as he has been working for the town's highway department for 36 years.

At least we can hope there won't be any more snow to remove this "spring," right, Harold? Enough is enough already! By the way, thanks for the good job you and your men did with that, too!

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Speaking of people who have dedicated time and effort to our town, wasn't it nice to see the townspeople recognize **Jane Goedecke** at Town Meeting last Saturday? The well-deserved standing ovation goes to show everyone how much Jane is appreciated.

I cannot imagine what she will do with all of her spare time now that countless hours won't be devoted to Cohasset! Well, time will tell — whatever you decide to do, thanks for all you have done. Enjoy your "retirement!" We will miss you as much as your fellow board members will, Jane!

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Congrats to **Tom Wigmore,** who was recently appointed full-time communications officer. We all know Tom puts 100 percent into whatever he does, and he will do it in this job, too.

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Finally, this weekend will certainly be a busy one! Of course, a reminder to vote heads the list. The annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held at Deer Hill School on Saturday (check this newspaper for more details), and the Teen Center is going to be holding a bake sale at the egg hunt.

Sunday brings the Easter Bunny — have a great time!

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Don't forget to keep me informed about your activities — your news is our news!

— Sallyann
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Members of the Amateur Gardeners Club get ready to serve tea at Cohasset Knoll nursing home, during a recent club outing. From L-R are president Jeannie Syrmapoulos, Linda Reyer, and Betty Madden.

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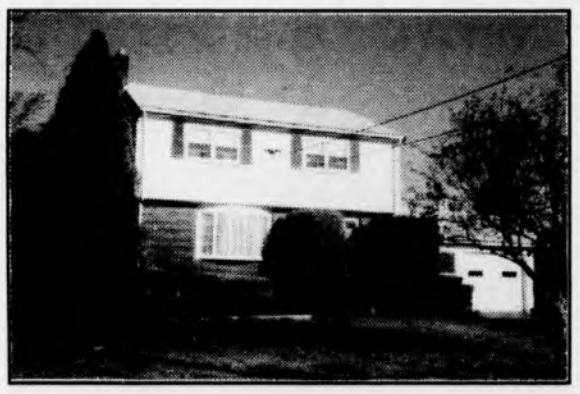

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Obituaries

Gerhard Birmann

Gerhard Birmann, 83, of Cohasset, died March 29 in New England Deaconess Hospital, Boston.

Born in Hannover, Germany, he had lived in Cohasset since 1974.

Mr. Birmann was a former electrical engineer for GTE Sylvania Electronics until his retirement in 1977.

He was the husband of Jean (Meacock) Birmann and leaves a son, Michael Birmann of Arlington; and two daughters, Brenda Birmann of Brighton and Christine Nichols of Panama City, Fla.

Services and burial were private.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Phyllis M. Kelley

Phyllis M. (Kussmaul) Driscoll Kelley, 77, of Cohasset, formerly of Belmont, died March 17.

She was a former probation officer in the Suffolk Superior Court, Boston.

Mrs. Driscoll was the wife of the late J. Harold Kelley and Nicholas J. Driscoll and leaves a son, the Rev. Nicholas J. Driscoll of Brockton; five stepdaughters, Margaret M. Koslowsky, Judith A. Gardiner, Maureen K. Brodigan, Carolyn K. Murphy and Susan R. Bettencourt, all of Belmont; 23 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated by her son March 20 in Our Lady of Mercy Church, Belmont. Burial was in Belmont Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset and Stanton Funeral Home, Watertown.

Donations in her memory may be made to Rosie's Place, 889 Harrison Place, Roxbury 02118.

Leela G. Thakurta

Leela G. Thakurta, 81, of New York, died March 25 at the Manhattan home of her children.

Ms. Thakurta came to the United States from Dacca, India (now Bangladesh) in 1934, at a time when not many people of Indian origin, especially women, traveled abroad for their studies. She came from a large and illustrious family of 16 children.

In her early days in California, she was a dancer and shared in a cultural and artistic exchange with many performing artists of that era. She continued her art throughout her life in the form of music, singing lyrical, folk and religious songs of her native Bengal, and most notable that of the famed poet Rabindranath Tagore.

Ms. Thakurta settled in America, raising a family of four, and worked as an elementary school teacher after completing a master's degree and doctorate studies at Columbia University in anthropology and child psychology. New York, Massachusetts and California were home to her and her family.

She was a longtime follower and supporter of the Vedanta Centre in Cohasset and finally, a resident of the Ananda Ashrama in La Crescenta, Calif.

Ms. Thakurta leaves two sons, David Harold Rodman and Douglas Wilmot Rodman; a daughter, Amita Rodman Mehta; two grandchildren; three great-grandsons; her former husband, Wilmot Lee Rodman; and a large extended family in India and America. She is the sister of the late Rev. Mother Gayatri Devi, spiritual leader of both Cohasset and La Crescenta Vedanta Centres.

Memorial services will be held at the Ananda Ashrama, La Crescenta, Calif. on Saturday, April 6, at 2 p.m. and at a date to be announced at the Vedanta Centre in Cohasset.

Arrangements were made by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home of Cohasset and Norwell.

Anne M. Hanlon

Anne M.(McCarthy) Hanlon, 72, of Hull, died March 27 following a brief illness.

Born in Somerville, she was raised and educated in Jamaica Plain and graduated from Saint Thomas Aquinas High School.

Mrs. Hanlon, a homemaker, was a resident of Hull for 23 years and also resided in Randolph for many years.

She was a communicant of Saint Ann Parish, Hull.

Mrs. Hanlon was the wife of Edward F. Hanlon of Hull and leaves four daughters, Joan Morey of East Bridgewater, Nancy Keane of Hanson, Mary Davis of Cohasset and Paula Hanlon of California; three sons, Edward and Mark Hanlon, both of Hanson, and Michael Hanlon of Hull; a sister, Eileen McDonough of Hull; nine grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated March 29 in Saint Ann Church, Hull. Interment was in Saint Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Donations in her memory may be made to: The Hospice of the South Shore, 100 Bay State Dr., Braintree 02184.

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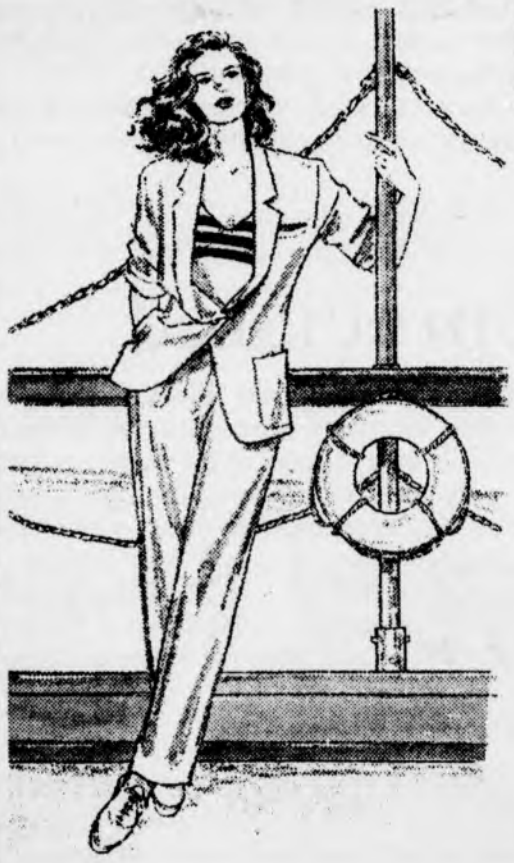

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EDITORIAL

Repeat override request is common

Citizens should not be confused Saturday about the town's right to put the override for a new school before the voters again.

We raise this point because of Mary Brennock's comments at town meeting Saturday.

The Oak Street resident said she was concerned because the school override had already been defeated and that special elections cost the town money.

"If Clinton loses the election, do we have another two months later?" she asked.

We want to be perfectly clear that we're not picking on Mrs. Brennock, who said it was her first experience speaking at town meeting. We applaud her courage and welcome her comments, not only on the "multiple" elections on the school but on the maintenance issues at Osgood that she feels strongly about.

But we hope that citizens aren't confused about the school department's "new" school project. This is not the same project that came before voters Feb. 10. It is scaled back so it does not include renovations and upgrades to the Deer Hill School.

It is entirely appropriate and very common for towns to return to voters after a failed override and come back with a project or request, it feels will be more palatable to the voters.

And that's exactly what's happened here. The narrow, 28-vote defeat on Feb. 10, helped persuade school officials that there is support out there for a new school and, with the current state reimbursement formula at 60 percent, a revised project is worthy of consideration by the voters .

Letters held

Astute readers may have noticed every week in the Question of the Week column, a note that we would accept Letters to the Editor on the issues up until the March 28 issue before the election.

That means this week, we are not publishing any letters about election issues, including the proposed new school.

Why?

We don't have a week's grace period to allow rebuttal. It's impossible for us to check the facts in all the letters we receive, so in the interest of fairness — we're not going to print any letters that may influence someone's vote this week.

Over the past few days, we've had innumerable phone calls and faxes with letters on both sides of the issues. Those who wish their letters to be published next week should call us at 749-0031 or submit an updated version.

— Mary Ford

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McNabb, O'Donnell thanked for hard work

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

We often find many words for criticism, and reserve few for praise. And why not? It is much easier to find problems than solutions.

Please allow me some page space to extend a few words of praise.

It is true that our town government is built on volunteer skills. Our elected officers struggle between work, home and civic duty to bring out their best skills. This alone should give us all cause for admiration. Somehow we more often find room for ridicule. Wise up.

Next, we have been blessed with many citizens who give willingly of themselves to support causes to benefit the town. To them, well, thank you.

Recently, Cohasset closed the public hearings for the proposed expansion of the Cohasset Heights dump. By any measure, the hearings presented a grueling schedule for all concerned. For Kevin O'Donnell and John McNabb, it proved to be an endurance test.

Along with many members of SAFE, Kevin and John spearheaded an impressive and unprecedented defense of the townsfolk's interests. Their combined work included hundreds of research hours covering arcane and confusing regulation; late nights preparing testimony and rebuttal questioning as well as the hours dedicated to sparring with CHL.

The foundation for their activity is nearly eight years of fighting with CHL, the state and even the town to shut the door on this facility. Along with Linda Keller, Connie Afshar, Mary and Charles Gainor, and others, SAFE slowly and surely educated Cohasset on a deeply complex legal matter and devastatingly simple environmental matter.

John and Kevin's organized, methodical devastation of the CHL proposal reflects their long battle. Without Mr. McNabb's intimate understanding of environmental law, and O'Donnell's tenacity, the dump would have expanded years ago.

We still must wait for the Board of Health's findings before the town decides CHL's fate. Still, the time is right to thank two Cohasset citizens who represent the very best the town has to offer. Just as noteworthy, Kevin and John embody the spirit of cooperation, concern and determination carried by every active member in SAFE. To all of you, please accept my heartfelt thanks for a job well done.

Steve Gaumer
208 Fair Oaks Lane

Support for MS walk appreciated

To the Editor:

I am writing to thank the Cohasset Mariner, as well as the town of Cohasset and its residents, for hosting our "Cohasset by the Sea" MS Walk on Saturday, April 20. The event will raise funds for MS research and vital services to local families living with the disease.

This year's MS Walk coincides with the 50th Anniversary of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society (NMSS). Over the decades, the NMSS has provided more than $200 million dollars to multiple sclerosis research. Locally, for more than two decades, the Massachusetts Chapter has been one of the largest contributors to MS research in the country, annually sending approximately $1,000,000 to fund research and national programs. Finally, after so many years of striving, our efforts are beginning to pay off.. The past three years have brought significant breakthroughs in MS research, as well as renewed hope. Our chapter has redoubled its fundraising efforts in the hopes that one day soon MS will be a disease of the past.

By serving as our sponsor, the Cohasset Mariner is helping our Chapter continue to serve effectively the local families living with this difficult, unpredictable disease and to support new cutting-edge research. Many thanks to you and our many local sponsors, including: Quikava, WATD, Kimball's by the Sea, The Chart House, the Cohasset Mariner, Russer Foods, Plymouth Florist, Health Thru Hands, Marylou's News, General Suburban Aid/React, Kimball's by the Sea, and Belmont Springs Water Co. We would also like to extend our thanks to all your readers who register to walk or volunteer to help at the event.

Eli Rubenstein
Chairman of the Board of Trustees
National Multiple Sclerosis Society

Quick response appreciated

To the Editor:

We would like to send a big thank you to all the people who helped us out at Stop & Shop in Cohasset, March 5. Our son Andrew had fallen against the telephone and received a small gash on his forehead. He was very upset and very scared. The employees at Stop & Shop rushed around to help us out. Andrew is fine and says he won't fool around anymore at Stop & Shop.

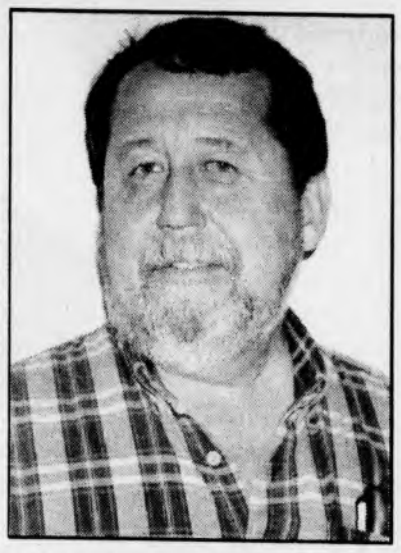
To the employees, the police officer and the EMTs who helped us, we say thank you very much for your quick responses.

Heidi Pratt and Page Liberty
541 Beechwood St.

Meet the Candidates

Selectman

DAVENPORT



Name: Robert V.Davenport
Address: 135 Sohier St.
Age: 52
Family: Married, two children.
Education: Cohasset High School.
Occupation: Boat storage and brokerage business.
Years in town: 52.
Civic/municipal experience: Three years board of health; cemetery study committee; fire/police station study committee.

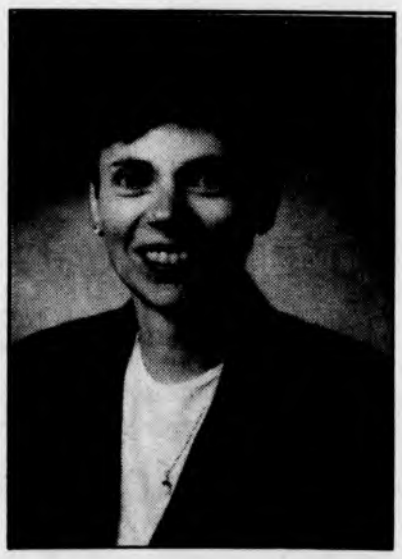
GJESTEBY

Name: Martha Gjesteby
Address: Old Pasture Rd.
Age: 67
Family: Married, four children, eight grandchildren.
Education: BS Chemistry, Simmons College.
Occupation: Former researcher Harvard Medical School.
Years in town: 35
Civic/municipal experience: Selectman (9 years, former chairman); school committee (6 years); planning board; capital budget committee (5 years); South Shore Coalition (former chairman), tri-town commission (Cohasset/Hull/Hingham); Metropolitan Area Planning Council (4 yrs. treasurer; 2 yrs. assistant treasurer; 2 yrs. secretary); joint regional transportation committee; second vice president Mass. Selectman's Assoc.; Chairman policy committee, Mass. Municipal Assoc. Public Works Committee; member executive committee Mass. Municipal Association; member Governor's local government advisory committee; Trustees of Reservations, Cohasset Historical Society; former board member Cohasset Community Center; former board member Community Garden Club.
Reason for seeking office:

"I have been a selectman for nine years and feel I have served the town well. There are still many unfinished projects that I have been instrumental in getting started and would like to see them finished. To mention a few: the public works department with the new municipal garage; a building maintenance department; the individual departments audits; and protection of our water supply that is being threatened by the proposed landfill expansion.

As a selectman, I have been elected to serve as 2nd vice president of the Mass. Selectman Assoc. and also as a member of the Mass. Municipal Executive Board. For a Cohasset selectman to hold these positions can be very useful for the town."

McMORRIS



Name: Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris
Address: 89 Doane St.
Age: 43
Family: Married, four children.
Education: New England School of Law, J.D.; State University of New York, College at Brockport, B.A.; Mediator, Certificate.
Occupation: Mother and homemaker.
Years in town: 10.
Civic/municipal experience: Conservation commission, member and past chairman; joint sub-committee with board of health — Cohasset Heights Landfill; Parent School Organization (PSO), executive board; classroom volunteer; soccer and basketball coach; METCO host family.
Reason for seeking office:

"Cohasset is facing significant financial challenges and decisions that will affect the character of our community for years to come. I care about that future. I'm raising my family here, and plan to retire here.

"If we are to resolve the difficult questions facing the town, we need leaders who will bring us together to work for the good of the entire community. I sincerely believe I have the qualities and the ability to lead our town. I value the ideas and concerns of our residents, and will work to serve all the citizens of Cohasset."

ROTH

Name: Nan Roth
Address: 7 Highland Ave.
Age: 47
Family: Married, three children.
Education: BA Middlebury College, Vermont; MED Lesley College; MMHS Heller School, Brandeis Univ. (Masters in Management of Human Services).
Occupation: Teacher of special needs students, Weymouth Public Schools.
Years in town: 11, as a full-time resident.
Civic/Municipal experience: Advisory Committee (6 yrs), Chairman of Advisory Committee (4 yrs.), Volunteer for numerous organizations.
Reason for seeking office:

"I believe that I have the knowledge, skills and energy to work with others to guide Cohasset into the 21st Century.

Leadership on the Advisory Committee has given me broad knowledge of the complex issues facing Cohasset. I have reviewed every line of every budget for six years, and listened to employees and members of the community in a clear and cordial manner. I have built a thorough knowledge of our town's problems and finances.

I believe in careful and comprehensive planning, in openness of government and in concern for the rights and opinions of all citizens. I would like to preserve the special charm and character of Cohasset as we face the challenges of the future."

School Committee

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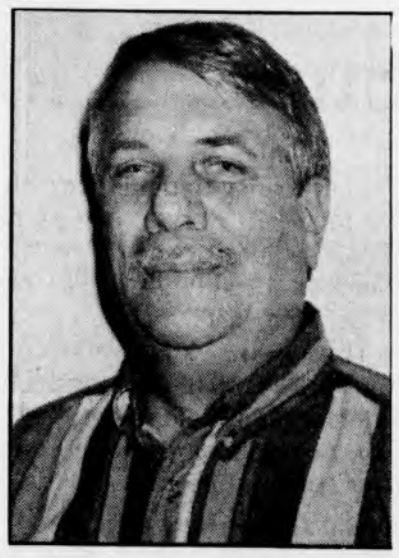
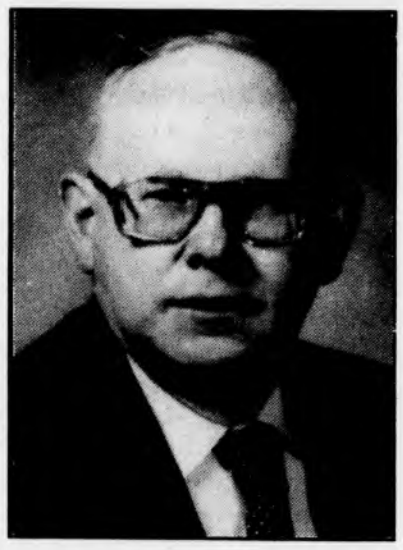


Name: Keith F. Knowles
Address: 15 Border St.
Age: 52
Family: Married, four children.
Education: Suffolk University, Business Administration.
Occupation: Community Prevention Coordinator of the HALT Community Partnership, Plymouth, Mass.
Years in town: 25.
Civic/municipal experience: Cohasset Drug and Alcohol Committee, first chairman/2 yrs., member/6 yrs.; co-founder, the "Teen Depot," first president Cohasset Youth Resources, Inc. (teen center administrators); Cohasset Chamber of Commerce, director/5 yrs., president/2 yrs; Cohasset Harborfest, organizing committee and parade marshal/5 yrs.
Reason for seeking office:

"Currently, the majority of the citizens in Cohasset do not have a voice on the school committee. While the members of the committee are concerned and committed people, they represent a narrow group of our citizenry. I believe that the balanced representation of every taxpayer will benefit both our community and the schools themselves. My record of community service has demonstrated such a commitment to our town."

O'MALLEY

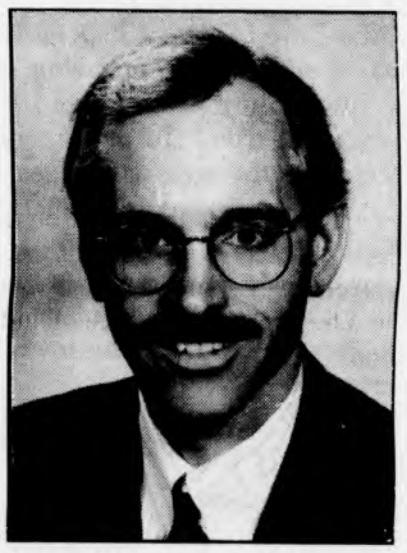


Name: Owen L. O'Malley
Address: 29 Sohier St.
Age: 58
Family: Single
Education: BC High, Boston College, New England School of Law.
Occupation: Teacher.
Years in town: 58
Reason for seeking office:

"I believe that the people of Cohasset should not, at the present time, build a new elementary school. Upgrading the electrical system and some repairs, as well as reconfiguration of inside parts of the Osgood School should be adequate for the foreseeable future.

"Major savings can be made in other areas of school spending, ie., in the health education budget, which savings would be helpful to the taxpayers and to the students as well. Most students have primary health care providers, and school ought not to be taking on programs and courses of action that are best left to others."

SHEA



Name: Rick Shea
Address: 52 Margin St.
Age: 44
Family: Married, three children.
Education: BA, Princeton Univ.; MBA Boston Univ.
Occupation: Controller, Genetics Institute, Inc.
Years in town: 8
Civic/municipal experience: President, Cohasset Education Foundation; Cohasset youth soccer and basketball.
Reason for seeking office:

"I am running for school committee because of my commitment to quality education and sound management. As a school committee member I will work to (1) implement high standards for teachers and students and measure performance; (2) implement best management practices; (3) ensure appropriate long range planning; (4) maintain a stable tax rate by working with the selectmen, advisory committee and other town boards; (5) seek alternative resources for school projects; and (6) reach out to all taxpayers and respond to their concerns."

Polls are open Saturday, April 6 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at town hall.

Meet the Candidates

Treasurer-Collector

BUCKLEY

Name: Joseph "Joe" D. Buckley
Address: 28 Linden Dr.
Age: 72
Family: Married, four children, eight grandchildren, one great grandson.
Education: BA in Business and Engineering, Northeastern University.
Occupation: retired Chief Financial Officer, Buckley Corporation.
Civic/municipal experience: Served on the Cohasset Advisory committee; four years as treasurer of Cohasset Elder Affairs; presently chairman of Cohasset Elder Affairs; seven years as SHINE (Serving Health Information Need of Elders) counselor; member of the School Facilities Committee; board of directors, South Shore Chamber of Commerce; 15 years, South Shore Economic Development Corp.; Board of South Shore Elder Services, vice chair of finance committee; Little League, Boy Scouts, director St. Anthony's CCD, Eucharistic Minister; Alcohol/Drug Committee (in the 70s).
Reason for seeking office:

"I believe I have the experience and the personality to make a significant contribution to the administration of the town I love. As long as I can remember we have always had wonderful treasurers in Cohasset, but with my election the town would have a chance to bring some business experience to the office. I would also see what is actually required to run the office and establish a plan so that we would have guides for future treasurers. I believe this plan would be useful in hiring and managing an appointed treasurer if the town decides that is what it wants."

PIERSON

Name: Wigmore A. Pierson
Address: 123 Atlantic Ave.
Age: 55
Family: Three children.
Education: BA, Lake Forest College; Tuck School of Business Administration at Dartmouth College.
Occupation: President, Pierson Corporation, an investment management company.
Years in town: 11
Civic/municipal experience: Member, Cohasset Historical Commission; former member, Cohasset Historic District Commission; former member, first Drug & Alcohol Committee; Founder/host, Pierson to Person, public affairs TV program; member, Cohasset Chamber of Commerce and Cohasset Historical Society.
Reason for seeking office:

"One. I have believed for a long time that each person in our country should find an interest or activity and volunteer to give back to the local community where they are living or at the state, national or international level. Examples include, the Peace Corps in Peru, Partners of the Americas, appointments by Governors Sargent and Volpe, and as founder/host of Pierson to Person.

"Two. Because of my extensive business and investment experience, I am uniquely qualified for the position of treasurer-collector. The opportunity to serve our town in this capacity opened up after Elizabeth Ripley's unexpected resignation."

WALSH

Name: Patricia Anne Walsh
Address: 270 N. Main St.
Age: 65
Family: Married, five children.
Education: A.B. Harvard University.
Occupation: Secretary of the Cohasset Conservation Commission.
Years in town: 55.
Civic/municipal experience: Former elected member of Cohasset School committee; appointed only woman on state Mass. Interscholastic Assoc. (MIAA) board; elected Cohasset High School Communications Chairman; elected member and former Chairman Cohasset Democratic Town Committee; member Cohasset Planning Board's sub-committee to study open space; member several town study committees for League of Women Voters; served professionally as secretary to Selectmen, School Committee; Sewer Commission, Board of Health, Planning Board, Conservation Commission; community fund-raiser for $10,000 down payment for new St. Anthony's Church as chairman St. Anthony's Church Fair; president former St. Anthony's Sodality; Girl Scout leader; Chief Den Mother of two packs; former Old Colony Radcliffe Club treasurer; Treasurer Cohasset Town Committee; member board of directors Cohasset Community Center; Sunday School teacher.
Reason for seeking office:

"I love and want to serve Cohasset after 20 years of municipal experience. If you want a person who wants the treasurer-collector's office to be in more frequent communication with town departments and citizens concerning bonding debt effect on taxes; wants more capital debt planning; and has experience in payroll and bookkeeping and in buying and selling stocks, bonds and treasury notes, and someone who reads the Wall Street Journal and Barons, you will vote for Patricia Anne Walsh."

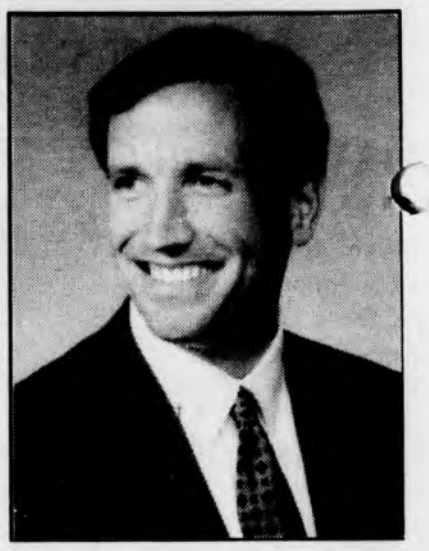
Water Commission

MUNCEY

Name: Richard D. "Chip" Muncey
Address: 377 South Main St.
Age: 28.
Family: Single.
Education: Cohasset High School. Attending Quincy College; holds Massachusetts Drinking Water Operators Licenses Grades 4D & 1T; is member of the American, New England, Massachusetts, and Plymouth County Water Works Associations.
Occupation: Water technician.
Years in town: 28
Civic/municipal experience: Nine years with Cohasset Water Department; currently employed with Pembroke Water Department.
Reason for seeking office:

"I am seeking the position of water commissioner because I have extensive knowledge of Cohasset's water system. I feel I would be an asset to the board of water commissioners. I would like to give back to the town that has given me my start in the industry."

RAFFERTY



Name: John P. Rafferty
Address: 4 Stoneleigh Lane
Age: 39
Family: Married, two children.
Education: MBA, 1993, The University of Connecticut; B.A. Economics, 1979, Trinity College.
Occupation: Banking/financial services. Former vice president & director at Shawmut Bank.
Years in town: 2.
Civic/municipal experience: Member, Cohasset Water Resources Protection Commission; Member, American Water Works Assoc.; Past Trustee, The Connecticut Historical Society; Past member, Leadership Greater Hartford, Education Task Force on Diversity.
Reason for seeking office:

"I have a keen interest in the water industry and would like to use my communication and financial skills to help the Town of Cohasset in managing its highly valuable water resources. Our water plant and distribution system was allowed to deteriorate over the last decade prompting the emergency repairs currently underway. We need someone on the Board of Commissioners with a business and financial background to make sure we manage the water department efficiently and spend our money wisely."

Planning Board

ATHERTON

Name: Terry J. Atherton
Address: 34 Clay Spring Rd.
Age: 49
Family: Married, two children.
Education: BS Civil Engineering, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; MS Civil Engineering, MIT.
Occupation: Transportation planning consultant.
Years in town: 20.
Civic/municipal experience: Chairman, DPW study committee; chairman, Public works garage study committee; chairman, Public Works Garage Building Committee.
Reason for seeking office:

"I feel that my education and professional experience in transportation planning are relevant qualifications for the planning board position. As chairman of the Public Works Garage Study Committee, I gained a detailed understanding of how other boards and committees function and know first hand the process that developers go through. As a resident of Cohasset for the past 20 years, my family and I have come to appreciate Cohasset's special qualities that make it unique. If elected to the planning board, I will do everything possible to preserve these unique qualities."

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Meet the Candidates

Planning Board

MULLIN

Name: Michael Mullin
Address: 14 Lamberts Lane
Age: 34
Family: Married, two children.
Education: Hingham High School; four years in the U.S. Army.
Occupation: Town of Hingham employee.
Years in town: 2.
Reason for seeking office:

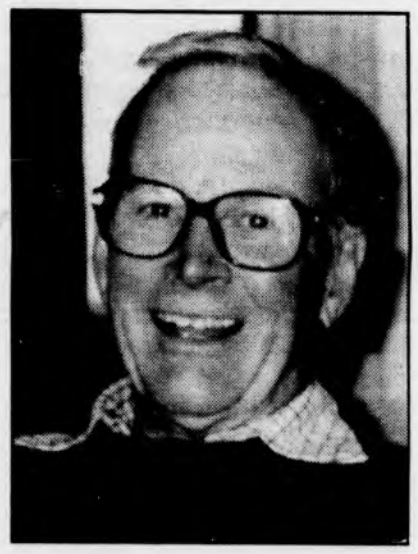
"Having spent 30 years in Hingham, I've seen the damaging effects that overdevelopment can have on a small town. I don't want to see Cohasset outgrow its small-town uniqueness.

"I decided that the best way to help prevent that is to become a part of the planning process.

"I don't claim to be anything more than a concerned citizen who has a vested interest in this town. Cohasset will be my daughters' hometown. I'd like to help the planning board make good, solid decisions concerning future commercial and residential development."

Sewer Commission

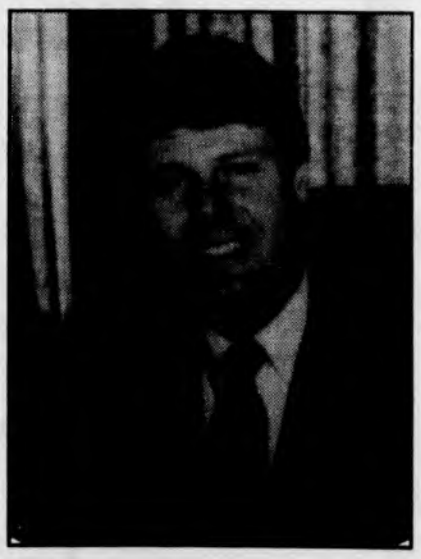
GUILD



Name: Edward M. "Ted" Guild
Address: 365 Jerusalem Rd.
Age: 73
Family: Married, four children, seven grandchildren.
Education: BA Harvard, Class of 1944
Occupation: Retired, former vice president of Ionics, Inc., Watertown, Mass. in charge of international operations.
Years in town: 23
Civic/municipal experience: 13 years, sewer commission.
Reason for seeking office:

"On Saturday, the town meeting overwhelmingly approved the first of two phases in the Cohasset sewer expansion program. I have been vitally interested in this since the early 1980s, and have been member of the Board of Sewer Commissioners for 13 years. I want to finish this important job for our town."

NOBLE



Name: Jack L. Noble
Address: 80 Summer St.
Age: 49
Family: Married, three children.
Education: Technical degree (Electronic Instrumentation)
Occupation: Account manager, senior sales engineer.
Reason for seeking office:

"I chose to run for this position as I am concerned about what is happening in Cohasset. I am concerned about James Brook, the harbor, and Strait's Pond area. I am also concerned that people are being forced to hook up to the new proposed systems and yet they will be asked to pay for the entire project themselves. I am also concerned that the present board isn't as open to the public as they should be and decisions are being made contrary to what the public may want. Nor is the public being consulted on some of these issues that directly affect them."

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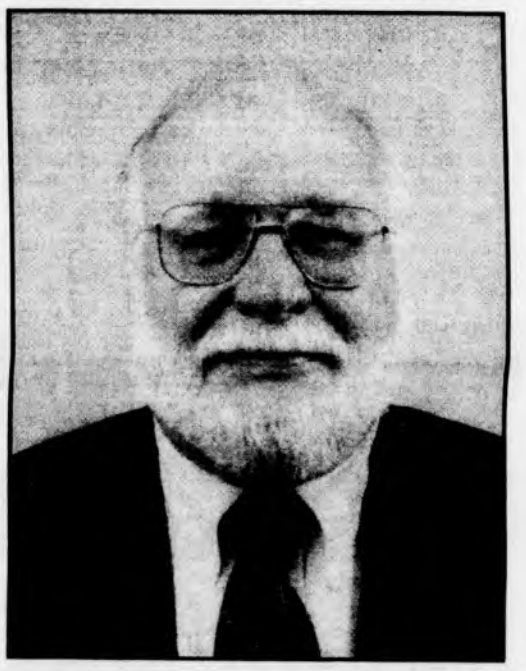

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• COHASSET ...
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- Former member, Cohasset Historic District Commission
- Former member, First Drug & Alcohol Committee
- Member, Chamber of Commerce and Historical Society
- Founder/Host, PIERSON TO PERSON Public Affairs Television Show

• PERSONAL ...
- Resides at 123 Atlantic Ave., Cohasset
- Father of three children: Elizabeth, Morgan and Carrie
- BA Lake Forest College
- Tuck School of Business Adminstration at Dartmouth College

• PROFESSIONAL ...
- Founder/President, New Options Group
- President, Pierson Corporation, Inc., an investment management company

• OTHER ... • Peace Corps Volunteer, Peru • Former Chairman, Mass. Partners of the Americas • Former Associate Director, Partners of the Americas, Washington, DC

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Cable TV committees claim little to negotiate

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before a new contract is signed, or the company may appeal the towns' decisions.

She said this formal procedure was designed to protect the state's cable television providers who spent considerable amounts of money to wire the communities when the cable contracts were first awarded, in most cases a dozen years ago.

In considering the contract renewal, towns' decisions must be based on one of four criteria:

•whether the cable operator has complied with the terms of the existing license and with applicable law;

•whether the quality of service, response to subscribers' complaints, and billing practices have been reasonable in light of community needs, but cannot be based on the mix and quality of cable services;

•whether the cable company has the requisite financial, legal, and technical ability to fulfill the license;

•whether the cable company's proposal is reasonable to meet the future cable-related community needs and interests, taking into account the cost of meeting such needs and interests.

Koronaides explained that the state sets cable rates, and the towns cannot identify specific channels they want offered, but only the types of channels. For example, she said, the towns can say they want a 24-hour news service, but not CNN specifically. The right to select a channel that satisfies that towns' requests is up to the cable company.

Jill Reddish, executive director of the state cable TV commission, said the towns can make changes to the contract that was originally granted.

"You won't sign the same contract," she said.

She advised the towns' committees, "It's very important that you try to establish a relationship with the cable company."

The recently announced purchase of Continental Cablevision by USWest will not effect the negotiations, and the new licenses will automatically transfer to the new owners.

Reddish urged the towns to consider what services they want, and said they could use the length of the contract as a bargaining tool.

Jack Metivier, representing Norwell's cable TV committee, asked that if the state or federal government decide, at some time in the future, to discontinue their rate-setting functions, can this right be turned over to the towns, and a clause to that effect be inserted in the new licenses.

While the cable commission officials said they did not foresee the state relinquishing the rate-setting authority, Metivier noted that when the towns signed contracts 15 years ago, they did not foresee the changes in telecommunications law either.

But Dennis Harrison, chairman of Scituate's cable TV committee, said Continental Cablevision already knows what services the towns' want, but are under no obligation to respond.

"You don't have control over a lot of things here. That's the bottom line," Harrison said.

Willy from Hingham and Dick Smith from Scituate both noted that many cable subscribers in those towns have requested other channels, including the History Channel and a comedy channel.

Smith said Continental Cablevision claims it cannot provide that channel because there are not enough channels currently available.

"We ask for a comedy channel, and we get more shopping channels," Smith said.

In response to a question from Cohasset cable TV committee member Robert Hillman, Koronaides said only one town in Massachusetts has denied a cable contract renewal. In 1991, Watertown initially issued a "preliminary denial" its cable contract, but later renewed it.

As part of the negotiating process, towns may go through an "ascertainment procedure" to gather data which can be used to evaluate the performance of the cable company during the contract period. The state recommends that the towns hold public hearings, conduct surveys, and review Continental Cablevision's financial and customer service records.

Other committee members were also concerned that under the terms of recent federal telecommunications legislation, the cable television companies will be allowed to offer other services, but the committees cannot negotiate these services.

David Allen, also from Scituate, said these other services—for internet access and telephone services—could turn out to be more valuable than the television services.

"I don't see how you can plan anything," he said.

Continental Cablevision representatives said that some complaints—specifically the addition of requested channels—will be addressed as the company upgrades its equipment, and will be provided next year.

During an hour-long presentation prepared for the local cable committees, Brian Blais of Continental Cablevision outlined the extensive upgrading that the company has planned, including stringing fiber optic cable which will allow the number of available channels to be increased from 60 to 100, and ultimately to 500 channels.

This will also increase the reliability of cable services, and allow internet and telephone services to be provided through "hybrid fiber coax" cable—a combination of fiber optic and coaxial cable, he said.

With this new cable, a "smartbox" cable receiver box will installed on subscribers' televisions, which will allow "on-screen navigational" systems that subscribers can program to their favorite channels, as well as to allow one-button access to pay-per-view services and for recording.

A second joint meeting of the cable television committees is tentatively scheduled for May 6 in Scituate.

—Mary Ford

Budget passes town meeting

Without much discussion, voters last week approved the town's $16 million budget, for fiscal year 1997, which represents a four percent increase over the current budget.

Town accountant Michael Buckley told the meeting that the school department has increased four percent, employee benefits are up eight percent and all other budgets show a three percent increase.

State aid has increased two percent and local receipts are up three percent. Property tax revenues are up 2 1/2 percent, in addition to override amounts.

The tax rate, currently $14.50 per thousand assessed value, will rise to $15.04 next year, to $15.91 in fiscal year 1998, $16.22 in 1999, $16.63 in the year 2000, $17.54 in 2001 and $17.98 in 2002.

Sewer articles pass

In addition to the controversial Strait's Pond project (see story,) town meeting approved the other seven sewer department articles without much comment.

Several of the measures are housekeeping technicalities connected to the sewer expansion, while another authorizes some $200,000 for repairs to the existing sewer line and for related costs.

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KIMBALL'S BY-THE-SEA

MBTA tours commuter boat facility

By ALICE COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

With the recent passage of the $267 million Seaport Bond Bill, which will allow for pier improvements, dredging projects and harbormaster training in coastal communities like Cohasset, the timing was right, said MBTA General Manager Patrick Moynihan to take a tour of the state's most successful, longest running commuter boat service in Hingham.

State Senator Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, who worked to ensure funding in the bill for specific improvements at the Hingham commuter boat terminal, invited Moynihan to tour the facility where the fleet of MBTA and private boats transport more than 2,500 people each day, in and out of Boston. During the summer months, tourists visiting the harbor islands increase that number to more than 3,000 said Ed Colby, a ticket seller at the terminal.

In addition to $750,000 in the Seaport Bond Bill earmarked for commuter boat terminal improvements in Hingham like a new covered walkway, a safer waiting area and restrooms, the $4.1 billion transportation bond bill now moving through the legislature includes another $50 million for improved water transportation in coastal communities throughout the state.

A separate MBTA project to improve and expand the terminal's parking lot is planned for August, said Moynihan, who noted that the expansion plan will provide room for about 300 more cars and will better use of the considerable land at the shipyard.

"Hingham is an area of particular interest primarily of the success we've experienced here so far," said Moynihan, who said there is interest within the state to expand commuter boat service to the North Shore.

Last month a trial boat service launched in Scituate during the winter wrapped up but Hedlund said he'd like to see permanent commuter boat service in Scituate and possibly from the Fore River Shipyard in North Weymouth as well.

Myrna Putziger recognized

Town meeting unanimously passed a resolution honoring zoning board of appeals chairwoman Myrna Putziger who is stepping down after 16 years on the board, 13 as chairwoman.

"She has led us on issues as complicated as the development of Shaw's plaza and as simple as your neighbor's deck," said Mark DeGiacomo of Putziger.

Position to be appointed

The town will seek special legislation to make the treasurer-collector's position appointed in three years. The change was endorsed by the government structure committee.

Selectmen Jane Goedecke said while elected treasurer-collectors have served the town well, going forward making the position appointed "will make sure we have the opportunity to get the best person for the job and we won't be limited to people from Cohasset."

Long-time Treasurer-collector Elizabeth B.Ripley recently stepped down to accept a position in Marshfield.Three people are running for the elected post

Term limits effort nixed

An article establishing a three-term limit on appointed boards was soundly defeated by town meeting voters Monday.

Selectmen and the advisory board said it is hard to find people to serve and said they felt it would be detrimental to the town.

Lou Simeone of the the Committee to Survey Structure & Functions of Town Government agreed, saying "why throw away a good pair of shoes when they're still comfortable."

Henderson is honored

Town meeting unanimously passed a resolution honoring long-time town counsel Richard A. Henderson for his years of service to the town. Henderson recently stepped down from the position to devote more time to his private law practice

Selectmen last weekend accepted outgoing town counsel Richard Henderson's resignation, with regret, effective March 15.

Paul DeRensis is the new town counsel.

Sandell is recognized

In a resolution presented by school committee chairman Ralph Kidder, town meeting recognized school committee member and former chairman Nancy Sandell for her nine years on the school board.

"She has always acted in good faith, with a good sense of humor, and she has always demanded excellence," Kidder said of Sandell.

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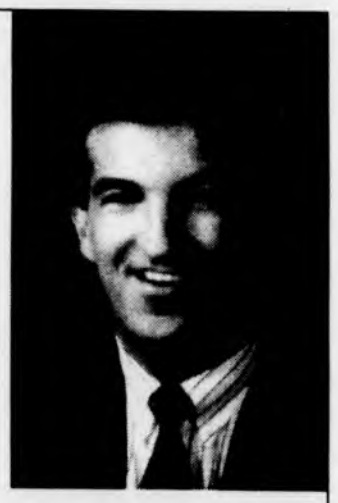

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Dr. Sceery is honored as Citizen of the Year

Reception held at Kimball's by the Sea

Staff photos/J. Paul MacDonald

Mariner Newspapers publisher Margaret Smoragiewicz presents Dr. Robert T. Sceery with the front page of the Cohasset Mariner heralding the award.

Michael Sceery, Dr. Sceery's son accompanied by his daughter, recounts life with his dad.

Two of Dr. Sceery's grandsons Ivan and Nils listen intently to the testimonials.

Dr. Sceery (center) is the third annual Citizen of the Year. Last year's recipient was Joseph "Joe" Buckley, left, and the first person to receive the award was T. Gerard Keating, at right.

Dr. Sceery, a pediatrician who has practiced in Cohasset for more than 40 years, was honored at a special reception for him and his family Sunday at Kimball's by the Sea. Dr. Sceery's boutonniere and Mrs. Sceery's corsage were provided by Exotic Flowers & Fine Gifts.

Dr. Sceery smiles as state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray reads a proclamation honoring him from the state House of Representatives.

It's Happening

Women's workshop offered

The South Shore Women's Business Network is sponsoring an interactive workshop for women, which will deal with the conflicts and stresses of women of the '90s. The program will be held on Thursday, April 11, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Sheraton Tara, Braintree.

"Breaking Through Barriers to Health and Wellness" will offer solutions and cover such challenges as juggling multiple jobs and roles, the impact of a polluted environment and being heard and healed in the traditional health-care system.

The program will be led by Vicki Donlan, facilities marketing manager of the Spence Center for Women's Health, Braintree, and Dr. Susan Emmer of Chiropractic and Family Wellness Care, Cohasset.

For further information or to register, write to: South Shore Women's Business Network, P.O. Box 577, Accord, Mass. 02018-0577.

Easter egg hunt is Saturday

The Cohasset Recreation Commission will conduct its annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 6, at noon at Deer Hill School for children ages 3 through 11.

The Easter Bunnies will arrive via a Cohasset fire truck at about 11:45 a.m. at Deer Hill.

The Recreation Commission's annual egg hunt is made financially possible through donations made by the Cohasset Police Association, George H. Mealy, American Legion Post #118, Rotary Club of Cohasset and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9146, Cohasset.

Costume committee presents program

The Cohasset Historical Society's costume committee will present "Underneath It All" on Wednesday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at the Caleb Lothrop House, 14 Summer St.

Guest speaker Sandra Pollock, a member of the costume committee, will present a program on the evolution of underwear from 1700 to 1930. Many items from the Society's extensive and sometimes curious collection that have never been displayed before will be exhibited.

The event is free to Society members and students, and $3 for non-members. All are invited to attend.

Parenting workshops offered

Two Pre-school Parenting Workshops are being offered in the pink room next to the bowling lane at the Cohasset Community Center on April 9 and 16, from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

On April 9, the topic will be "Understanding Behavior and its Influences" and "The Goals of Misbehavior."

"Methods of Effective Discipline" will be discussed on April 16.

Workshops are open to any Cohasset parent of pre-school-aged or younger children and will be led by Frank Fitzgerald, adjustment counselor at Osgood School.

"Parenting Young Children" by Dinkmeyer and McKay will be utilized during the workshop. The book is available at Buttonwood bookstore. Some limited free child care slots are available for three to six year olds. To register, call 383-6117.

Derby winners announced

Cohasset's Pack 38 Cub Scouts held their annual Pinewood Derby race at Deer Hill School. The winners were: Tiger Cubs—Aaron Chism, 1st; Patrick Flynn, 2nd; Jared Dick, 3rd and Justin Alexander, 4th.

Wolf—Jake Watts, 1st; Prescott Busk, 2nd, Brandon Smith, 3rd; Bear—William Carbone, 1st; Jochen Hermanns, 2nd; Jack Carrol, 3rd; Webelos I—Andrew Guild, 1st; Jonathan Degruchy, 2nd; David Santiago, 3rd.

Webelos II—Rob Lehr, 1st; Mark Chapman, 2nd; Michael Snowdale, 3rd.

The overall winner of the 1st-place races was Rob Lehr. The Wolf, Bear and Webelos I and II first-, second- and third-place winners will race in the District Pinewood Derby on April 13 at Camp Squanto, Plymouth.

Art classes begin April 8

Registration for spring courses at South Shore Art Center will continue through April 7. Classes for all ages and abilities are being offered, including watercolor, clay, special effects, paper-making, card workshops, color scheming, handmade photo albums and drawing.

A family workshop will be held on May 19 from 1 to 4 p.m. to teach the art of Gyotaku printing directly from a fish, making carp kites and decorating giant sea creatures.

For information, to request a catalogue or to register, call 383-2787 or visit the center. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m.

Career choices is topic

Nancy A. Raby, director of career services at Aquinas College, will speak at the April 10 meeting of the American Association of University Women, Hingham area branch. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Derby Academy library, Burditt Avenue, Hingham. The topic will be "Career Choices and Changes."

For more than 10 years, Raby has provided consulting services, conducted seminars and workshops in personal and professional development for women in business and offered individual career counseling. In 1984, she started a networking group for women in business.

AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive societal change. Meetings are free and open to the public.

Good Friday Walk April 5

Good Friday, April 5, will mark the 25th time that Braintree resident Kay Doherty will embark on a 20-mile journey to raise funds primarily for the children in the rural, poverty-stricken areas of our southern states.

The walk will commence from the Hingham Junior High School from 7 to 9 a.m. Each walker is asked to obtain sponsors for at least $1 per mile and sheets are available by calling Kay Doherty at Sharing, Inc., (617) 843-1676.

The route covers 20 miles throughout Hingham and Wampatuck State Park. There are a number of stops and first aid stations along the way, and walkers may walk any number of miles or the entire route. For those unable to walk, there is always a place to lend a hand behind the scenes or a walker looking for sponsors.

ARC plans dinner dance

South Shore Association for Retarded Citizens will hold its 45th annual dinner dance on Saturday, April 27, at Lantana's in Randolph. ARC is a non-profit United Way-supported agency, providing disability services in Cohasset and the South Shore area through their residential, employment, community, recreational and early intervention programs.

According to Jean Bailey of Cohasset, a member of the ARC board of directors, "This annual dinner is yet another example of the exceptional community base that South Shore ARC has enjoyed over the past 45 years. I'd expect more than 500 people to turn out for this gala, many of them from Cohasset."

Tickets are $35 and may be purchased by calling the ARC development office at 335-3023, Jean Bailey (383-1186), Maria Plante (383-9263) or Taffy Nothnagle (383-0895).

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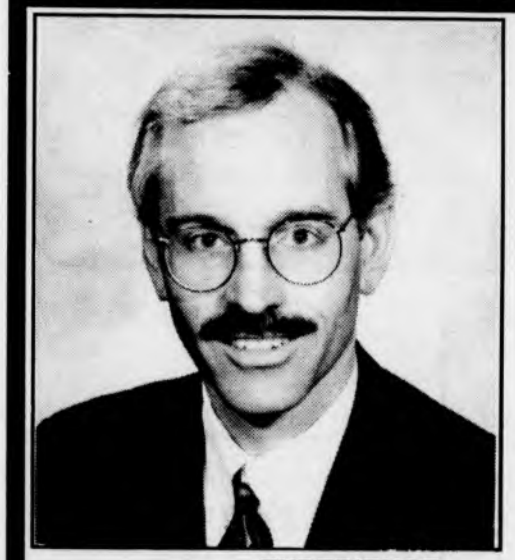

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Grade 8

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Grade 9

Catherine Brister, Susana Candia, Justin Golden, Benjamin Littauer, Alyssa McNamara, James O'Sullivan, Stephen Reynolds, R. Steven Sceery, Megan Waal and Janey Watts.

Grade 10

Kathleen Buckley, Jane Flaherty, John Flanagan, Chris Lesniewski-Laas and Andrew Ross.

Grade 11

Holly Brennock, Ashley Brister, Justin Buckley, Catherine Campbell, Burke Davis, Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Jacqueline Hurley, Rebecca Jenkins, Ely Kahn and Ryan McWilliams.

Grade 12

Chloe Chittick, Caitlin Connolly, Heather Conte, Erin Devine, Tafana Fiore, Eric Henry, Amber Hopeman, William T. Horn, Jessica Hurley, Conor Mangan, Megan McNamara, Nicole Peterson, Allison Ritts, Gina Rosano, Kathryn Ross, Ryan Sawchuk and John Whitehouse.

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Grade 7

Melissa Bates, Emily Coyne, John Crowley-Buck, Kristen Devine, Daniel Duffy, Timothy Grassey, Lydia Guild, Victoria Hurley, Elizabeth Ingber, Sarah Kidder, Andrew Kinch, Justin Langham, Julia Lovallo, Kathleen McCarthy, Kerry-Ann McCarthy, Meredith Ronan, Katie Roth, Andi Shaughnessy and Megan Whiteley.

Grade 8

Allison Berg, Robert Butman, Grace Gardner, Eric Hanian, Kara Johansen, Jacqueline Kahn, Ashley Koed, Danielle Kupsc, Brianne McKinney, Peter Minnar, Elizabeth Myers, Meghan O'Sullivan, Melissa Pyfrom, Eileen Ridge, Caitlin Stansell, Kate Stone, Brian Tracy, Stefan Vanderweil and Jessie Zerendow.

Grade 9

Anthony Bramblett, Lucius Caldwell, Jamey DeMichele, Keri Dinsmore, Jordan Fiore, Lauren Genovese, Edward Goff, Karyn Gray, Tara Hettstrom, William Kearney, Kelly Kilkuskie and Sean Parkinson.

Grade 10

J. Robert Buckley, Ivan Chang, Nathaniel Cotter, Lauren Dooley, Amanda Gontarz, Patrick Hurley, Alison Kinchla, Sarah MacDonald, Eric Moore, Aaron Sawchuk, Kelly Tufts, Kathryn Whitehouse.

Grade 11

Matthew Belson, Aja Campbell, Matthew Conley, Monique DeVoe, Kevin Duffy, Thomas Forbes-Kittle, Andrea Freeman, Lutz Grunwald, Emily Henderson, Erica Hettstrom, Brian Kilroy, Elizabeth Mahoney, Karen Niessink, David Noble, Kelley O'Donnell, Megan Pratt and Nichole Santoro.

Grade 12

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Last call for recipes!

It's not too late to submit recipes for the multicultural cookbook being published by the Cohasset Diversity Group, in conjunction with Cohasset PSO. Profits from the sale of the cookbook will help establish an awareness of diversity issues through community events, multicultural programs and schoolwide educational opportunities.

Young artists are asked to submit original black and white drawings on a 3x5-inch piece of paper for an art contest sponsored by the PSO/Diversity Group. The winning entry will be the cover design for the cookbook, and all remaining artwork will be dispersed throughout the cookbook as space permits. The artist whose drawing is selected will receive a free cookbook and diversity T-shirt.

Recipes and drawings may be sent to: Pearl Smith, 8 Flintlocke Ridge Road (383-6953); Catherine Davis, 52 Linden Dr. (383-2570) or Georgia Carroll, 16 Linden Circle (383-0577).

CHS students join SEMSBA

Ten students from Cohasset High School made their way through the Southeastern Massachusetts School Bandmaster Association audition process to be accepted as members of the 175-voice chorus, which performed March 23 in Sharon High School auditorium.

Student participants from CHS were sopranos Maren Cameron and Emilly Henderson; altos Katie Buckley, Jane Flaherty, Lindy Holway, Jacque Hurley and Karen Niessink; tenors Ron Nicynski and Mark Whitman and bass Chad Whitman.

The chorus, which was conducted by Elaine D'Angelo, a music teacher in Stoughton, was combined with the SEMSBA orchestra to perform a montage of songs from the 1920s as the finale.

Thirty towns participate in the SEMSBA, which was founded in 1953 to give students an opportunity to experience the enjoyment of performing together.

Bryan Marks, choral music director at CHS, serves as president of SEMSBA.

TEEN CENTER/news

Snow-boarders, Liam O'Donnell (L) and Justin Langham take a break to pose for the camera during the fun trip.

(L-R): Ryan Goff, John-Paul Laugelle, Jennifer Meehan and director, John Getgey enjoy a day on the slopes with the Teen Center.

Before the sun rose on March 23, a group of 23 seventh, eighth, and ninth graders boarded a bus for the First Annual Cohasset Recreational Department/Teen Center Ski Trip to Waterville Valley, New Hampshire. The students spent an entire fun-filled day schussing down slopes in warm, sunny, yet at times, snowy conditions. The trip was a great success!

Thank you to co-directors John and Amy Getgey, and to supervisors Kathleen Maddaus and Brian Heffernan. Brian, a former ski instructor, spent a portion of the day teaching some first timers the fine art of skiing. Also a special thanks to Dunkin Donuts and Atlantic Bagel Company for supplying the teens with a hearty breakfast.

The teen center will be closed on April 5 & 6. The next scheduled activity is an open house for sixth graders and their parents from 3:30 to 7 p.m., April 10. Please come and tour the Teen Center and meet some of the staff, who are open to suggestions and ideas.

Your Chance to Fix Government

By Mark Leccese
CNC State House Bureau

BOSTON -- All six million of us in Massachusetts are customers of state government, and who knows better how to improve a product than the customer?

So Community Newspaper Company is joining the Pioneer Institute for Public Policy Research in the Institute's 6th annual Better Government Competition.

This year's topic: public safety.

According to the Institute, "Effective public safety policies for the next millennium will have to address issues of privatization, regionalization, integration, and technology, among others."

In previous years, the competition has examined and sought better government ideas to address such problems as the state's fiscal crisis of the early 1990s, environmental laws, helping children, reforming welfare, and improving the performance of state and local government.

Many ideas that emerged from the competition have been implemented by state government, saving the taxpayers of Massachusetts millions of dollars and improving services.

The competition is open to anyone.

"So much of what we do and how we're supposed to think about these problems comes out of a proscribed mode, a viewpoint that comes from inside Route 128," said Better Government Competition Director Linda Brown of the Pioneer Institute.

"It seems to us the ordinary citizen doesn't have a chance to let us know what on his or her mind," Brown said. "Sometimes we overlook a mighty idea because it doesn't come from the usual suspects."

Although one of last year's winners was Attorney General Scott Harshbarger, Brown said, "If the idea is good, it doesn't matter if it comes from Scott Harshbarger or Mrs. Jones in Tewksbury."

Anyone with an idea is welcome to enter the competition: students, academics, non-profit organizations, state and local government employees, consultants, business people, and any interested citizen.

The Institute may provide an honorarium, if it needed for research, of up to $5,000.

The Pioneer Institute, founded in 1988, is a non-profit research institute that publishes academic studies on social and economic issues facing the state, works to improve schools in the state and helps the launching of private charter schools, and annually conducts the Better Government Competition and publishes the winning entries in a book.

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Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Race hits the big time

931 runners gather for 20th annual event

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset didn't need Jack Nicholson, Goldie Hawn or Susan Sarandon filming a big budget Hollywood movie to draw a huge crowd to Cohasset Common on Sunday.

The only enticement 931 runners needed was the chance to blaze a trail over the 10K route of the 20th annual Cohasset Road Race By The Sea.

"It's a beautiful town," said women's winner Sarah Nixon of Medfield. "It seems like a great town race."

As beautiful as the town and course are, runners have to put the scenic landscape to the side and concentrate on navigating their way over the hilly 6.2 mile course.

Arthur Sorrell, a 36-year-old Laconia, NH resident, spread the lead pack out quickly, stringing together a pair of 5-minute miles to run away with a 32:15 victory. Sorrell's time gave him a comfortable 40-second cushion over runner-up and past winner Bob Chasen (32:55) of Weymouth. Chasen, 41, topped the Master's division with Whitman's Bob Ruel taking second (34:02) and Bob Lewis of Revere nailing down the third slot with his 35:09.

"It's a nice course," said Sorrell, who is hoping to run a sub-2:30 in the upcoming Boston Marathon. "If it was a little later in the season I'd have liked to run a faster time."

Matt Collins and Joanne Cannon-Hill were the first Cohasset finishers. Collins took 13th overall with a time of 35:40 and Cannon-Hill's 41:18 put her at 74th and sixth woman to finish.

Sorrell was lucky to make it to the starting line, arriving at Cohasset Common a scant 15 minutes before race time. Sorrell admitted the hills along Jerusalem Road and the grind up Forest Ave. slowed him down, but he still managed to averaged a 5:12-per-mile pace for the course.

Nixon (38:41) ran a strong race, but had company the entire way. She trailed eventual second-place finisher Tracey Corrigan (38:47) of Quincy through the mile before taking the lead.

Nixon maintained a sub-6-minute pace for the first two miles, but unlike the male runner's who couldn't stay with Sorrell,

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Leahy, McKenna to lead '96 Laxmen into battle

By ELY KAHN
Special to the Mariner

Led by senior Co-Captains Ken Leahy and Chris McKenna, the Cohasset High School boys lacrosse team, playing in the South Division of the EMass League for the first time, faces two tough opponents next week. The Skippers take on Sandwich on Tues. April 9 in an away game before returning home for an April 12 tilt against Weymouth.

"This is our most demanding schedule ever," said head coach Ken Ekberg, now in his eighth season. "Hingham has two All-Americans, and Weymouth, Sandwich, Duxbury and Falmouth are all likely tournament teams. We'll have to play very well to get ourselves there."

The Skippers tested themselves in the preseason, scrimmaging Boston College High, Waltham and Concord-Carlisle. Against Concord-Carlisle, a team expected to contend for the state title, Cohasset lost by just a pair of goals and shut out its host in the second half. Senior Andy Collins struck for a hat trick and junior goalie Ely Kahn dominated the game's latter stages with several fine stops.

Collins will be joined on the first midfield by junior John Lacks, a Bay State Games gold medalist last summer, and senior Kevin Smith. "Collins moves to midfield this year seems to be the most improved player on the team," said Ekberg. Both Collins and Smith played attack last year. The second midfield will include juniors Bob Stansell, Matt O'Connor and Dave Noble. The third will feature seniors Ed Hamilton and Greg Shultz, and sophomore Adam Donovan. Sophomore Pat Leahy will see action at both midfield and defense, while sophomore middie Tucker Gledhill is sidelined indefinitely with an ankle injury.

Leahy, who scored 47 points (22 goals, 25 assists) in 1995 and who'll be playing

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Mariner Sports

Diamond Kings aim for post-season

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

It seems as if the Boston Red Sox were World Champions the last time the Cohasset Skippers Varsity baseball team earned a berth in the Massachusetts Division Three State Tournament. This year, skippered by Ron Ford and captained by hurler Greg Stevens, Cohasset will undoubtedly vie for one of the coveted tourney spots. With a strong pitching corps and a large group of versatile players, Cohasset seems to be destined to post a record good enough to reach the promised land.

Stevens, who also plays first base, pitches with a repertoire that includes a fastball, a change-up, and a wicked curve. With a cool demeanor on the field, Stevens shows great poise on the field and appears to be on the verge of a great season.

Mike Dunphy, a versatile right-handed hitting senior, is playing his first season in a Cohasset baseball uniform, after moving to Cohasset from Scituate. Dunphy's strong throwing arm, lightning speed and quick bat make him a valued addition to this veteran squad. Dunphy got a headstart on the season by attending a spring training clinic in Florida. Ford is hoping that Dunphy can prove a welcome addition to the team.

Eric Henry, another senior, is a second-year ballplayer, but plays like a seasoned vet. With a rifle arm and good speed, Henry will be a reliable force in left this year. He will probably see action behind the plate and on the mound as well.

Rafael Alarcon, Cohasset's foreign secret weapon, could be a big surprise for the Skippers this year. Rafael is a senior at CHS and playing in his first sports season for Cohasset. "Raf" as he is affectionately called, should help fill in spots in the outfield when Ford has the call.

Rob Buckley, a veteran catcher who also played second base last year for the Skippers, is expected to have a breakthrough season with the bat this year. A superb defensive player, Buck got off to a slow start last year at the plate. He recovered nicely and is expected to pick up right where he left off.

Grant Emde, Cohasset's centerfielder and, according to Ford, the "best base stealer on the team," is ready for a big season. Also a star as a running and defensive back in football, and a guard on the hardwood, Emde's vast range, strong arm, and brilliant baserunning make him a versatile asset to this year's edition.

Joe Magner is another one of those versatile Skippers. Magner took a season off last spring, so he has never played a full varsity season. But Ford still has high expectations for him. Another speedster on the basepaths, Magner is expected to pitch, play second and see action in the outfield this season.

Kevin McKenna, a savvy first baseman with a quick bat, hit third as a sophomore for the Skippers. Although he's not very fast on the basepaths, McKenna gets a good jump on balls and is a wizard at digging bad throws out of the dirt. With a sweet swing and good baseball instincts, McKenna is a mainstay on the right side of Ford's infield.

Doug Sheerin, also a transfer from Scituate, spends his winter season on the mat (Sheerin was selected to represent Cohasset in the state tournament), but heads for the diamond come spring. Speedy, with a good arm and a three-quarters delivery, Sheerin will see time in the outfield and on the mound this season.

Pat Hurley, a second year varsity player who started last year as a freshman, is Cohasset's third sacker. A heads-up player with a good arm, Hurley isn't afraid to get his uniform dirty, a necessary attitude if one is to play the hot corner. Hurley has three more seasons of wearing the varsity blue and gray, and he's hoping to take his good start last year and build on it.

Mark Kupsc, a sophomore like Hurley, is spending his first year on varsity. Stepping in to play second last year on the JV, Kupsc utilized his good range to help anchor the infield. Armed with a great knack for dropping down a picture perfect bunt, Kupsc should be a great addition to the squad.

Mike Rossi got his first sniff of varsity baseball last year when he was given the much sought after "call-up" for a few games. Rossi hit well and played superbly in the field.

Greg Taylor, another freshman phenom, started on varsity last year as an eighth-grader, playing outfield and pitching a little bit. This year, Taylor moves closer to the action, playing shortstop and pitching. Taylor should be valuable for the Skippers this season.

Equipped with a strong nucleus of veterans, a durable, live-armed pitching corps, speed on the basepaths and dangerous bats, the Skippers are prepared to make a tournament run.

Leahy, McKenna to lead '96 Laxmen into battle

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for Providence College next spring, anchors the attack. Classmate McKenna (13 goals, three assists) takes over the crease. Sophomore Jamie Buick, the JV scoring leader last season, gets the third starting position. They'll be backed up by sophomore Eric Moore.

Kahn, also a BSG gold medalist, and classmate Matt Belson, a starter since ninth grade, lead the defense. Senior John Whitehouse, who's been strong in preseason, and sophomore John Kasemeyer will also start. Junior Ryan McWilliams and sophomore Tom Leahy will see plenty of action.

"We have talent," said Ekberg, "but, as usual, we lack depth."

Ekberg pointed out that the JV squad has 21 players and a new fifth-sixth-grade team has 29.

"The future doesn't look bad," he said.

Cohasset High swim team Co-Captain Jamie Kondrat and Lauren Devito had fine seasons for the Skippers as both were named to the South Shore League All-Star team.

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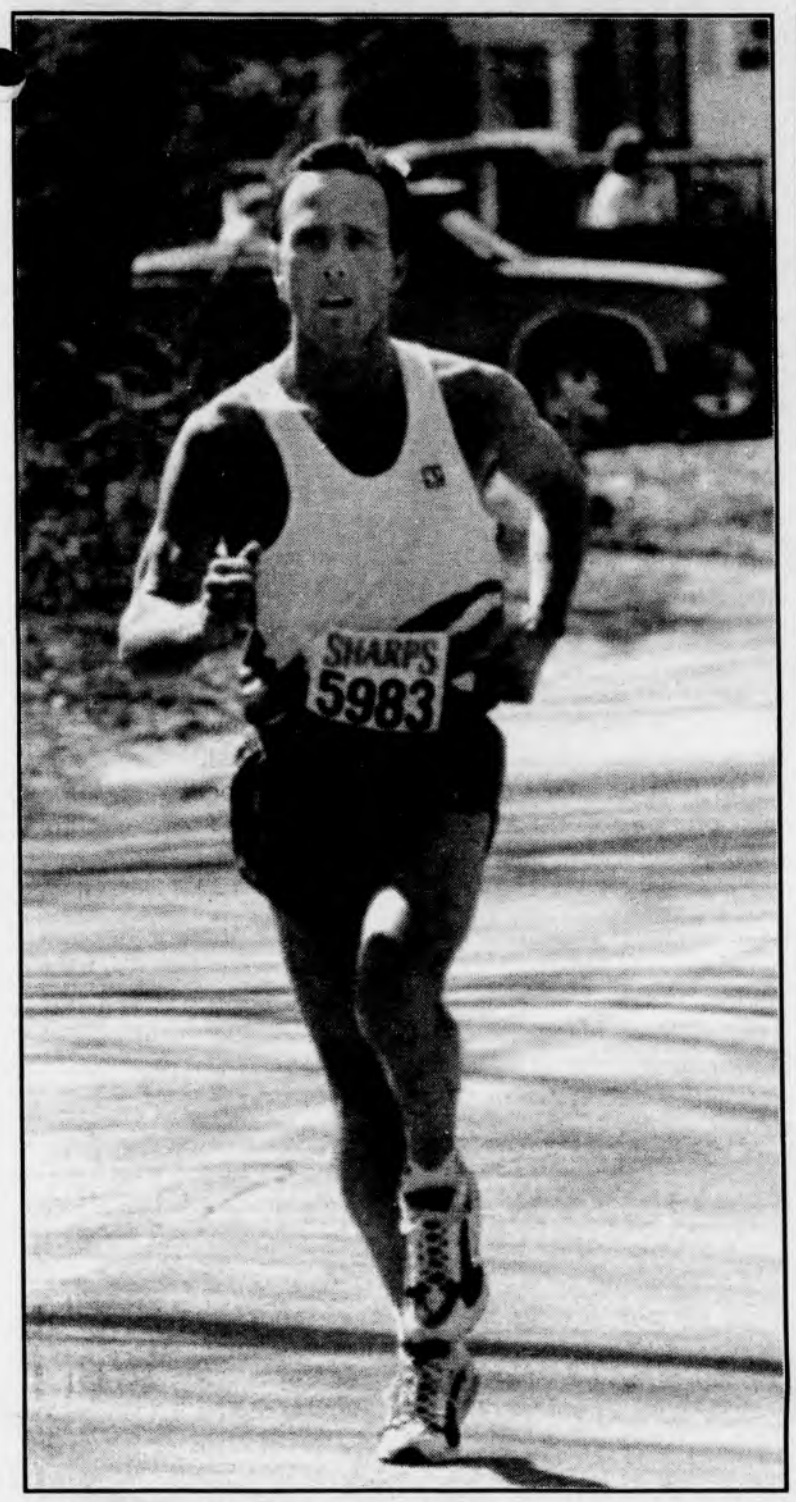
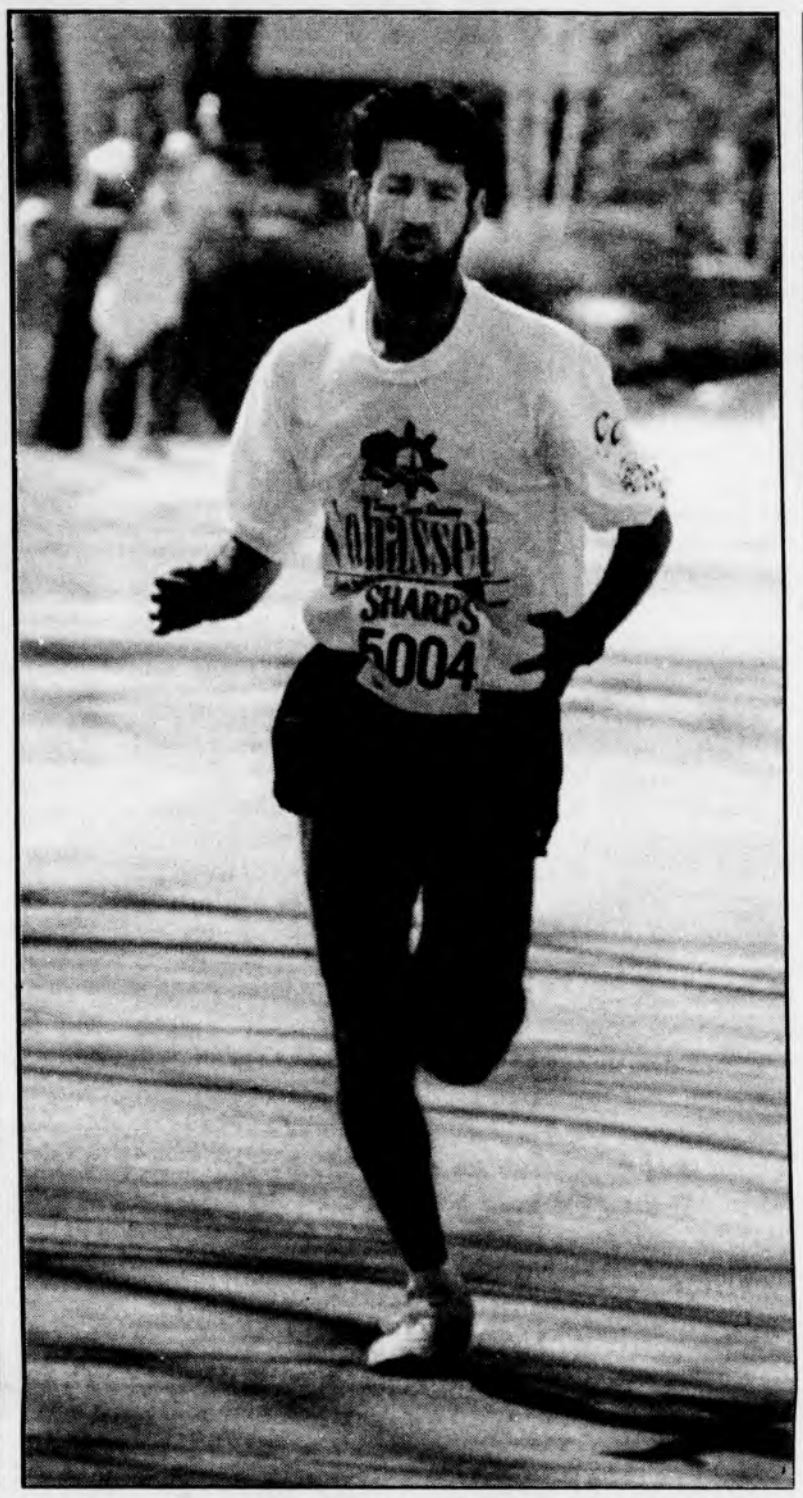


Arthur Sorrell of Laconia, N.H. was all by himself at the finish line with a winning time of 32:15 to best the field of 931 runners.



Former winner Bob Chasen of Weymouth pushes io a second-place showing and the Master's title victory with a time of 32:55.

Bob Bligh heads down Forest Ave. on his way to a third-place finish.

Holly Brennock hands out cups of water to thirsty runners as they come off Forest Ave.

Weary finishers head to the South Shore Community Center near the finish line to feast on hot dogs, beverages and other post-race refreshments.

Photos by J. Paul MacDonald

931 runners gather for 20th annual event

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Corrigan kept Nixon well within striking distance. And Nixon knew she was dogging her every minute.

"I saw her out of the corner of my eye a couple of times and knew she was right there," Nixon said. "At the end I was trying to keep up the distance between us in case she tried to kick and pass me."

Despite the duel she waged with Corrigan as they pounded down Jerusalem Road, Nixon was able to relax enough to take in the beauty of the course, which has been labeled by New England Runner Magazine as one of the top-10 scenic courses in the six states.

"The course was absolutely gorgeous, but hilly," she said. "It's a beautiful town. It seems like a great town race. I've been gearing up for the marathon so I've been running a lot of hills. I'm used to training on hilly courses, but racing on them is completely different."

Nixon held Corrigan off to win by six seconds. Melissa Mendel was just over a minute back (39:49) in third place.

Nixon has every intention of entering the race again. "Definitely," she said. "It's a beautiful race. And because I have two small kids, I look for family races."

Race director Roy Fitzsimmons, a member of the Rotary Club, which sponsored the race in conjunction with the South Shore Community Center, said the volunteers did a good looking out for the well-being of the runners by keeping rollerbladers and bikes away from the field.

"Our concern is the runners," Fitzsimmons said. "We always try to treat the runners well. The weather was perfect and the runners seemed pleased again.

"It's a fun day for everybody."

The race's Grand Marshal, 1960 Olympic gold medal winner in the 1,500 meters at Rome, Herb Elliot, said he thoroughly enjoyed the race and living in Cohasset since he moved to town last May.

"It's one of the special places on God's earth," Elliot said. "The whole character of the common; it's a beautiful place to live.

"It was a very special occasion for me. It was a beautiful day and I enjoyed being there."

Several Cohasset runners raced their way to the top of the age-group places. Bob Morgan took third in the 14-17 division with a finishing time of 44:19. Hull's Jamie Gallagher ran a sterling 34:58 for first, followed by Scituate's Fred Renner (41:40).

Cohasset runners swept the top-three spots in the Under-14 division on both the boys and girls side. Tim Baird (44:21), Dan Kinchla (47:08) and Mike Ernst (47:50) kept the out-of-towners in bay, while Maureen Equi (56:31), Maura Duffy (57:42) and Kathleen McCarthy (59:44) made it a clean sweep.

Colin Solomon of Boston took third in the Open division (33:50) behind Bligh and Sorrell. In the 50-59 group, South Shore runners swept the three spots with Marshfield's Tom Wright taking first (41:00), Arthur Dranin of Weymouth in second (41:49) and Rob Banks of Scituate racing to third (42:10).

Fred Wright made his trip from Houston, Texas well worth the trouble by winning the 60-and-over class with a fine 44:30. Wellesley's Paul Wood was second (49:10) with Bill Klier of North Weymouth rounding out the top three at 49:50.

Milton's Katie Lambert edged Lindsey Gilooly of Stoughton in the 14-17 division, 45:19 to 45:22. Walpole's Liz Timiney was just 16 seconds back in third (45:38).

Master's winner Susan Baker of Connecticut (42:00) bested second-place finisher Janey McViney of Hingham by 36 seconds (42:36). Antoinette Wojtasinki of Kingston was third in 43:20.

Hull's Andrea Hatch, who has run in every Boston Marathon since 1977, ran away with the 50-59 prize in 49:09. Scituate's Carol Renaud was a distant second (54:14), followed by Rachael Scott of Boston (54:44). Westboro's Rowland Marcotte won the 60-and-over division in 61:27.

The Posniak family has a great view of the runners as they watch the Cohasset Road Race from the front of their North Main St. home.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

BOYS TENNIS

4/1	Norwell
4/8	at Norton
4/9	at Scituate
4/11	Abington
4/22	Hanover
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/20	Carver

GIRLS TENNIS

4/1	at Norwell
4/3	E. Bridgewater
4/8	Norton
4/9	Scituate
4/11	at Abington
4/22	at Hanover
4/29	Carver
4/30	Norwell
5/2	at E. Bridgewater
5/6	at Norton
5/7	at Scituate
5/9	Abington
5/13	Hanover
5/14	at Hull
5/20	at Carver

BASEBALL

4/1	Norwell
4/3	at E. Bridgewater
4/8	at Norton
4/9	at Scituate
4/11	Abington
4/20	at Provincetown, 10 a.m.
4/20	at Chatham, 2 p.m.
4/22	Hanover
4/23	at Hull
4/25	Provincetown
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/2	E. Bridgewater
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/15	Hull
5/20	Carver
5/22	Chatham

GOLF

4/22	Abington
4/23	Hanover
4/29	at Norton
4/30	at Carver
5/1	at Norwell
5/2	Norwell
TBA	Scituate
5/7	at Abington
5/9	at Hanover
5/14	Norton
TBA	Carver
5/21	at Scituate

TRACK

4/3	at Norton
4/8	at Norwell
4/11	at E. Bridgewater
4/22	Hull (Scituate)
4/25	at Scituate
4/29	at Abington
5/2	at Hanover
5/9	at Carver
5/13	All League
5/14	All League

J.V. LACROSSE

4/3	at Cape Cod Academy
4/9	Sandwich
4/11	Marshfield, 4 p.m.
4/17	at Brookline
4/22	at B.C.
4/26	Duxbury
5/2	Norwell
5/8	Cape Cod Academy
5/14	Sandwich
5/17	at Duxbury
5/20	at Derby
5/23	Brookline
5/29	Norwell, 5:30 p.m.
5/31	Marshfield

LACROSSE

4/2	Walpole
4/9	Sandwich
4/11	Weymouth
4/15	at Westwood
4/17	at Brookline
4/19	at Norwell
4/23	at Duxbury
4/26	at Hingham
4/30	at Barnstable
5/3	Falmouth
5/7	at Marshfield
5/10	Norwell
5/14	at Sandwich
5/17	Marshfield
5/21	Barnstable
5/23	Brookline

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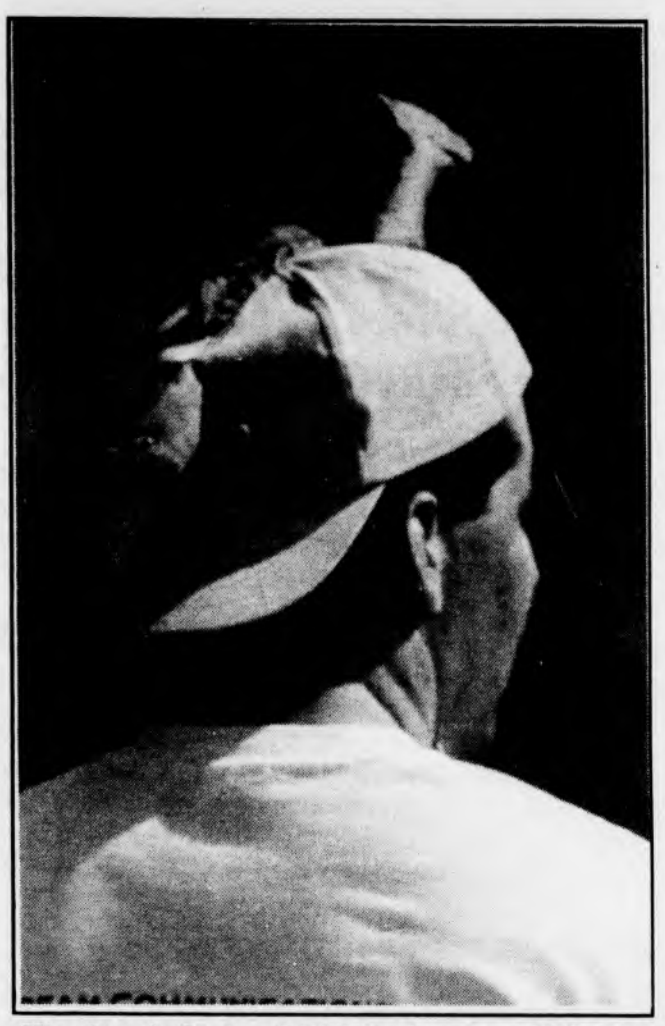
Winter after school recreation. Information and registration materials regarding this program for Cohasset youngsters grades 4 to 6 will be sent home through the schools.

Hoop boosters commended

Commission thanks hoop boostersThe Cohasset Recreation Commission extends its gratitude to the Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club and the many individuals volunteering their effort and time in conduct of the 1995-96 basketball program.

While too numerous to mention all by name, special thanks should go to Karen Devine, Roy Davis and Bill Grimm who spent countless hours organizing the three leagues.

As one might suspect, the operation of a program consisting of approximately 350 youngsters takes many people and great efforts on their behalf. All are thanked and appreciated. Cohasset is a very fine community in which to live and work and it is because of our residents that this remains to be true.



Hingham's Richard Bickford came a little too close to the sea at Sunday's race.
Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Boat safety course offered

A Boating Basics safety course, sponsored by the Massachusetts Environmental Police, is being offered at their headquarters at Hewitts Cove Marina on April 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 and 24 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Personal watercraft certification is available.

The course, which is free of charge, is geared to beginners and young people entering the world of boating. Young people 10 years and older are encouraged to attend, with a parent if possible.

Successful completion of such an approved boating safety course is required under state regulation for individuals under age 16 who wish to operate a motorboat that is more than 25 horsepower without adult supervision.

The course will foster safe attitudes by developing an increased awareness of safe boating practices, legal responsibilities and general marine knowledge. Topics that will be discussed include: watercraft, accident prevention, legal requirements, safety equipment, safe boat operation, rules of the nautical road and aids to navigation.

A test will be administered during the final meeting, and upon successful completion of the course, safety certificates will be awarded to students.

Materials include a free manual and other literature and various audio-visual teaching aids. For further information or to sign up for the course, call the Safety Bureau at 727-8760 or (508) 790-9360.

10K road race, June 23

The Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce and All Cape Health Care of Bourne, the premier sponsor, will hold the Fourth Annual Cape Cod Canal 10K Road Race/Run and Walk June 23, beginning at 10 a.m.

The 10 kilometer (6.2 miles) course starts at the Scusset Beach end of the canal. Participants will race along the paved road that parallels the canal to the finish at the railroad bridge in Buzzards Bay. Three water stations will be provided along the route.

Parking is available at the Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce's office, adjacent to the railroad bridge. A shuttle will operate from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., to transport participants from the parking area to the starting line.

Trophies and $100 cash prizes will go to the first female and male finishers overall in the three categories, Run, Walk, and Wheelchair. Medals will be awarded to the first three female and male finishers in each division. The divisions are as follows: Juniors (under 18); Open (18-29); Sub-Master (30-39); Master (40-49); Senior (50-59); Veteran (60+); and Wheelchair. Prizes will be awarded for categories with three or more competitors.

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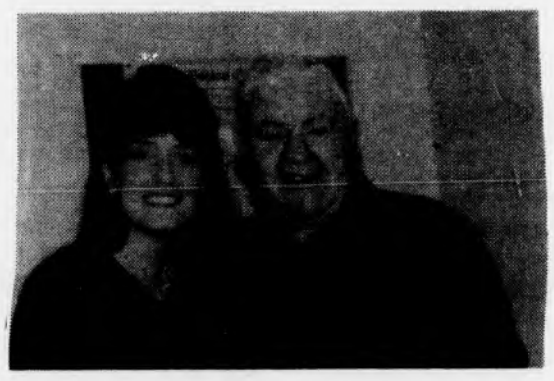

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Goalie school offered

The All-East Goalie Hockey Program will take place at the Bridgewater Ice Arena from June 17 to June 21 and at the Falmouth Ice Arena July 15 to July 19. Boys and girls ages 7 to 17 may call (603) 382-9410 for application and further details.

Bay State Sharks hockey tryouts schedule set

MITES
(1988 birth date)

Wednesday, April 17, 7:20 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1; Friday, April 19, 5 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Rob Taylor at (617) 749-2635.

SQUIRT MINOR
(1987 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 5 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 11:40 a.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Ted Malley at (617) 545-8339.

SQUIRT MAJOR
(1986 birth date)

Wednesday, April 17, 5 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1; Saturday, April 20, 2:10 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Buzz Olson at (617) 749-8835.

PEE WEE MINOR
(1985 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 6 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 12:50 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Jack Burns at (508) 428-3876.

PEEWEE MAJOR
(1984 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 7 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 4:30 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Monday, April 22, 8 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Greg Coady at (617) 826-2993.

BANTAM MINORS
(1983 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 8 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 3:20 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Charlie Paris at (617) 843-0429.

BANTAM MAJORS
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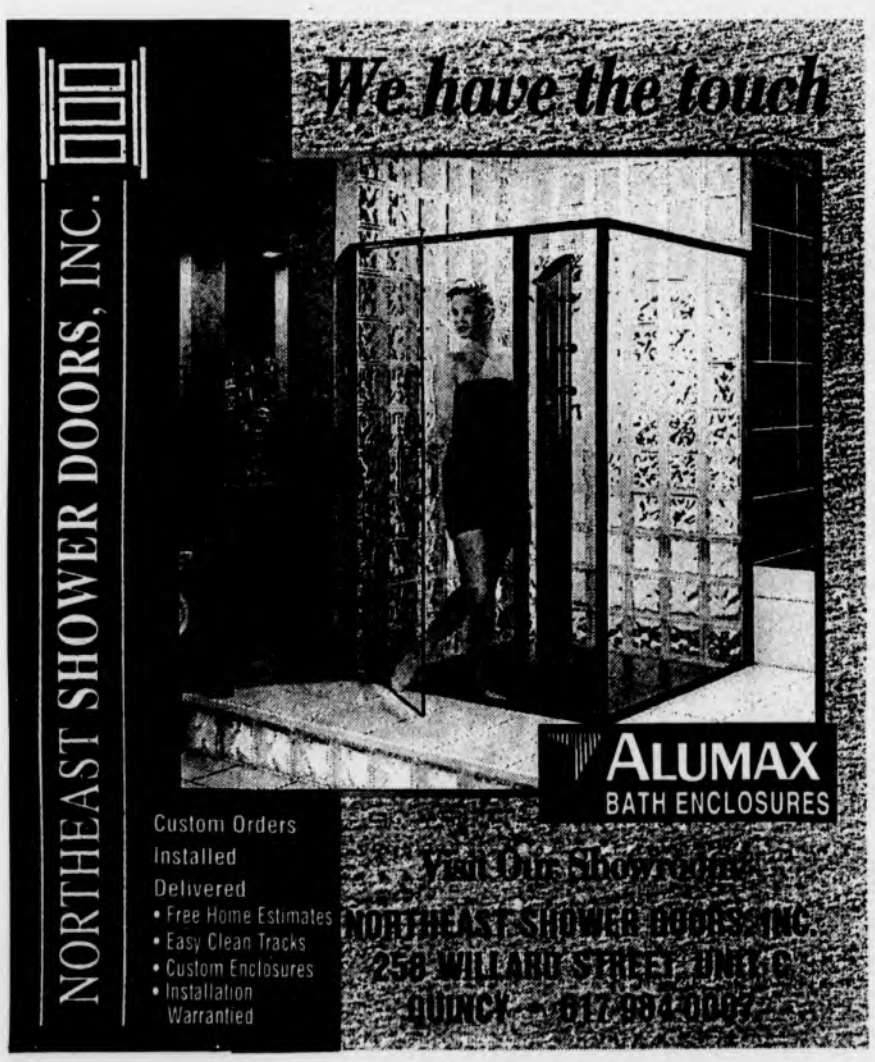
Basketball tryouts

AAU/USA basketball is seeking top flight players for national level competition for boys age 15 and under; players who would like to be considered for the Boston/Metro AAU/USA program. Tryouts are to be held at Boston English High School March 22, 4:30 to 6 p.m., at 144 McBride St., Jamaica Plain, 02130. Tryout fee is $15. Call (617) 337-0701 for further information.

Spring "Challengers" program now accepting athletes, 8 to 14, male or female, team entries. Individual entries considered. Limited entry. All games will be conducted in Weymouth. The season is scheduled to begin April 8. For further information call the MBA at (617) 337-0701.

Cohasset High cheerleaders pose for photos at center court of the FleetCenter during the Skippers' EMass final game against Winchester.



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Cohasset Business

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McDonald named broker of the year

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She was also named to Coldwell Banker's Top Ten Residential Affiliate Sales Associates in Massachusetts, and was No. 32 for the entire Northeast region during the second quarter of the year.

Coffee brewing is topic at seminar

"Brewing the Perfect Cup at Home" is the topic of a seminar offered by Jim Ganke of Quikava on Sunday, April 14, at 1:30 p.m. at South Shore Community Center. Fresh baked muffins will be served.

Characteristics of coffee, fundamentals of brewing, types of brewing, decaffeination process and specialty coffees and espresso will be discussed.

Quikava House coffee and travel mugs will be distributed, and there will be a raffle. Tickets are on sale at SSCC for $5 by April 3 and for $7 thereafter. Call SSCC at 383-0088 for further information.

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South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
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A list of 35 stocks of South Shore companies and their close as of 4/2

Name of Company	Last Trade	Net Change
Abington Savings Bank	16.0000	
Ages Health Services Inc.	0.3700	—
Avitar	1.1875	-0.0938
Bank of Boston	50.1250	0.3750
Bradlees	1.9375	0.0625
Braintree Savings Bank	18.0000	—
Chicago Miniature Lamp	32.5000	—
Computer Identics Corp.	2.1875	0.1875
Clean Harbors Inc.	3.5000	0.1250
Copley Pharmaceutical	16.7500	—
Chase Corp.	4.7500	—
DI/AM Controls	0.0200	—
DM Management	2.7500	—
Geerlings & Wade Inc.	4.1875	-0.1875
Grossman's	1.7813	0.0938
Ground Round	4.5000	0.1875
Haemonetics	17.3750	0.2500
Hills Stores	12.6250	0.3750
Hingham Instit. of Savings	14.0000	0.2500
Hibernia Savings Bank	15.1250	-0.1250
International Electronics	3.7500	—
Independ. Bank Corp. MA	7.6250	-0.1250
Instron Corp.	13.8750	—
J Baker	8.0000	0.6875
First Years	11.7500	-0.5000
Lojack	9.6250	0.2500
Organogenesis Inc.	17.3750	-0.3750
Peoples Savings Bank	9.1250	0.1250
Plymouth Rubber	9.1250	0.1250
Reebok	27.2500	-0.2500
Software Development	1.5625	-0.1250
Stop & Shop	33.0000	—
AT&T	63.2500	1.0000
Talbots	37.0000	-0.6250
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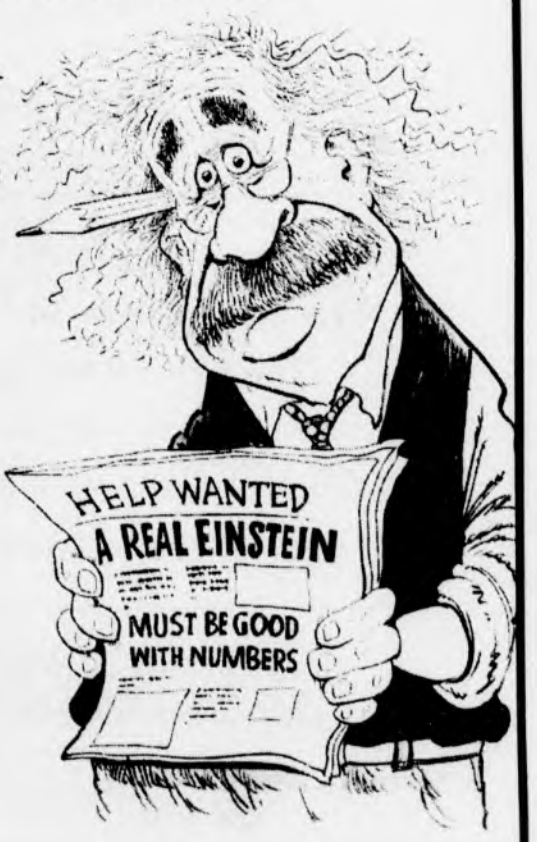

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Worship News

St. Stephen's celebrates Easter; candlelight service Saturday

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 16 Highland Ave., will celebrate the Great Vigil of Easter, a candlelight service on Saturday, April 6, at 7 p.m. The worship is dramatic, beginning with the church in darkness. Candles are lit, and at the moment when resurrection is proclaimed, the lights are turned on, signifying that the resurrected Jesus is the light that leads the world out of darkness.

Worship on Easter morning, April 7, will be at 8 and 10 a.m., with the full choir and choristers at 10 a.m. Both services, Eucharist with sermon, will be held in the church.

Worship on Maundy Thursday, April 4, will be at 7 p.m. The Eucharist commemorates the Last Supper and the importance of community for the church's life together in Christ. Following the Eucharist will be a simple meal of foods typical of Jesus' place and time — breads, cheese, olives, nuts, fruits and milk and honey.

A 24-hour Prayer Watch will begin on Maundy Thursday at 3 p.m. Parishioners are asked to sign up for an hour throughout the day to be in the church to read, pray or meditate.

Good Friday worship begins at noon on April 5 with an hour of quiet. The Prayer Book liturgy begins at 1 p.m. A service for children takes place at 2 p.m., followed by half an hour of quiet reflection and prayer to end the traditional three hours of worship while Jesus was on the cross. A number of parishioners and the youth group will participate in the annual 20-mile Good Friday walk, raising money to assist economically poor areas of the South, particularly in rural Mississippi.

Easter message at chapel

Special Easter messages will be offered in celebration of the resurrection of Christ at the annual General Conference of the church held the weekend of April 6 and 7 in Salt Lake City.

Members of the Hingham Ward from 13 area towns can join the church's nine million members worldwide watching the proceedings live via satellite at the LDS chapel at 379 Gardner Street. Sessions will be aired on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. and continue from 4 to 6 p.m. Between sessions on Saturday, a box lunch and Easter egg hunt are planned. The public is welcome to attend all sessions. Regular church services will resume next Sunday.

Church to hold potluck suppers

The Beechwood Congregational Church will host potluck suppers during the next several months. Following each supper, a segment of the "Life on the Edge" video series by Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family will be presented.

The series offers a powerful presentation that equips teens and those who associate with them with the necessary skills for successfully dealing with the challenges of adulthood.

The suppers will begin at 6 p.m. in Merritt Hall at the church, followed by a video showing at 7 p.m.

The following programs will be offered:

April 18— "Love Must Be Tough"; May 16—"The Keys to a Lifelong Love"; June 20—"Emotions: Can You Trust Them?"; July 18—"When God Doesn't Make Sense"; Aug. 15—"Pornography: Addictive, Progressive and Deadly."

For further information, call Steve at 545-6162.

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Police Log

Monday, March 18

12:58 a.m., noise complaint, Bates Ln., investigated.

2:50 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy. (Henry Turner Bailey), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 42

12:44 p.m., officer field investigation, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

1:15 p.m., fire alarm, Soheir St., accidental/defective alarm.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 50

5:53 p.m., medical, N. Main St., services rendered.

6:54 p.m., missing property (lost & found), S. Main St., Hdqts., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 39

Tuesday, March 19

1:22 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Imports), verbal warning.

6:24 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Mary Lou's), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), verbal warning.

7:43 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Highland Ave., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 40

10:14 a.m., medical, Arrowood Rd., removed to hospital.

1:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:50 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. by Norman Todd Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:33 p.m., missing persons, Sohier St., field interrogation report prepared.

3:54 p.m., animal complaint, The Common, area search negative.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 44

5:19 p.m., burglary (B&E), Beechwood St., investigated.

7:02 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. by Robbins Garage, traffic warning issued.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 42

Wednesday, March 20

12:36 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy. (Conway's), services rendered.

3:04 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy. (Cushing Plaza), departmental action.

6:01 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Dolan Ln.), verbal warning.

6:35 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (golf course), traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 50

9:01 a.m., suspicious activity, Windy Hill Rd., unfounded.

9:30 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Post Office lot, departmental action.

10:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Scofield Rd., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

12:16 p.m., emergency services, Beechwood St., unfounded.

2:55 p.m., general services, Beechwood St., unfounded.

3:20 p.m., officer field investigation, Border St., accidental/defective alarm.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 50

10:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way South, area search negative.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 40

Thursday, March 21

12:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Conway's), verbal warning.

7:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Brigantine Plaza, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:22 a.m., violation of court order, Beechwood St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

7:33 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (Pond St.), services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 46

9:29 a.m., assist citizen, Fair Oaks Ln., services rendered.

10:06 a.m., missing persons, CJC Hwy., investigated.

11:48 a.m., obscene phone calls, Sohier St., departmental action.

1:44 p.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy., accidental/defective alarm.

1:43 p.m., larceny (attempt), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

2:47 p.m., leaving scene, CJC Way, investigated.

Thursday, March 21

12:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Conway's)., verbal warning.

7:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Brigantine Plaza, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:22 a.m., violation of court order, Beechwood St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

7:33 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (Pond St.), services rendered.

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1:43 p.m., larceny (attempt), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

2:47 p.m., leaving scene, CJC Way, investigated.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 49

6:36 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

7:42 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

10:11 p.m., assist citizen, Border St., services rendered.

11:13 p.m., general services, Surry Dr., no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Friday, March 22

12:22 a.m., suspicious activity, Sohier St., secured building.

12:34 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (Ball Park).

1:56 a.m., general services, King St., services rendered.

2:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (King St.), verbal warning.

3:10 a.m., assist other PDs, Jerusalem Rd.,

See page 28

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96P0670E1

Estate of GENEVIEVE GRAY YOUNG late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

TO THE MASSACHUSETTS ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE and all other interested parties

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that DONALD J. MACRAE of MILTON in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 1, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

4/4/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96E0024-PP1

To Thomas J. Schiavo of Hingham, John D. Schiavo of Marshfield, Anthony T. Schiavo of Hingham, and Anthony T. Schiavo, Jr. of Hingham all within the Commonwealth, and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by John D. Schiavo of 2103 Ocean Street, Marshfield in the County, of Plymouth representing that he holds as tenant in common an undivided part or share of four parcels of land lying in Cohasset in said County of Norfolk and briefly described as follows: PARCEL ONE: NORTHERLY by Lot 2A, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned on three courses, one hundred twenty-seven and 02/100 (127.02) feet; twenty-four (24) feet and forty-two and 40/100 (42.40) feet respectively;

EASTERLY by South Main Street, as shown on said plan, seventy-two and 73/100 (72.73) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lots 3 and 4 on two courses as shown on said plan, one hundred ten and 93/100 (110.93) feet and ninty-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet, respectively;

WESTERLY by Lot 5 as shown on said plan forty (40) feet.

Said premises contain 9,830 square feet of land and are shown as Lot 2B on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Cohasset, Mass," dated March 9, 1946, drawn by Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds with a deed of Mary Rose Fratus to Phyllis N. Fratus dated December 12, 1947, and recorded in Book 2728, Page 286. Excluding therefrom Lot B as shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Cohasset, MAss." dated June 21, 1961, drawn by Gilbert & Maloney land surveyor recorded with Norfolk Deeds as Plan No. 877 of 1961 in Book 3917, Page 745 which was conveyed by Joseph A. Silvia et ux to Sun Oil Company by deed dated August 2, 1961, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 3917, Page 745. Also excluding therein a triangular parcel of land as shown as parcel "B" on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts September 16, 1980 1"=30' Engineer: Neil J. Murphy, 760 Route 3A, Cohasset, Massachusetts" and containing four hundered fifty-five and (455) square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan which was conveyed by deed of Richard J. Silvia to Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, by deed recorded in Book 5834, Page 113. The Said plan is recorded as plan 68 of 1981.

PARCEL TWO: Lot A as shown on the plan by Gilbert T. Maloney dated June 21, 1961, recorded in Book 3917, Page 745.

PARCEL THREE: A Parcel of land in Cohasset, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 4 on the aforesaid plan of Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer, dated March 9, 1946, and bounded and described according to said plan as follows: SOUTHERLY by two lines by Spring street as shown on said plan, fifty-four and 12/100 (54.12) feet and forty-five and 88/100 (45.88) feet;

WESTERLY by other land of Mary Rose Fratus, one hundred nine and 18/100 (109.18) feet;

NORTHERLY by land of Joseph A. Silvia et ux ninety-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet; and

EASTERLY by Lot 3 on said plan, one hundred twelve and 14/100 (112.14) feet; containing approximately ninety-eight hundred (9800) square feet.

For title to Parcels One, Two and Three, see deed of Joseph A. Silvia and Ruth S. Silvia dated July 15, 1977 and recorded in Book 5356, Page 714.

PARCEL FOUR: A triangular parcel of land shown as Parcel "A" on the aforesaid plan of Neil J. Murphy, recorded as plan 68 of 1981, containing four hundred fifty-five (455) square feet of land more or less, according to said plan. For title see deed of Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, dated January 27, 1981, and recorded in Book 5834, Page 112.

setting forth that he desire that all of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than $187,000.00 dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham, 649 High St., P.O. Box 269, Dedham, MA 02027-0269 before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of May 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of March 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register.

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TOWN OF COHASSET NOTICE TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS

The Town of Cohasset seeks bids for qualified consultants to prepare one or more components of an Open Space Plan in conformance with requirements of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs. Specifications are available in the Conservation Commission office at 41 Highland Avenue, Cohasset, MA 02025. Sealed responses clearly marked Open Space Plan are due at the above address Thursday, April 18, 1996 at 4:00 p.m. at which time they shall be opened and read. The Town of Cohasset reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the work by component.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P0730E1

Estate of DONALD B. DALBECK late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that BRADFORD E. DALBECK of STONEHAM in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 8, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 90P0049E1

NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT

To all persons interested in the estate of Jessie Macdonald Wilson a/k/a Jessie Wilson and Jessie M. Wilson and Mrs. Everett B. Wilson and Jessie Stuart Wilson late of Cohasset, Ma. in the County of Norfolk.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the First and Final account of Rockland Trust Company as Executor (the fiduciary) of said estate has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before the 1st day of May, 1996 the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account. If you desire to object to any item of said account, you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham this 20th day of March, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

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Police Log

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departmental action.

3:14 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Stockbridge St. (Margin St.).

3:20 a.m., Operating under the influ., Sgt. Conte in with Michael J. Sheehey, 67 Hughey Rd., Scituate, DOB: 3/22/72. Charges: OUI liquor.

4:40 a.m., emergency services, Highland Ave., area search negative.

4:51 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Mobil Mart Lot.

6:16 a.m., disturbance (general), CJC Hwy. (Mary Lou's), investigated.

7:40 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

9:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Crocker Ln., unfounded.

11:30 a.m., larceny, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

11:57 a.m., general services, Cedar St., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 45

4:32 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St./Norman Todd, traffic warning issued.

4:50 p.m., message delivered, Cedar St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

5:08 p.m., suspicious activity, Aaron River Rd., investigated.

6:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Summer St., verbal warning.

6:49 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

7:20 p.m., drug law violations/arrest (warrant), Doane St./Wompatuck St. Park, Ptl Quigley in with Michael C. Coates, 18 Locust Rd., Cohasset, DOB: 3/11/78, Drug Law Violation.

10:47 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Lower King St., verbal warning.

10:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St./King St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

11:47 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Pond St., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 38

Saturday, March 23

1:27 a.m., suspicious activity, King St., unfounded.

3:44 a.m., building check, Atlantic Ave., accidental/defective alarm.

4:28 a.m., general services, Aaron River Rd., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cool, 37

9:09 a.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ, CJC Hwy. (BayBank), departmental action.

11:20 a.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln., accidental/defective alarm.

12:04 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy. (KoKo Island), no police service necessary.

12:10 p.m., officer wanted, Cedar St. (Disposal Center), departmental action.

12:43 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

12:47 p.m., officer field investigation, Nichols Rd., investigated.

2:00 p.m., animal complaint, Elm Ct., departmental action.

2:23 p.m., general services, Elm St., services rendered.

8:08 p.m., building check, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

8:21 p.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy., investigated.

10:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A, investigated.

10:50 p.m., assist citizen, Rte. 3A, services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 35.

Sunday, March 24

2:00 a.m., assist other PDs, Rte. 228/3A, services rendered.

2:55 a.m., assist other PDs, N. Scituate, services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cold, 34

8:35 a.m., building check, CJC Hwy. (Cushing Plaza), investigated.

10:55 a.m., officer field investigation, Beechwood St., investigated.

11:41 a.m., local ordinances/by-laws, CJC Hwy. Dunkin Donuts (Cohasset Plaza), departmental action.

12:54 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy. (Verc Mobil), departmental action.

1:19 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy (Stop & Shop), services rendered.

2:36 p.m., medical, Border St., no police service necessary.

3:00 p.m., fire alarm Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

5:08 p.m., officer wanted, Border St., services rendered.

5:19 p.m., building check, Otis Ave., investigated.

5:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cedar St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

7:20 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., investigated.

7:34 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal waring.

7:56 p.m., building check, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

8:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Linden Dr., verbal warning.

8:41 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., verbal warning.

9:57 p.m., annoying phone calls, Folly Hill Lane, Hanover, HQ, investigated.

10:25 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St., traffic warning issued.

11:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 37

Monday, March 25

3:02 a.m., suspicious activity, Sandy Cove, investigated.

7:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Dolan Ln.), traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 54

8:51 a.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., investigated.

9:00 a.m., suspicious activity, N. Main St./Cedar St., investigated.

11:25 a.m., fire alarm, Hull St. by DiNeros, investigated.

1:48 p.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

2:36 p.m., general services, Hul St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

2:54 a.m., arrest, Det. Grassie arrested Brown, Christopher, DOB: 8/4/54, 10 Rebecca Rd., Scituate on outstanding warrant.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 55

4:04 p.m., general services, Sandy Beach, no police service necessary.

6:13 p.m., fire alarm, Sandcastle Day Care, accidental/defective alarm.

6:37 p.m, assist municipal agencies, Forest Ave. by Forest Circle, services rendered.

Tuesday, March 26

12:32 a.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St. (Ballpark), investigated.

12:59 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., verbal warning.

6:45 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Golf Course), traffic warning issued.

7:14 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Stanton Rd.), traffic warning issued.

7:28 a.m., general services, Lothrup Ln., no police service necessary.

7:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Common), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 56

8:17 a.m., larceny, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., departmental action.

10:01 a.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St., services rendered.

12:10 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St. — Red Lion Inn, services rendered.

1:18 p.m., animal complaint, Doane St., services rendered.

2:24 p.m., suspicious activity, Highland Ave. — by Town Hall, departmental action.

2:25 p.m., general services, Border St., area search negative.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 62

4:08 p.m., animal complaint, Highland Ave., departmental action.

4:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., verbal warning.

5:27 p.m., annoying phone calls, HQ, Pleasant St., departmental action.

5:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic/warning issued.

10:03 p.m, building check, Deer Hill School, investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 45

Wednesday, March 27

12:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cedar St.

1:17 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

1:30 a.m., general services, N. Main st. (Robbins Garage), services rendered.

5:43 a.m., general services, Texaco Station (Square), investigated.

7:19 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Stop & Shop), area search negative.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 34

8:28 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Cohasset Collision — 3A, investigated.

10:21 a.m., annoying phone calls, Beechwood St., investigated.

10:58 a.m., general services, Reservoir Rd., referred to other agency.

11:00 a.m., vandalism S. Main St., investigated.

11:28 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd., unfounded.

1:53 p.m., medical, S. Main St., referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 43

4:44 p.m., general services, Doane St., services rendered.

7:21 p.m., disturbance (family), Church St., peace restored.

8:03 p.m., vandalism, Beechwood St., investigated.

9:25 p.m., disturbance (general)/aggravated assault, Lantern Ln., arrested by Sgt. Jackson: Dyer, Timothy L., 24 Lantern Ln., Cohasset, DOB: 1/7/62, for protective custody and assault & battery.

10:04 p.m., larceny (attempt), Stop & Shop, investigated.

12:00 a.m., 40 degrees.

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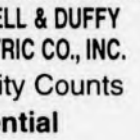
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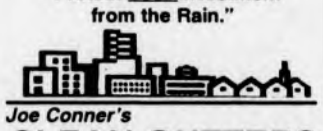
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Seaport bond bill may be boon for South Shore towns

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Governor William Weld signed the state's $267 million Seaport Bond Bill last month and that's good news for coastal communities throughout the state including Hingham and Cohasset.

One of the bill's strongest supporters, state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, who attended the signing ceremony Feb. 26. said the bill has a significant South Shore focus.

Hedlund said part of the bill allows for pier improvements, dredging projects and harbormaster training in coastal communities that will provide for a better recreational and economic environment and improve transportation facilities for South Shore residents.

At least $750,000 is earmarked for upgrading the the Hingham Shipyard Commuter Boat Terminal. A new pier allowing for improved docking, covered walkway, and waiting area are planned.

Various, much needed harbor dredging projects will also be addressed with the $50 million authorized in the bill.

Hedlund noted that, except for about $19 million of those funds ($18 million for dredging in New Bedford and $750,000 for a project in Gloucester), none of the dredging money is specifically earmarked for particular communities.

In Cohasset, where the increasingly shallow harbor threatens the livelihood of the town's commercial fishing fleet, local officials are awaiting federal legislation that will allow the dredging project to take place.

According to Selectman Peter Pratt, the lion's share of the dredging work in Cohasset, more than $1.2 million, will go on the federal government's tab as the area of federal jurisdiction makes up between 65,000 and 90,000 cubic yards. Funding for that work hinges on redefining the area of federal navigation which must be accomplished by an Act of Congress. Local and federal legislators have pushed the Cohasset legislation, which, attached to the Coast Guard Authorization Bill, has passed in the U.S. Senate and is awaiting conference committee to bring it to the House floor for a vote. No dredging work, in town, state or federal portions of the harbor and channel can take place until the act is passed and the permitting process can be completed.

Assuming the act passes this spring, the Army Corps of Engineers is looking to begin dredging in the fall of 1997.

Pratt said he is pleased to hear of the Seaport Bond Bill's passage.

"It brings more available funding into the crying need to address dredging issues along the coast," said Pratt, who noted that while the $300,000 committment already made by the state for dredging in Cohasset seems to be sufficient, the bond bill will provide some "give room" if the town should require additional funding.

"This puts more money into the statewide pot for these types of projects," he said.

In Hingham, the harbormaster expects another difficult summer for recreational boaters and countless groundings as mariners try to navigate a channel that is only 2-1/2 feet deep, up to and hour before and after low tide, and prevents the U.S. Coast Guard from entering the harbor to assist boaters.

Unlike Cohasset, the heaviest burden for dredging in Hingham will fall on the state and the town. And due to state budget constraints, officials now say, Hingham's $1.8 million project, which will remove 145,000 cubic yards of silt material, will likely be carried out over a three-year period with the state contributing about $400,000 each year and the town pitching in about $150,000 annually or $450,000 over the three-year timeframe. If the permitting process goes smoothly, harbor development committee members are looking foward to a November 1996 start for dredging. In the federal channel, Hingham faces another roadblock, said dredging coordinator Peter Lemonias. Despite repeated soundings, taken by the Coast Guard, recording the dangerously shallow channel and continual correspondence from the harbormaster to the Army Corps of Engineers, which responsible f dredging that area, that agency has y be convinced that a maintenance dred is needed.

In spite of the obstacles each community faces in getting their harbors dredged, both towns can be cautiously optimistic about the passage of the bill, the committment it makes to improving seaports, and the money it has dedicated for these projects, Hedlund said.

Still, Hedlund points out that the state's bond cap which forces various agencies to prioritize projects can delay both the funding and the dredging in both communities.

"It all boils down to priorities. We're competing with other interests around the state," said Hedlund, adding, "it's a matter of getting these projects ahead of other things."

"We have a receptive ear with the department of environmental affairs," said Hedlund, who said he will continue to advocate strongly for dredging projects in the communities he represents.

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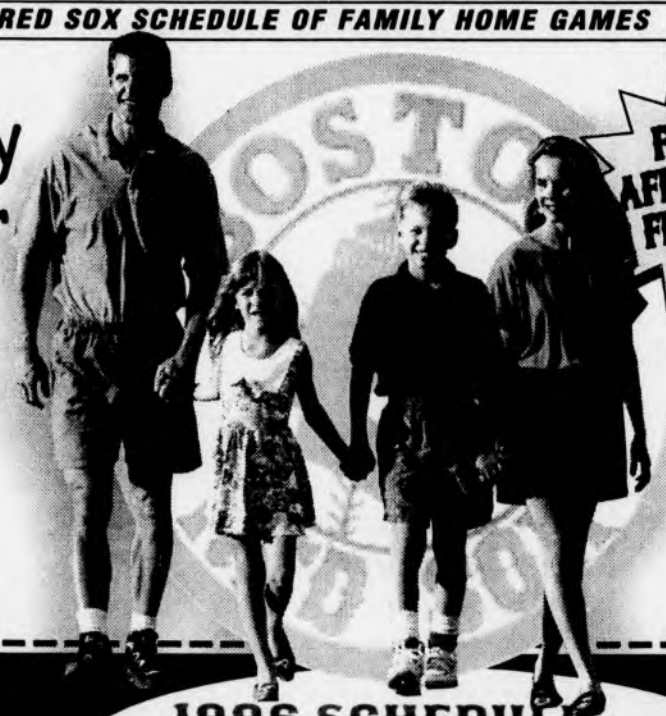

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Wanted: a healthy village

Answers are sought for ailing downtown

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

About 25 business owners and interested citizens packed French Memories recently to brainstorm about the future of Cohasset Village.

Several merchants from Rte. 3A shops and Cohasset Plaza developer Donald Staszko were also on hand March 28 to show their support for the village, whose health, they agree, is vital to the town.

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce sponsored the meeting to address issues of concern including infrastructure, store vacancies, marketing the village as a place to shop and visit, and the impact of the train.

Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said the meeting was called to assess interest; organize a task force to formulate an action plan; and look into forming a village committee to include two members of the task force, a chamber of commerce member, a selectman, a planning board member, and two citizens at large.

Jane "Tinka" McLean, a 50-year resident and former owner of The Linen Chest on Brook Street, said sidewalks and curbing are in dire need of attention. She said the diagonal parking is too angular and should be changed to improve traffic flow. She suggested Cohasset look at Duxbury where new sidewalks and curbing have made a difference.

Robert Gaughen, president of Hingham Institution for Savings, said he has received many positive comments about the former Cohasset Savings Bank building, which the bank renovated.

But he explained that while many say they'd love to open a shop in the village, they aren't confident they can make it.

Gaughen suggested bringing landlords, perspective occupants, and retailers together in a chamber sponsored symposium to look at the possibilities and build momentum.

Jerome Pfifer, Stagecoach Way landlord, said the village must be more vocal.

He said Cohasset takes its village for granted and urged support for a lobbying movement to let the town know "we're not going to be pushed around anymore."

"Route 3A catches people moving through, this is Cohasset," he said.

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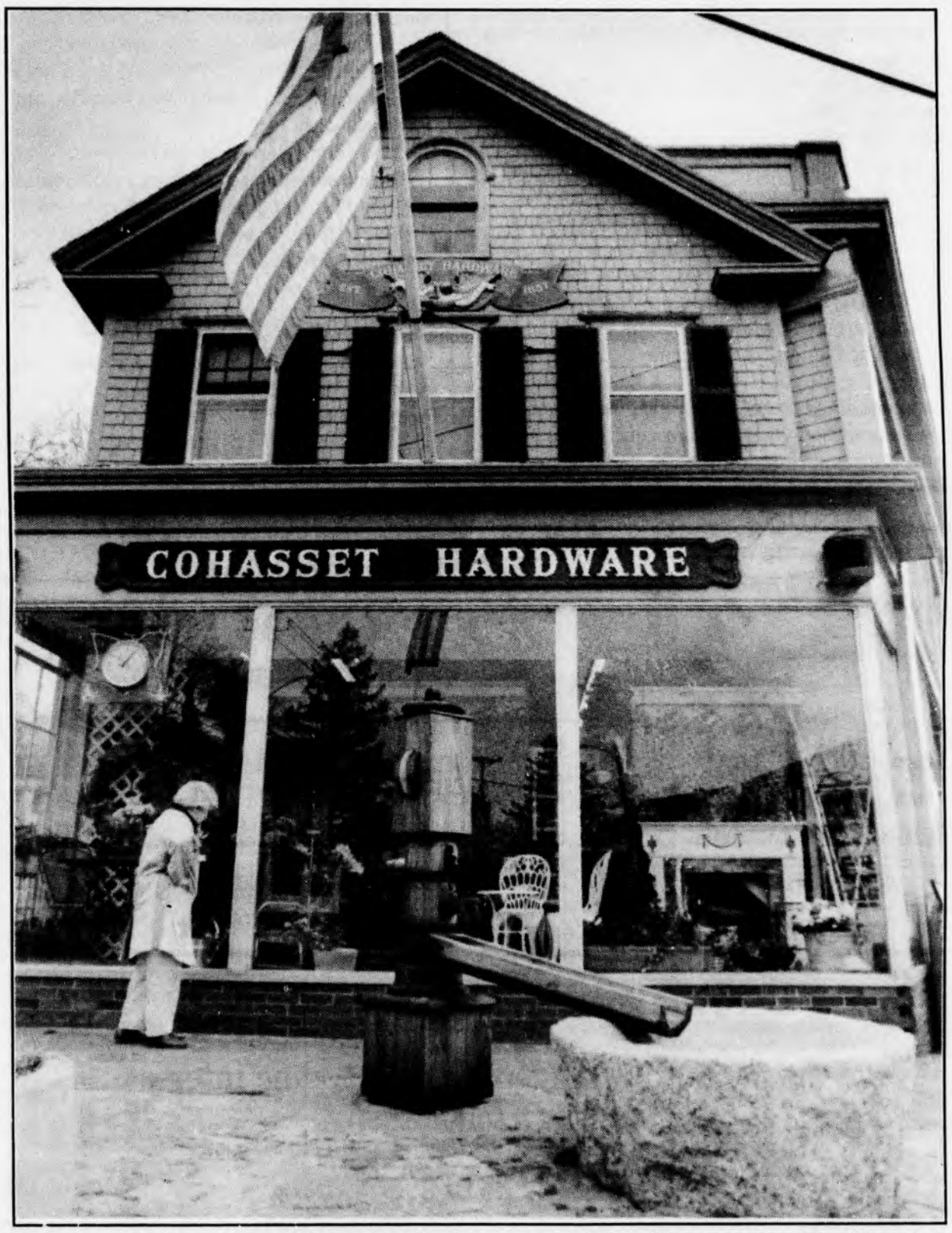

A woman window shops at Cohasset Hardware, one of the village staples. The Chamber of Commerce is spearheading an effort to revitalize Cohasset's downtown which has more than its share of empty storefronts.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Elderly housing project for Beechwood floated

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

A local developer would like to build a senior citizen housing complex on seven acres in the so-called "Wolf Pit" area off the end of Beechwood Street near the town reservoir.

Wayne Sawchuk met with members of the Cohasset Housing Partnership this week to discuss the 28-unit condominium-style housing proposal, 25 percent of which would be dedicated as affordable housing or elderly/handicapped.

To qualify for a comprehensive permit — which provides "one-stop shopping for developers" by allowing them to go directly to the zoning board for approval — 25 percent of the total units would be sold at maximums of $72,500 for a one-bedroom unit to $83,500 for three bedrooms. These units would have deed restrictions preventing them from being sold later for profit.

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Election turnout is one of the biggest on record

A record-breaking town election Saturday unseated a long-time selectman and passed a Prop. 2-1/2 override for a new $9.9 million elementary school.

Upwards of 62 percent of the town's registered voters participated in the election which featured six contested races for elected positions and a school ballot question.

The Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion, which will allow the town to borrow the money needed to construct a new school, squeaked through with an 80 vote margin.

In a four-way race for two seats, Martha Gjesteby lost her bid for a fourth term on the board of selectmen. Roseanne "Ronnie" McMorris, former chairman of the conservation commission, and Nancy "Nan" Roth, former chairman of the advisory board, edged out Gjesteby and trounced Robert V. Davenport, who decided to run for selectman and not re-election to the board of health (see complete results, page 11).

"I'm touched by the confidence voters showed in me," said McMorris who received the most votes in the selectman's

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Cohasset's Week

May 4 sewer override

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said April 16 is the last day to register to vote for the May 4 special override election on the sewer. The town clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. that day to accommodate citizens who would like to register.

Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild said informational "blue" booklets on the proposed Straits Pond area sewer project are free and are available at the selectmen's office.

The Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion override will allow the town to borrow money to pay for the project, half of which will be covered by betterments assessed to homeowners along the sewer line.

Brown takes reins again; as selectmen reorganize

For the first time in at least five years, selectmen will have the same chairman two years in a row.

Selectmen unanimously voted for Merle Brown to serve again as chairman. Michael Sullivan was elected vice-chairman.

Selectman Peter Pratt, who is up for re-election in 1997, nominated Brown.

Usually the chairmanship rotates each year and it is often held by a member in the final year of his or her term. Recent past chairmen have included Brown, Sullivan, Martha K. Gjesteby, Jane O. Goedecke and Edwin "Ned" Tebbetts.

Pratt, who must frequently travel out of state as director of the telecommunications program in the business research group division at Connors Publishing in Newton, said he did not have the time to devote to being chairman.

"The extent of my out-of-state travel would not allow me to do responsible work as chairman," Pratt said in a telephone interview. "Important work the chairman does is to make sure all parties are represented on the agenda.

"Although I wanted to be chairman, I felt it was the responsible thing not to pursue it at this time. That's why I nominated Merle Brown," he said.

License request tabled

Selectmen tabled action on a request by the Village Butcher & Deli for a Common Victualler (food) License until they have a chance to meet the owner, Michael Feroli, at next week's meeting. The new butcher & deli is at 1 Brook St. next to Cohasset News and will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Feroli will sell sliced meats, sandwiches, beef, pork, chicken and other related items.

Gjesteby is thanked

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown opened this week's selectmen's meeting with a "thank you" to former selectman Martha K. Gjesteby. Gjesteby lost her bid for a fourth term in Saturday's town election.

"I'd like to thank Martha for all the years she's put in as selectman, school committee member, and on the planning board.

"She's done a great job for the town," he said.

During selectmen's comments at the end of the meeting, the other selectmen thanked both Gjesteby and Jane Goedecke for their service on the board. Goedecke did not seek re-election.

Storm policy drafted

Selectmen gave preliminary approval to a storm policy that would close, close early, or delay the opening of town hall because of hazardous weather conditions.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said labor counsel and town counsel have approved a draft of the policy.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said the policy is not part of union negotiations.

The policy includes procedures for notifying departments when it may be necessary to close during the work day and alerting radio stations (after approval by the selectmen chairman) to announce closing or delaying opening of town hall.

It also provides for up to 30 minutes of tardiness allowable for employees due to stormy weather. Anytime over that would be billed as vacation time, personal leave, or accumulated compensatory time.

A telephone chain will also be established to notify employees of closing or delayed opening of town hall.

"The goal will be to make any closure or delayed opening decision by 6:45 a.m., so that the chain will be initiated at that time, and that all employees will be aware of the decision by 7:15 a.m.," the policy states.

Tide Chart

BOSTON TIDES
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

April 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 11	5:38	10.4	——	6:23	9.5	12:05
Fri. 12	6:43	10.3	12:28	7:28	9.6	1:08
Sat. 13	7:49	10.2	1:33	8:30	10.0	2:10
Sun. 14	8:54	10.4	2:37	9:29	10.4	3:09
Mon. 15	9:53	10.5	3:37	10:22	10.8	4:04
Tues. 16	10:48	10.7	4:32	11:11	11.1	4:54
Wed. 17	11:38	10.7	5:22	11:56	11.2	5:41
Thurs. 18	——	——	6:10	12:25	10.6	6:26

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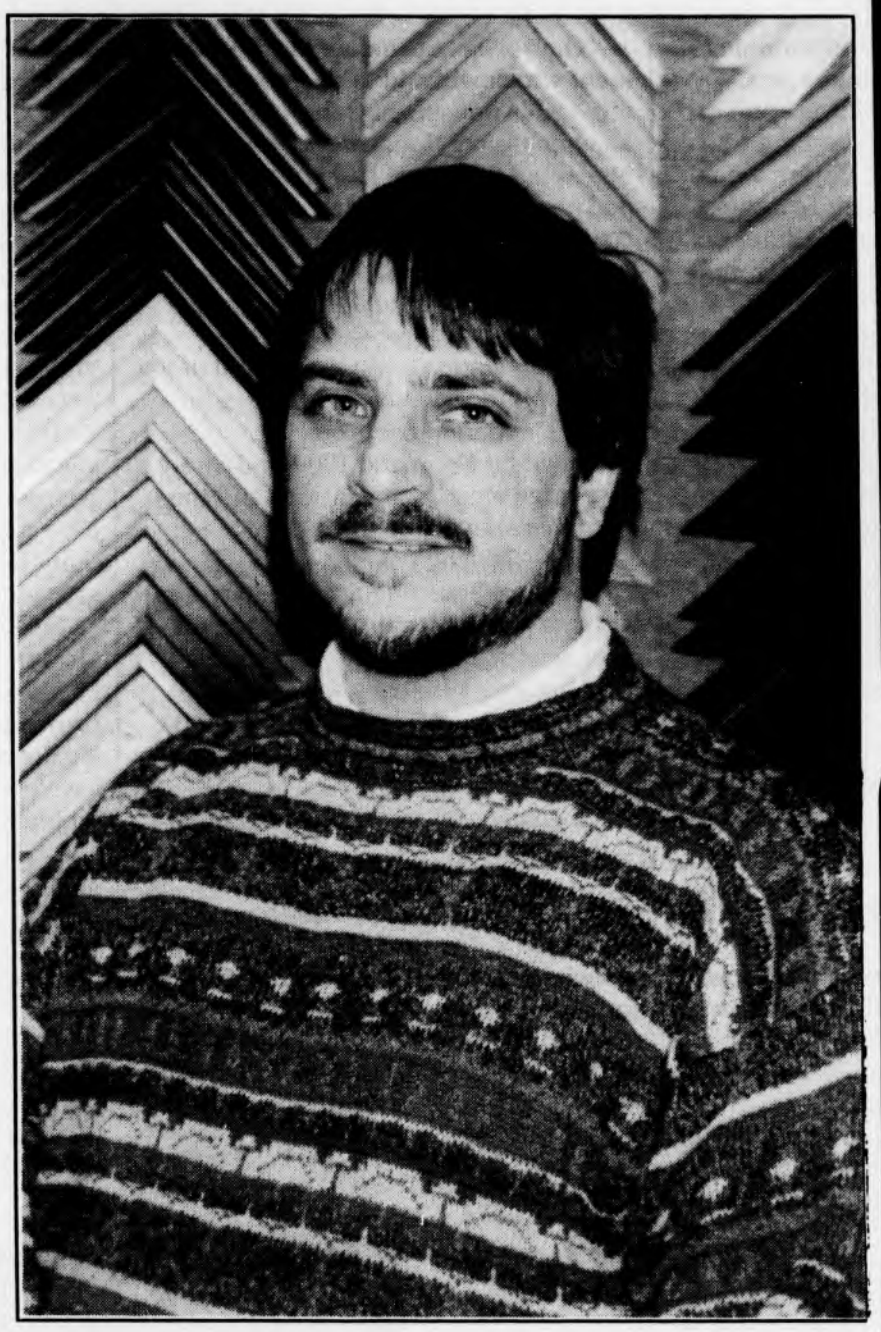

Name: Domenic Micarelli

Occupation: President, Cohasset Chamber of Commerce and owner of The Artist's Son Gallery in Jonathan Livingston Square.

Goal: To have a successful family and create an institution out of my business.

Best vacation: New Orleans.

Best day of your life: Today.

Biggest worry: Any kind of public speaking.

Favorite holiday: Thanksgiving.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: B movies on late night cable.

Favorite movie: "Papillon."

Favorite book: "The 'E' Myth," by Michael Gerber.

Favorite junk-food: My own cooking.

Most embarrassing moment: This.

Person you'd most like to meet: My two grandfathers.

Pet peeve: Impoliteness.

Hedlund to hold town hall hours

State Sen. Robert L. Hedlund, R-Weymouth, will hold local office hours from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Friday, April 12 in the downstairs meeting room at Cohasset Town Hall.

Office hours provide an opportunity for the senator's constituents to voice their opinions and comments in person without having to travel to the State House. Walk-ins are encouraged but appointments can be made by calling Jeff Granatino at the senator's office at (617) 722-1646.

Softball benefit slated

In a March 28 letter, John J. Dockray, union treasurer, notified the tree & park department, that the Cohasset Permanent Firefighters (firefighters union) plans a softball benefit against the New England Patriots. from 6 to 8 p.m., June 28 at Milliken Field.

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PRIMAL FEAR (R) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:40

SGT. BILKO (PG) 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:30, 9:30

FARGO (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 9:35

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Elderly housing project for Beechwood floated

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A comprehensive permit would provide for a "multi-family" complex which otherwise would not be an allowable use in a"Residence A" district in Cohasset, Sawchuk said. Sawchuk stressed he understands the project is in an environmentally sensitive area and he intends to meet "every single guideline." The comprehensive permit would be sought because it is the only way a multi-family complex could be developed there.

The remaining units would be sold at market rates, starting at about $139,000. Under state law, there can be no distinguishing between the affordable and market-rate units in terms of size or appearance, CHP Chairwoman Chartis Langmaid explained.

To qualify for one of the affordable units, the buyer could not have more than $30,000 in assets and would have to qualify for first-time homeowner status by not having owned a home within the past three years.

The Cape Cod-style condominium project would have a common septic system. Each unit would have a one-car garage and there would be eight additional spaces for visitors. Buyers would have to be 55 years or older. Sawchuk said he was checking with the state to see if projects restricted to senior citizens are discriminatory,

Noting that the project is in the watershed protection district, Sawchuk said the plans meet all the setback requirements and is an area with "the least impact on the local neighborhood."

There is one abutting house on Doane Street and the site is buffered by the reservoir, Wompatuck State Park and the Aaron River.

Sawchuk, who is a Cohasset native, said he needed "input to see if this proposal would be good for the community."

Langmaid said her board had to do some homework on how the state rules on affordable housing have changed since the late 1980s.

"Our job is to promote any development which will add to the stock of affordable housing in Cohasset," Langmaid said. "We want it to work." She noted the board had not had a formal meeting in about four years due to a lack of projects.

All agreed that there is a large elderly population in town and little housing. Sixty-four Elm Street (behind the police/fire station), which is rental units, is the only elderly housing project in town. Condominium projects, Wheelwright Farm and 100 Pond Street, have large elderly populations and the units there sell from upwards of $250,000, Sawchuk said.

The local housing partnership works with the Mass. Housing Partnership, a state agency, in providing support for local housing initiatives with information, technical assistance, pre-development loans, and permanent financing for rental and home ownership.

Langmaid said she needed to determine if there is a restriction on what the CHP can promote.

"Our charge has always been to promote family housing, but that doesn't mean we wouldn't support a credible, workable, project that met the needs people have for affordable housing."

Sawchuk, who described the meeting as a workshop, says he has the land under a purchase and sale agreement and has six to nine months to obtain the necessary permits.

He said he could build a 10-lot subdivision there instead, but noted that four-bedroom, 2-1/2 bathroom homes would have more impact on the environment than the senior citizen housing, which he says would meet a need in town.

Selectmen Merle Brown and Ronnie McMorris attended the meeting. McMorris lives on Doane Street and Brown lives on Beechwood Street. McMorris said the neighborhood would have concerns about possible flooding problems if the area were developed.

Appointment is delayed

The civilian dispatch committee has recommended Joseph P. Dellapi, 29 Pettibush Lane, Duxbury be hired as a full-time dispatcher.

The committee liked Dellapi's background which included fire dispatch experience.

But, saying they did not want to set a precedent — selectmen wanted to hold off hiring Dellapi at "Step 5," which is $11.53 per hour when other full-time dispatchers are at a lower rate — until they conferred with the personnel committee.

"We are overstepping," Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon explained that the dispatch center is short handed which presents scheduling difficulties. He said Dellapi was the only candidate with "good dispatch experience, especially on the fire side." Full-time dispatchers, Lindsay Coyle and David Weeks, resigned recently to accept other employment. Former part-time dispatcher Thomas Wigmore was hired to fill one of the full-time slots.

Snow deficit piles up

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said as of Monday April 8, the town had a $125,314 snow budget deficit. The good news, Doyon said, was that Monday's storm required only one sanding crew so its impact was "minimal" on the budget. The figure does not include Wednesday's storm.

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Planners nix subdivision plan

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Planning Board last week unanimously refused support for preliminary plans by Jerusalem Road Limited Partnership for the construction of up to 28 houses on a 45-acre tract of land off Jerusalem Road.

Board Chairman Alfred Moore, in announcing the 3 to 0 vote (one member was absent), cited four major concerns which led to the decision, and predicted at least two other stumbling blocks if the developers wished to present their plans at another time.

Transportation engineer Jennifer Conley opened the public hearing by stating that a study conducted by her firm, Bruce Campbell & Associates, Inc., on behalf of developer Steven Cory, showed that at peak hours (7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 5 to 6 p.m.), added vehicles from the developed land would not pose a hazard.

The additional 28 morning and 36 evening trips, she said, were well within acceptable limits, and would easily flow through the Jerusalem Road/Forest Avenue/Nantasket Avenue intersection.

Not all in attendance were in agreement with Conley's figures.

One resident noted that particularly high traffic volume in summer months gave the Jerusalem Road section of Cohasset a "seasonal" status lacking in other parts of town and, therefore, negating attempts to average in vehicles from any new developments.

"It's not just the increase in cars, but also the increase in noise," she stated. "Anymore cars put on that road and someone is going to get killed."

Cory's attorney, Charles Humphries, admitted that while plans called for 28 lots to be developed, because of concerns about the proximity of wetlands to lot boundaries, some lots might never be cleared for dwellings.

This prompted a resident to rebuke Humphries' wetlands statement.

"This is a 45-acre parcel of very attractive land, and it would not be an environmentally friendly development," he said.

Cohasset engineer John Modzelewski told board members that while the fears of area residents need to be addressed, this proposed plan was not a doom and gloom proposition.

"The impact of a 28-lot development will not be as drastic as some in the audience believe," he said.

In speaking for the board, Moore said the lack of addressed sewage hook-up, the length and grading of the development's one road (town waivers would have to be granted on both counts) and traffic safety were prime reasons for the board's decision to deny approval of the preliminary site plan.

"The whole project is not in the best interest of the town," Moore concluded.

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Answers sought for downtown

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Pfifer also said the town should demand the MBTA put a train stop in the village.

Staszko, who is also a director at Hingham Institution for Savings, urged the businesses in the village to work together by networking and talking up the village to other businesses.

Domenic Micarelli, president of the chamber and owner of Artist's Son Gallery in Jonathan Livingston Plaza on Rte. 3A, said the chamber can "be come the locomotive to see this through."

He said it is a "chemistry issue" and the village in its current state is sending the wrong message.

"You can usually tell how a business is doing just by looking at it, " he said. "When it's struggling, it looks run down."

Donna Green, an artist who operates her studio on Elm Street, said the village has something unique and it's not using it.

"We'll never compete with 3A," she said. "But we can create something down here that has energy, something that feels good."

Lora Labonte of Hunneman & Co. said the village has a great deal to offer tourists and it should work with tour companies to market itself.

"I don't see the residents as being enough support," she said.

There was also discussion on the need for public restrooms and an information center or bulletin board of some sort. Three members of the Village Renaissance Committee were on hand to offer their support and discuss their plans for flower boxes.

It was also suggested the task force look at Chatham and Osterville villages for ideas.

The task force will be meet at 5:30 p.m., April 18, at French Memories.

For more information, contact Dean Rizzo at 383-1994.

At their meeting this week, selectmen said they are supportive of efforts to revitalize the village.

They discussed the possibility of creating a one-way traffic pattern on South Main Street with a traffic loop through the town parking lot. Curbing is needed in front of the Independence Building which houses the Teen Center and selectmen thought parking could be angled differently in the village to improve traffic flow.

Selectmen, who reached a consensus that a village master plan is needed, expressed interest in attending the next task force meeting.

Ambulance billing update

The fire department billed for 19 ambulance transports last month for a total commitment of $6,585.48. The department received $9,038.39 in ambulance bill payments in March. As of April 1, the town has collected $76,696.26 out of a possible $90,774.63 in ambulance bills for a collection rate of 84 percent this fiscal year, which ends June 30.

Turnout is one of the biggest

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race with 1,470.

Roth was second with 1,368.

"I'm very happy, very relieved," Roth said following the results Saturday night.

Gjesteby said Monday she was disappointed and felt the board needed stability. In her nine years, there have been 11 different selectmen, she said.

"I felt the board needed someone with an historical perspective," Gjesteby said.

Richard "Rick" Shea, former chairman of the education foundation, won the open seat on the school committee, handily defeating Border Street resident Keith Knowles and Owen O'Malley of Sohier Street.

Humbled by his win, Shea said he won't forget the more than 50 percent who did not vote for him and would try and represent all citizens.

"I am happy with the school vote," he said about the ballot question. "But the closeness of the vote indicates we must be very careful when we go to vote for any override or capital spending and make our case carefully, making good economic arguments," he said.

Joseph "Joe" Buckley, who is on the Cohasset Elder Affairs board, beat local TV talk-show host Wigmore Pierson and conservation commission secretary Patricia Anne Walsh for the treasurer-collector's position.

Buckley, 73, who is retired, said it was about time he got back to work.

"I always thought it would be nice to retire for a few years and then go back again," he said, noting that he has been spending about 30 hours a week volunteering at the senior center with the SHINE program, which helps seniors wade through the health-care maze.

Terry Atherton, former DPW study committee chairman, was the winner in the planning board race over political newcomer Michael Mullin.

Atherton, who lost a previous run for the planning board, praised Mullin for getting involved and said he was looking forward to making a contribution on the planning board.

Edward "Ted" Guild won another term on the sewer commission surviving a challenge by Summer Street resident Jack Noble.

"I'm looking forward to finishing the job," Guild said about the town's sewer project.

And Cohasset native Richard "Chip" Muncey edged out John Rafferty of Stoneleigh Lane for the open seat on the water commission.

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder said the town made the right decision by passing the school question. A previous override question for a new school and upgrades to the Deer Hill School failed Feb. 10.

"I really want to thank the people," Kidder said. "They made the right decision, we need to do it (build a school)."

He added he was going to "steal" an idea Knowles proposed in the Cohasset Mariner's Question of the Week series and create an ombudsman position on the school board to improve communication.

Town Clerk Marion Douglas — who, with 2,254, was the top vote-getter of the day — said the turnout was 62.6 percent, the largest in at least 15 years. Town elections usually draw between 40 and 50 percent of the voters.

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Citizens sought for train study

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Saying it will provide a chance to solicit more neighborhood input — selectmen will appoint a second committee to address concerns surrounding restoration of the train.

The charge of the new, seven-member "citizens" committee is to solicit through two public forums residents' concerns about safety, aesthetics, traffic flow, and neighborhood- and grade-crossing issues relating to the train and report those findings to the mitigation committee.

The committee is not being created to open up the train debate, selectmen stressed.

Last month, MBTA environmental manager Andrew Brennan suggested the town form a temporary mitigation committee,which will have an interest in how the rail line will be designed, focus on mitigation issues, and consist of public safety officials, department heads, and town board members. This committee — whose comments will be included in the environmental impact report which will be given to the state-appointed Citizens Advisory Committee, representing all towns along the train line, by Labor Day — will formulate a mitigation plan and report to selectmen within about 90 days.

The environmental impact report is prepared by the MBTA and, after review by the Citizens Advisory Committee, is sent to the state secretary of environmental affairs for action.

The Cohasset citizens train committee will report to the town mitigation committee, whose charge includes contacting committees in the other Greenbush towns to deal with those elements they have in common and reviewing the train report , an engineering firm prepared for the town, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

One citizen at large, who will act as chairman of the citizens' committee, will also sit on the mitigation committee. Selectmen do not think having two town committees focusing on the train is redundant. They said the citizens committee will provide a vehicle for more people to get involved. Interested citizens should apply to the selectmen's office by Wednesday, April 17.

Sewer override

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said April 16 is the last day to register to vote for the May 4 special override election on the sewer. The town clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. that day to accommodate citizens who would like to register.

Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild said informational "blue" booklets on the proposed Straits Pond area sewer project are free and are available at the selectmen's office.

The Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion override will allow the town to borrow money to pay for the project, half of which will be covered by betterments assessed to homeowners along the sewer line.

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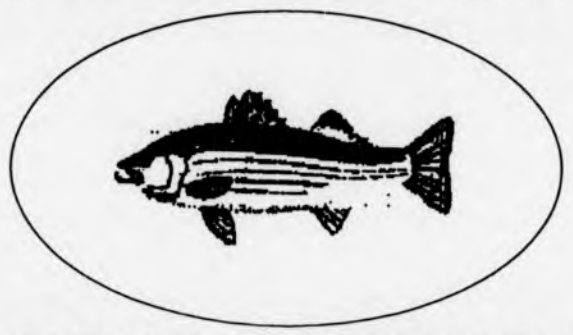

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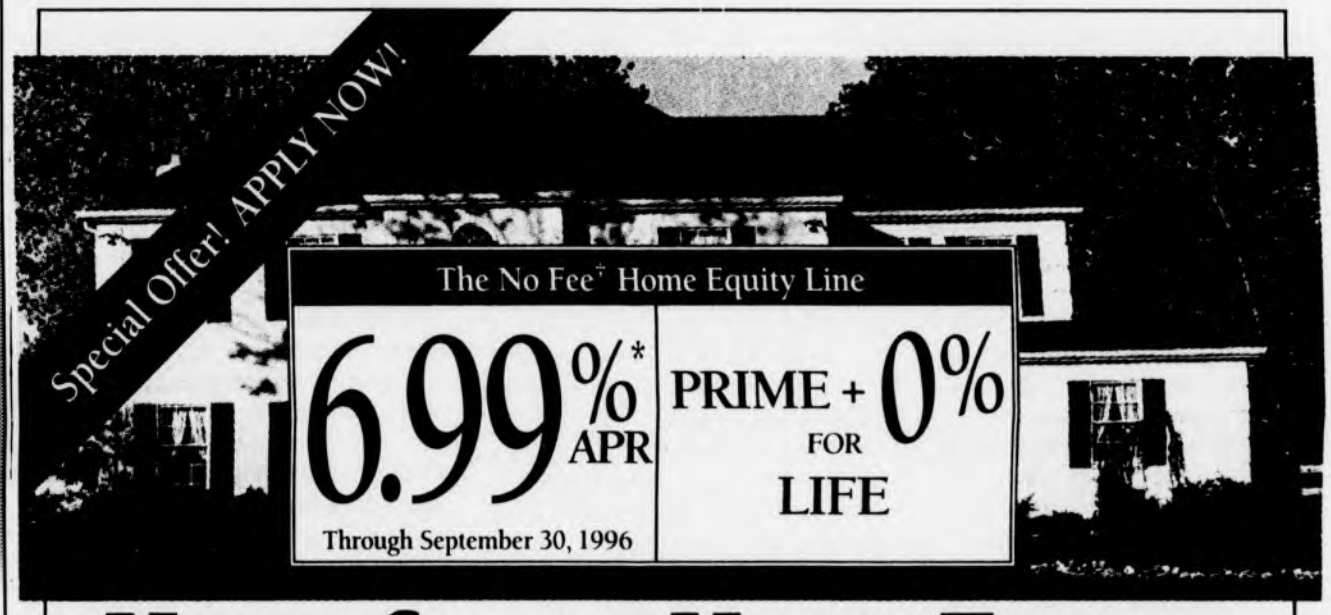

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Cohasset equestrienne competes in Florida horse show

Abby Greer of Cohasset guided Golden Eye, owned by **Amanda Reed** of Norwell, over a jump at the 15th annual "Horse Shows in the Sun" competition at the Ocala, Fla., winter circuit 1996 event. Riders from 29 states and Canada competed at this year's show.

Greer, a riding instructor and horse trainer at River Wind Farm in Pembroke, trains riders and horses at all levels, from beginners of all ages to nationally recognized competitors.

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As we have mentioned in past Around Town columns, there are a lot of Cohasset residents who will be involved in the 100th running of the Boston Marathon, which will take place next week. The **Morse** family, parents **Sam** and **Trish** and their sons, **Dan** and **Nathaniel,** of Cedar Street, are really excited to have a marathon runner staying with them while she trains.

Her name is **Jean Driscoll,** and she has won the Boston marathon six times in the wheelchair division. Jean trains for the event at Wompatuck, which is obviously a grand spot — her record speaks for itself! The reason the Morse family as the honor of Jean staying with them is that Sam's brother is her coach at the University of Illinois. She will speak to students at Deer Hill School while she is staying with the Morses. Perhaps you can ask your student all about her!

In the meantime, you can bet we'll all be watching for you to win again, Jean, and we wish you all the luck that we can muster for the event!

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I had a nice chat with **Barbara Elliot** last week. She is finally pursuing a venture folks have asked her to do for a long time! Barbara is going to hold a dessert and card social on April 17 at 12:30 p.m. at the South Shore Community Center.

Barbara is running the event for the Council on Elder Affairs, but naturally everyone is welcome. She is asking a $5 donation. All who know Barbara know what a great card player she is — lots of "tricks" up her sleeve! And she will even award prizes to the winners! So go and have fun!

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This Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m., there will be a memorial service for **Elizabeth Fink** at Second Congregational Church. Mrs. Fink touched so many lives. She was a first-grade teacher at Osgood School for many years, and her enthusiasm for all that she did was famous — she spread cheer wherever she went. We certainly want to send our respects to her family and friends. She will be missed!

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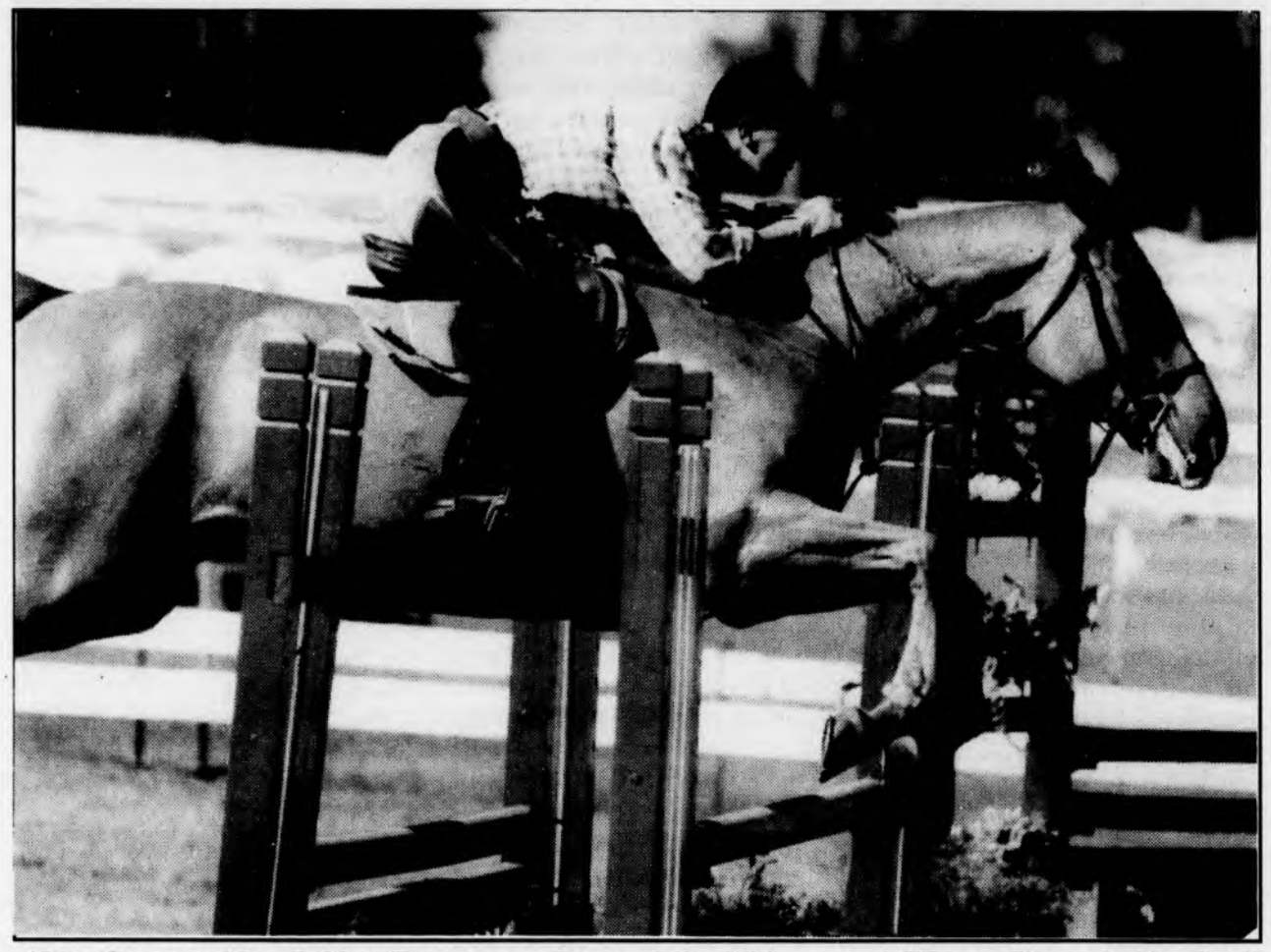
Joe Slotnick ('99) was a member of the 1995-96 Vassar College men's basketball team. The Brewers finished the season winning their last five games, to finish with a 14-win, 10 losses record.

Slotnick had a very productive freshman season, averaging 8.0 points per game. He led the Brewers in rebounding, pulling 9.3 per game, and was ranked 13th nationally for Division III in blocks, at 2.8 per game.



Abby Greer guides Golden Eye over a jump at the 15th annual "Horse Shows in the Sun" competition at the Ocala, Fla., winter circuit 1996 event.

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Thomas M. Greco, son of **Mr. Thomas R. Greco** of Cohasset, has begun his first year at Middlebury College in Vermont. He joins approximately 680 other first-year students to form the Class of 1999 at the liberal arts college. He is one of 95 students entering at the start of the spring term.

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If you have noticed **Jack** and **Anna Maynard** looking especially happy lately, let me tell you the reason why. Her name is **Brittany Amber Gianibas,** born to **Martha** and **Nickolas Gianibas** on March 13 at 4:24 a.m. Brittany, who weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, joins her older sister, **Ashley Nicole,** who is undoubtedly thrilled to have a baby sister! **Margaret Gianibas** is Brittany's paternal grandparent, and she lives in Hull, too! Best of luck to all of you.

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That's the news for this week, except to say that we want to thank all of the people who ran for offices in last week's election — no matter what, you are all winners and have shown exactly how much you care for your town.We also thank all of those who served us in the past, and wish the "newcomers" the best.

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Obituaries

John Antoine

Cohasset High graduate

John "Jack" Antoine, 32, of Cohasset and Long Beach, Calif., died April 2 in his Long Beach home after a long illness.

Born in Cohasset, he graduated from Cohasset High School in 1981. He also attended Eastern Nazarene College in Wollaston. He worked at Nobles Camera Shop in Cohasset while attending high school and college.

Mr. Antoine was an account executive at Tri-Digital Co. in California for six years, and had worked seven years for Continental Airlines.

Mr. Antoine leaves his parents, A.J. and Marjorie (King) Antoine of Cohasset; a brother, Richard E. Antoine of Warner Robins, Ga.; three sisters, Nancy Antoine DiRocco of Milton, Patricia Lyne of Scituate and Jane E. Antoine of Wakefield; his friends, Richard Kesely of California and Ruth Ann Sargent-Ardizzoni of Scituate; a nephew and three nieces.

A memorial Mass was celebrated April 8 at St. Anthony's Church. Burial was private.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Amaryllis Foundation Inc., P.O. Box 269, Marshfield 02025 or to a charity of one's choice.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

Elizabeth J. Fink

Service is Saturday

Elizabeth J. Fink, 73, of Cohasset, died April 1 at South Shore Hospital.

A Cohasset resident for 32 years, she grew up in Oswego, N.Y., where she attended State University College. She studied at Syracuse University and was a graduate of Bridgewater State College.

Mrs. Fink was a first-grade teacher at the Joseph Osgood School for 14 years, and was a member of the Harvard Institute for Learning in Retirement. She maintained an interest in learning throughout her life.

Mrs. Fink was a board member of Cohasset Community Center and was active in several quilting and gardening groups in the area.

She was the wife of Charles Fink and leaves two sons, Peter Fink of Arlington, Va., and Christopher Fink of Winston-Salem, N.C.; four daughters, Elizabeth Maceda of Boise, Id., Martha Palimeri of Durango, Colo., Meredith Stephens of Tyngsboro, Mass. and Susan Seid of Cheyenne, Wy.; three sisters, Barbara Johnson of Anderson, Ind., Margaret Murphy of Hampstead, N.C., Nancy Spang of Southampton, N.J.; a brother, James Mylott of Floral City, Fla.; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Second Congregational Church, Cohasset, Saturday, April 13, at 1 p.m.

Donations in her memory may be made to the American Red Cross, 285 Columbus Ave., Boston 02116.

Arrangements were made by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

Gerard J. Stanton

World War II veteran

Gerard J. Stanton, 79, of Cohasset, died March 28.

Mr. Stanton was born Aug. 16, 1916, the son of Joseph and Lazanni (Martin) Stanton of Boston and Ocean Bluffs, Mass. He attended Boston English High School.

He was employed as chief estimator of Mass. Electric Construction Co. until his retirement in 1980.

Mr. Stanton was an avid sailor and yachtsman who sailed with Sterling Hayden on around-the-world expeditions. He was co-founder and past commodore of the Cohasset Sailing Club.

He served with the U.S.Navy Ship Repair Unit with the Pacific Fleet during World War II.

Mr. Stanton was a former sewer commissioner for the Town of Cohasset and a member of the Knights of Columbus and Saint Anthony Parish.

He was the husband of Katherine F. (Magullion) Stanton, whom he married in 1944. They celebrated their 52nd anniversary on Feb. 5 of this year.

Mr. Stanton also leaves two sons, Gerard J. Stanton Jr. of Des Moines, Ia. and Robert Stanton of Cohasset; two daughters, Katherine Stanton Barker of Framingham and Mary Stanton Hynes of Southboro; a brother, Joseph V. Stanton of Virginia; and six grandchildren. He was the brother of the late Helen A. Stanton.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated March 31 in St. Anthony Church, Cohasset.

Donations in his memory may be made to: The South Shore Visiting Nurses Association, Coastal Office, 155 Webster St., Hanover 02339, or the Cohasset Sailing Club, Cohasset 02025.

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EDITORIAL

Town meeting

Before angry citizens throw the baby out with the bath water — we'll say from the outset that we think town meeting is still a healthy way to govern and deserves to be saved.

We don't agree that the town should be governed solely by elected officials like most towns are in other parts of the country are.

But town meeting is far from perfect as evidenced by what happened at both sessions of our recent town meeting.

For those who didn't attend or tune in — a horde of impatient and enthusiastic parents (who brought their children along) — tried to stop debate on the new school during the first session of town meeting. After a plea from school officials, the motion failed and debate continued for a short time, but not long enough to give opponents or fence sitters a fair forum to question and air their objections to the project.

Nevertheless, a motion was made to reconsider so the school article came up again during the continuation of town meeting the following Monday.

This time the school committee and school facilities committee urged that the vote to reconsider not pass. The advisory board asked that the school be reconsidered so discussion and debate could continue. The motion to reconsider failed – and hundreds of parents (with children in tow) again made a hasty and noisy exit.

Some said they were so upset by the discourteous and disrespectful behavior shown by some school supporters that they'd have to vote against the school.

We sincerely hope those people reconsidered and voted for the project on its merits.

And while we'd love for hundreds of citizens to attend every town meeting and stay through discussion on all the articles — that's not going to happen.

We agree with Town Moderator George Marlette, who says he's not opposed to having a few interested citizens get on with the routine business while others drop in when an article is of particular interest to them.

And we also agree with the many citizens who felt the proponents' behavior was rude, especially toward those who didn't share their enthusiasm for the new school.Those who behaved badly should remember that everyone in town will be paying for the school and with the slim 80-vote margin of victory in Saturday's election, their attitude could have lost the project.

The school committee said it will work toward educating parents on town meeting etiquette. We'd also like to see town meeting appreciation start earlier with attendance being a requirement in history or government classes for high school students.

Thanks, Martha

Former selectman Martha Gjesteby didn't get a town meeting resolution and standing ovation this time around — like former selectman Jane Goedecke, school committee member Nancy Sandell, zoning board chairman Myrna Putziger, town counsel Richard Henderson and treasurer-collector Betty Ripley did — because she wasn't planning to step down.

Mrs. Gjesteby finished a close third in a four-way race for two seats on the board of selectman Saturday and lost her bid for a fourth term.

We will miss Mrs. Gjesteby who has been a great friend of the press — and therefore *your* right to know.

We wish her the best and hope she stays involved on at least some of the innumerable state and regional boards on which she provides a voice for Cohasset.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stop town meeting mob rule

To the Editor:

I have participated in the legislative process of the Cohasset town meeting for more than 30 years. Never in all of those years have I witnessed the desecration of the principles of responsible town government that has been occurring recently.

We are witnessing an unfortunate phenomenon whereby the proponents of a particular article march in a large rowdy crowd of supporters, who clearly have no interest, understanding, or respect, for the serious legislative process that takes place in our town meeting. This crowd is then used to pack the house and strong-arm the issue through our legislative body. As soon as the vote is taken, the unruly crowd marches out and is soon replaced by another similar crowd brought in for a subsequent issue.

This sad situation is further compounded by the high-handed tactics that are used to muzzle responsible discussion of the issues that are so essential to responsible stewardship of our legislative process. This became painfully apparent Saturday afternoon (March 30) during consideration of the $9.89 million Joseph Osgood school replacement article. After this article was prefaced by an hour-long presentation by the proponents of this measure, who assert that we are suddenly faced with such a burgeoning school population and such an unsafe school structure that we must immediately begin construction of a new school, long before state aid for this endeavor becomes available and regardless of the devastating near term consequences to our town's tax rate.

Immediately after the proponents completed their presentation there was a call for the question. Recognizing that such blatant strong-armed tactics would be devastating to the override vote this coming Saturday, there was a 45-minute hiatus which was finally resolved by the proponents agreeing to allow other citizens to be heard on this matter.

As an individual who has spent many years in the field of educational data analysis, I rose to address the town about the detailed facts concerning the history of our school population, its relation to both the state and city birth rate and the effects of migration into and out of the town on our school population. My credentials in this field can be summarized by the fact that Chester Finn and Diane Ravitch, who, respectively, were the Deputy Secretary of Education under William Bennett and Lamar Alexander, chose me to do the data analysis for their book entitled "What Your 17-Year-Olds Know?".

When I got up to speak, the din in the room, after the 45-minute hiatus, was so great that it was virtually impossible to speak. The moderator failed to bring the meeting to order. The lights were not dimmed, as they were for other speakers, so my view graphs were literally unreadable by most of the audience. Six minutes into my presentation the town moderator called out from the side of the room that I was to "wind it up," and I was unable to present the second half of my data showing that migration into and out of Cohasset had left our elementary school population virtually unchanged over the past 10 years.

Supt. Hart was then given the floor where for three minutes he attacked my conclusions by asserting that the population of school age children in Cohasset had increased over the past 10 years, a fact that was clearly contained in my earlier presentation, but conveniently ignored the fact that by 1994 the state birthing rate had already dropped 10 percent from its peak in 1990 and that our entering school population will continue to drop until about 2008. He also quoted the assertions of "unnamed experts" who, apparently based on growth in the greater Boston area, concluded that Cohasset's school population would increase. He further asserted that the real culprit was migration of families into Cohasset. When I rose to challenge those assertions with facts derived from 10 years of past history of our Cohasset school system, the town moderator rolled up the view graph screen and I was not allowed to present this data.

The resolution that had been prepared to delay construction of the new school until state funding becomes available, which was given to the town moderator prior to the lunch break, with the stipulation that it would be introduced subsequent to the presentation of the material on which it was based, was effectively thwarted by a second call for the question from which there was no reprieve.

Although the desperate attempts of the proponents of this article, to suppress reasoned discussion of the issues surrounding the construction of the new school, raise serious questions concerning the validity of their rush to judgment on this matter, it must be recognized that there is a far more important issue at stake here. The very foundations of the legislative process involving rational debate and reasoned compromise, that were set in place by our founding fathers, are currently under the attack of mob rule. Hopefully the larger body of our citizens will recognize that if proponents of issues who employ these tactics are allowed to succeed in their endeavors, we will forever destroy the unique governing process that has so successfully served our country and our beautiful town for over two centuries.

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Town Election results

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Martha K. Gjesteby	623	612	**1235**
Robert V. Davenport	237	372	**609**
Roseanne M. McMorris	**708**	**762**	**1470**
Nancy A. Roth	**812**	**556**	**1368**
Roy Fitzsimmons		1	**1**
Blanks	836	834	**1670**
MODERATOR – 3 years, vote for one			
George L. Marlette, III	**1162**	**1072**	**2234**
Roy Fitzsimmon		1	**1**
Baressi		1	**1**
Blanks	454	500	**954**
TOWN CLERK – 3 years, vote for one			
Marion L. Douglas	**1120**	**1134**	**2254**
Blanks	496	438	**934**
TREASURER/COLLECTOR – 3 years, vote for one			
Joseph D. Buckley	**897**	**877**	**1774**
Wigmore A. Pierson	318	309	**627**
Patricia Anne Walsh	216	219	**435**
Blanks	182	163	**345**
SCHOOL COMMITTEE – 3 years, vote for one			
Keith F. Knowles	267	331	**598**
Owen L. O'Malley	292	319	**611**
Richard P. Shea	**771**	**589**	**1360**
Blanks	274	324	**598**
TRUSTEE Paul Pratt Library – 3 years, vote for three			
Sheila S. Evans	**965**	**876**	**1841**
Doris R. McNulty	**861**	**788**	**1649**
Roger L. Lowe	**819**	**743**	**1562**
Blanks	2203	2309	**4512**
ASSESSOR – 3 years, vote for one			
James W. Lagrotteria	**1094**	**1049**	**2143**
Blanks	522	523	**1045**
BOARD OF HEALTH – 3 years, vote for one			
Kevin M. Ulmer	**1134**	**1046**	**2180**
Blanks	482	526	**1068**
COHASSET HOUSING AUTHORITY – 5 years, vote for one			
John D. Muncey	**1125**	**1127**	**2252**
Blanks	491	445	**936**
PLANNING BOARD – 5 years, vote for one			
Terry J. Atherton	**750**	**815**	**1565**
Michael Mullin	358	274	**632**
Blanks	508	481	**989**
RECREATION COMMISSION – 5 years, vote for one			
Thomas Wigmore	**1067**	**1084**	**2151**
Blanks	549	488	**1037**
SEWER COMMISSIONER – 3 years, vote for one			
Edward M. Guild	**844**	**709**	**1552**
Jack L. Noble	455	536	**991**
Blanks	317	327	**644**
WATER COMMISSIONER – 3 years, vote for one			
Richard D. Muncey	**535**	**751**	**1286**
John P. Rafferty	643	459	**1102**
Blanks	438	360	**798**
PROP. 2-1/2 DEBT EXCLUSION			
Yes	**868**	**706**	**1574**
No	692	802	**1494**

Mullin thanks campaign supporters

To the Editor:

Thank you to everyone who voted for me in Saturday's election. I appreciate the support.

Although I didn't win, the whole campaign process was educational and a very positive experience.

Congratulations to Terry Atherton and the other winners — may they serve our town well!

Mike Mullin
14 Lamberts Lane
Cohasset

Delahunt to meet with Cohasset Dems

William D. Delahunt, District Attorney of Norfolk County and candidate for the Democratic nomination for the 10th Congressional District seat being vacated by Gerry E. Studds, will speak to the Cohasset Democratic Town Committee at their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 16, at 8 p.m.

The group will meet at the Unitarian Parish House on North Main Street, and all interested Democrats are invited to attend.

'Myths dispelled, fear quieted'

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

The School Committee, the School Facilities Committee and the PSO have gotten what they wanted at the election Saturday, April 6, which is a new Osgood School to be built immediately.

In order to "come together and heal the wounds" it is important that the myths are dispelled and the fears quieted.

The present Osgood School is not the hazardous fire trap as it was portrayed. It is a structurally sound building that has direct outside access to most of the rooms in the building. Even the library/computer lab in the basement has an outside door. It takes 90 seconds to evacuate the entire building. There is no chance in the world that it will become another "Coconut Grove." Parents can send their children there with the full confidence of their predecessors that they are in a safe, conducive environment.

The building is very well constructed. It can have a sprinkler system installed, the age of the building has nothing to do with installation. The Red Lion Inn, which is considerably older, is being mandated to have one installed. Also, there is 440 electrical service, not 110 as stated.

The fear of a great population growth is not accurate. As Dr. Quelle tried to indicate through his research to the town meeting members, the birth rates are plateauing, then will start on a downward trend. Experts in the field concur that the small baby boom we have recently seen is not going to continue. On the other end of the system, we have seen an increase from 12 percent to 20 percent of students leaving at the high school level to enter private school.

There is a question on the funds needed for the sewer/septic system with the new school. Part of this cost was taken out of the original project in January and never added in for March. Plus we do not know anything about the wetlands in the area and if any playing fields can be built.

The financing will be a hardship to a number of households. It will mean an additional tax payment of several hundred dollars a year, for an unknown number of years, on top of the large debt service that we have been accruing. For FY97, our debt service has increased 142 percent. This means that all of the times in the last few years that overrides were passed, some of them are now going to hit the tax bills. Just because we voted "yes" for something at a town meeting, it did not mean that the item was automatically included in the following tax bill. We have more than $7 million of "yeas" that we have not been billed for.

The taxpayers group is not against sound educational programs. We are for sound financial planning of submitting the application in June, then waiting to begin construction until our position on the list comes closer to the top before we incur more debt to the town. We have not seen what we are building, we do not know what problems we will come upon in the wetlands, and with the legislative action last week we cannot guess when the state will begin repayment.

Leonora C. Jenkins
Co-chair, Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers

Town meeting behavior decried

To the Editor:

While hundreds of us sat through six-plus hours of the Town Meeting to hear the issues to include Article 15, the $9,890,000 Osgood School Replacement, most of the school supporters waited until that article and then arrived by the carloads. I had just voted to approve Article 14 to make sure that those who had loaned $180,000 to keep the school project alive didn't lose their money (even though I felt that the entire maneuver was illegal).

Then the democratic process fell apart because of these one-issue neophytes. Even the school committee and facility persons were appalled that their supporters made an immediate motion to suppress all discussion and vote Article 15.

They got their two-thirds discussion closure vote and I, as well as many others, left in disgust. Since the previous Special Town Meeting, Flansburg Associates (the engineers) had learned a lot and I needed to know: a. did their recent engineering work confirm current estimates, or, escalate or lower them; b. was it wise and necessary to spend $100,000+ on a temporary fire alarm system for the Osgood and would an on-site septic system have to be built at $250,000+ only to be replaced by a sewer hook-up within two years; c. had any improvements been made in efforts to time-phase the financial impact; d. did the PK-6 alternative look like it would save +/- their previously estimated $1,000,000?

Town officials bent over backwards to insert the $180,000 article and put Article 15 on the ballot only two months after a Special Town Meeting.

This behavior is inexcusable.

Joseph R. McElroy
Windy Hill Rd.

Contributions funded artist's arrival

To the Editor:

We at Deer Hill wish to extend our heartfelt thanks for the enthusiastic and extremely generous financial support offered us by these three organizations.

Having received over $1,000.00 in state and local grants for a residency with dancer/choreographer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser, we were still faced with a daunting $2,500.00 to be raised in order to fund our project.

The CEF, Diversity Committee and the Cohasset PSO came to our assistance and funded the balance.

This program will touch and enrich the lives of all Deer Hill students and we are very excited about bringing Nikki Hu to the community.

We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you for your generous support.

Ann Berman
Deer Hill Art Teacher

Ruth Fennessey
Curriculum Coordinator

Election support is appreciated

To the Editor:

First of all I want to thank Gerard Keating, my chairman, and Ray Buckley, my treasurer, for all their help in my recent election. I would like to also mention by name everyone who helped me by making calls, working at the poles and all the other numerous ways, but I know I would forget someone. So please accept my heartfelt thanks. How about all those people who came out to vote for me? I appreciate each and every one of you.

Mary, Molly, Tanna and your respective newspapers did a fantastic piece of work supplying such fine and equal coverage to all the contestants. Thank you all.

I would also thank my opponents, Pat Walsh and Wigmore Pierson, for their fair and honest campaign. I started two months ago with two people I knew of, but did not know. I now have two very fine new friends. Saturday was tiring but we had some laughs on Social Security Row (a remark someone made as they passed us).

The people of Cohasset are great and if you give a little they return a lot.

Joe Buckley
28 Linden Dr.

More letters page 12

Ronnie says thanks for support

To the Editor:

I want to thank everyone who supported me in the election last Saturday. The experience of meeting such a wide range of people who are knowledgeable about the issues facing our town will be extremely helpful to me as a selectman.

I am also grateful to the Mariner for allowing the candidates to discuss issues in print for the weeks prior to the election. It gives voters a chance to review the material at their convenience.

I want to continue to hear from you, the citizens of Cohasset as I serve as your selectman.

Ronnie McMorris
89 Doane St.

Jane Goedecke says thanks to all

To the Editor:

As I leave local public service after 11 years I would like everyone in Cohasset to know how much I appreciate having had the opportunity to serve on the Advisory Committee and the Board of Selectmen. I have met and worked with wonderful, committed people. I have gotten to know and admire our hard-working town employees. I have seen confirmed over and over again why this is a great place to live. My advice to the young or more recently arrived residents is to get involved in the civic life of Cohasset. It will enrich the town and it will enrich your own lives even more.

Not many people get sung to on their birthday by several hundred people...certainly a life experience I shall never forget!

Thank you all.

Jane 0. Goedecke
100 Nichols Rd.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Make up of committee to study open space discussed

Conservation Commission member Susan Cope will take back to her board, the selectmen's recommendation that a member of the watershed protection committee serve on the new open space planning committee.

The new committee, with the help of a professional planner authorized by town meeting, will come up with a draft open space/recreational town-wide plan by October with the final report due in June 1997.

Last week, town meeting authorized spending up to $12,000 for professional services to assist with preparation of the plan. Once the plan is in place, the town can apply for state grants to purchase open space and recreational land, such as "Turkey Hill" off Rte. 3A, The town, along with Hingham, intends to buy "Turkey Hill," parts of which are in both towns. Several private groups are also participating in paying for the parcel which will be managed by the Trustees of Reservations, the private conservation group which also owns Worlds End and Thayer and Whitney Woods Reservation.

Road race help appreciated

Dear Editor:

We of the Cohasset Rotary Club wish to express our gratitude to all those who provided generous support for the 20th anniversary running of the Cohasset Road Race-by-the-Sea. The weather was magnificent. The fun walk was great. A record 931 runners competed in the road race in our beautiful town.

Without the assistance and support of the local and regional volunteers the race could not have been run. The Town of Cohasset did a marvelous job to coordinate and prepare the town after such a brutal winter. The South Shore Community Center was very supportive. Many local and regional businesses lent their sponsorship, for which we are extremely grateful. To the many other friends who provided help, thanks. Special thanks go to the race co-chair, Roy Fitzsimmons.

Without all of you, we could not have done it.

Thomas L. Gruber
Cohasset Rotary Club
Cohasset Road Race-by-the Sea Co-chairman

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Private school bus service mulled

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Bus driver and advisory board input will play a role in the school committee's decision whether or not to privatize some bus routes.

Superintendent of Schools Stephen Hart and school committee members have been meeting with bus drivers and the advisory board in recent weeks to decide what would be the best route for the town.

At the town meeting on March 30 Janet Figueiredo, who has driven a bus in town for 28 years, spoke out about the negative impact a private company would have on the bus drivers.

If a company is contracted it would hire Cohasset bus drivers as part of the agreement, but there would be some differences.

"There would be a loss of benefits, a cut in pay," Figueiredo said earlier this week. "The only way a contractor can be cheaper is to cut expenses."

The contracts were again sent out to bid, and are due at the end of April, but the criteria remains essentially the same.

The committee is looking into a variety of options that may reduce the cost of the in-house service. One suggestion is keeping a bus for eight years instead of six.

"We've been talking to the superintendent," Figueiredo said. "Basically, we've gotten our point across and I'm a little bit encouraged."

If decided upon, the contractor would serve the regular, kindergarten, late and athletics routes while the in-house service would pick up special needs busing and accessory routes.

The cost for the combination system, with the figures from previous bids, would be approximately $176,000. If the town remained with the in-house system it would cost approximately $212,000.

The main reason for the cost increase revolves around higher capital costs (the buses) and increased insurance costs.

If the combination route is chosen a $90,000 article for a new bus would also be dropped.

"We are looking at services, we have not closed any doors," said School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder.

Figueiredo, one of six full-time bus drivers, said that she hopes the system remains as is.

She added that the personalized service the in-house program offers is worth the extra cost.

The bus drivers take the nursery school students on a tour so they will be ready for kindergarten.

At the end of the tour Figueiredo tells the students, 'Look for me (in September.) I'll be there and it won't be so strange.'

Figueiredo also said that the drivers will do an extra route every once awhile, at no cost.

Parents have been calling up, mostly at the elementary level, praising the bus drivers. The parents appreciate the close relationship the bus drivers have with them and their children.

Parents have also said that Cohasset doesn't have the problems other towns do with children being left on buses.

In other business, the school committee:

*Thanked School Committee Member Nancy Sandell for all her hard work over the last nine years on the committee. Thursday was her last meeting.

"She has been an inspiration to me, " said Hart. "(Sandell) has shown a dogged determination to look at the best interests of the (schools), not at what might cause the least disruption in the status quo."

Sandell took the opportunity to thank her fellow school committee members.

"It really has been a pleasure to serve with all of you," she said. "(You are) all working towards a common goal none of you with your own agendas... continue your role as an advocate for the children of Cohasset

"I think we've accomplished so much in nine years," she added.

* Heard a presentation by Hart outling the five calender choices for the 1996-97 school year.

In a nutshell, the differences in the calenders are the beginning of the year starting before or after Labor Day; Christmas vacation being a full two weeks — the students coming back on Jan 6, or the students coming back on Thursday Jan 2; and the closing date of school.

If the pre-Labor Day route combined with the shorter Christmas vacation is chosen students will get out on June 12, with five snow days it would be June 19.

Other choices push back the June date — the latest being June 25, which would be June 30 with five snow days.

February, starting the 17th, and April, starting the 21st, vacations will be reinstated for the 1996-97 school year.

Hart said that educators generally advocate ending the year early in June.

If teachers support the idea of returning to school before Labor Day parents and students will be surveyed as to what they prefer.

Last May there was some public outcry about the traditional vacation schedule being changed to a single vacation in March.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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School News

CHS social awareness group sponsors a Filipino child

By HOLLY BRENNOCK
Special to the Mariner

It is disturbing to know there are people in the world who are struggling to survive. The Social Awareness Organization of Cohasset High School is taking on a new challenge by sponsoring a child from the Philippines. Nine-year-old Jael Tambis has hopes of becoming a teacher. SAO members are working to help make that dream come true.

Jael's family of eight is supported by carpentry, and her family isn't wealthy. Metro Manila, the community where she lives, is congested due a lack of drainage and toilets. It is difficult for slum families like Jael's to afford basic utilities.

Her health is fair, considering her environment. Through collections made during school lunches, the SAO is raising money to help fulfill some of Jael's needs, and students are writing letters to her. Helping one child is just as propitious as helping many — it can still make a difference.

Social Service League scholarship is offered

The Social Service League of Cohasset is accepting applications for a $1500 scholarship being offered to any Cohasset resident furthering his or her education in the medical or social work field.

Application forms are available from the league office at 16 Highland Ave. weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. or at Cohasset High School. Applications must be returned by April 12. For more information, call 383-0771.

School screening is today

In accordance with Section 306.1 of the Massachusetts Special Education Law (Chapter 766), Cohasset Public Schools will conduct a screening program for children who will reach the age of five on or before Sept. 1, 1996.

The entry screening program will take place at Osgood School on April 11. Contact the school secretary at Osgood, 383-6117, for more information.

Parenting workshop set

The second of two Pre-school Parenting Workshops is being offered in the pink room next to the bowling lane at the Cohasset Community Center on April 16, from 12:45 to 2 p.m.

"Methods of Effective Discipline" will be discussed on April 16.

The sorkshop is open to any Cohasset parent of pre-school-aged or younger children and will be led by Frank Fitzgerald, adjustment counselor at Osgood School.

"Parenting Young Children" by Dinkmeyer and McKay will be utilized during the workshop. The book is available at Buttonwood bookstore. Some limited free child care slots are available for three to six year olds. To register, call 383-6117.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/Kara Johansen

In all my 26 years of teaching, I have never met nor expect to meet again a person who has affected me and this school community as much as my nominee has. Quietly and effectively she has shaped and changed the views of the entire school towards people with differences. She is a shining star on dark nights. She says more with her eyes than any written or spoken word could begin to. She is an honors student overcoming obstacle after obstacle to achieve this marvelous goal. She is a true friend to her classmates who love, care for and protect her. She is a strong advocate for herself and others who are sometimes overlooked and discriminated against. She is a doer and an achiever. She does all of these things from the constraints that God has given her.

Whenever I am feeling sorry for myself, or I feel I just can't achieve what I am trying to achieve, I think of my nominee and that ever-contagious smile. I just shake my head and plug on as I know she would. As a teacher, I am supposed to be a molder of young men and women. It is rare after so long a career to find someone who affects you as much as you try to affect them. My nominee is such a person, and for all these reasons and thousands more that are too numerous to mention, I nominate Kara Johansen as not only student of the month, but my choice as the student of my career.

— Mr. Cisneros, science teacher

I would like to recommend Kara Johansen for her positive attitude and consistently good performance. Kara, under the most difficult circumstances, always gives 100 percent. In the classroom, Kara is a very active participant. Outside the classroom, she is a fun-loving, generous young lady. Kara is always willing to share a ride on the roller coaster with a friend or a TV program hosted by Alan Alda showing the world how she communicates. Her personal experiences have made her a very compassionate person. It has been a great joy to have Kara as a student.

— Miss Beaston, math teacher

Kara Johansen

Scholarships are available

Academic-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for one academic year of study abroad. Multi-year Ambassadorial Scholarships are awarded for two or three years of specific degree-oriented study abroad, and Cultural Ambassadorial Scholarships are offered for three or six months of intensive language study and cultural immersion in another country.

Students who have completed at least two years of college study and are interested in pursuing study abroad may contact Peter Pearce at (617) 946-4200 for details and an application.

Building bridges across subject areas

100 fourth-graders participate in interdisciplinary project

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

When fourth-grade teacher Dorothy McDonald told her classes that they were going to do an extra-curricular unit on bridges it sounded interesting.

Then she said they were going to use pre-algebraic formulas, figure out how much weight certain types of briges could hold and work on vertices and edges of polyhedrons. They were even going to construct their own bridges

Some of the students got a little worried.

"I thought it was going to be the hardest project in the world," said Emily Simmons, a fourth-grader.

When the five-month unit ended in February not only did the students emerge unscathed, they also had a great time.

"It was kind of hard, but it got to be easy," said fourth-grader Reed Smith .

His classmate, Alicia Sanchez, agreed.

"It was fun and you learned a lot," she said.

All disciplines, including physical education where students built a human bridge, were incorporated into the unit.

"I really designed this as if they were all gifted," said McDonald.

The culmination of the unit was on Feb. 28 when parents were invited to the school to see what the 100 fourth-graders had learned.

There were various displays set up where students explained to parents why certain bridges, ones with triangular supports, were sturdier than others.

The students, who were all dressed "groovy", also sang the 59th Street Bridge for the audience.

McDonald said that parents were thrilled with the sophistication of the students' accomplishments, and the fact that students worked in teams on certain projects.

Sanchez said that working in teams required cooperation, and everyone discussing something until it was agreed upon.

Another aspect of the project that students enjoyed was the hands-on experience.

"When she first told us about (the unit)
it was really cool because we weren't doing it out of the book," said Craig Laugelle, a fourth-grader.

"My favorite part was building the bridges," added Smith.

Sixth-grade peer leaders were also involved in helping the fourth-graders with some tougher concepts.

Two parents donated their time to paint a bridge, based on Monet's work, over the classroom door.

Four fourth-graders at Deer Hill display the bridges they constructed as part of a special project in Mrs. McDonald's classes.

Teachers were also impressed with the unit.

"Your an inspiration for us all to try more innovative ideas," said one teacher of McDonald's work.

Even without all the positive feedback, McDonald said she would continue doing an extra-curricular unit.

"I think choosing a theme and writing an interdisplinary unit is absolutely essential," she said.

Mariner Sports

At home in the water

Individual swimmers have shining season

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset High swim squad may not have had a world-beating record, but what the Skippers lacked in overall team depth they more than made up for in raw talent. And it's that ability head coach Liz Buckley sees as a vital cog in a solid future for the program.

"The swimmers were very dedicated and we have some talent coming back next season," Buckley said.

Co-captains Lauren DeVito and Jamie Kondrat both had superb seasons, capped by being named to the South Shore League All-Star team. DeVito qualified for South Sectional meet and the states in both the 500- and 200-meter freestyle events, while Kondrat put together strong races in both events on the men's side.

Diver Maura Duffy made an immediate impact this season with a fifth-place finish in the South Sectionals. Only an eighth-grader, Duffy went on to the All-State meet where she gained invaluable experience that will only help her in the coming seasons.

"She has a great future in diving," Buckley said, "and Maura is also great in the backstroke."

Along with DeVito and Duffy, the Skippers sent four other swimmers to the South Sectionals. Eighth-grader Alison Berg qualified in the 500 freestyle and individual medley, while Ashley Brister, Kate Stone and Meagan Leahy all swam together in two relay races. Berg also qualified for the state meet in the 500 freestyle as a result of her showing in the sectionals.

The boys breastroke was the most competitive event on the squad as Pat Leahy — named co-captain of next year's team along with Brister — John Crowley and Meagan Leahy touched the wall nearly simultaneously in a handful of meets.

"All of their times were just hundredths of seconds apart," Buckley said.

The Skippers will get an added boost when Derek Bugley becomes eligible to swim next season. Bugley transferred back to the high school after attending private school, but was ineligible to compete. However, Bugley was visible all season as he attended all of Cohasset's meets.

Jen Meehan, Kelly Straughn and Jessica Neisink all improved steadily as the season continued, and will be key members of the squad next season.

Laxmen blitz Walpole in opener

Several years from now the Walpole High lacrosse team's coaching staff will look back to its inaugural game against Cohasset and wince. Then the coaches will move on quickly to the squad's first win and reminisces about that contest with smiles on their faces.

There was nothing to smile about for the Rebels as the Skippers welcomed them to the rigors of varsity play with a 13-2 thrashing.

Cohasset was never threatened in its strong start to the season as nine different players scored and the defense limited Walpole to just nine shots on goaltenders Ely Kahn and Bob Stansell, who shared the duties in net for Cohasset.

Co-captain Ken Leahy got his season off on the right foot with a hat trick, while sophomore attackman Jamie Buick racked up five points with a pair of goals and three assists. Co-captain Chris McKenna struck for two goals, while Andy Collins fired home a goal and assisted on another. Kevin Smith, Dave Noble, Ed Hamilton, Adam Donovan and Eric Moore all registered single tallies and midfielder Matt O'Connor set up a pair of goals.

"We played well," said head coach Ken Ekberg of his Cohasset squad. "The tests are ahead, however.

The Skippers were expected to play Sandwich on April 9, but the snowstorm cancelled Thursday's contest against South Division foe Weymouth. Cohasset is scheduled to travel to Brookline for a non-league match on April 17.

Motley stars in lacrosse debut

The first girls lacrosse game played by a Cohasset High squad is now in the record books. And it wasn't a bad way to get the program off its feet.

The Lady Skippers matched Cape Cod Academy goal for goal on April 3, to finish with a 6-6 tie. Head coach Cory Mundhenk's squad received superb performances from junior Kathy Fitzsimmons, sophomore goalie Ali Kinchla and seventh-grader Sarah Motley, who drove home a

4th annual 10K road race June 23

The Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce and All Cape Health Care of Bourne, the premier sponsor, will hold the Fourth Annual Cape Cod Canal 10K Road Race/Run and Walk June 23, beginning at 10 a.m.

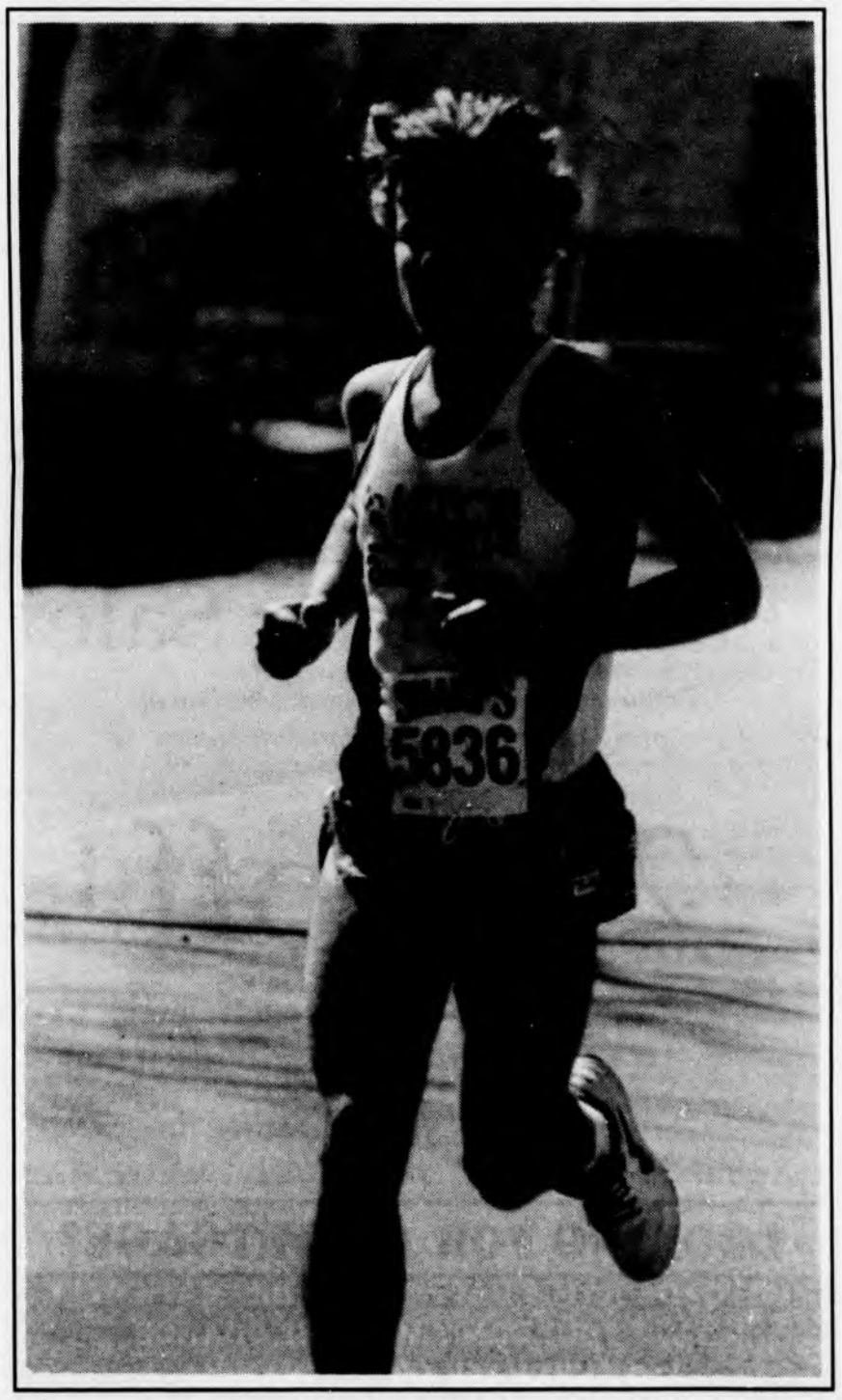
The 10 kilometer (6.2 miles) course starts at the Scusset Beach end of the canal. Participants will race along the paved road that parallels the canal to the finish at the railroad bridge in Buzzards Bay. Three water stations will be provided along the route.

Parking is available at the Cape Cod Canal Region Chamber of Commerce's office, adjacent to the railroad bridge. A shuttle will operate from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., to transport participants from the parking area to the starting line.

Trophies and $100 cash prizes will go to the first female and male finishers overall in the three categories, Run, Walk, and Wheelchair. Medals will be awarded to the first three female and male finishers in each division. The divisions are as follows: Juniors (under 18); Open (18-29); Sub-Master (30-39); Master (40-49); Senior (50-59); Veteran (60+); and Wheelchair. Prizes will be awarded for categories with three or more competitors.

Registration starts April 15. The entry fee prior to June 7 is $10; thereafter the fee is $12. Free T-shirts to the first 250 pre-registered entrants.

For further registration information call the chamber office at (508) 759-6000.



A runner pushes hard for the finish line in the Cohasset Road Race By the Sea 10K.

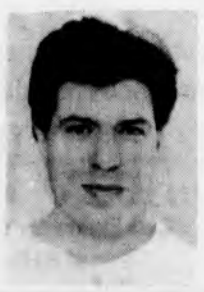
Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Boston plays the massive numbers game

When the gun sounds at high noon on Monday for the 100th running of the Boston Marathon, local communities will be well represented in the massive official field of 37,500 entrants. Chances are good that the 10,000-15,0000 unofficial runners expected to show up for the 26.2-miler from Hopkinton to the Prudential Center will include a fair share of South Shore marathoners.

Hanover runners who will be sporting numbers include Rob Finnigan, Mark Deasy, Steve Milton, Rob Bowles, Jim Pearson, Liz Taylor, Brad Powers, Pat L 'Italien, Julie Remondini and Carole Valair. Abington will have James Slattery, Wayne Smith, Chris Burgess, Steve Coleman, Joe D'Antonio, Catherine Donovan, Paul Donovan, Fran Hagerty, Paula Hagerty and Chris Lamb toeing the line on Main Street. Rockland has a formidable field in Gerard Fanning, Andy Bartczak, Mark O'Reilly, Frank Sicarini and Sue Simmons. The Cohasset locals will be trading their training along tranquil roads to racing in front of an estimated crowd of 1,500,000. The seaside entrants include Kerry Kates, Frank Wallingford, Matt Steele, Liam O'Connell, Geoff Nothnagle, Bruce McMeekin, Ken Warner, Mark Chase, Mary Algier, Don DeMichele, Richard Anderson, Dan DeMichele, Mike Kennedy, Jane Lanzillotti, Kurt Devries and Joanne Cannon-Hill.



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This year's race, more than any other in history, has revolved around the massive numbers involved. And they don't just include the amount of runners who will be lining up behind the starting line.

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Mariner Sports

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There are behind-the-scenes statistics that boggle the mind.

*The race could potentially reach 120,000,000 households worldwide.

*Police along the course will be plentiful with 1,200 uniformed officers, 600 State Police troopers, 60 motorcycle police and 800 members of the National Guard.

*The marathon committee is especially concerned about the well-being of the runners after they cross the finish line. For that reason 2,300 medical personnel will be working hard on Monday. Add the 190 massage therapists, 122 physical therapists, 158 trainers, 12 chiropractors and 162 podiatrists and the runners should have more than enough attention coming their way if they run into problems.

*The medical personnel will have plenty of supplies to work with, starting with 5,000 bags of ice, 725 stretchers, 75,000 blankets, 9,000 tongue depressors, 400 sick bags, 400 ace bandages, 19,800 gauze pads, 4,000 adhesive bandages, 225 rolls of moleskin, 200 bars of surgical soap, 13,000 tubes of petroleum jelly. 7,500 band aids, 1,200 towels, 3,300 IV bags, 400 tourniquets, 10 oxygen tanks and 10 EKG machines.

*As for the post-race banquet, 20,000 pounds of Ronzoni Pasta will be cooked and topped with 6,000 quarts of tomato sauce. Famished runners are expected to down 7,300 pounds of fresh vegetables, 200 pounds of ground black pepper, 60,000 power bars, 70,000 packages of cheez-it crackers and 50,000 packages of jelly beans.

The course itself is one of the most unique in the world and must be run a few times for a marathoner to get a real feel for its deceiving characteristics.

Known mainly for its hills, Boston's elevation actually drops more than 100 feet from start to finish. Even the hills are not that big. What makes them difficult however is that runners have to negotiate them 17 miles into the race, when the glycogen starts to run low and the "charm" of the marathon begins to rear its head.

There's a big downhill through Wellesley Hills, just past the halfway mark, which runners are tempted to speed down. Don't. The marathoners are usually coming off a natural high after running past the fanatical Wellesley College students. Every year they're the best spectators on the course.

The master plan of running Boston is to get over the Newton Hills still feeling good. As you get closer to the Prudential, be prepared for the short, steep hill heading into Kenmore Square. By this point you can smell the finish line, but the hill is a grind just the same.

From there, you're home free. All that's left is a right onto Hereford Street and a left on Boylston Street to the finish.

Good luck, and remember to spread your effort over the entire course. Don't leave 90 percent of it in Ashland. You'll be better off in the, excuse the pun, long run.

Trask fishing clinic, April 13

The South Shore Community Center is pleased to announce Lets Go Fishing with Harry Trask of Trask Tackle and Outdoor Sports. The clinic is set for April 13 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Youngsters will be taught the basics of casting, baiting, knot tying and lure selection. The cost for the clinic is $7. Students should bring their rod, reel and fishing equipment. To register, call 383-0088.

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

BOYS TENNIS

4/1	Norwell
4/8	at Norton
4/9	at Scituate
4/11	Abington
4/22	Hanover
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/20	Carver

GIRLS TENNIS

4/1	at Norwell
4/3	E. Bridgewater
4/8	Norton
4/9	Scituate
4/11	at Abington
4/22	at Hanover
4/29	Carver
4/30	Norwell
5/2	at E. Bridgewater
5/6	at Norton
5/7	at Scituate
5/9	Abington
5/13	Hanover
5/20	at Carver

SOFTBALL

4/1	at Norwell
4/3	E. Bridgewater
4/8	Norton
4/9	Scituate
4/11	at Abington
4/22	at Hanover
4/23	Hull
4/29	Carver
4/30	Norwell
5/2	at E. Bridgewater
5/6	at Norton
5/7	at Scituate
5/9	Abington
5/13	Hanover
5/20	at Carver

BASEBALL

4/1	Norwell
4/3	at E. Bridgewater
4/8	at Norton
4/9	at Scituate
4/11	Abington
4/20	at Provincetown, 10 a.m
4/20	at Chatham, 2 p.m.
4/22	Hanover
4/23	at Hull
4/25	Provincetown
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/2	E. Bridgewater
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/15	Hull
5/20	Carver
5/22	Chatham

GOLF

4/22	Abington
4/23	Hanover
4/29	at Norton
4/30	at Carver
5/1	at Norwell
5/2	Norwell
TBA	Scituate
5/7	at Abington
5/9	at Hanover
5/14	Norton
TBA	Carver
5/21	at Scituate

TRACK

4/3	at Norton
4/8	at Norwell
4/11	at E. Bridgewater
4/22	Hull (Scituate)
4/25	at Scituate
4/29	at Abington
5/2	at Hanover
5/9	at Carver
5/13	All League
5/14	All League

J.V. LACROSSE

4/3	at Cape Cod Academy
4/9	Sandwich
4/11	Marshfield, 4 p.m.
4/17	at Brookline
4/22	at B.C.
4/26	Duxbury
5/2	Norwell
5/8	Cape Cod Academy
5/14	Sandwich
5/17	at Duxbury
5/20	at Derby
5/23	Brookline
5/29	Norwell, 5:30 p.m.
5/31	Marshfield

LACROSSE

4/2	Walpole
4/9	Sandwich
4/11	Weymouth
4/15	at Westwood
4/17	at Brookline
4/19	at Norwell
4/23	at Duxbury
4/26	at Hingham
4/30	at Barnstable
5/3	Falmouth
5/7	at Marshfield
5/10	Norwell
5/14	at Sandwich
5/17	Marshfield
5/21	Barnstable
5/23	Brookline

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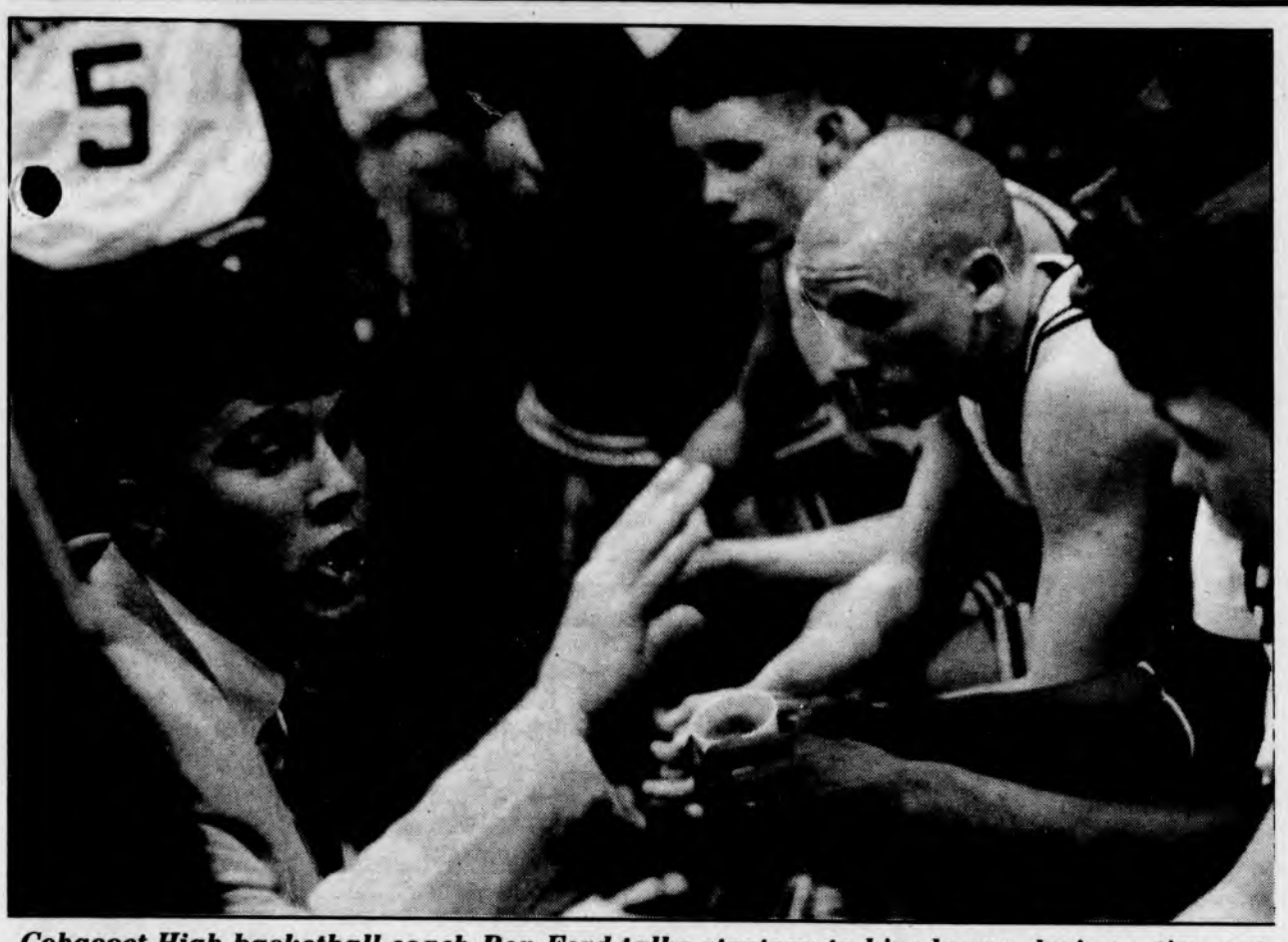
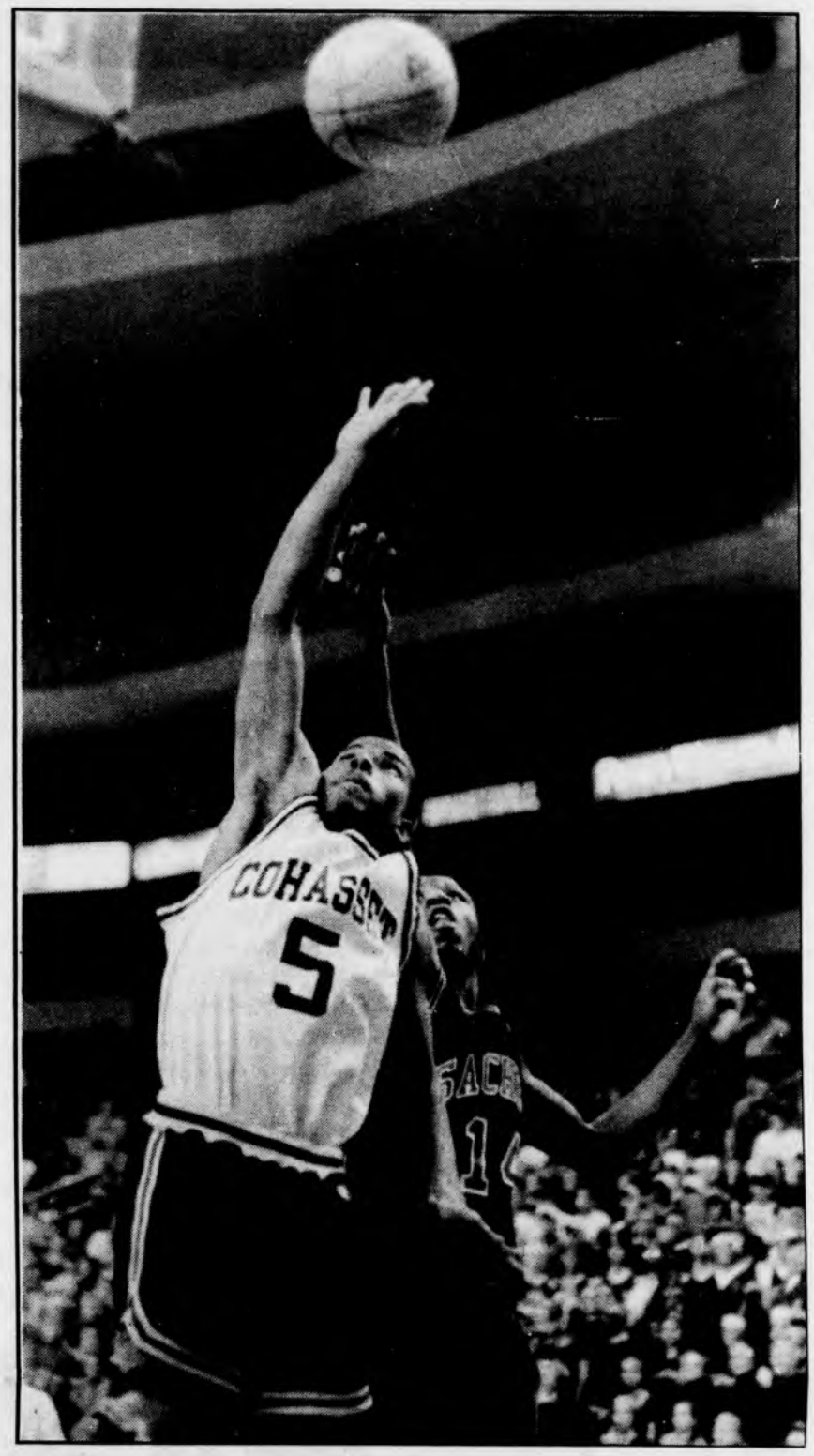


Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford talks strategy to his players during a time out in Division 3 tourney action.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald



Fred Howard (5) stretches for a rebound against a Winchester player during the Division 3 EMass finals at the FleetCenter.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Bay State Sharks hockey tryouts schedule

MITES
(1988 birth date)

Wednesday, April 17, 7:20 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1; Friday, April 19, 5 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Rob Taylor at (617) 749-2635.

SQUIRT MINOR
(1987 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 5 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 11:40 a.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Ted Malley at (617) 545-8339.

SQUIRT MAJOR
(1986 birth date)

Wednesday, April 17, 5 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1; Saturday, April 20, 2:10 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Buzz Olson at (617) 749-8835.

PEE WEE MINOR
(1985 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 6 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 12:50 p.m., Hobomock Arena #1. For further information call Jack Burns at (508) 428-3876.

PEEWEE MAJOR
(1984 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 7 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 4:30 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Monday, April 22, 8 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Greg Coady at (617) 826-2993.

BANTAM MINORS
(1983 birth date)

Monday, April 15, 8 p.m., Bridgewater Arena; Saturday, April 20, 3:20 p.m., Bridgewater Arena. For further information call Charlie Paris at (617) 843-0429.

BANTAM MAJORS
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FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon. 837-4843

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Cohasset Business

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce presents two checks for $2,200 to the Appalachian Service Project and the Harborfest Committee. From left are: John Flanagan, Charles Peterson, Gary Ritts (Second Congregational Church which organizes the ASP), chamber president Domenic Micarelli, Bob Martin (Harborfest Committee), and Dean Rizzo.

Unity Night is planned by chamber

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will host a Unity Night on Wednesday, April 24, at the Chart House. Keynote speakers will be State Sen. Robert Hedlund (R-Weymouth) and State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray (R-Cohasset).

Several town officials and organizations will also participate.

The Chamber invites all residents, town officials, town employees and local businesses to attend the night of unity, which will provide an opportunity to unite together following recent town elections and meet many state and local government representatives.

Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost for Chamber members is $10 ($15/non-members). To make a reservation, call the Chamber hotline at 383-1010.

Chamber presents donations

The Chamber of Commerce presented donations from the proceeds of their annual auction to the Harborfest Committee and the Appalachian Service Project. Each group was the recipient of $2,200.

The Chamber thanks all those who donated goods and services to the auction, as well as those who attended and purchased auction items.

AREA MORTGAGE RATES

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Bank of Braintree	617-843-9100	7.70	8.08	7.92
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BayBank	800-BAY-FAST	NA	NA	NA
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Century Bank & Trust	800-870-2595	7.54	7.92	8.05
Cohasset Savings	617-383-1882	NA	NA	NA
Colonial Federal Savings	617-471-0750	7.30	7.99	7.47
Community Bank	508-587-3210	7.45	7.83	8.37
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Northeast Savings	617-542-8024	NA	NA	NA
Peoples Savings/Brockton	508-588-6600	7.45	7.83	8.15
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Rockland Savings	617-878-5252	NA	NA	NA
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South Shore Bank	508-679-8311	NA	NA	NA
South Weymouth Savings	800-660-7800	7.75	8.25	8.03
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Weymouth Savings	617-337-2700	7.55	8.12	7.47
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Crescent Credit Union	800-894-4445	7.54	7.97	8.05
IAG Federal Credit Union	800-234-6698	NA	NA	NA
Mass. State Employees C.U.	617-451-2422	NA	NA	NA
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Compiled by The Commissioner of Banks April 5, 1996.

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During the weeks of April 8th through May 6th, we are offering a reward to those of you who can solve the Great Kingdom Caper. Look for a make-believe classified ad (see sample) hidden somewhere within the weekly classifieds and turn it into fairy tale headquarters.

Make-Believe Classified Ad

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(Sample classified ad)

Deadline for week #1 is Friday April 19th

To Play: Simply find the make-believe classified ad and paste it in the space provided, fill out the entry form and mail to:

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The Grand Tour

with Ginger Ferenz 383-2863

I thought Cohasset needed a break this week from what seems to be an endless winter! So here's a look back at a last burst of summertime at 47 Norfolk Road. Once again, Sue Cunningham worked her "green thumb" magic with her display of pinks — pale pink and fuchsia Impatiens on the ground that became huge mounds of color while her flower boxes were filled with more of the same. Tall pink Cosmos bloomed in their own bed, while blue Morning Glory climbed gracefully around the front entrance. Take heart everyone — spring will get here eventually!

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Classes offered at the South Shore Community Center

The South Shore Community Center is offering classes for spring.

Plaster Play of Norwell will hold a class on Monday, April 22 for children ages 7 and up from 3:15 to 4:30 p.m. ($12/members, $15/non-members)

A **Clown Clinic** with Susan Oberg is scheduled for Tuesday, April 23, for kids ages 7 to 12, and will continue for three more weeks. ($55/members, $65/non-members) Children will develop a clown personality and design a clown face and name from among the four types of professional clowns in the world.

Cooking, Science & Nature will be offered for five weeks, beginning Friday, April 26, for ages 3 to 5. ($50/members, $60/non-members) The class meets from 9 to 11 a.m.

On Wednesday, April 24, and Monday, April 29, **Pedi-CPR** will be taught from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. ($35/members, $45/non-members) CPR for infants and children will be discussed.

A new session of **Gymnasts in Motion** will begin the week of April 29. The cost is $54 for eight weeks. (Call for a class schedule.)

Computer Kids classes are set to begin again for an 8-week period, beginning Thursday, April 25 and Tuesday, April 30. ($68/members, $78/non-members) Classes are for children ages 3 to 5, 5 to 7 and 8 and up.

A specialty class on **MS Word for Windows 6.0** will begin Wednesday, April 24, from noon to 2 p.m., and will run for four weeks. ($88/members, $98/non-members) Call Cathy Carlson at 383-0088 to register.

For further information or to register for a class, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96E0024-PP1

To Thomas J. Schiavo of Hingham, John D. Schiavo of Marshfield, Anthony T. Schiavo of Hingham, and Anthony T. Schiavo, Jr. of Hingham all within the Commonwealth, and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by John D. Schiavo of 2103 Ocean Street, Marshfield in the County, of Plymouth representing that he holds as tenant in common an undivided part or share of four parcels of land lying in Cohasset in said County of Norfolk and briefly described as follows: PARCEL ONE: NORTHERLY by Lot 2A, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned on three courses, one hundred twenty-seven and 02/100 (127.02) feet; twenty-four (24) feet and forty-two and 40/100 (42.40) feet respectively;

EASTERLY by South Main Street, as shown on said plan, seventy-two and 73/100 (72.73) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lots 3 and 4 on two courses as shown on said plan, one hundred ten and 93/100 (110.93) feet and ninty-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet, respectively;

WESTERLY by Lot 5 as shown on said plan forty (40) feet.

Said premises contain 9,830 square feet of land and are shown as Lot 2B on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Cohasset, Mass," dated March 9, 1946, drawn by Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds with a deed of Mary Rose Fratus to Phyllis N. Fratus dated December 12, 1947, and recorded in Book 2728, Page 286. Excluding therefrom Lot B as shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Cohasset, MAss." dated June 21, 1961, drawn by Gilbert & Maloney land surveyor recorded with Norfolk Deeds as Plan No. 877 of 1961 in Book 3917, Page 745 which was conveyed by Joseph A. Silvia et ux to Sun Oil Company by deed dated August 2, 1961, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 3917, Page 745. Also excluding therein a triangular parcel of land as shown as parcel "B" on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts September 16, 1980 1"=30' Engineer: Neil J. Murphy, 760 Route 3A, Cohasset, Massachusetts" and containing four hundered fifty-five and (455) square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan which was conveyed by deed of Richard J. Silvia to Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, by deed recorded in Book 5834, Page 113. The Said plan is recorded as plan 68 of 1981.

PARCEL TWO: Lot A as shown on the plan by Gilbert T. Maloney dated June 21, 1961, recorded in Book 3917, Page 745.

PARCEL THREE: A Parcel of land in Cohasset, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 4 on the aforesaid plan of Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer, dated March 9, 1946, and bounded and described according to said plan as follows:

SOUTHERLY by two lines by Spring street as shown on said plan, fifty-four and 12/100 (54.12) feet and forty-five and 88/100 (45.88) feet;

WESTERLY by other land of Mary Rose Fratus, one hundred nine and 18/100 (109.18) feet;

NORTHERLY by land of Joseph A. Silvia et ux ninety-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet; and

EASTERLY by Lot 3 on said plan, one hundred twelve and 14/100 (112.14) feet; containing approximately ninety-eight hundred (9800) square feet.

For title to Parcels One, Two and Three, see deed of Joseph A. Silvia and Ruth S. Silvia dated July 15, 1977 and recorded in Book 5356, Page 714.

PARCEL FOUR: A triangular parcel of land shown as Parcel "A" on the aforesaid plan of Neil J. Murphy, recorded as plan 68 of 1981, containing four hundred fifty-five (455) square feet of land more or less, according to said plan. For title see deed of Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, dated January 27, 1981, and recorded in Book 5834, Page 112.

setting forth that he desire that all of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than $187,000.00 dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham, 649 High St., P.O. Box 269, Dedham, MA 02027-0269 before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of May 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of March 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register.

4/4, 11, 18/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P0729E1

Estate of MARIA ROSE PAPE late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that CHARLES F. PAPE of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 8, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-sixth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

4/11

TOWN OF COHASSET

Notice of names of persons appearing to be owners of checks issued by the Town of Cohasset, which have not been cashed and are deemed abandoned.

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Payroll:

Maciel, J.; Meacham, Art; Murphy, M.; Nedrow, J.; Rizzotti, Susan; Sheerin, James; Unknown; Wool, Joan.

Note: If you see your name or wish to make a general inquiry, please call my office at (617) 383-9900, extension 110 or write: Treasurer-Collector, Town Hall, 41 Highland Avenue, Cohasset, MA 02025.

Linda M. Litchfield
Office of the
Treasurer-Collector

4/11

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS COHASSET HOUSING AUTHORITY INVITATION TO BID INSECT CONTROL

The Cohasset Housing Authority is seeking proposals from licensed exterminators for insect control at 17 buildings (64 dwelling units) at the Cohasset 667-1 elderly housing development to adequately protect against termites and a separate proposal for carpenter ant spraying.

Bid packages including contract documents will be available on April 11, 1996 at the Cohasset Housing Authority, 60 Elm Street, Cohasset, MA, 02025 on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. If you have questions, please call (617) 383-1948.

Sealed proposals on required Bid Forms may be mailed or delivered to the Cohasset Housing Authority. Proposals will be opened at 2 p.m. on Thursday, April 25, 1996.

The Cohasset Housing Authority reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Contract award and approval is contingent upon the Cohasset Housing Authority Board vote and subject to the approval of the Executive Office of Communities and Development.

4/11

Police Log

Thursday, March 28

12:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Scituate Line).

1:26 a.m, traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., (Mary Lou's), verbal warning.

2:56 a.m., general services, Pond St., investigated.

7:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Sohier St.), verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 34

11:35 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CVS Lot — CJC Hwy, investigated.

1:15 p.m., medical, Buttonwood Ln., referred to other agency.

2:12 p.m., fire alarm, Fair Oaks Ln., investigated.

2:15 p.m., assist citizen, Stop & Shop lot, investigated.

3:20 p.m., suspicious activity, Pond St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 40

4:07 p.m., assist citizen, Heather Dr., services rendered.

5:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Dwyer's Cleaners — CJC Hwy, departmental action.

6:02 p.m., vandalism, Town of Cohasset, departmental action.

7:29 p.m., disturbance (gathering), S. Main St., unfounded.

9:37 p.m., annoying phone calls, Norfolk Rd., advised legal help.

12:00 a.m., 30 degrees.

Friday, March 29

12:19 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy., (Ken's Foreign Auto), investigated.

2:40 a.m., medical, Elm St., removed to hospital.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

10:04 a.m., assist citizen, Osgood School, services rendered.

11:23 a.m., general services, Cedar St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

3:37 p.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy. (Stop & Shop), investigated.

4:00 p.m, Cloudy, 47

5:04 p.m, fire alarm, Windy Hill Rd., investigated.

9:10 p.m., motor vehicle theft, CJC Hwy (KoKo Island), investigated.

1:53 p.m., suspicious activity, Pond St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, cold, 30

Saturday, March 30

1:03 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Red Fox Lane, arrest under 17 male.

1:26 a.m., general services, transporting male to Hull Line, services rendered.

1:44 a.m., Ptl. Lennon in with juvenile under arrest for op. M/V unlicensed, using W/O authority.

3:40 a.m., building check, Rte. 3A Cohasset Sunoco, secured building.

7:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, cool 40

10:46 a.m., civil complaint, Ripley Rd., advised civil action.

11:48 a.m., fire alarm, Mill Ln., services rendered.

12:36 p.m, fire alarm, CJC Hwy./Lower King St., no police service necessary.

1:54 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., departmental action.

2:40 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

3:00 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., services rendered.

3:59 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Border St. HQ, departmental action.

4:03 p.m., building check, Ripley Rd., investigated.

4:15 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Windy Hill Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:47 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal warning.

6:17 p.m., building check, S. Main St., departmental action.

6:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., traffic warning issued.

6:52 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Surrey Dr., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

6:54 p.m., general services, Hingham/Cohasset Line, services rendered.

7:01 p.m., message delivery, Border St., notification made/message or summons delivered.

10:47 p.m., noise complaint, Summer St., departmental action.

9:21 p.m., forgery & counterfeiting, Hull St., investigated.

10:55 p.m., escort, Curtis Liquors, services rendered.

11:42 p.m., assist citizen, Sohier St., traffic warning issued.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Sunday, March 31

12:57 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Lower King, verbal warning.

1:44 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Border St./Parker Ave., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 44

10:46 .am., annoying phone alls, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

12:06 p.m., animal complaint, Cedarledge Village, referred to other agency.

12:45 p.m., general services, Forest Ave., services rendered.

1:49 p.m., disorderly conduct, Town Hall Parking Lot, services rendered.

1:51 p.m., assist citizen, Town Parking Lot, services rendered.

3:01 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St., departmental action.

3:23 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St., departmental action.

5:17 p.m., officer field investigation, Border St., investigated.

5:37 p.m., civil complaint, Jerusalem Rd., HQ, departmental action.

7:13 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., verbal warning.

7:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 41

Monday, April 1

6:09 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic warning issued.

6:20 a.m, traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Summer St.), verbal warning.

6:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Summer St.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:38 a.m., leaving scene, Doane St., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 50

8:34 a.m., animal complaint, Church St., services rendered.

9:28 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd., departmental action.

9:17 a.m., medical, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

9:55 a.m., general services, arrest, King St., arrested by Ptl. Small: Snow, Paul S. Jr., 149 King St., DOB: 4/4/78, for warrant.

1:19 p.m., animal complaint, Linden Dr., services rendered.

1:52 p.m., larceny, BayBank ATM, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

3:18 p.m., medical, CJC Hwy — IFO Video Store in Plaza, referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 42

4:09 p.m., animal complaint, Norfolk Rd., referred to other agency.

5:57 p.m., burglary (attempt), Atlantic Ave., investigated.

6:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. by Rocky Ln., verbal warning.

6:41 p.m., missing persons, Sohier St., field interrogation report prepared.

7:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. by Summer St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:03 p.m., missing persons, Spring St., HDQTS., field interrogation report prepared.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 48

Tuesday, April 2

12:32 a.m., medical, Forest Ave., removed to hospital.

7:19 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Red Gate), verbal warning.

7:20 a.m., emergency services, Clay Spring (Pond St.), services rendered.

7:22 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy. (Rte. 2[illegible] departmental action.

7:45 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy. (J.J.'s Dairy), departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 42

8:21 a.m., animal complaint, Forest Ave., departmental action.

8:35 a.m., suspicious activity, HQ, investigated.

12:59 p.m., suspicious activity, Lamberts Ln. (Cohasset golf club), investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 50

Police status report for March

During March, the police department made a total of 12 arrests: three for outstanding warrants, two for operating under the influence of alcohol, two for possession of marijuana, and one each for being a disorderly person, assault & battery, minor in possession of alcohol, public drinking, and a motor vehicle violation.

"There was one breaking and entering reported," Police Chief Brian W. Noonan wrote in his monthly status report to selectmen.

The emergency dispatch center fielded 76, 9-1-1 calls in March, he said.

Noonan reported that PALS Officer Lisa Matos spent an average of three days a week teaching classes at the elementary level. PALS is Cohasset's DARE-like program, which is specially tailored to Cohasset schools and their needs.

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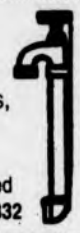

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For those who cannot participate in the actual clean-up but who would like to help out, equipment such as rubber boats, pruning tools and gloves are needed.

For further information or to volunteer, call Allison Ritts at 383-1422. Students may contact Holly Pereira during the day to let her know of their interest. Volunteers are asked to get in touch with either Ritts or Pereira by April 15.

The clean-up day provides an opportunity for townspeople to come together as a community and make a difference in the environment.

Join Harborfest parade!

The annual Harborfest Parade will take place on Sunday, June 16. The parade signifies the link between Cohasset Harbor and the Town Common as residents "Bless the Fleet" and parade to the Common for the annual Chowder Festival, which will culminate the Harborfest celebration.

The theme for this year's parade is "Cohasset's Maritime Heritage," and cash prizes for this year's floats are $250 for first place; $150, second place; and $75 for third place, with two special prizes of $50 each.

Jim Lagrotteria and Bob Martin of the Harborfest Committee have developed a float kit for anyone interested in using a pickup truck as a float vehicle. Through the generosity of Hingham Lumber Co., most framework materials will be provided.

Simple floats are the order of the day for the Norman Rockwell-style parade, and may be fabricated in one day with little or no expense and unlimited imagination. Harborfest celebrates the community, and the event is enhanced by the participation of the town's many organizations and neighborhood associations.

Anyone wishing to participate is asked to call Jim at 383-9385 or Bob at 383-0648.

Costume program slated

The Cohasset Historical Society's costume committee will present "Underneath It All" on Wednesday, April 17, at 7 p.m. at the Caleb Lothrop House, 14 Summer St.

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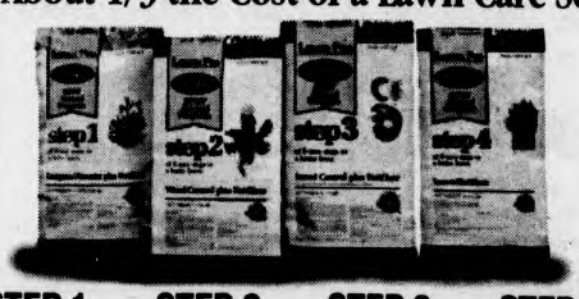

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Large water leak plugged

270 gallons per minute were going down the drain

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The discovery of a whopping leak in the town's water system — has department officials thanking their lucky stars.

A "very low tide" due to the alignment of the earth and the moon earlier this month — enabled the water department to spot a suspicious wet area in the marsh off Mohawk Way and Beach Street.

"All the water was out and the marsh was wet," said operations manager Dick Cohan who was out reading meters with supervisor William McAuliffe when they noticed the discrepancy.

Further investigation revealed the source of a major leak in a water main off Beach Street that accounted for loss of about 270 gallons per minute — or 16,560 gallons per hour — into the marsh.

Cohan said when he came on the job in Cohasset in September 1994 — he discovered about 30 percent water usage above the amount metered.

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Cohasset High had a crash course in West African music and dance last week when The Art of Black Music and Dance spent two days at the school teaching students and faculty about traditional and contemporary African folk music. Workshops for individual classes, like the one shown here, were followed by a performance in front of the whole school. The climax of the event occurred when the faculty took the stage to perform with the dancers. The program was made possible through a grant from the Massachusetts Cultural Council and the school Parent Student Organization.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

MBTA assessment relief could be in sight

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

After years of paying MBTA assessments and receiving no transit services, Cohasset may get a break.

If approved, a state budget amendment being pitched in both the House and the Senate could lift — what state Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Marshfield, called — an unfair burden on many towns and place it on the state.

Included in the 78-town MBTA district are 21 "fringe" communities — like Cohasset — which help support mass transit in the state through property tax assessments, but get no direct service.

The MBTA's funding formula, established more than 25 years ago, has been criticized by several legislators as an inequitable system.

"A property tax that people work hard to pay in order to support local services,

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Local woman helps children in El Salvador

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Kerry Gruber first volunteered more than five years ago to go with her parents to war-torn El Salvador to lend a hand.

What she didn't know then was that her work there would help her write an award-winning doctoral dissertation and develop a mental health program designed to help children and adults deal with the traumatic effects of war.

A Cohasset native, Gruber earned her Ph.D. in clinical psychology last year from St. John's University in New York, and in June she will present her dissertation, "Stress Disorder, (PTSD) in El Salvador" at the Second World Conference of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies in

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Cohasset's Week

James Brook clean-up

Cohasset High School students, under the direction of Jack Buckley and the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee, will sponsor a clean-up of several sites along James Brook. The project was initiated in 1995 to celebrate Earth Day and foster a cooperative effort between Cohasset townspeople and CHS students.

Removing debris from the banks and stream bed of James Brook will enhance the attractiveness of the area and help eliminate mosquito breeding in the area.

To volunteer for the effort, or for further information, call Allison Ritts at 383-1422, Jack Buckley at 925-1284, or Charles Gainor (383-0498).

May 4 vote for sewer

Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild said informational "blue" booklets on the proposed Straits Pond area sewer project are free and are available at the selectmen's office.

A favorable May 4 Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion override vote will allow the town to borrow money to pay for the project, half of which will be covered by betterments assessed to homeowners along the sewer line.

Resignations are accepted

Selectmen accepted the resignation of Larry Mitchell, Cohasset's representative on the South Shore Vocational Technical High School board, effective June 30.

"We're going to miss him. He's done a good job," Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

Margaret Bates also notified selectmen that she was stepping down from the Council on Elder Affairs (formerly called the Council on Aging) effective immediately due to health problems.

"I have enjoyed and will miss working with this active and productive group who continue to do such good work for senior citizens," Bates wrote in her letter to Elders Affairs chairman Joseph Buckley.

Brown said Bates "is a hard worker and we'll miss her."

Selectmen will send letters of thanks to both Mitchell and Bates.

Sidewalk surfacing

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield told selectmen this week that he is working with Norfolk County Engineers on plans to resurface the sidewalks around the town common.

As an interim step, the DPW will resurface the sidewalk on the North Main Street side of the common between Jason and Long Roads and would like to have that work completed by the Festival on the Common in June.

Litchfield noted that the strip between the existing sidewalk and curbing is gone along that section of North Main Street.

He suggested the board walk the sidewalks with him "to see what's going on."

Litchfield said he would present his plans to the Common Historic Districts Commission before any paving takes place.

On another matter, the selectmen and Litchfield agreed that no improvements to the sidewalk in front of the Independence Building (Teen Center) on South Main Street should be undertaken until the town comes up with a master plan for the village. Litchfield said the road is narrow there and installing granite curbing may not stop cars from driving up on the sidewalk.

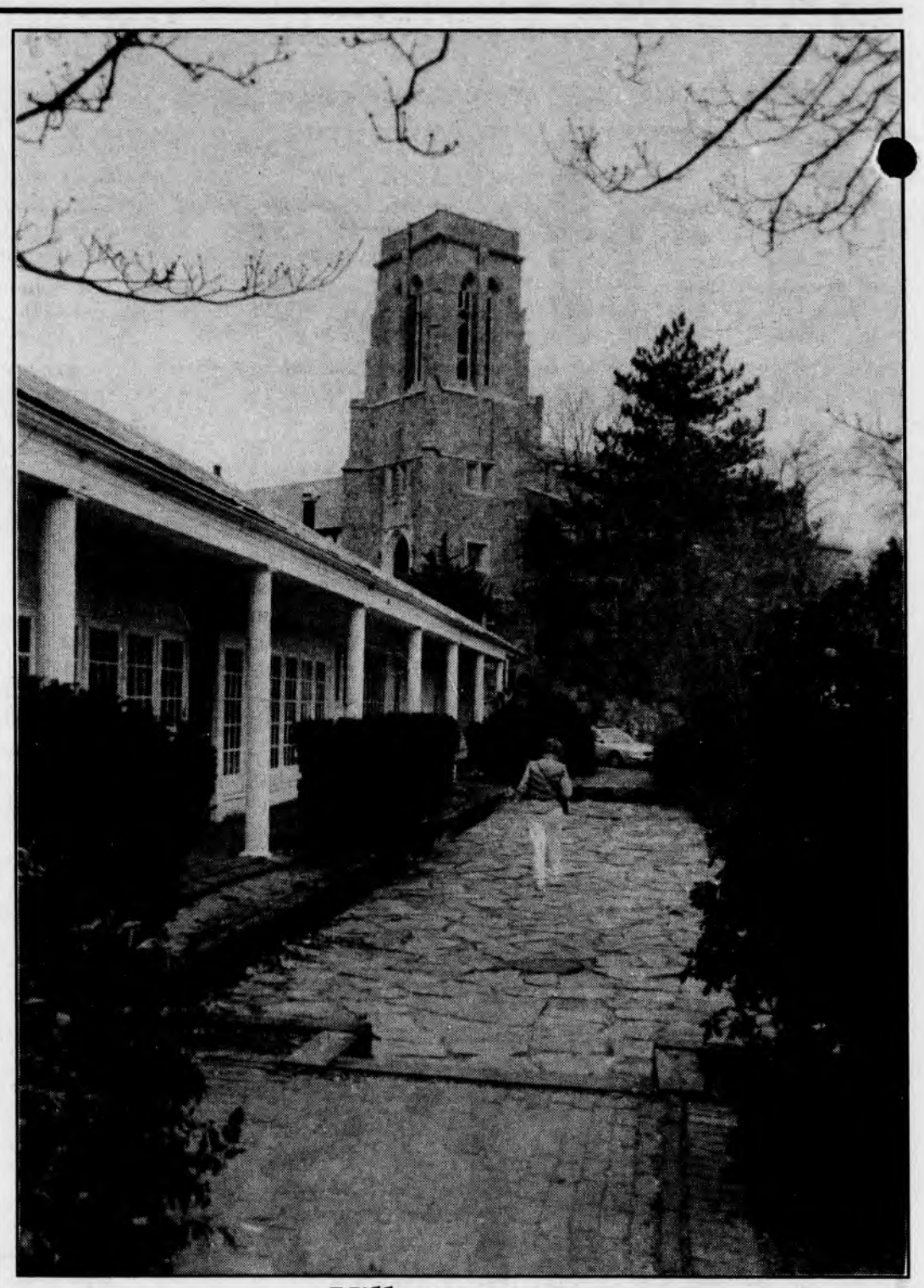
"We'll be buying a lot of tires," he said.

There has been concern that the sidewalk in front of the Independence Building is too narrow and poses a safety hazard to pedestrians and children on bicycles.

Food license approved

Selectmen approved issuing a Common Victualler (food) license to Michael Feroli, owner of the Village Butcher & Deli slated to open in about two weeks on Brook Street next to Cohasset News.

Feroli, who operated a similar store in Duxbury for two years, said he would sell beef, chicken, and pork cut to order along with some sandwiches and grilled food. He plans on having three small tables with a total of six seats for people who want to have a bite there.



Village scene

With St. Stephen's looming overhead, a shopper makes her way from the town parking lot up Stagecoach Way to the Village. The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce is spearheading a group to help revitalize the village. The task force meets at 5:30 p.m. tonight (Thursday) at French Memories. There will also be a Village committee general meeting at 5:30, April 30 at French Memories. Call Dean Rizzo at Aquarius Sunrooms (383-1994) for more information.

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Hagerty board backs moving or razing Victorian house

By STACEY K. POWERS
Special to the Mariner

Following the recent town meeting vote and at the request of selectmen, the Hagerty Property Committee reconvened last week to make a decision on the future of the former Cohasset Colonials Furniture showroom.

Annual town meeting voted against selling the house and an 8,000-foot lot around it.

The "Hagerty property," which has been owned by the town for three years, is on the harborfront end of Parker Avenue. The 2.2-acre site, includes 19th century Victorian building dating back almost 140 years, as well as a metal building which was used a cutting room by Cohasset Colonials. Plans are to create a park on the Hagerty property which would be available to all residents.

In an effort to make some progress, committee chairman Alfred Moore urged the committee to "act decisively" in terms of recommendation they would make to selectmen.

Moore sees that the town has four options on what to do with the house: either rent the building as it stands now; fix up the building and rent it; or sell, move or demolish it.

The committee agreed that having the town act as landlord is not the most desirable situation but a longer lease — similar to the one that the lightkeeper's house on Government Island has — for about ten years would possibly work. This option would leave the burden of repair to the renter.

Committee members voiced concerns that if the house was torn down, the town might not be able to obtain a permit to build again on that site because any new building would have to meet current regulations.

Member Richard Barrow recommended that the town either demolish the house or remove it. The committee voted 6-4 in favor of Barrow's motion.

Ultimately, the committee feels that the whole town could benefit from the property being used for recreational purposes and also from the money generated by the sale of the house. Either way, the longer it takes selectmen to come up with a definitive resolution for the future of the house, the longer it will cost the residents of the town money. The bond for the Hagerty property is costing the average homeowner $15 per year on their real estate bill.

In a telephone interview, committee member Veneta Roebuck explained that permitting work for the parking lot and passive recreation area at the site has begun.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

April 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 18	——	——	6:10	12:25	10.6	6:26
Fri. 19	12:39	11.2	6:55	1:10	10.4	7:09
Sat. 20	1:21	11.0	7:39	1:53	10.1	7:52
Sun. 21	2:04	10.7	8:23	2:37	9.7	8:36
Mon. 22	2:47	10.4	9:08	3:23	9.3	9:21
Tues. 23	3:32	10.0	9:55	4:11	8.9	10:09
Wed. 24	4:21	9.6	10:44	5:01	8.7	11:00
Thurs. 25	5:13	9.2	11:35	5:54	8.5	11:54

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CHS students flock to community service

20 percent participate in volunteer programs

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

The state board of education may be leaning toward mandating a community service program for students, but for many at Cohasset High that isn't necessary.

Close to 100 students, or 20 percent, participate in the volunteer programs at the school.

Students in the Community Volunteer Program visit Rosie's Place, a women's sanctuary in Boston; those involved in the Social Awareness Group have set up a recycling program at the school; and members of the Student Council collected money for Travis Roy, the hockey player from Boston University who is seriously injured.

And those are only a few of numerous examples.

"I think a lot of it has to do with wanting to get involved," said senior Andrea Mercurio, who is a member of the volunteer program. "The sense of satisfaction (you get) for doing something for someone else."

Although the volunteer organizations have been active for several years, this year things are run a bit differently.

Ron Ford, a part-time physical education teacher at the school, was recently hired to bring the programs to the next level.

"My big role this year is to formulate a plan for the future and incorporate it into the curriculum," said Ford. He also fields requests for people who want help from the students.

He added that state board of education officials were discussing having students perform 100 hours of community service for credit. The students involved in the organizations now don't receive credit.

Mercurio said that the students participating in the programs are doing so voluntarily. They are busy juggling other things, such as sports and school work, but feel they are doing something of value.

Junior Jodi Colwill, also a member of the community volunteer program, added that those they help seem to appreciate it.

"I think they like the fact (that we come to Rosie's Place)," she said. "They take to us really well."

Ford said that the students learn a lot about other people by their involvement.

"Kids need to go out and see things that give them a better perspective on life," said Ford. "They hear about the barriers and then they see real people. People they can talk to; people they can relate to."

Maureen Duffy, a consumer science teacher and the faculty advisor for the volunteer program, agreed.

"I like to see students give up some of their time," she said. "(To help) others less fortunate or more lonely (than they are)."

The groups don't only volunteer outside of the town's borders.

Students visit nursing homes in town, help out at the food pantry and assist with the S.H.A.R.E. program, where participants must participate some form of community service to be able to buy the food parcels.

The Social Awareness Club also works both within and outside the community.

"There is a perception that communities like Cohasset don't have social problems," said Scott Newkirk, the staff advisor for the group. "The students started the club because they know otherwise."

The school had a similar club years ago, but it disbanded because of lack of interest.

It was reincarnated under a new name, mostly through the efforts of senior Caitlin Connolly, three years ago. It is now an active club with more than 20 members.

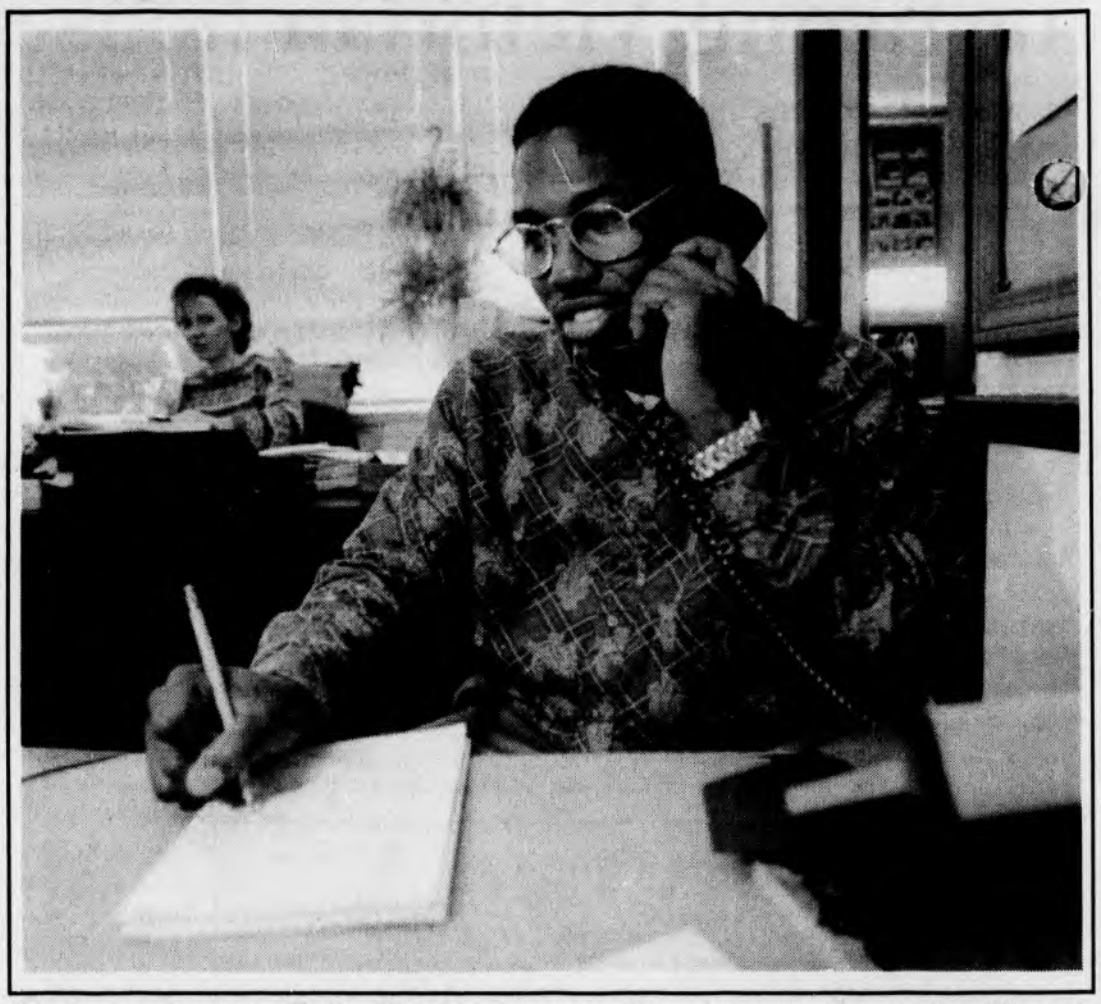
"There really wasn't a group that dealt with social issues, with political issues," said Connolly.

The club is involved with Amnesty International and writes letters to those unjustly imprisoned throughout the world. The group also recently adopted a child from the Philippines.

Connolly said that the club is kept updated on the status of those they try to help.

"It is neat that people can see that they make a difference," said Connolly. "It is wonderful that there is so much enthusiasm from the student body."

Newkirk said that the club has two meetings a month to evaluate what they have done — to see what worked and what didn't. And to discuss what they wanted to do in the future.



Student volunteer, Keith Wright, answers the phone in the main office at Cohasset High for school secretary Nancy Donovan. About 20 percent of students at the high school participate in community service activities.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

The two organizations have a small budget, which is supplemented by donations from the Rotary Club and Parent Student Organization.

Next year, said Ford, the program will be woven into the curriculum at the school and class time may also be incorporated. He and Duffy recently attended a training symposium at Tufts University for community service leaders.

CVS has plans to participate in the April 20 multiple sclerosis walk. Five members participated in the Walk for Breast Cancer in the fall and raised more than $2,000.

For more information, call Ford at 383-6100.

Performing arts at DHS

Dancer/choreographer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser will spend April 22-26 at Deer Hill School working with students and staff. They will create a performing arts interpretation of the story "Sadako and the 1,000 Cranes," a highly acclaimed children's book about the life of a Japanese child after the bombing of Hiroshima. The story shows how one child can make a difference in the lifes of others.

The tale of hope and inspiration will be presented as a dance performance incorporating history, music, art and literature. Performances will take place on Friday, April 26, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Deer Hill School.

The project was funded in part by the Mass. Cultural Council, local lottery council and support from the Cohasset Education Foundation, Cohasset PSO and the Diversity Committee.

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Landfill decision is due soon

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The board of health completed deliberations last week on the site assignment application by Cohasset Heights for a proposed 27.5 acre expansion to the Route 3A privately-owned landfill.

Board members Thomas Cook and Alix White, along with lawyers for the town, concluded their discussions on the lengthy two-month, 19-session public hearing.

Newly elected board member Kevin Ulmer, a former representative of one of the 10-citizen groups opposed to landfill expansion, will not participate in the final decision process. Ulmer was not able to attend all the Cohasset Heights hearing sessions and it was agreed by all that his would prohibit his participation.

If approved, the facility, which is located adjacent to Route 3A and Crocker Lane, would use 14.2 acres for additional landfill space, while the remaining 13.3 acres would comprise access roads, buffer zones and ponds for storm water retention.

Attorney Michael Leon, in outlining the board's goal, told Cook and White that it was their duty to weigh the facts and evaluate testimony from all of the witnesses that spoke before the board.

"Your job will be to render a decision based on the evidence," Leon said.

Cook and White are scheduled to receive a draft copy of their decision, Friday April 19. After reviewing this draft they will meet to finalize their decision on either April 24 or 29 (the exact date dependent on a prior commitment of Cook's). The official announcement date of the board's decision is April 30.

While the Cohasset Heights hearing sessions are officially closed to any further testimony, all board of health meetings on the Cohasset Heights application are open to the public.

License transfer okayed at Red Lion

An attorney representing the new owners of the Red Lion Inn presented selectmen with evidence this week that all past taxes on the property ,which was sold at auction earlier this year, have been paid.

At this week's board meeting, Paul W. Kaufman spoke for Carl Ackerblom, manager and part owner, who is also in the construction business.

The inn is undergoing some renovations and upgrades but any changes will not harm the 300-year-old building's character, Kaufman said. In fact, he reported, the owners will seek the help of the Cohasset Historical Commission to have the inn listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

The inn has hired a consultant, who is a specialist in installing handicapped access to historic buildings without hindering their character, Kaufman said.

He noted that no major changes have been made to the menu and most of the employees have continued to work there.

Kaufman said all wait staff would take a refresher course on possible problems related to serving alcohol and the Inn would present a pledge to the police and selectmen with its own rules on how to run a business and be a good neighbor.

Future plans include creating a waiting room with a service bar for customers waiting for the dining room so they would not have to wait in the lounge which draws a different crowd, Kaufman said.

He and Ackerblom did not discuss the future of the guest rooms.

"We have to walk before we can run and feel our way around the needs (of the community)," he said.

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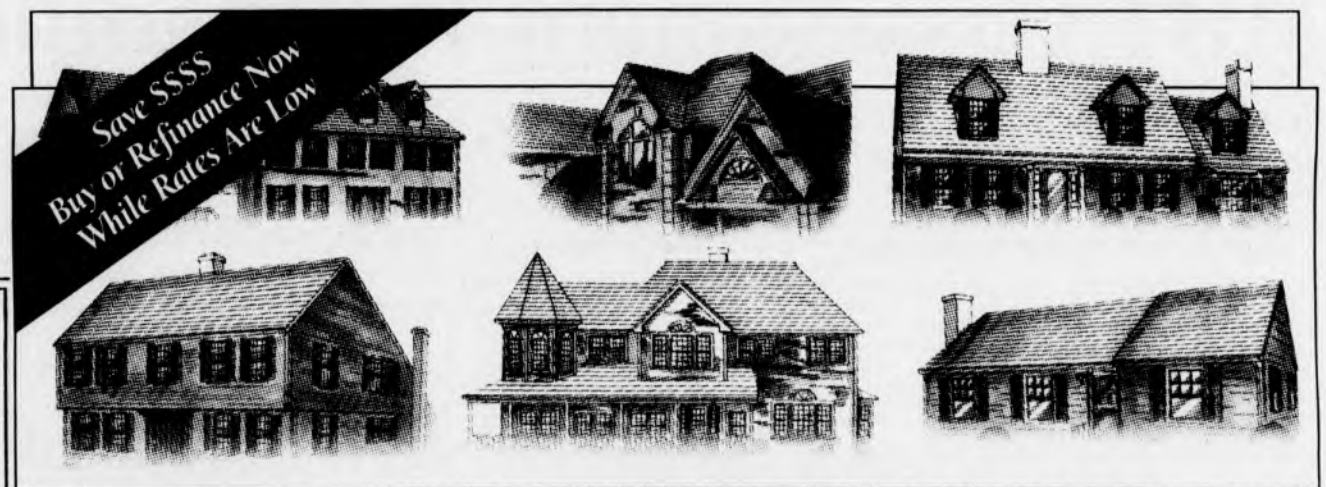

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Study shows traumatic effects of war on children

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Jerusalem, Israel.

Gruber started college with aspirations of becoming a medical doctor. But after working in a student counseling service on campus at Brandeis University, she decided that developing relationships with people was something she liked to do, so she made the switch to psychology.

Gruber's initial connection to El Salvador came through her parents, both psychologists, who through the United Church of Christ in Norwell have done volunteer work in that country for more than 10 years.

While working in several volunteer capacities, Gruber said her parents discovered there was a great need in El Salvador for eye care.

Ophthalmologists travelled with the group to El Salvador, eye care clinics were established, and Gruber helped her parents hand out used eye glasses to those who needed them.

Gruber loved the country and its people and looked for ways to use her professional skills to help in El Salvador.

As the war ended in 1992, Gruber, who was looking for a subject for her doctoral dissertation, saw an opportunity to tie her work as a psychology student and as a volunteer in El Salvador together.

"The war ended at a convenient time for my dissertation," Gruber said, but noted that at that point her commitment to the people of El Salvador was so strong she wanted to do whatever she could for them.

Cohasset's Kerry Gruber in El Salvador with a child who has suffered from the traumatic effects of war in that country.

After 12 years of war, Gruber knew that people in rural communities, devastated by violence, would need mental health services.

According to Gruber, there is no mental health system in El Salvador.

But when she went to the U.S. Agency for International Development seeking funding in order to develop a mental health program for rural El Salvador, she was told that there was no need for any such program.

Gruber knew she would have to do research to demonstrate the need.

Gruber spent three months in a rural community near the Honduran border. Aside from some private donations, she had no financial backing.

"It became clear that if I got money from any institution, that it could hinder the project." Gruber explained that with any backing she could have been tied to some political organization which could jeopardize her safety as well as block the project.

There was safety in remaining completely alone in this project, she said.

For her study, Gruber surveyed children and caretakers in the combat/guerilla warfare area in which she lived, and also in a similar rural area near the Guatemalan border that did not see any combat.

Gruber was looking for symptoms like depression, anxiety and other behavioral problems associated with PTSD.

With the help of some local residents, the survey was given to more than 150 school-aged children ranging from eight to 12 years old.

Gruber's study showed that more than one third of the children exposed to combat and violence did in fact develop PTSD.

While her dissertation is complete and she has earned her doctorate, Gruber has not left El Salvador behind.

She continues to work toward getting a mental health program started in El Salvador that would treat the psychological effects of war on children and adults.

The program would involve group and community treatment for those affected by war, encourage them to acknowledge the war, and the problems it has caused for them — in other words, to "tell their stories."

"By telling their story, people begin to understand what is causing their nightmares. It makes it part of their history and helps them to put it behind them," Gruber said.

And her program could well serve as a model that could be used in any war-torn country where children are the most innocent of victims.

"I have a commitment to continue to do work in El Salvador, " she said, adding "I want to be able to take that model and develop it for other areas of the world."

Awarded $1,000 for her research work in El Salvador by the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies, Gruber said she is encouraged by an increased interest in the field she has come to love.

"This is an area people are starting to pay more attention to," she said.

Dr. Gruber is on the staff of Neurobehavioral Associates in Hingham, Quincy and Brockton. She is also works at the Trauma Center at HRI in Brookline.

MBTA assessment relief could be in sight

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should not be a source of revenue for a regional transit system," Hynes said.

More than $5 million in annual assessments, paid by those communities, would come instead from the state budget, said state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth.

In addition to eliminating MBTA assessments in fringe communities, this legislation would remove the more than $19 million in commuter rail assessments charged to all 78 communities within the district because the service is considered regional serving towns both in and outside of the district.

Hynes, who served on a legislative commission reviewing the financing of the MBTA, has pushed hard for assessment relief in fringe communities and has said eventually he'd like to see the state foot the bill for all 78 towns in the district.

Those 78 communities contributed $131 million to the MBTA's fiscal 1996 budget of $750 million.

But Hedlund said shifting the entire bill to the state would not be feasible.

"It'll be a hard enough sell to get this money," said Hedlund of the more than $24 million state subsidy sought. "We can't shift the total cost to the state."

Inherent in the commuter rail relief, said Hynes, is freezing the remainder of the MBTA assessments at the 1996 rate and a plan to establish an advisory board for commuter rail with representatives from all communities served by it.

Hedlund said rather than submitting the proposal as a separate bill, legislators will advance the change as a budget amendment.

"This will be the first chance to see if it has any legs," said Hedlund, who said there is no guarantee the matter will be approved this year.

But in Cohasset, Town Administrator Greg Doyon hopes it will.

According to Doyon, Cohasset will pay more than $150,000 in assessments - about $37,000 of that for commuter rail service - in fiscal year 1997, and he said the town supports any efforts to eliminate these charges.

"If we were to be exempted from payment it would fee up tax funds that could be used for many purposes in both the capital and operating budget," Doyon said.

"We're facing difficult years ahead with an increasing debt service, so anything helps," he added.

270 gallons of water going down the drain

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"Thirty percent produced out of the plant was unaccounted for," he said.

Cohan explained that he started monitoring the storage tank in from 1 to 4 a.m. and initially found usage was 183 gallons per minute during those hours.

"That was a lot for a small town with no 24-hour businesses," he said.

This winter, the usage amount in the middle of the night rose 366 gallons per minute.

"We knew we had a big leak," Cohan said, noting that the department conducted an ongoing leak-detection program all winter.

Stopping this leak brings Cohasset to about the 12 percent mark for unaccounted water, which is good for a system which is 80-to-90 years old, he said.

After repairs were made "the (1 to 4 a.m.) usage went to about 91 gallons per minute immediately," Cohan said.

He explained that salt water ate away iron bolts attached to a coupling that was installed in the early 1970s causing the coupling to fail at the leak site. There were also two holes in the pipe itself.

Repairs to the leak are a stopgap measure until the new water main is installed later this spring.

Cohan noted that with the new water main loop on Forest Avenue, water pressure has been good. The woman, who lives across the street from the Mohawk leak, didn't even notice any problems with her water pressure, he said.

Legal expense gets nod

Selectmen agreed to pay new town counsel Paul DeRensis up to $5,000 to prepare a brief for the Department of Public Utilities on the new water rates requested by Mass. American Water Co. which serves North Cohasset. The rate hike is opposed by affected homeowners in town.

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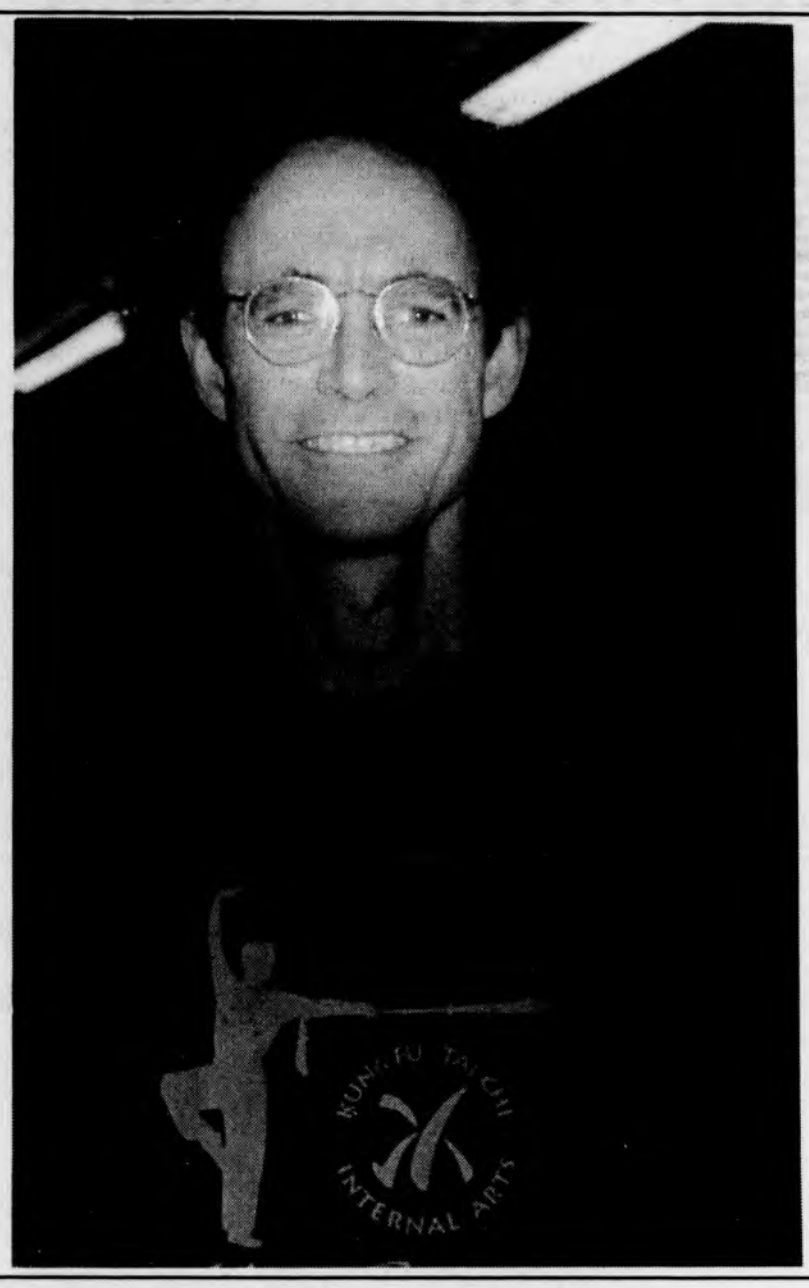

Name: John Loupos

Occupation: Owner and founder of Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi/Internal Arts, of the T.E. Healing Tao Center, and of South Shore Homeopathy.

Goal: To keep learning, and to live a productive life by providing other people with tools and resources for their own personal growth.

Best vacation: Scuba diving any place in the sunny Caribbean.

Best day of your life: So many of them, but probably delivering my son in a homebirth 15 years ago.

Biggest worry: That mankind will continue his shortsighted pursuit of quantity, profit & production at the expense of quality and process.

Favorite holiday: They're all okay.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite TV show: Jay Leno's Tonight Show. I like to end the day with a laugh.

Favorite movie: Too many to list.

Favorite book: I have favorite authors: James Michener, Robinson Davies, Tom Robbins. Plus lots of non-fiction.

Favorite junk-food: Blue corn chips with pesto sauce.

Most embarrassing moment: Being caught unprepared for anything.

Person you'd most like to meet: I can think of two...Benjamin Franklin, a man of wit, conscience, & foresight, & Samuel Hahnneman, a great medical doctor and the founder of Classical Homeopathy.

Pet peeve: Two of them actually. People who behave with prejudice and intolerance towards others. Also having to jump through hoops to finally get a live person on the other end of the phone.

Barnes Field concession

Hugh Morgan will again operate the concession stand at the Barnes Little League Field on North Main Street from April 20 to Sept. 2. Selectmen okayed Morgan's request this week.

Morgan plans to install picnic tables near the concession stand for the summer and assured selectmen that he will take care of any trash on a daily basis. Morgan will sell hamburgers, hot dogs, sausages, chips, candy, popcorn and cold drinks.

Morgan noted he did not have any complaints from the field's neighbors last year.

"Some were my best customers," he said.

Traffic sign installed

A reflective "Dangerous Curve Ahead" sign has been installed in the area of 310 Beechwood St. following an investigation by the town safety officer on the traffic danger at the curve.

Florence Jerome, who has lived at 268 Beechwood St. for 10 years, brought the matter to selectmen's attention in a recent letter.

"There have been many fender-benders and off the road detours in our front yard," Jerome wrote.

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Let's all wish Vi Tuthill a happy 92nd birthday!

After you finish reading this edition of the Mariner, we would be so pleased if you did something to make a soon-to-be 92-year-old special lady feel even more special! Just pick up a birthday card for **Vi Tuthill** so that she will know that we are all thinking about her on her wonderful 92nd birthday—then mail it to Mrs. Carl Tuthill, Norwell Knoll, 329 Washington St., Norwell 02061. The big day is April 24, so there is plenty of time to let Vi know you care!

❑

Ryan Staszko, son of **Mr. Donald Staszko** and **Dr. Barbara O'Pray** of Cohasset, participated in a special "School of the Sea" program offered this winter to Tabor Academy students. The school, located in Marion, offered four different voyages which joined the Tabor Boy, a 92-foot schooner owned by the school, in St. Thomas, V.I.

Students took part in a challenging new course of instruction focusing on fragile coral reef ecosytems. What an ideal winter to be able to take a scientific course like this one — not only do students learn, but they also stay warm and soak up sunshine!

❑

The Cohasset Council of Elder Affairs at 3 North Main St. has opened a **Coffee Café,** open from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The café sells coffee and baked breakfast treats for the enjoyment of those who stop by.

Join them, sit a spell and relax and chat over a delicious muffin and a hot cup of coffee.

❑

We are happy to report that **Herm Fichtner** is at home after a lengthy stay at area hospitals and rehab. Of course we know that nothing cures like love, and Herm is surrounded with that, so we'll be seeing him walking "around town" in no time at all.

❑

Academic honors for the winter term at Northfield Mount Hermon School have been awarded to junior **Brett MacQuarrie,** the son of **Jane** and **Chris Kyricos.** A member of the varsity soccer team, he served as co-captain of the Southeast Team in the 1995 Bay State Games.

He also has been a member of the NMH "As Schools Match Wits" academic TV quiz show team and is playing midfield on the school's varsity lacrosse team this spring.

At Northfield Mount Hermon, an independent, coeducational college-preparatory school, honors students must have a term average or at least a B, with no grade below B-. They must also demonstrate good citizenship and complete physical education and work program requirements.

❑

Here is the success story of two 1995 CHS graduates. **Kristin Niessink** has been named to the dean's list at St. Michael's College in Vermont for the first semester; **Kevin O'Donnell** has achieved dean's list status at Emerson College, also for the first semester .

Both students have expressed a profound appreciation for the excellent education they received at CHS, and felt the preparation they received there certainly played a large role in their success in college!

❑

Roger William University sends us news from the athletic department — #14 on the school's men's lacrosse team is none other than Cohasset's own **Benjamin Redfield,** a freshman who plays the midfield position. We'll undoubtedly be hearing more about Ben as the season progresses!

❑

Everyone remembers **Thomas Allen,** a terrific CHS basketball player. Well, he is keeping up the pace! Thomas, a senior, was honored at Suffield Academy's spring athletic awards assembly on March 28. As co-captain of the boys basketball team, he was awarded a varsity letter in the sport. He also received an award for efficiency in foul shooting.

Thomas is the son of **Zuline Gray Allen** of Jamaica Plain. Suffield is an independent, co-educational college prep school in Suffield, Conn.

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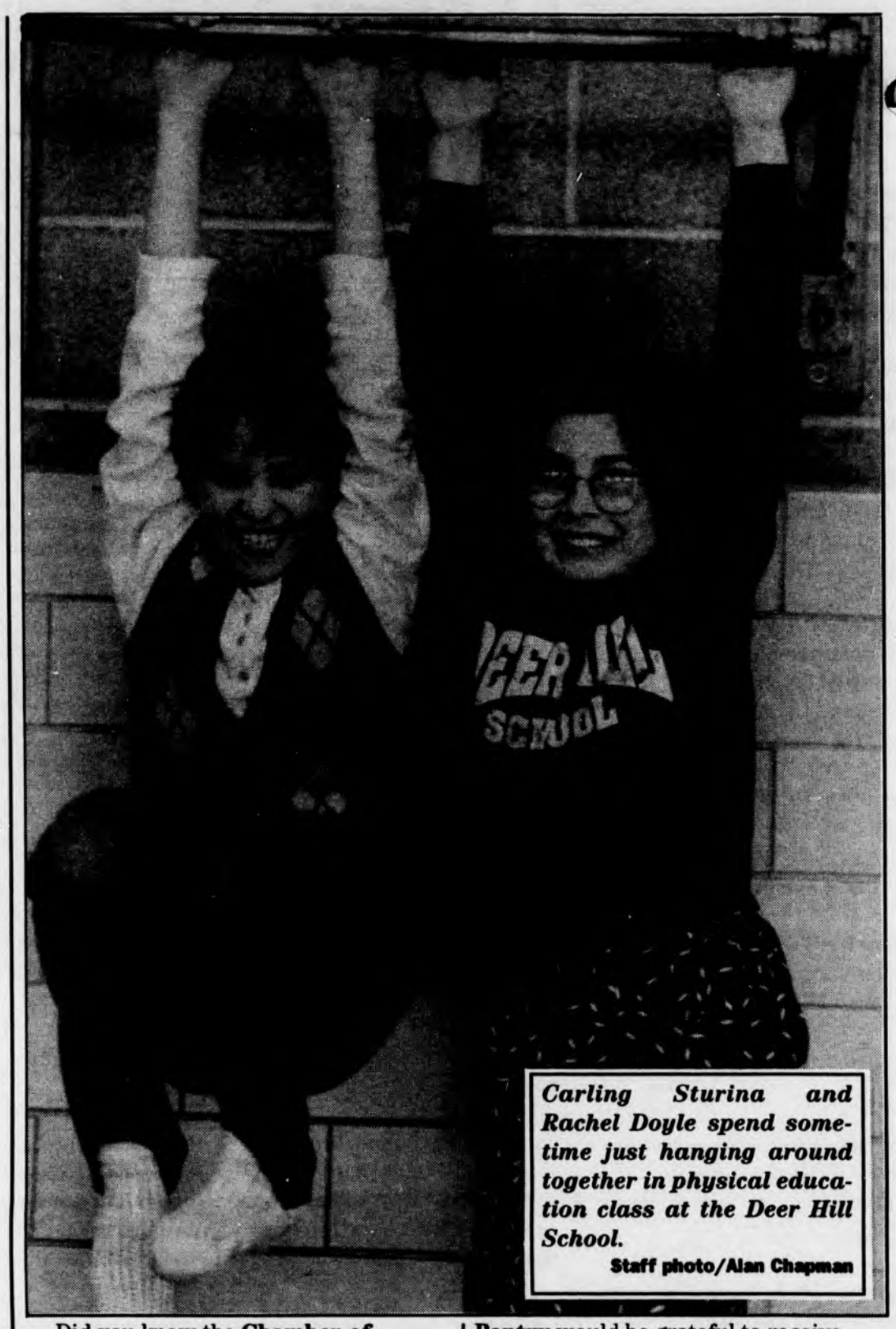

Carling Sturina and Rachel Doyle spend sometime just hanging around together in physical education class at the Deer Hill School.

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Did you know the **Chamber of Commerce** presented the proceeds of their annual auction to the Harborfest Committee and the Appalachian Service Project recently?

Each group received a donation of $2,200, a feat they should be very proud of! Hard work does indeed pay off, as does generosity!

❑

We end this week by reminding you all of a few things that the **Cohasset Food Pantry** would be grateful to receive — paper towels and other paper goods, toothpaste, dish soap, shampoo, baggies, regular coffee, non-sugar products, canned fruit, white sugar and cream of wheat are foremost on the list, but anything that you can donate would be greatly appreciated!

❑

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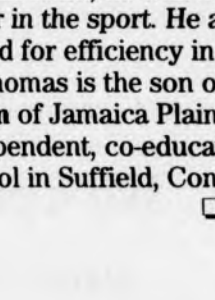

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Engagements

Cynthia Tritschler and John Colocousis

Tritschler/ Colocousis

John S. Colocousis and Cynthia A. Tritschler announce their engagement.

The bride-to-be is a resident of Southport, Conn. Her fiancé, the son of Ann Colocousis of Vero Beach, Fla., and John Colocousis of Clarence, N.Y., is a 1985 graduate of Cohasset High School and a 1989 graduate of Babson College.

The couple will be married on May 25 at Hilton Head, S.C.

Schiffmann/Walsh

Dr. and Mrs. John R. Schiffmann of Milton announce the engagement of their daughter, Roseann Schiffmann, to Richard C. Walsh, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Walsh III of Cohasset and Vero Beach, Fla.

Potolicchio/ O'Neil

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Potolicchio of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Dina-Leigh Potolicchio, to John D. O'Neil, the son of Joan D. O'Neil of Rye Beach, N.H. and Edward T. O'Neil III of Boston.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cohasset High School and the University of Rhode Island and received a master's degree from Northeastern University in communicative disorders. She is a speech pathologist with Boston Public Schools.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Belmont Hill School and the University of New Hampshire and is employed by Alexander and Alexander, Inc.

A November wedding is planned.

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EDITORIAL

Every day is Earth Day

Earth Day is rapidly approaching, and as we focus our attention on the environment, we should be mindful of how fragile it is.

Many tend to view environmental issues as global — global warming, acid rain, overpopulation, air pollution, hazardous waste, ocean dumping and ozone depletion — which must be addressed on a national or on an international level.

But working for change in government and big business is not enough.

Because our environmental problems are also the direct results of our own lifestyle choices, it is crucial that we change the way we live our daily lives.

That means taking responsibility, changing habits, changing attitudes, from the moment we rise in the morning until we lay to rest.

Do we need an electric clock to sound the alarm?

Do we need to turn up the heat to rid the early morning chill?

Do we need to run water as we brush our teeth?

Do we need to bathe, rather than shower, and consume so much water?

How do we make our morning coffee? With a throw-away filter? Do we throw away the grounds, or do we put the grounds in a compost heap?

And what about the morning newspaper?

Do we recycle that?

You get the picture.

We are recycling some products, like newspapers, corrugated cardboard, glass, motor oil.

But it is not enough just to recycle these products.

We must create markets for them so that they won't be stockpiled out of sight and out of mind.

Newspapers can be recycled into other paper products — just as the Community Newspaper Company, the parent company of The Hingham Journal, aims to use recycled newsprint when it is available.

Glass can be ground up and mixed with asphalt for a new product called glasphalt for roadways or reflective signs.

A certain type of plastic that is recyclable is used by the soda pop — that's an old-fashioned word — industry.

That is kept out of the waste stream fairly successfully because consumers pay a five-cent deposit on those bottles.

Another heavy plastic used for milk jugs can be reused for another generation of plastic products such as furniture or combs or lunch boxes. And we often just toss those away.

There is a market for that plastic, and several communities are taking advantage of it, shredding the plastic for future use and keeping it out of the waste stream headed for the SEMASS incinerator in Rochester.

Protecting our environment no longer means preserving our quality of life, it means preserving life itself. And all of us must keep in mind that every day is Earth Day.

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Debt exclusion vote clarified

To the Editor:

Over the past several days, I have received a number of phone calls asking for clarification of the Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion vote which is scheduled for Saturday, May 4.

A "Yes" vote would favor sharing the capital costs of the North Cohasset Sewer Project on a 50-50 basis between the taxpayers and the new sewer users. A "No" vote would favor assessing 100 percent of the capital costs to new sewer users. The project will go forward in either case. The only decision is how the capital costs will be allocated.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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How do we make our morning coffee? With a throw-away filter? Do we throw away the grounds, or do we put the grounds in a compost heap?

And what about the morning newspaper?

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You get the picture.

We are recycling some products, like newspapers, corrugated cardboard, glass, motor oil.

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Newspapers can be recycled into other paper products — just as the Community Newspaper Company, the parent company of The Hingham Journal, aims to use recycled newsprint when it is available.

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4:00 p.m., Sunny, 52

4:22 p.m., stolen property, CJC Hwy. Tedeschi Plaza (CVS), departmental action.

6:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:08 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Summer St./S. Main St., verbal warning.

7:26 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St./Beechwood St., verbal warning.

7:35 p.m., officer field investigation, Forest Ave, investigated.

7:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave./Fox Run, verbal warning.

8:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St./Lamberts Ln., verbal warning.

11:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Doane St., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Thursday, April 4

1:15 a.m., suspicious activity, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

6:20 a.m., animal complaint, Church St., area search negative.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 42

10:47 a.m., animal complaint, Lawson Rd., Scituate, departmental action.

11:26 a.m., fire alarm, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

2:21 p.m., officer field investigation, Black Horse Ln., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 56

10:07 p..m., annoying phone calls, Tower Rd., Hingham, referred to other agency.

10:09 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Forest Ave. by Wheelwright Park, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 46

Friday, April 5

12:53 a.m.., officer wanted, Forest Ave., investigated.

6:43 a.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy. (Lower King St.), services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 44

8:59 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

10:26 a.m., animal complaint, Lothrup Ln., departmental action.

11:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cohasset Plaza/CJC Hwy., departmental action.

2:51 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 44

5:21 p.m., disturbance (family), Parker Ave., investigated.

5:27 p.m., medical, CJC Way, removed to hospital.

7:18 p.m., animal complaint, Bancroft Rd., no police service necessary.

7:41 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Parker Ave., investigated.

10:07 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Linden Dr., dispersed gathering.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, cool, 44

Saturday, April 6

12:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave./Surry Dr., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:10a.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

2:14 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd./Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

6:52 a.m., general services, Clayspring/Reservoir Rd.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, cool, 44

8:45 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St., no police service necessary.

8:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Highland Ave., no police service necessary.

10:10 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St., referred to other agency.

10:52 a.m., medical, Wheelwright Farm, removed to hospital.

10:54 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:55 p.m., disturbance (family), Linden Dr., investigated.

3:20 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Hingham Line, departmental action.

3:46 p.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 38

6:19 p.n., missing property (lost & found), HQ Square, departmental action.

6:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:50 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St., departmental action.

10:46 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., investigated.

11:06 p.m., noise complaint, Windy Hill Rd., investigated.

Dispatcher is appointed

Selectmen this week approved the appointment of Joseph P. Dellapi of Duxbury as the town's newest civilian dispatcher.

They held off appointing Dellapi, who has fire dispatch experience, last week until they conferred with the personnel committee about Dellapi's rate of $11.53 per hour. They were concerned because other full-time dispatchers were hired at a lower rate.

The personnel board said the pay rate is okay. Dellapi started work Monday, selectmen said.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96E0024-PP1

To Thomas J. Schiavo of Hingham, John D. Schiavo of Marshfield, Anthony T. Schiavo of Hingham, and Anthony T. Schiavo, Jr. of Hingham all within the Commonwealth, and to all other persons interested.

A petition has been presented to said Court by John D. Schiavo of 2103 Ocean Street, Marshfield in the County, of Plymouth representing that he holds as tenant in common an undivided part or share of four parcels of land lying in Cohasset in said County of Norfolk and briefly described as follows: PARCEL ONE: NORTHERLY by Lot 2A, as shown on a plan hereinafter mentioned on three courses, one hundred twenty-seven and 02/100 (127.02) feet; twenty-four (24) feet and forty-two and 40/100 (42.40) feet respectively;

EASTERLY by South Main Street, as shown on said plan, seventy-two and 73/100 (72.73) feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lots 3 and 4 on two courses as shown on said plan, one hundred ten and 93/100 (110.93) feet and ninty-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet, respectively;

WESTERLY by Lot 5 as shown on said plan forty (40) feet.

Said premises contain 9,830 square feet of land and are shown as Lot 2B on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land in Cohasset, Mass," dated March 9, 1946, drawn by Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer duly recorded with Norfolk Deeds with a deed of Mary Rose Fratus to Phyllis N. Fratus dated December 12, 1947, and recorded in Book 2728, Page 286. Excluding therefrom Lot B as shown on a plan entitled "Subdivision Plan of Land in Cohasset, MAss." dated June 21, 1961, drawn by Gilbert & Maloney land surveyor recorded with Norfolk Deeds as Plan No. 877 of 1961 in Book 3917, Page 745 which was conveyed by Joseph A. Silvia et ux to Sun Oil Company by deed dated August 2, 1961, and recorded with said Deeds in Book 3917, Page 745. Also excluding therein a triangular parcel of land as shown as parcel "B" on a plan of land entitled "Plan of Land South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts September 16, 1980 1"=30' Engineer: Neil J. Murphy, 760 Route 3A, Cohasset, Massachusetts" and containing four hundered fifty-five and (455) square feet of land, more or less, according to said plan which was conveyed by deed of Richard J. Silvia to Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, by deed recorded in Book 5834, Page 113. The Said plan is recorded as plan 68 of 1981.

PARCEL TWO: Lot A as shown on the plan by Gilbert T. Maloney dated June 21, 1961, recorded in Book 3917, Page 745.

PARCEL THREE: A Parcel of land in Cohasset, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, being shown as Lot 4 on the aforesaid plan of Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer, dated March 9, 1946, and bounded and described according to said plan as follows: SOUTHERLY by two lines by Spring street as shown on said plan, fifty-four and 12/100 (54.12) feet and forty-five and 88/100 (45.88) feet;

WESTERLY by other land of Mary Rose Fratus, one hundred nine and 18/100 (109.18) feet;

NORTHERLY by land of Joseph A. Silvia et ux ninety-five and 09/100 (95.09) feet; and

EASTERLY by Lot 3 on said plan, one hundred twelve and 14/100 (112.14) feet; containing approximately ninety-eight hundred (9800) square feet.

For title to Parcels One, Two and Three, see deed of Joseph A. Silvia and Ruth S. Silvia dated July 15, 1977 and recorded in Book 5356, Page 714.

PARCEL FOUR: A triangular parcel of land shown as Parcel "A" on the aforesaid plan of Neil J. Murphy, recorded as plan 68 of 1981, containing four hundred fifty-five (455) square feet of land more or less, according to said plan. For title see deed of Sarah T. Brewer, trustee, dated January 27, 1981, and recorded in Book 5834, Page 112.

setting forth that he desire that all of said land may be sold at private sale for not less than $187,000.00 dollars and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end that a commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any part of said land which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

If you desire to object thereto, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham, 649 High St., P.O. Box 269, Dedham, MA 02027-0269 before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the eighth day of May 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of March 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Availability of Hingham/Cohasset Army Reserve Center

Agency: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD

Action: Notice

Summary: The Department of the Army, in accordance with the Base Closure Community Redevelopment and Homeless Assistance Act of 1994, announces that the property listed below, at Hingham and Cohasset, located in the Counties of Plymouth and Norfolk, 16 miles southeast of Boston, Massachusetts, has been determined surplus. This property currently is vacant. This is the opportunity for state and local governments and other interested parties to submit their notices of interest to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division, Attn: Director of Real Estate, 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, MA 02254-9149.

Dates: Proposals for using the surplus property should be submitted as soon as possible to the New England Division, Army Corps of Engineers, at the address listed below. Please contact the Army Corps of Engineers for the submission deadline.

Fur further information contact: Frederick W. Colman, Director of Real Estate, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England Division, 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, MA 02254-9149, Telephone 617-647-8585, Fax 617-647-8867.

A summary of the property is as follows: 5 Storage Buildings, 2 Boiler Houses, 4 Production Buildings, 2 Garages/Storage, 2 Vehicle Maintenance Facilities, Foundations of 1 former Mess Hall Building and 1 former Barracks/Administration Building.

The above buildings of permanent construction. Most of these buildings were constructed pre-World War II era.

Total: Approximately 125 acres of land, 15 buildings and 2 foundations.

There are no approved expressions of interest from the DOD or federal agencies.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application No. W95-4435
Muriel Kasdon

Notification Date: April 26, 1996

Public Notice is hereby given of the application by Muriel Kasdon to maintain a pier, ramp and float at 88 Beach Street, in the Municipality of Cohasset, in and over the waters of Little Harbor. The proposed use of the structure(s) and/or fill is to provide noncommercial docking and boating access to navigable waters and is a water-dependent use project.

The Department will consider all written comments submitted thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date" in order to decide whether to grant authorization for the proposed activity pursuant to G.L. Chapter 91. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted written comments may also petition to intervene to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. Further information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Division at (617) 292-5695. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be submitted to: John A. Simpson, Program Chief, DEP/Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK, ss.
93P1890E2

To J. MICHAEL ROBERTS, GUARDIAN AD LITEM of ROCKLAND, in the County of PLYMOUTH and to all persons interested in the estate of FRANCIS D. LOGAN late of COHASSET in said County, deceased.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased which is situated in Scituate, in the County of Plymouth, in accordance with the offer set out in said petition.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham, before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the first day of May 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this third day of April, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register

4/18/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P0679E1

Estate of LLOYD M. STRAIT late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that MARTHA HARVEY of HINGHAM in the County of PLYMOUTH be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 1, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this eighteenth day of March, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

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Mariner Sports

Cohasset's wrestling guru

Sweeney sets positive tone for Skippers' success on the mats

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

In his job description, Torin Sweeney could be referred to as Cohasset High's wrestling coach/teacher. That would be the best way to describe Sweeney's approach to spending the winter with the Skipper grapplers.

The two go hand in hand.

Sweeney, a physical education teacher at the Deer Hill School, is particularly uncomfortable about taking credit for the performances his wrestlers have turned in under his tutelage over the past 13 seasons.

"The most important thing to me is all the kids I've been associated with who've put the time in over the years," said Sweeney, who won his 100th career meet in the final dual-meet competition of the winter. "It's the kids who won 100 meets. I coached them. It's the kids I'd like to thank."

Still, it was Sweeney who had to sharpen the grapplers' talents and prepare them for the rugged dual-meet schedule and postseason competition.

He has done his job well.

Cohasset was the second-smallest team next to Holbrook in the Division 3 South Sectional meet this winter, but that didn't stop the Skippers from rumbling to a stellar third-place finish. Over the years Sweeney has coached 13 individual sectional champions, 24 state place winners and five New England place winners.

Sweeney has also had the unique opportunity to compete and coach for the same school. A 1982 graduate of Cohasset High, Sweeney was an accomplished wrestler during his schoolboy days. He finished sixth in the South Sectional meet as a freshman and improved to third his sophomore year. Sweeney then took the sectional title the winter of his junior year. He proved the first-place finish was no fluke when he battled his way to second as a senior.

After a year away from wrestling in 1982, his high school coach John Leone

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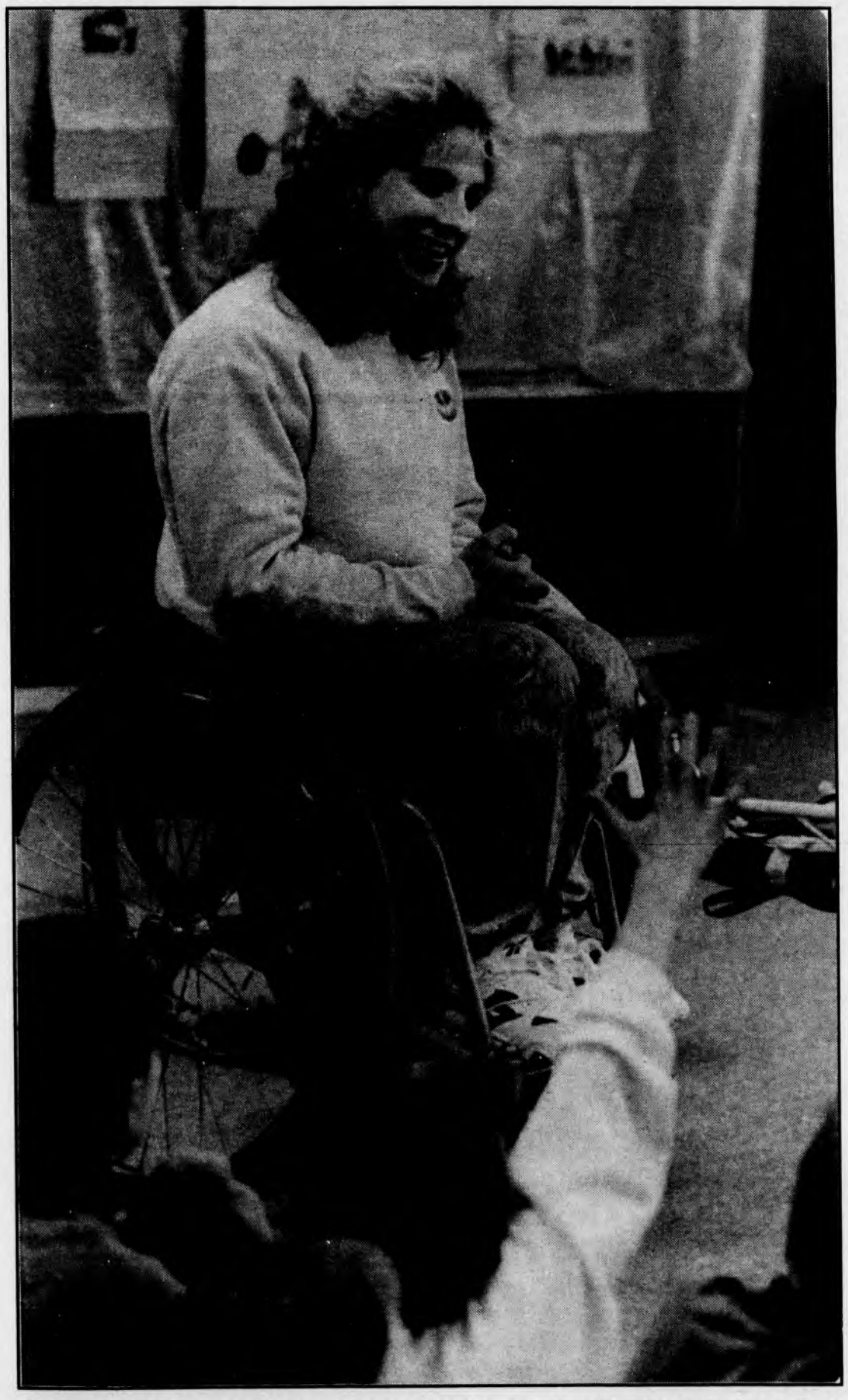

Seven-time Boston Marathon winner in the women's wheelchair division Jean Driscoll answers questions from Deer Hill School students during her visit to the school last Wednesday. More than 350 students listened as Driscoll told them to "Dream big and work hard" to acheive their goals in life. She signed autographs and answered more than 40 questions about her sport and life in a wheelchair. Driscoll captured her seventh consecutive win in Monday's 100th anniversary of the race.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Mother Nature plays trick on ballplayers

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Spring is the time when things begin anew. Flowers bloom, babies are born and New England thaws. This spring promised to be no different, with the exception of the Cohasset High School baseball team. The squad seemed poised to jump out to a fast start, ready to earn a berth in the state tournament, making it a giant year for rebuilding the program.

And then, Mother Nature interfered. Instead of heading into the middle of April with three or four wins the Skippers are stuck at 0-1 after losing to East Bridgewater two weeks ago. Baseball, despite the loud voices of some, is a game designed to be played on grass, not Astroturf, and certainly not on the hardwood of a high school gymnasium.

Baseball should be played with a ball of tightly wound string wrapped inside horsehide, not with a rubber ball that is beaten into a cube after four hits. A pitcher should get the kinks out of his arm in the spring by throwing from a mound with his jacket and a sweatshirt on, not with a T-shirt and gym shorts, standing underneath a basketball hoop. He should throw to a batter who stands inside a batter's box, the wind whipping in his ear. The batter should feel the painful vibrations of a ball not hit solidly, rumble through his body. It is almost unconstitutional to hit a rubber ball thrown by a pitcher underneath a basketball hoop, standing in a net so other players don't get beaned. An outfielder should have to fight the glare of the sun and the trickery of the wind to catch a fly ball, no the rafters of a gymnasium. Baseball is meant to be played with spikes, basketball sneakers fall short. It's hard to get one's uniform dirty by diving on a waxed hardwood floor.

Yet this has been life for Cohasset baseball for the past two weeks. The grounders bound true off the wood and the flies get lost in the rafters. While teams all over Massachusetts are relaxing with their April vacations, Cohasset ballplayers will be stuck inside a cramped gymnasium, if they're lucky. Five teams vie for time in CHS's two gyms, creating a scheduling nightmare and testy coaches.

It's April. The temperature should read 65 degrees and sunny. Baseball has enough worries without the weather.

Driscoll wins unprecedented seventh consecutive Boston

Seven-time Boston Marathon winner in the women's wheelchair division Jean Driscoll of Champaign, Ill. used the Newton Hills to her advantage in racing to her seventh consecutive win in the women's wheelchair division in Monday's 100th anniversary of the Boston Marathon.

Driscoll, who also owns the course record and world record in the event, made history by tying the legendary Clarence DeMar for the most Boston titles ever. Driscoll's winning time of 1 hour, 52 minutes and 56 seconds gave her a 1:43 margin of victory over second-place finisher Louise Sauvage of Australia. The win earned Driscoll $12,000 in prize money.

Driscoll is a local favorite in Cohasset and Hingham. She spends the final weeks before the fabled 26.2 mile run training in Cohasset and the hills of Wompatuck State Park.

Lewis named hockey co-captain

Cohasset's Matthew Lewis, a sophomore at Xaverian Brothers High School in Westwood, was elected by his teammates as co-captain of the '96-97 varsity hockey team. Lewis plays forward and is especially efficient on Xaverian's power-play and short-handed lines.

Xaverian plays in the Catholic Conference League against such hockey stalwarts as Catholic Memorial and Boston College High.

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Sweeney sets positive tone for Skippers' success

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stepped down from the position. Sweeney, who still had the wrestling itch in him, became worried when a successor had yet to be named.

At the age of 19, Sweeney talked to Athletic Director Clark Chatterton and became the squad's youngest head coach ever.

"I was afraid they were going to drop the program and I didn't want that to happen," Sweeney said.

Sweeney listened as much as he wrestled during his seasons on the mats and earned a great respect for Leone. "He was quite an inspiration to me, without question," Sweeney said. "Dedication was one of the biggest things he taught me. I learned from him that if you're going to do something, do it 100 percent or don't do it all.

"I really admired him a lot. He was a strong influence in my life."

Sweeney took over the program after an 0-10 season and the team began to improve every winter. The Skippers won once his first season then two the following year. Cohasset then moved closer to .500 with a 7-9 record in Sweeney's third season. By the fourth year, the Skippers battled to a stunning 11-6 record and was one of the dominant teams on the South Shore from '87-89.

Sweeney sees now more than ever the strides young people can make if they give what they're doing, whether it be wrestling, baseball or their studies, a total effort, they can achieve lofty goals they otherwise would have though unimaginable.

When he first took over the position, Sweeney didn't see the overall picture of a good coach's responsibility until he enrolled at Quincy Junior College and realized just how important the teaching aspect of the sport was. He became all the more focused on his wrestlers and his motivation to coach them and translate the disciplines of the sport over into everyday life.

"As a young coach I didn't see the whole education process," Sweeney said. "It's must more than just wrestling. It's a life experience. I try to show them what they can get out of this sport that will help them in life or in their quality of life."

Cohasset High wrestling coach Torin Sweeney, who is also a physical education teacher at the Deer Hill School, helps Courtney Caron along the parallel bars.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Although Sweeney is a strong advocate of the sport, he believes multi-dimensional athletes, in the long run, are the best athletes. He has never been a firm believer in a wrestler training and competing on the mats year-round. He does encourage kids to get involved in some activity and envies today's youth because so much is offered to them and there are so many more avenues they can take.

"I don't think it helps the kid to do just one sport," Sweeney said. "If you take the same kid and he plays three sports he has all different kinds of experiences. He learns how to win, how to lose, plays for different coaches and with different teammates.

"He can concentrate on his favorite sport in the summer. You get a more well-rounded kid that way."

Sweeney also likes the change of pace in his coaching. He coaches freshman football in the fall and this spring he is in charge of the JV softball squad, a position he thoroughly enjoys.

"It's such a nice change," Sweeney said. "I like to coach the girls. It's fun to see another group of students."

He probably does his most teaching when coaching the freshman football players. Sweeney goes through the basic skills and fundamentals needed to build a foundation upon by the time the kids move up to JV and then varsity.

During the summer Sweeney runs his own wrestling camp at the high school which has drawn between 35-40 grapplers the past two years. Sweeney finds it very important to drop in on other camps and talk with coaches. Sweeney says coaching is more of a learning experience now than when he first started.

"Once you have experience as a coach," Sweeney explained "if you stand pat, you get passed by. If you don't stay on top of that you can be in trouble."

Sweeney is always picking up and teaching his squad the newest moves and the ways in which they can be countered during competition. He wants his grapplers going into matches being as prepared as possible to wrestle their best.

Sweeney has seen the South part of the state become the "hotbed" of wrestling for the past six years. He believes the major reason is the continuity of coaches who stay with the program for extended periods of time. Traditions are built and philosophies are developed in different programs.

The results don't lie. Of the 14 weight classes at the Division 3 South Sectionals, the section was represented in the state finals in nine.

"We've certainly had the upper hand," Sweeney said.

Cohasset High has built its own wrestling tradition and Sweeney, though he won't admit it, is the common denominator in that success.

But he likes the fact that wrestlers who he was teammates with and the ones he coached come back to watch meets and help out at practice. And they're always welcome.

"It's a family that dates back 13 years from my coaching," Sweeney said.

Family. Maybe that's the secret of Cohasset's success.

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

BOYS TENNIS

4/22	Hanover
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/20	Carver

GIRLS TENNIS

4/22	at Hanover
4/29	Carver
4/30	Norwell
5/2	at E. Bridgewater
5/6	at Norton
5/7	at Scituate
5/9	Abington
5/13	Hanover
5/20	at Carver

SOFTBALL

4/22	at Hanover
4/23	Hull
4/29	Carver
4/30	Norwell
5/2	at E. Bridgewater
5/6	at Norton
5/7	at Scituate
5/9	Abington
5/13	Hanover
5/14	at Hull
5/20	at Carver

BASEBALL

4/20	at Provincetown, 10 a.m.
4/20	at Chatham, 2 p.m.
4/22	Hanover
4/23	at Hull
4/25	Provincetown
4/29	at Carver
4/30	at Norwell
5/2	E. Bridgewater
5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/15	Hull
5/20	Carver
5/22	Chatham

GOLF

4/22	Abington
4/23	Hanover
4/29	at Norton
4/30	at Carver
5/1	at Norwell
5/2	Norwell
TBA	Scituate
5/7	at Abington
5/9	at Hanover
5/14	Norton
TBA	Carver
5/21	at Scituate

TRACK

4/22	Hull (Scituate)
4/25	at Scituate
4/29	at Abington
5/2	at Hanover
5/9	at Carver
5/13	All League
5/14	All League

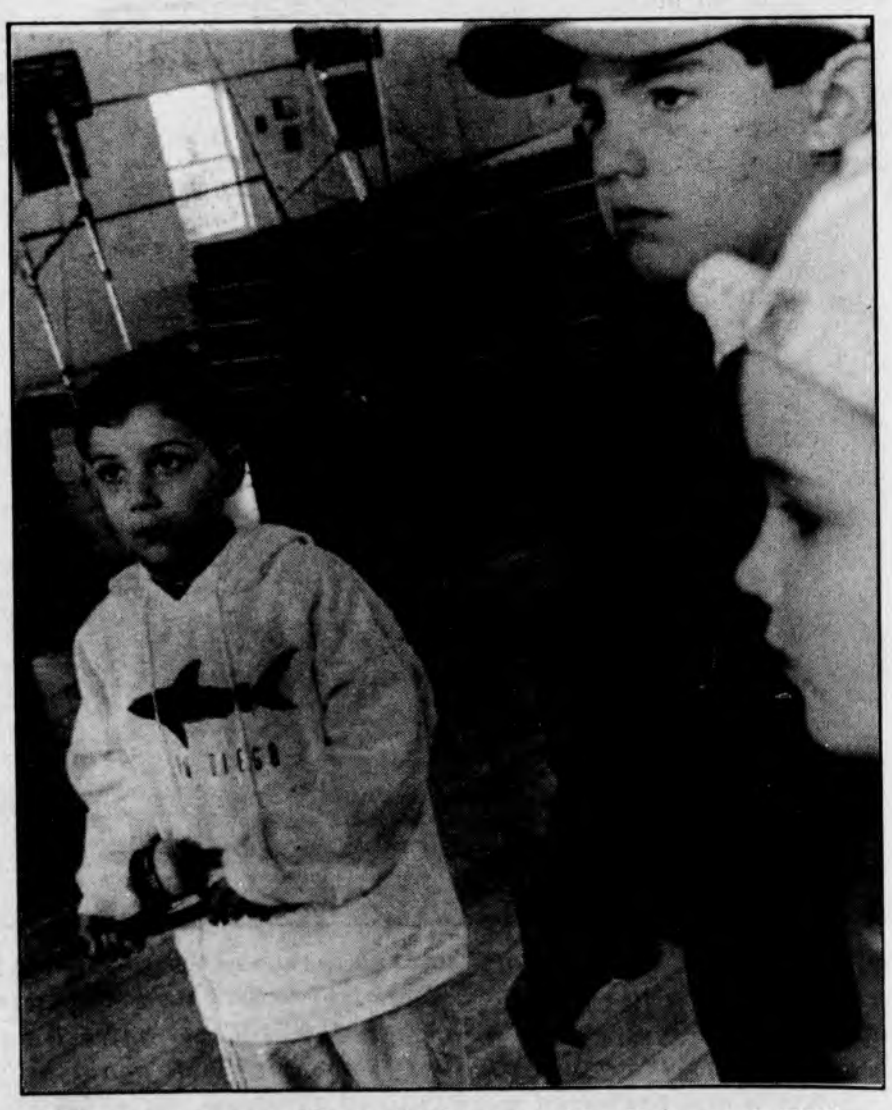
J.V. LACROSSE

4/22	at B.C.
4/26	Duxbury
5/2	Norwell
5/8	Cape Cod Academy
5/14	Sandwich
5/17	at Duxbury
5/20	at Derby
5/23	Brookline
5/29	Norwell, 5:30 p.m.
5/31	Marshfield

LACROSSE

4/19	at Norwell
4/23	at Duxbury
4/26	at Hingham
4/30	at Barnstable
5/3	Falmouth
5/7	at Marshfield
5/10	Norwell
5/14	at Sandwich
5/17	Marshfield
5/21	Barnstable
5/23	Brookline

All games have a starting time of 3:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.



Alexander Shipp (Center) listens with Kyle and William Pinkus as Harry Trask explains how to measure a fish during his fishing clinic, Saturday at the South Shore Community Center.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Mariner Sports

Youngsters are key to Lady tracksters

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset High girls track coach Ron Emmons has a major task in front of him. His number-one priority is to try to keep the Lady Skipper tracksters from losing their sanity after competing in one meet over the past two weeks.

As you may know by now, there has yet to be a spring this year. Winter turned up again last week and dumped up to eight inches of snow on the South Shore, wiping out the scheduled games and meets for a week.

Cohasset was able to get in one meet before the heavens opened and the team made the most of it with a 98-38 win over Norton on April 3.

"It's hart to keep the kids going," said Emmons, "but I can't really blame them. The key thing is that we're not worrying so much about winning, but rather improving with every meet."

Senior co-captain Faye Menis, the Lady Skippers' scoring leader since the seventh grade, had a big afternoon by assuring herself a place in the state class meet at the end of the season. Menis cleared 4' 10" in the high jump, won the long jump with a leap of 15' and went on to take the high hurdles and 200 meters.

Fellow co-captain Tammy Maitland, also a senior, sprinted to victory in the 400 meters and anchored the mile relay squad. Tara Hettstrom, an All-Star gymnast, showed she is just as talented on the oval by sprinting to a victory in the 100 and finishing a close second to Menis in the 200.

Seventh-grader Kate Henderson held off the pack on the backstretch on the second lap of the 800 meters to cross the line first in an impressive race from the front.

Several other of Cohasset's younger runners had strong performances as well. Seventh-grader Kathleen McCarthy was third in the high hurdles and Maureen Equi, also a seventh-grader was third in the 100. The pair teamed with McCarthy's twin sister Kerry and freshman Tamara DeVaughn to win the mile relay.

Eighth-grader Maura Duffy took second in the mile and javelin. Emmons said Allyssa McNamara, the team's top javelin and discus athlete on the squad last season, should do even better this year. He is also looking at other seventh and eighth graders to play factors in determining in how the Lady Skippers do in their meets.

Jen Chaistain should take some of the pressure off the amount of points Menis will have to score, judging by her performance against the Lancers. Chaistain won the shot put and finished second in the long jump and third in the triple jump. Juniors Rebecca Jenkins and Andrea Grew look to be the Lady Skippers' strengths in the middle distances and two mile, respectively.

Emmons said he likes the enthusiasm of his squad and believes many of the athletes are more talented than they realize.

"They're enthusiastic, young and in some cases have no idea what they can do," Emmons said. "It's so hard to tell how we're going to do because it's so early. Scituate is the team to beat, no doubt about it."

Emmons is picking East Bridgewater and Norwell to be just behind Scituate in the South Shore League. For Cohasset it is a season of questions, but there's no doubt the untapped talent is there in the Lady Skippers.

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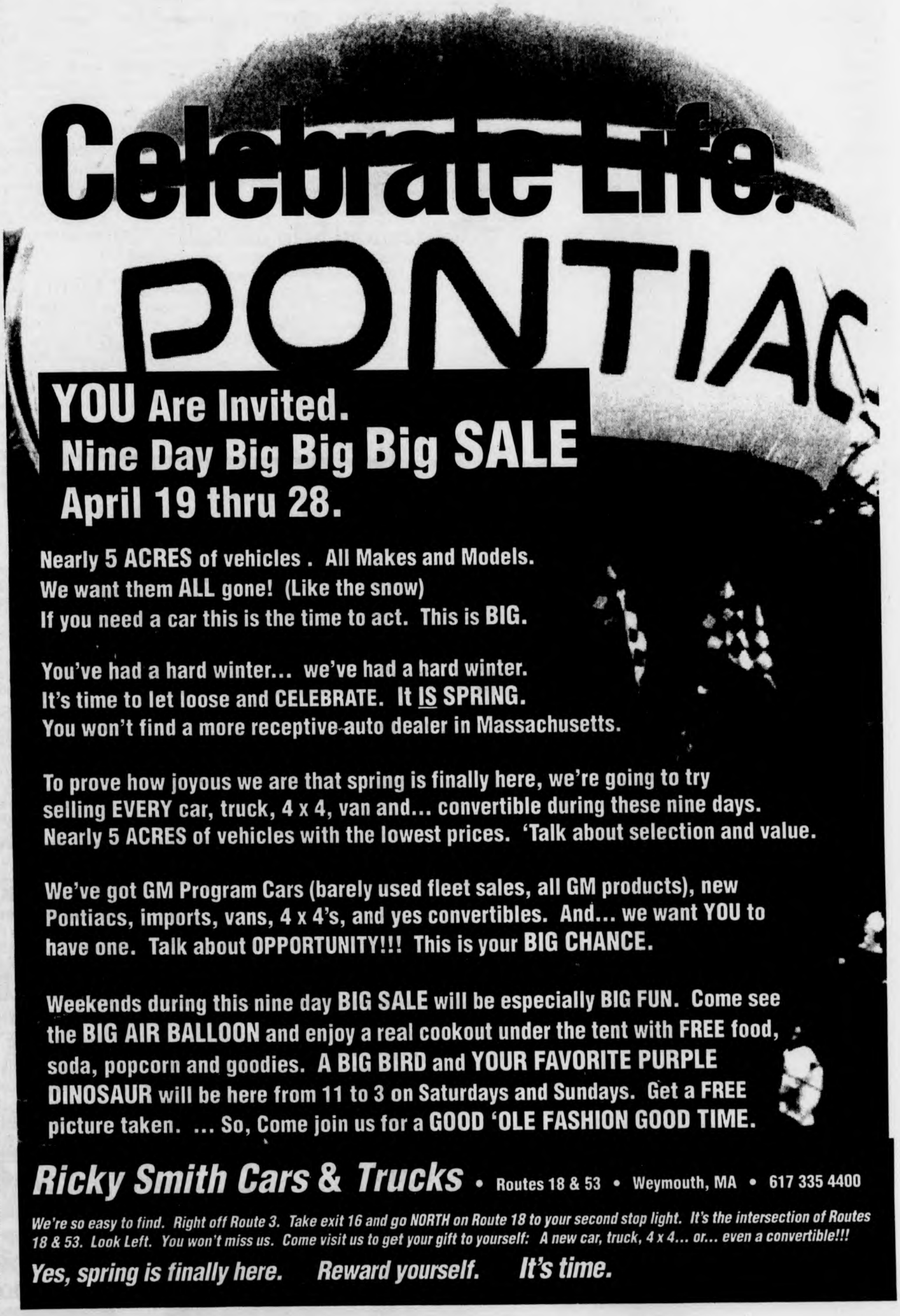

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The Garden Club will hold its annual luncheon on Tuesday, May 28, at the Chart House. The speaker will be floral designer Cindora Goldberg. Tickets will be available at the April meeting or by calling Mary Sullivan at 383-1295.

Clean-up help needed

Cohasset High School students, under the direction of the Mosquito Control Board, will participate in a town clean-up of five sites along James Brook on Tuesday, April 23. Volunteers from the town are welcome to join in the effort.

For further information or to volunteer, call Allison Ritts at 383-1422.

Student art is exhibited

The Art Forum Exhibition, at the South Shore Art Center through April 29, features a selection of artwork created by students (grades 6-9) from South Shore schools, including many from Cohasset.

They are: Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School—Kim Welby, Jake Motley, Starr Greene, Megan Connolly, Todd Bestick, Andy Curran, Susana Candia, Kyra Lea Cogill, Amanda Denz Collins, Evan Murphy, Caitlin Donavan, Bree McKenny, Grace Gardner, Erica Dean, Stefan Vanderweil, Jessica Niessink, Steve Sceery, Elizabeth Myers, Melissa Pyfrom, Meghan Corry, Karen Gray, Matthew Morde, Ted Goff, Devin Buick and Britt Covell.

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The exhibit may be viewed in the Dillon Gallery. For further information, call SSAC at 383-ARTS.

Plants for sale on May 11

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will host a "Not Your Ordinary" Plant Sale on Saturday, May 11, at 9 a.m. in the Lighthouse Keepers' Cottage, Border Street, rain or shine.

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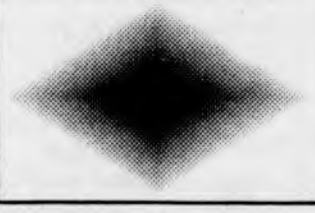

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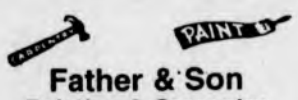

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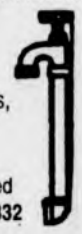

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An Evening at Buttonwood Books and Toys in Cohasset is scheduled for Thursday, April 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The event, which will benefit Friends of the Cohasset Library, provides an opportunity to purchase gifts for special occasions and offers a 10 percent discount on all purchases and complimentary gift wrapping.

The Friends will receive a generous percentage of the evening's sales. Refreshments will be served.

Mad Hatter party set

A Mad Hatter Unbirthday Tea Party will be hosted by the South Shore Community Center nursery school on Sunday, April 21, from 1 to 3 p.m. Admission to the party, which welcomes the coming of spring, is $3.

Activities include making Alice in Wonderland cupcakes, party hats, wearable, edible necklaces, windstreamers, pin the tail on the Cheshire cat, giant teacup coin pitch and face painting.

Make-your-own-sundaes, Dwiddlely Dee and Dum cookies, doormouse breads and Queen of Heart juices will be offered to children, and specialty coffees from Quikava will be available for adults. For further information, call 383-0088.

Poster contest announced

The South Shore Community Center has announced a call for entries for its first annual school poster contest. The contest, entitled "Color It Community," is open to all South Shore schoolchildren in grades 1-6.

The purpose of the contest is to highlight the importance of the family and community, and posters may depict any aspect of "community."

Complete contest rules have been mailed to private and public schools on the South Shore. Winners will receive $150 certificates toward the purchase of a bicycle of their choice. The deadline submissions is May 17.

Winners will be notified by phone, and awards will be presented during a special ceremony at Harborfest on Cohasset Common on June 15. For additional contest or Harborfest information, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

Take a video cruise to Nova Scotia

A video cruising lecture on Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island will be offered by Ross Sherbrooke on Saturday, April 27, at 8 p.m. in Walton Rogers Hall of St. Stephen's Church.

Admission is $7 for adults and $5 for young people 18 and under. Proceeds will benefit Cohasset High School's EXCEL program for restoring a lifesaving surfboat. Refreshments will be served. Call John Brvant at 383-9094 for further information.

'Unity Night' is planned

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will host a Unity Night on Wednesday, April 24, at the Chart Hou[se]. Hors d'oeuvres will be served at 5:30 p.m., follow[ed] dinner at 6:30 p.m. The cost for Chamber members [is] ($15/non-members). To make a reservation, call Chamber hotline at 383-1010.

First Parish presents play

Joan Jensen of Cohasset will perform the lead role of Mabel in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance," to be presented on Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. at First Parish Church, Norwell Center.

In this interactive production, musical director Edwin Light will lead the audience as it learns the chorus parts, with the assistance of the principal singers and choir members.

Following intermission, the full cast and audience will perform a slightly abridged version of the show. Tickets are $10, including refreshments, and may be reserved by calling 659-6122.

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Your cooperation with these inspection efforts would be greatly appreciated. The inspection will not only allow the North Cohasset sewer system to be designed in a timely manner, thus facilitating State funding efforts for the project, but will also allow our engineers the opportunity to design a service connection which will have minimal impacts to your property.

If you have any questions relative to this inspection program, please contact Mr. Daniel Coughlin, P.E. of Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. at (508) 658-7493, or the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall (383-9900, Ext. 108).

Thank you for your cooperation
Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

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Communication is key

School board to launch adopt-a-group plan

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Stressing the importance of communication with townspeople, the school committee may just dub next year "The Year of Dialogue."

The phrase was the brainchild of School Committee Member James Kirk, but its import was stressed by all the members.

For the past two weeks school committee members have discussed broad goals for the 1996-1997 school year. The goals are under the umbrella of the previously outlined strategic plan.

Because of the two-week discussion period, both the opinions of retiring school committee member Nancy Sandell and newcomer Rick Shea were taken into account.

Last fall representatives from several town boards, as well as concerned community members and educators, gathered to discuss five-year goals for Cohasset's schools.

Committee members will vote on the

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Backstage at Deer Hill School are Nicole Plante, Maura McKenny, Julie Shea, Callie Speed, and Molly Flannigan who await their curtain call for the fifth-grade original play "Follow the Drinking Gourd." For story and more photos, see pages 14 & 15.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Seniors could trade work for tax breaks

By MARY FORD and KIMBERLY KEYES
Cohasset Mariner

In the fall, Cohasset voters may be asked to consider giving the town's senior citizens a $5 credit toward their real estate taxes in exchange for each hour of work performed.

After getting feedback from the Cohasset Elder Affairs board, selectmen may consider an article for special town meeting to set up the program.

John Dwyer, 80, told the selectmen this week that seniors — who have no children in the schools — are a bargain and a work-for-taxes program deserves strong consideration.

Dwyer, who first presented the idea to selectmen in March 1995, had an ally this week in James Lagrotteria, chairman of the board of assessors.

"Seniors have a lot of knowledge and experience which can be put to good use," Lagrotteria said.

He explained the movement started in a town in Colorado in 1989, where seniors, seeking relief from the school tax, were

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Tax watchdog group forms

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

A group of local residents have organized into a taxpayers group, according to the association's spokesman, Roy Fitzsimmons, 116 Doane St.

Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers made its official debut when it formed a ballot committee to formally protest the April 6 override for the $10 million new elementary school.

Fitzsimmons said the 30-member group "jelled" as a result of concern about the school project and the "horrendous" behavior at town meeting by school proponents.

An initial $13.9 million override for the new school narrowly failed at the ballot box in February so officials scaled back the project, which passed by an 80-vote margin at the April 6 town election.

Both proposals overwhelmingly passed town meetings which drew a large number of parents whose lack of courtesy toward those who had questions or opposed the project has been widely criticized.

Fitzsimmons, who moved to town in 1968 and sent all five of his children to Cohasset schools, said the group will act as a "watchdog" and send a representative to selectmen, school committee and advisory board meetings to monitor what's going on.

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Cohasset's Week

Goedecke gift is accepted

Jane Goedecke has given the town $725 left over from her campaign fund to go toward purchasing a new sound system for the town hall auditorium.

"As a last farewell to the board and town hall, I have been looking for a way to leave a little of me behind. It is hard to say good-bye!

"There is about $725 in my campaign account. I have always felt it belongs to my constituents and should in some way benefit them. I hope I have found a solution to both these needs," she wrote in a letter to selectmen.

Selectmen happily accepted the gift for the town.

The auditorium is known for poor acoustics.

Computer bid awarded

Ockers Corporation of Brockton was the sole bidder to install a computer network at town hall that includes several personal computers and a file server with 24-port capability.

Selectmen awarded the bid of $15,881 to Ockers.

"Pricing appears to be competitive and the town has had a positive relationship with this vendor in the past," Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

The system will initially hook up the treasurer, town clerk, town accountant, building office and planning board office and has off-site capability for expansion, Doyon said.

The money will come from funds that were appropriated for computers but not expended in articles passed in town meetings in 1993 and 1995.

Board members named

Richard B. Colburn, 64 Jerusalem Rd., and Paul M.Donovan, 11 Bancroft Rd., have been named to the Committee to Study the Structure and Functions of Town Government, Town Moderator George Marlette noted. Colburn and Donovan replace Wilson H. Pile and William Lean, Jr. respectively.

The "Troika," consisting of the moderator, selectmen chairman and advisory committee chairman, appointed David B. Coleman, 714 Jerusalem Rd. to the Capital Budget Committee, Marlette said. Coleman replaces George S. Kovach Jr.

Wanted: citizens to serve on train committee

Selectmen put out the call again this week for interested citizens to apply for spots on the "Citizen" Greenbush Mitigation Committee.

Selectmen intend that the citizen-at-large on the Greenbush Mitigation Committee will chair the "Citizen" Greenbush Mitigation Committee which is supposed to hold two open forums to solicit residents' concerns and report back to the Greenbush Mitigation Committee, which will report to selectmen.

So far only the following two residents have applied for the Citizen committee: North Main Street resident Ed Fegreus, who also sits on the state Citizens' Advisory Committee on the train, and Peter H. Pearce, 23 Forest Notch.

Selectmen said the committee is not being appointed to open up the train debate but to solicit through two public forums residents' concerns about safety, aesthetics, traffic flow, and neighborhood and grade-crossing issues relating to the train and report those findings to the mitigation committee, which must formulate a mitigation plan to selectmen within about 75 days.

The Greenbush Mitigation Committee, which includes the police and fire chiefs, department heads and town board members was scheduled to meet at 3:30 p.m. today (April 25) at town hall. The Citizens Advisory Committee, representing all towns in the Greenbush corridor, will meet from 7 to 9 p.m., May 1 at Weymouth Town Hall. The CAC will comment on the MBTA's environmental feasibility study on the train.

Open space group on hold

Selectmen are waiting for two more names for the Open Space Advisory Committee before finalizing the make-up of that board, which, with the help of a professional planner, will come up with a draft open space/recreational town-wide plan by October with the final report due in June 1997.

So far Conservation Commission member Susan Cope will serve on the board as well as Mary Muncie who will represent the recreation commission; Ronnie McMorris will represent selectmen; James Kinch will be the watershed protection committee representative ; and Jack Hubbard, who is a member of the private group the Conservation Land Trust, will serve on the committee along with a member of the planning board and historical commission who have yet to be named.

Once the open space plan is in place, the town can apply for state grants to purchase open space and recreational land, such as "Turkey Hill" off Rte. 3A. Plans are to ask special town meeting in the fall to appropriate funds to purchase Cohasset's acreage of that property.

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Sun. 28	8:00	8.9	1:46	8:32	9.0	2:14
Mon. 29	8:52	9.1	2:39	9:19	9.5	3:02
Tues. 30	9:41	9.4	3:29	10:03	10.0	3:48
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Sewer, manhole repairs slated

By STACEY K. POWERS
Special to the Mariner

At a hearing before the Conservation Commission, Ted Guild, chairman of the Sewer Department, put forth a request for determination of applicability to restore certain sewer pipes and manholes located throughout town.

The town is under state mandate to upgrade the sewage treatment plant and expand its capacity by 1999. The excavation, which is slated to begin in July and last into October, will cure the leakage problem by rehabilitating the existing system and reducing extraneous water overflows. Sensitive excavation is being conducted now in anticipation of designing a new sewer treatment plant to replace the current one on Elm Street, which was built in 1965. Fixing the leakage problem now will enable the town to improve and expand the new treatment plant's capabilities.

The Sewer Department has mailed out 148 notification cards to residents who would be affected by the excavation on Border Street, Elm Street, Pond, Summer and Stockbridge streets, Margin Court, Elm and Summer streets rights of way. Only 114 cards have been returned confirming receipt of the information. The remaining undeliverable notices are a cause for concern for Commission Chairman Thomas Callahan. "These people need to know what is going to happen to their streets and property," he said.

Joe Boccadoro of the Earth-Tech company, consulting engineer for the Sewer Department, explained to the Commission that this will be a three-part project comprised of manhole repairs, pipe repairs requiring excavation and pipe repairs not requiring excavation.

The water level has risen so much that vast portions of the sewer system have flooded. Thee are a total of 12 manhole covers that need to be raised about frequent water levels. Four of the manholes are located in vegetated wetlands around Elm Street and Atlantic Avenue. The other eight are located in buffer zones on private residential property, including several along Elm Street. A small backhoe will dig an 18- to 24-inch ring around the circumference of the manhole to complete the work. Most will be raised about three feet. The manholes situated on residential property would only be raised approximately one foot above the ground.

When residents Ham and Shirley Tewksbury voiced concern over the condition that their yard will be left in after the work is done, Boccadoro assured them that pre-construction videos will be taken to insure that yards are restored as "near as possible to original condition." He also indicated that plantings and shrubbery would be provided to cover and surround the manhole cover.

The pipe repairs that would require excavation are adjacent home pipes that are connected to the facility. The current service connection will be excavated and replaced.

There are several pipes that require "no dig technologies" to repair poor joints. These are primarily located on Border, Pond and Stockbridge streets. Chemicals applied from inside the pipes to complete the restoration will be used so as not to affect the surrounding wetlands.

The Commission will issue a decision next week.

In other business, the Commission approved a request by Town Administrator Gregory Doyan to dismantle and move an existing metal building located on the site of the former Cohasset Colonials Furniture Company.

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Your cooperation with these inspection efforts would be greatly appreciated. The inspection will not only allow the North Cohasset sewer system to be designed in a timely manner, thus facilitating State funding efforts for the project, but will also allow our engineers the opportunity to design a service connection which will have minimal impacts to your property.

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Seniors could trade work for tax breaks

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paid $4.50 per hour with a maximum of $450 per household for town work which offset their tax bill.

"It spread like wildfire," Lagrotteria said about the program.

Closer to home — Duxbury started the program 18 months ago and Marshfield is considering adopting a similar program. The Duxbury plan is administered by the Council on Aging, Lagrotteria said.

The Duxbury Council on Aging tries to match up seniors with suitable jobs, Director Oliver "Woody" Woodruff said.

Participants must be at least 60 and can work up to 100 hours in a fiscal year. Income doesn't matter.

Duxbury's town meeting approved $5,000 last month for its program, Woodruff said. The money is in an account controlled by the Council on Aging. A work completion form, signed by Woodruff and the head of whichever department the taxpayer worked in, goes to the town collector, who credits the taxpayer's account, Woodruff explained. More than 50 seniors signed up for the program and jobs ranged from helping the town clerk with census forms to counting cranberry crates hauled by harvesters to the town's bog.

State Sen. Robert Hedlund has cosponsored a bill to codify these programs in all Massachusetts towns.

"Property taxes aren't going down," noted Hedlund, whose hometown of Weymouth has launched a similar pilot program. The state Department of Revenue has raised questions about how the programs are implemented, he said, but that shouldn't stop Cohasset from going ahead.

Lagrotteria noted that the average house in Cohasset is valued at $308,000 with a tax bill of $4,466.

"Some seniors are tax poor and property rich," he said.

Currently in Cohasset, some seniors may qualify for property tax abatements if they are a disabled veteran. Surviving spouses and those over 70 may qualify if they meet certain income and net worth caps. The town also allows tax deferrals of property taxes for seniors by placing a lien on the property with the taxes and interest being recouped when the property is sold. For more information about abatements, call the assessors' office at 383-9900.

Dwyer, who lives on Old Pasture Lane, told selectmen Monday said he's ready to go to work.

"If (DPW Supt.) Harold Litchfield needs arrows painted at the catch basins all over town — I'm available," he said.

Tax watchdog group forms

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He explained that too few citizens get involved early in the budgetary process.

"I've walked into meetings and been asked 'Why are you here?'," Fitzsimmons recalled.

He said the group plans to oppose the May 4 override on the sewer project. The debt exclusion override, if passed, would allocate costs between users and the taxpayers and add about $45 per year on the average tax bill. The $6 million project will go forward regardless of the outcome of the Prop. 2-1/2 vote.

"It's a fairness issue" because the whole town is being asked to pay for an improvement that only benefits some, Fitzsimmons said about the group's opposition to the override.

Brad Balzer, department director at the state Office of Campaign and Political Finances, said taxpayer groups must register as "ballot question committees" if they participate in election-related activities. If they take a position on a state ballot question, they must register with the state.

Fitzsimmons said his group registered with the town clerk's office before the April 6 election and spent $380 on a flyer about the budgetary impact of school override.

He said Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers will invite Barbara Anderson, founder of the state-wide Citizens for Limited Taxation, to speak at one of their meetings.

Another matter of concern for the group is the punch-ballot system used in Cohasset elections. Fitzsimmons claims that some of the town's elderly citizens may think they have punched and in reality may not have punched the card through.

He said the 119 blanks on the April 6 school ballot question reveal that "there's a problem."

"The vote is too sacred" for some votes not to be counted, he said.

Osgood committee make-up

After considerable discussion this week, selectmen decided on the make up of the Osgood School Re-use Committee which will determine the most effective means of returning the Osgood School to the tax rolls.

The school will be closed and turned over to the town once the new school, authorized by town meeting, is built.

Selectmen decided the Osgood committee should consist of two neighbors to the school, a Realtor/developer, a member of Cohasset Elder Affairs (formally the Council on Aging), a member of the planning boards, and two members of the housing authority, Rich Silvia and John Muncie who have already expressed interest in serving.

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Hagerty buildings to go

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The Victorian house on the town-owned Hagerty site is up for grabs.

Acting on the recommendation of the Hagerty committee, selectmen authorized the demolition or removal of the house, which once housed the showroom and offices of Cohasset Colonials, a furniture kit company.

The town will solicit bids for the razing or removal of the house and ask for separate bids for the removal of the cutting room, a metal building which is the last of the factory structures at the site. The concrete slab, that the cutting room sits on, will remain there for the time being.

Selectmen had wanted to sell the house to try and recoup some of the money the town spent to buy the 2.2 acre harbor-front parcel but town meeting did not want to lose the land the house sits on or its surrounding 8,000-sq. foot lot which would have been sold with the house.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon explained that for the removal of the house, the town would require a performance bond (to make sure the work gets done), insurance, and all necessary permits. The bid will go to the "highest responsible bidder" and bids could be as low as $1, as high as $1,000 or "whatever," he said.

Last fall selectmen authorized the demolition of the cutting room, but nothing has been done with that structure because it is is being used for storage of town equipment, Doyon said.

Selectmen decided to solicit bids for the removal of the cutting room and are hopeful that someone will "pay to take it away" because it is a useful structure, chairman Merle Brown said.

Selectman Michael Sullivan urged the board to reconsider and keep the cutting room, which with a facade would be aesthetically pleasing and could have some useful purpose — such as containing restrooms — once the Victorian house is gone. However, Sullivan's fellow board members could not be persuaded and his motion failed for lack of a second.

The town bought the Hagerty site three years ago and plans have been in the works ever since to create a passive recreational park there for all residents to enjoy.

May 4 vote for sewer slated

Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild said informational "blue" booklets on the proposed Straits Pond area sewer project are free and are available at the selectmen's office.

A favorable May 4 Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion override vote will allocate costs of the $6 million project between users and the tax payers and add about $45 a year onto the average tax bill.

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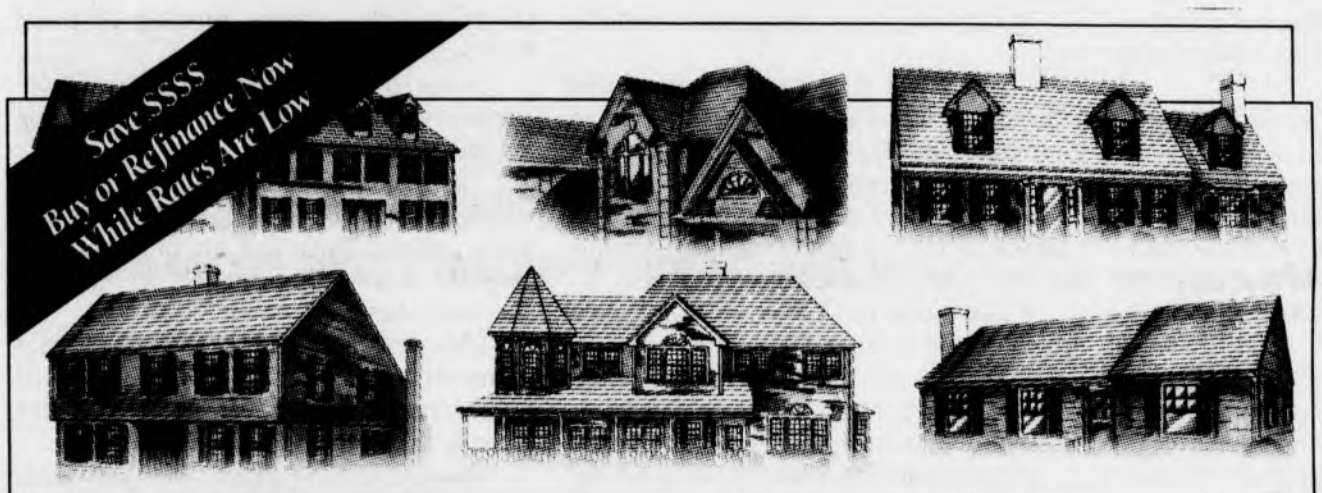

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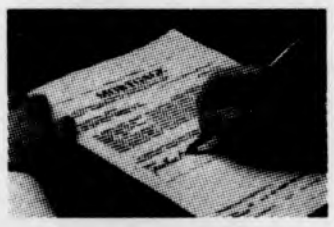

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Maritime Institute refurbishes Hagerty boat house

Fund-raiser slated for May 2

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset Maritime Institute is building a home.

Rebuilding a home, actually.

CMI members and volunteers are renovating the old boat house on the former Hagerty property.

The boat house will be used as as a base of operations for CMI, and also as a symbol of local history.

"The most important piece (of the project) is bringing back to life this part of local history — the maritime heritage," said Jack Buckley, a science teacher at Cohasset High and CMI founder. "And the educational opportunities it will provide for students, as well as people in the community."

Buckley added that many people don't realize that Cohasset was the first town in the United States to have a lifesaving station. Most people think Hull holds that distinction.

The boat used by CMI, and the related ExCel (advanced) program at the high school, is a surf boat.

Surf boats, which are powered by oars and a sail, hold from nine to 12 people and were used by the original lifesavers.

The boathouse, which used to be part of a larger building where racing shells were manufactured, can house a surf boat.

Volunteers have been working on the project, but most of the refurbishing lies ahead.

In order to raise money for the structural repairs and other costs, CMI is holding a fund-raiser on Thursday, May 2 at 7:30 p.m. at Bancroft Hall at the Lightkeeper's House on Government Island.

The fund-raiser will feature Mary Malloy and Stuart Frank, maritime musicians and historians, who sing songs and tell tales.

"We found a home at the harbor and we are inviting people to help out," said Buckley speaking of the fund-raiser.

CMI is a community organization, and true to form, the work will be done in the fashion of the old barn-raisings, Buckley added.

It will cost a minimum of $5,000 to restore the boathouse, and that includes a lot of free labor, Buckley said with a smile.

The boathouse recently got six new pilings, or "legs", which were driven into the marsh. The pilings further secured the boathouse, and were installed by volunteers David Marks and Sandy Carter.

Rowers John Daley and Steve Woll also did some cosmetic and structural work on the building.

CMI focuses on fostering maritime education and rowing in Cohasset harbor.

Without a home base, members have been using the docks at the yacht club and the sailing club for their surf boat, which was restored in 1991.

CMI will continue to use the various docks after the boathouse is completed. One of the reasons is that because of the tides the boathouse will not always be accessible.

The boats are used by students in the ExCel program, which Buckley heads up, and by the members of several rowing programs.

ExCel students are in the process of restoring a second surf boat with the help of Mike McNabb, a local shipwright.

Students and CMI members go out to learn how to row and sail, and to study and explore local history, said Buckley.

Students will row out to certain sites to study the ecology and collect water samples.

"It engages students with all of their senses," said Buckley. "They are physically and emotionally involved in the activities."

A great deal of teamwork and perseverance is required to row the surf boats, which are important qualities to develop, said Buckley.

"(Rowing) requires making good judgments, and persevering in the face of a little adversity --instead of folding and calling it quits," he said.

Rowers will often go out on the water in inclement weather. Buckley said this fosters a respect for the lifesavers who used to row out to help boats in distress.

Some parents got together to form "Women with Big Sticks," after Buckley took them out and showed them what their children were involved in.

Buckley said that recreation, socializing, education and the environment are all important pieces of CMI's mission.

Tickets for The Maritime Chanties fund-raiser are $15 for adults, $7 for students and $5 for youth rowers. For more information, call 925-1284.

School committee to launch adopt-a-group plan

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goals for next year at their next meeting on May 2.

Questions about the new school proposal underscored the importance of communication, said members.

The committee discussed having each of the five members adopt a particular group, or two groups.

The groups may include, teachers, parents, community members, students and the media.

At each meeting members will give a report on the progress, or problems, their subcommittee has met with.

Members also discussed holding open houses at the schools, so everyone in the community could stop in and see what was happening in the system.

School Committee Member Maureen Jerz said that there are many positive events occurring in the schools that people aren't aware of.

"There are a lot of things going on here that people don't realize," she said.

Kirk added that it wasn't only important for people to know what was going on — they should also have the opportunity to comment and question.

"(We need to) get the word out and get questions in," he said.

School committee members also discussed sending out newsletters.

A student representative to the committee, Ryan Sawchuk, said that one way to improve communication would be to televise the meetings.

Other goals, the committee discussed, involved the monitoring and strengthening of teacher evaluations, the maintenance of buildings, and further linking of different subjects.

"I feel pretty good about where we are," said Supt. Stephen Hart.

The goals set by administrators and teachers have to tie into the broad goals instituted by the school committee.

In other business, the school committee:

• Welcomed new member Shea, and elected Ralph Kidder to his second year as chairman. Jerz was elected vice chairman, and Chittick secretary.

• Chose Jerz and Chittick to act as liaisons with the school facilities committee on the school new school project.

• Discussed the adoption of a policy which would require the school committee to be kept informed of thefts or drug/alcohol infractions that are committed in the school system.

Chittick said this policy was important so school committee members can answer questions parents might have about the incident. Students will not be identified by name.

• Discussed the progress being made by the architects on the new school proposal, and the current funding proposal before the state Senate.

Some townspeople had voiced concerns over a possible cut in state funding for this year.

The school building assistance funds, which are mandated by the state to reimburse various cities and towns for school projects, were approximately $11 million last year, Hart said.

This year only $5 million was initially recommended by the state House of Representatives; however, that figure was amended to approximately $11 million.

The $11 million figure was passed by the House and is now in the Senate.

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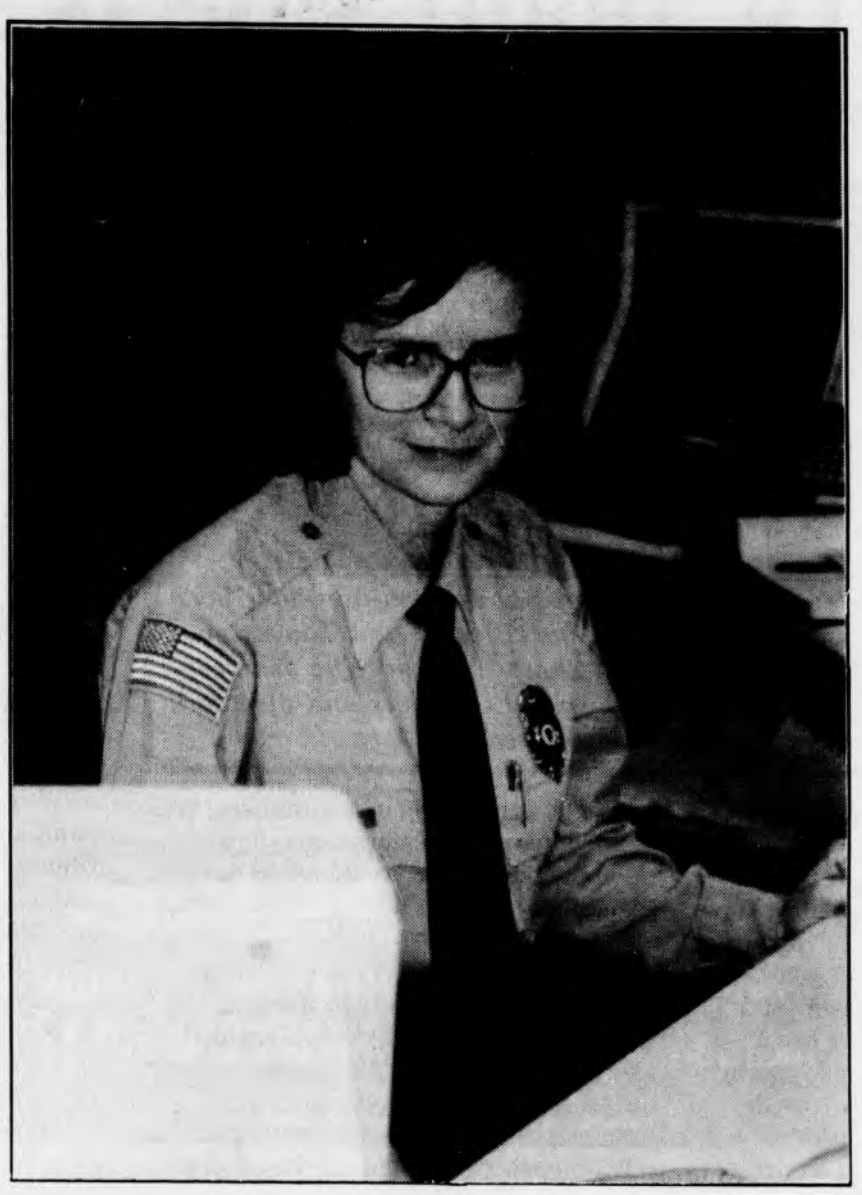

Name: Pat Douglas

Occupation: Civilian dispatcher.

Goal: To learn the new public safety computer system at the Cohasset Police Department.

Best vacation: Disney World.

Best day(s) of your life: The days my two children were born.

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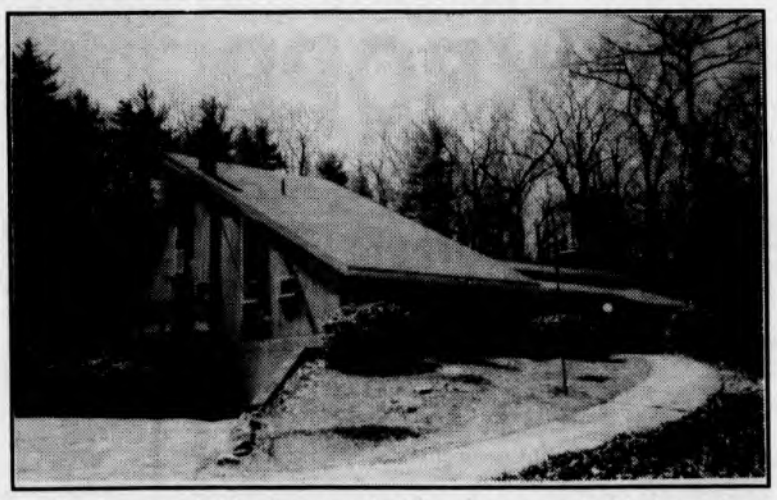

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Not Your Ordinary plant sale is May 11

It really did seem like spring is finally here last weekend, and here in time to enjoy it is a brand new Cohasset resident, **Mackenzie Lee Dickson,** born April 10 at 4:05 a.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces, and her parents, **Kelly** and **Robert Dickson,** are enchanted with her already, as are her siblings, **Devon Clifford Dickson, Crystal Marie Jacobs** and **Tiffany Rose Jacobs.** MacKenzie's maternal grandparents are **Clif** and **Peg Dickson** of Cohasset; her paternal grandparents are **Martha** and **Al Frey** of St. Petersburg, Fla. Everyone, have a wonderful time with your precious little girl!

❑

The Saturday that all of you avid gardeners are anxiously awaiting is rapidly approaching — mark your calendars now! On May 11 at 9 a.m., the **Community Garden Club** of Cohasset will host a "Not Your Ordinary" plant sale at the Lighthouse Keepers' Cottage, Border Street, rain or shine. The event will feature a large variety of gardeners' choice plants, including perennials, small trees, ground covers, herbs, ornamental grasses and annuals. Of special interest will be many uncommon and hard-to-find perennials.

A word to the wise — Go early for the best selection! The Garden Club stocks up wonderfully well, but word is out as to how good the plant sale is, so people cannot wait to get there! Go early for the best selection. Not to worry — they will also provide you with complimentary coffee! Proceeds from the sale benefit the club's scholarship fund and many civic projects.

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Happy belated birthday greetings go to **Craig Mulcahy,** and here's to another wonderful year for you, Craig!

Cohasset residents Shirley Marten (left) and Nancy Hamilton have been elected to the board of overseers of South Shore Health and Educational Corporation, the parent company of South Shore Hospital. The overseers represent the community in electing the hospital's officers and directors and advise on the extent to which community needs are met.

❑

Middlebury College junior **Robin Lawrence,** the son of Dr. and Mrs. Robin Lawrence of Cohasset, took advantage of an opportunity offered by the school's study abroad program to spend last fall in Spain. In order for Robin to participate, he had to maintain a grade average of B- or better, have a facility with the language of the country and provide a strong academic rationale for studying abroad. Hopefully we will be hearing of your fall in Spain soon, Robin!

❑

Let's hope Robin talked to **Douglas F. Schultz** about school in Spain, because that is where he will be spending his spring semester — in San Sebastian, to be exact! Doug, the son of **Gerald** and **Regina Schultz,** is a member of the Class of 1997 at Colby College, where he is majoring in government. We bet he'll have some stories to tell us upon his return, and we'd love to hear them!

❑

While on the subject of education, what better time is there to bring up the **Catherine W. Mulcahy Scholarship?** Many remember Mrs. Mulcahy as one of the most outstanding educators in Cohasset. She started as an elementary school teacher (one who all the parents wanted their children to have, of course) and wound up her illustrious career as Osgood School principal. She ruled with a firm hand, but a loving heart, and students and parents alike adored her.

Now the Mulcahy family will be offering a scholarship in her name on Class Night, and with any luck, she could even be there to present it! The scholarship will be presented to the student who best demonstrates leadership and dedication to the service program at CHS, and whoever earns it should be very proud of themselves indeed!

❑

Second Congregational Church is holding a Time and Talent Auction May 18 at 7 p.m. in Bates Hall (downstairs in the church). They held a similar fundraiser last year, and it was super! You can bid on anything from a gourmet dinner to tennis lessons; you can be chauffered for a change or go for a sailboat ride. There are some tickets to sports events. You get the idea — there is something for everyone!

There is no charge for the event, and there will be complimentary wine, soda and cheese. All monies earned will go to the Cohasset Food Pantry and the church's organ fund.

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We just heard **Erik Henry** will be attending Bowdoin next fall! Talk about exciting news! We are so happy for you, Erik, but CHS will certainly miss you and your athletic prowess. Erik was co-captain of the soccer and baseball teams, for example.

We are certain mom and dad, **Jerry** and **Charlie** will miss you, too, but we'll bet there will be many trips to Bowdoin in their future!

❑

Hats off to **Joanne Hill,** who ran the Boston Marathon last week. We know there are many more of you Cohasset runners out there who competed or ran for your special cause or just ran for yourself! Call and let us know all about it!

— Sallyann
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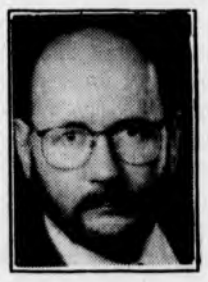
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Obituaries

Shirley Piepenbrink

43-year resident

Shirley (Brendy) Piepenbrink, 72, of Cohasset, died April 19 at Life Care Center of the South Shore, Scituate following a long illness.

Born in Illinois, she was a Cohasset resident for 43 years.

Mrs. Piepenbrink was a private duty nurse in the local area for many years and was involved in the American Ex-Prisoners of War group.

She was devoted to her family.

Mrs. Piepenbrink was the wife of Frederick Piepenbrink and leaves four sons, Frederick Jr. of Cohasset, Thomas S. of Hull, Kirk L. of Marshfield and Robert T. of Cohasset; a daughter, Susan Piepenbrink of Cohasset; a sister, Beverly Kampf of California; and five grandchildren.

A memorial service was held April 24 at Second Congregational Church, Cohasset. Burial was private.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home of Cohasset and Norwell.

Donations in Mrs. Piepenbrink's memory may be made to Second Congregational Church, Cohasset 02025.

Assoc. for retarded citizens plans benefit dinner dance

South Shore Association for Retarded Citizens will hold its 45th annual dinner dance on Saturday, April 27, at Lantana's in Randolph. ARC is a non-profit United Way-supported agency, providing disability services in Cohasset and the South Shore area through their residential, employment, community, recreational and early intervention programs.

Tickets are $35 and may be purchased by calling the ARC development office at 335-3023, Jean Bailey (383-1186), Maria Plante (383-9263) or Taffy Nothnagle (383-0895).

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EDITORIAL

Just a suggestion

We'd like to offer a suggestion to selectmen that we think townspeople might appreciate.

With a five-member board, Monday meetings can drag on a bit. We're not complaining. It's our job to sit there and pay attention.

But in the spirit of openness and accessibility — perhaps selectmen could adopt a policy of setting aside 10 minutes earlier in the meeting (such as at 8 or 9 p.m.) so any citizen in the audience who may have a question or concern could be heard.

We're not suggesting doing away with the agenda and encourage anyone with an issue to call the selectmen's office and be placed on the agenda for an upcoming meeting.

But because the agenda is set Thursday — on occasion, a citizen may have something that can't wait for the following week or has a simple question to bring before the board that doesn't pertain to one of the items slated for discussion. Or the citizen may be unfamiliar with selectmen's meetings and how a place on the agenda is secured.

Whatever the case, we think it's a shame to see a resident sit through the lion's share of a three-hour meeting to finally give up and go home.

Even though selectmen have the best of intentions when they reassuringly say "only three minutes more," more often than not — that three minutes turns into 30 as it did Monday.

A "reserved time frame" might also encourage more people to attend the meetings if they thought they could bring something up.

In Scituate, selectmen call for questions or comments from "walk-ins" at the beginning of their weekly meeting. Oftentimes there are no walk-ins and the meeting just moves on.

But if there is someone with a question or concern it is dealt with at that time or if they determine it can't be handled briefly, it is put on a future agenda.

Village update

As your community paper, we promise to follow the Village revitalization effort being spearheaded by the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

We believe it's critical that Cohasset has a lively, healthy town center. While restoration of the train and talks of a master plan are long-range — improvements could be made in the short term to greatly enhance the village.

A group of about 20 concerned citizens and merchants met again last Thursday to brainstorm some more about what can be done to attract businesses and shops and keep them here.

Another session is slated for 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 30 at French Memories.

Action items include surveying the village to determine how many vacancies there are; discussing sidewalk improvements with DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield; and forming a task force to work on ways to make the village more viable.

Try to come Tuesday or call Dean Rizzo with your comments and ideas at 383-1994.

As Dean says "Let's keep the momentum going!"

— Mary Ford
Editor

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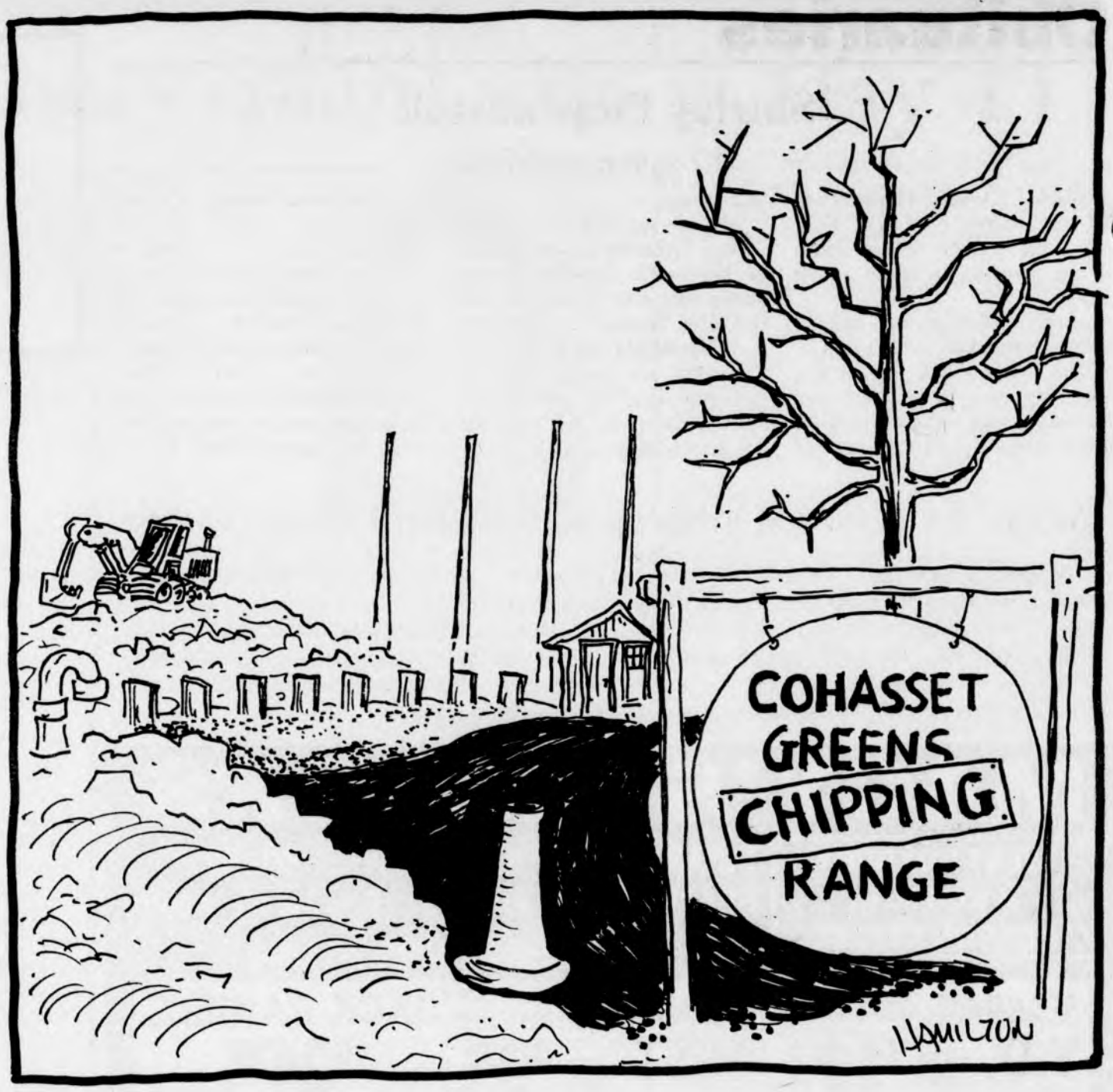

Citizens groups thank town for support

To the Editor:

The 15 ten-citizen groups who intervened in the recently completed Site Assignment Hearings of the Board of Health on the proposed Area 5 expansion of the Cohasset Heights Ltd. landfill would like to thank the citizens of Cohasset, Board of Selectmen, Conservation Commission, and Board of Water Commissioners for their support of legal services and expert testimony provided during the hearings.

Because state regulations required the Board of Health to approve the expansion unless they determined that it would be a danger to public health, safety and the environment, it was important that the board be very thorough in its review of the application. Also, since these regulations required the Board of Health to base their decision only on the record of evidence established during the hearings, expenditures for legal representation and expert witnesses were essential.

While the hearings were long and costly, we feel the level of effort and funds provided by the town were a good and worthwhile investment. This intervention by the Town of Cohasset established a record of overwhelming evidence on which the Board of Health can make an informed decision.

We appreciate the support given by the town for these hearings. Thank you.

Constance Afshar, 141 South Main St.
Margaret Chapman, 25 Virginia Lane
Nicholas J. Driscoll, 42 Wheelwright Farm
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MBTA's spending is decried

To the Editor,

I was appalled recently to read the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation (April 4, '96) bulletin regarding the pace of capital spending at the MBTA. The report states that MBTA capital spending has more than doubled in two years — $153 million in '94 to $360 million in '96 and another 10 percent increase slated for '97. One of the most appalling facts is that 70 percent of the growth in total state debt since 1992 is attributable to the MBTA. To support new capital spending, the MBTA will issue $400 million in additional bonds in '97 and '98 which will bring the MBTA debt to $3.3 billion by 1999. This figure has nearly tripled in less than 10 years.

The numbers go on and on and up and up with huge dollars going into new commuter rail extensions and operating costs on existing lines. Why doesn't the MBTA practice the same spending discipline as other state projects? Why are they allowed to spend taxpayers' dollars with so little control? Massachusetts carries the third highest debt in the nation. A fact that affects the state's credit worthiness. The spending pace of the MBTA must be slowed down. No one denies the need for convenient and effective transportation but not at the expense of other capital needs such as education which competes for funding with the MBTA.

In early 1997, the MBTA plans to begin construction of the Greenbush line. A $300 million capital expenditure with $20 million in annual operating costs. All this to take approximately 1,300 cars off Routes 3 and 3A by the year 2010. The 43 dangerous grade crossings, noise, pollution and safety issues aside, Greenbush is a blatant example of wasteful and unnecessary capital spending by the MBTA. Unnecessary, because it will not do enough to relieve traffic congestion in proportion to the cost. It is time the Weld administration take this bull by the horns and say enough is enough!

Janyce Brown
Rocky Lane

Rafferty thanks supporters

To the Editor:

I would like to express my sincere thanks to all (1,102) of the people who voted for me in my campaign for water commissioner. I am happy that so many of you heard my message and expressed confidence in me. Chip Muncey has solid water utility experience and represents a good addition to the board; it's too bad that we both couldn't have joined together.

This was my first political experience. I learned some good lessons, made many new friends, and gained invaluable perspective about the political process and about the many key issues facing Cohasset. I thoroughly enjoyed the entire campaign and look forward to remaining involved.

I also would like to thank the Mariner for sponsoring the weekly question. It was a great way to have the candidates focus on the important issues.

John P. Rafferty
4 Stoneleigh Lane

Tax burden is too high

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

At the start of our town meeting, Mr. Buckley, our town accountant, gave a well-prepared picture of our town's financial condition. The bottom line of his presentation was that without approving any major new budget items, our tax bills will increase by more than 20 percent over the next five years.

With that introduction, our town officials proceeded to advocate that "in the interest of fairness" the town pick up half of the cost of the forthcoming sewer items. We were not given a rigorous accounting of the cost of these measures, but only a flimsy estimated cost, averaged over 20 years, for a hypothetical $280,000 house. We were not told how these figures were arrived at or how badly this debt would balloon our tax bills over the next five years.

This clever bit of strategy was carefully crafted to produce an unholy alliance between those individuals facing state-mandated sewerage and the proponents of the new school, which swung enough votes in the school override election to enable that measure to squeak by with an 80-vote plurality.

Let us now examine the consequences of this largess. Using Mr. Buckley's figures for servicing the $9.89 million school debt, which assumes the 60 percent state funding for the school arrives in five years, and the flimsy 20-year averaged cost estimates for the proposed sewerage items, under the optimistic assumption that they will be uniformly spread over the 20-year time frame, the 20 percent tax increase that Mr. Buckley told you would occur in the next five years if no major new budget items are approved, now expands to a more than 32 percent increase over the next five years.

To make matters worse, this year's funding for the state's School Building Assistance Program came out of the House Ways and Means Committee with only $5 million. The House did vote to increase that figure to $11 million, but even if that $11 million gets by the Senate and the Governor this year and if this level of funding is maintained in subsequent years, it will be 10 years before Cohasset will see a dime of state funding for the Osgood School replacement. By that time Cohasset taxpayers will have shelled out more than $7 million rather than the $3 million in up-front money that our town officials led us to believe would be required when they wanted us to approve this project. Such fiscal irresponsibility can no longer be tolerated.

Our town records show that over the past several years, 60 Cohasset families have lost their homes in foreclosures. Other families have fled before their personal financial condition reached that level of criticality. Clearly, many Cohasset residents are living on the brink of financial disaster; and unbounded tax increases will force many of them into the abyss. We must call a halt to the piling of higher and higher long-term debt burdens on the backs of Cohasset homeowners. We must take a first step in that direction by turning down the proposition 2-1/2 override in the town election May 4.

Fred Quelle
120 Nichols Rd.

Sharing sewer costs opposed

To the Editor:

The people in North Cohasset are very lucky. They are going to have a sewer and will never have to worry about paying for a Title V septic system. They are going to get a bargain, too. The state is going to pay, with our tax dollars, 30 percent of the construction costs.

Now here comes the bad part. We are being asked to vote on May 4 to raise our property taxes again in order to pay for the remaining one-half of their sewer system. Why aren't we being asked to pay for the entire amount? Because the property owners in North Cohasset know that even with just the state money, they still get a great deal and would pay far less than the cost of individual septic systems. The remaining half they want the property tax to pay would be a bonus.

I f things go as they want, the state would pay 30 percent, our property tax, 35 percent, and property owners in North Cohasset, 35 percent. Remember also that not everyone in town would pay an equal share, and we all have different assessments. Some property owners would pay much more than others for a system they will never use. Is this fair?

By the way, when you have to replace your septic system, you will pay 100 percent of the costs. I urge you to carefully consider and vote "No" on May 4.

Alexander C. Koines
380 Atlantic Ave.

Yes vote for sewer urged

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the citizens of Cohasset for their unanimous support in adopting the amended motion relative to sewering at our most recent Town Meeting.

The issue of sewering in Cohasset has been ongoing since 1979-'80, when a judgment against our town from the Superior Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts mandated the clean-up of certain areas — specifically at that time, James Brook and Cohasset Harbor. Shortly thereafter, Strait's Pond was listed ACEC (Area of Critical Environmental Concern) and became priority one on the Department of Environmental Protection's list.

It was not until the warrant was posted for our Special Town Meeting that I realized the Board of Sewer Commissioners proposed that the 220 residents of this area be burdened with the entire cost of the $6.6 million bond. At this same time, these 220 residents of Cohasset are facing a 164 percent water rate increase commencing June 1, 1996 by the Mass-American Water Co. of Hingham.

In my opinion, this precedent being set by the Board of Sewer Commissioners is as ludicrous as the chairman of the School Committee mandating that only parents who have children attending Cohasset Public Schools pay the entire cost of the $9.9 million bond for the new Osgood School.

My immediate reaction was that this home, built by my husband and me almost 36 years ago, is 2,112 feet from Strait's Pond. Our septic system (even while our six children lived at home) has never given us a problem. The system is located in the rear of our home, with more than adequate leaching extending down into a wooded area which ultimately leads to Cohasset Golf Club.

To defeat this sewer article, as drafted by the Board of Sewer Commissioners, because it was setting a precedent that was totally unfair and unjust, would not benefit the Town of Cohasset.

The taxpayers of Cohasset would be in violation of the court order and subject to penalties of up to $10,000 per day.

There are many Cohasset residents who feel the way I do. Municipal projects benefit the entire town. For example, when the Elm Street Wastewater Plant was constructed, the reservoir expanded and upgraded, including the building of a new water treatment plant, clean-up of Little Harbor, Cohasset Harbor, James Brook, Beechwood Street culvert, to name a few, there was never any mention of dividing our town and not supporting these municipal projects, even though no direct benefit would be realized by us.

It was only after attending many meetings and participating in discussions, both pro and con, that virtually in the "11th hour" prior to Town Meeting, the Board of Sewer Commissioners made it possible for a new motion to be voted. In the 351 cities and towns in the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts, there is not another municipality mandating that 100 percent of bonding costs be assessed to lest than one-tenth of its population.

The Town of Hingham will share 50/50 with those proposed to be sewered, and this percentage seems fair and equitable. The Board of Selectmen, the Advisory Board and the voters at our most recent Town Meeting voted to support this new motion.

Increased funding from the state, together with the Town of Hull adding 15,000 more gallons per day, enabled the sewer commissioners to expand the service areas. The street listings and dollar figures are available at Town Hall in a blue booklet entitled "Wastewater System Improvements."

Included in the 50/50 "Yes" vote is the opportunity for non-sewered homeowners to upgrade their septic systems. $500,000 per year for the next six years is available for applicants to borrow at the same 2.7 percent interest rate over 20 years (similar rate as homeowners in proposed sewer areas).

For non-sewered households, the 50/50 "Yes" vote would mean that if your home is assessed for $300,000, in the year 1999, the annual cost will be $51 (less than $1 per week). Of course, if your home is assessed for less than $300,000, the annual charge in 1999 will be less.

Please keep in mind that all of us in the Town of Cohasset are taxpayers. The 50 percent shared by the town includes those of us who are also paying the other 50 percent.

For the environment, clean air, clean water — and the betterment of the Town of Cohasset — please vote "Yes" on May 4.

Maria A. Plante
798 Jerusalem Road

THE COUNCIL CORNER/Kathie O'Neil

School councils have a busy month

The following is a compilation of the minutes of School Council meetings held this month.

Jr./Sr. High — Much of the meeting was spent reviewing part of the student handbook. Areas of discussion and/or change were: grade weights, including the addition of an A+ grade and tardiness, absence and attendance policies. Also included in the discussion were senior project and Middle School exam changes. The Strategic Plan was reviewed with a focus on the areas of plant conditions, School Improvement Plan and accreditation. The next meeting will be held May 15.

Deer Hill — Council members dealt with a number of issues at their last meeting. A 6th-grade dance has been organized through parent, student and faculty collaboration. It will be held April 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. Council members continue to focus on ability grouping and the provision of a challenging curriculum. This is an ongoing topic of discussion. A parent has expressed an interest in possibly developing a foreign language program. Next month's meetings will be on May 7 and 14.

Osgood — A great deal of the meeting involved discussion on the vote related to the new school. Another area of focus by the council was professional development with regard to the upcoming dates of May 8 and 9. The children will be provided with an interesting presentation by community volunteers while teachers work on ways to enrich the curriculum. Also examined were the School Improvement Plan and the "Strategic 5-Year Plan." The next meeting will be April 23.

Art can be used to enhance curriculum

To the Editor:

I recently had the privilege of observing a theatrical production at the Deer Hill School in Cohasset, given by four classes of fifth graders. It was a perfect example of the way the arts can be used to enhance core subjects in the curriculum. The subject of the play was the Underground Railroad. The students spent weeks researching the history. Then, with the guidance of various faculty members, the students wrote scripts, created sets, learned songs and rehearsed their play, which told the story of American slaves escaping to Canada in the 1800's.

The importance of the arts in learning has long been recognized for their value in helping to give children the basic tools to aid them in the school and in their lives. In the past several decades philosophers and psychologists have learned that the arts help children to think. Songs and games help young children learn their numbers, alphabet, coordination, sense of rhythm and sense of self. Older children are rewarded in "make-believe" through drama, storytelling, music, dance, drawing and painting. The arts build self-esteem in all ages. In the creation of this wonderful piece of entertainment, the students at Deer Hill School learned about the historical subject, and also about creativity, sharing, teamwork, respect for others.

The arts teach one of the basic elements needed to get along in life: learning how to learn. In recognizing diverse learning styles, and the need to integrate head, heart and hand, the arts-integrated curriculum provides the means for this to happen. However, for years the arts have been the first subjects to be set aside when the school budgets get tight. With the new mandates set forth by the Department of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to involve the arts in the basic curriculum, educators are beginning to realize what artists and musicians have known all along. It is the stuff of life.

The faculty and staff of the Deer Hill School seem to be ahead of the game. The production was wonderful. The children were serious, well-behaved, motivated, imaginative, totally engaged in what they were doing, and having a good time. I hope that there will be lots more of this in the future. And not just in Cohasset.

Joan Jensen
63 Howe Rd.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Cohasset Dramatic Club presents:

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

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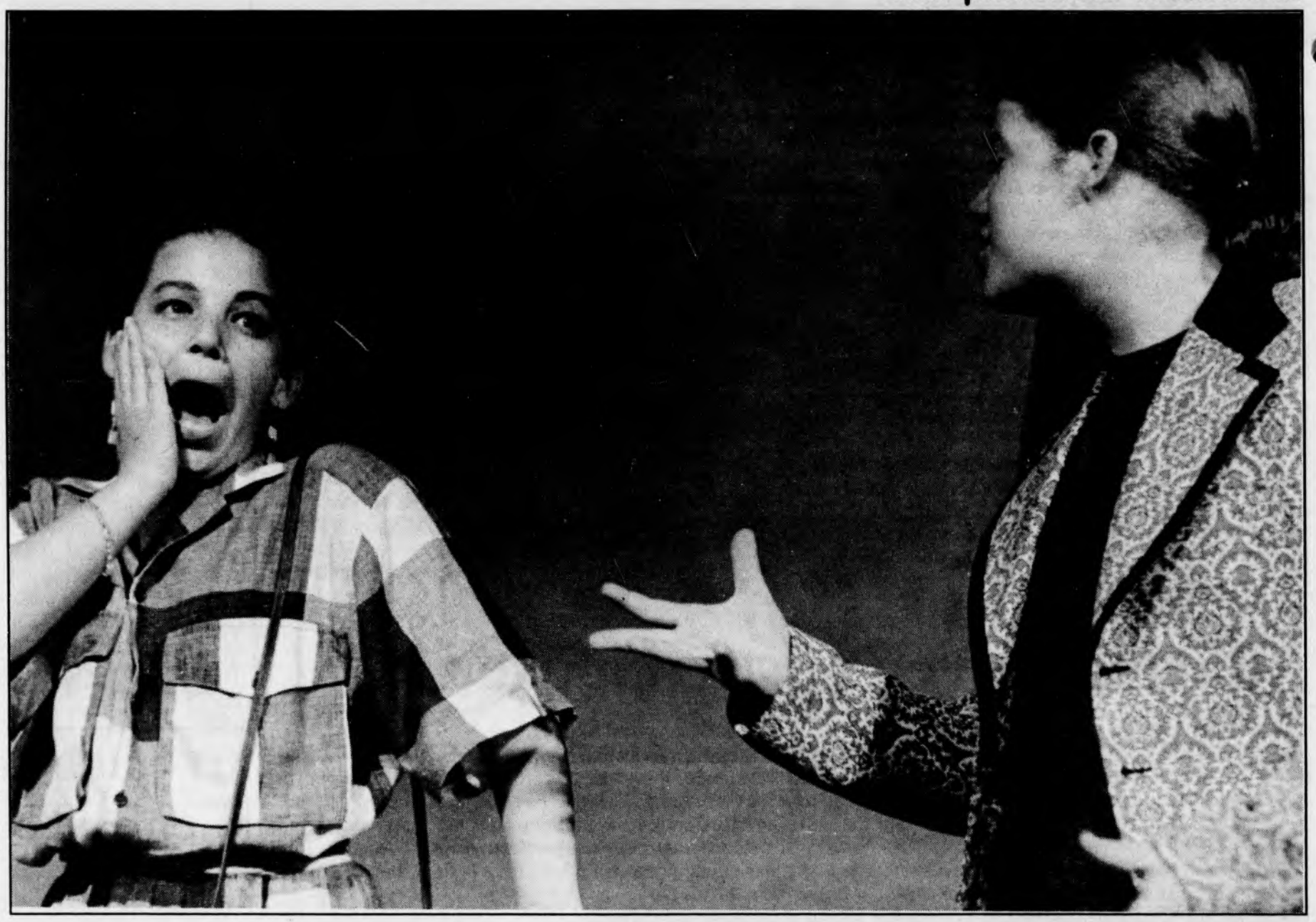

Mrs. Beauregard (Sera Genovese) learns from worker (Jeff Clarke) that her daughter has turned into a blueberry in the Cohasset Dramatic Club production of "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" which premiers this weekend at Cohasset Town Hall.

Augustus Gloop (Brian Fahey) samples the chocolate river. Performances are 7:30 p.m., Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m., Sunday, April 26-28, May 3-5 & 10-12. A special performance with proceeds benefitting the Cohasset Teen Center is slated for May 1.

Meghan O'Neil is one of the narrators of the story. Regular performances tickets, which are $7, may be purchased at Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cushing Plaza or Wilbur's in North Scituate. Tickets for the May 1, Teen Center benefit show are $5 and may be purchased by calling 383-1248 or 383-0760.

Charlie is portrayed by David Crowley-Bech. Many young actors from Cohasset are participating in the productions.

Violet (Laura O'Brien) enjoys a piece of gum that is a meal in itself. The production is being directed by Sally Wright.

It's Happening

Benefit performance for teen center is slated

A benefit performance of Cohasset Drama Club's "harlie and the Chocolate Factory" will be held ednesday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. in Town Hall. Proceeds will benefit the Cohasset Teen Center.

Tickets are $5 and may be purchased in advance from Betsy Connolly (383-1248), Rose Collins (383-0760) or the Cohasset Recreation Office (383-6791). Tickets will also be sold at the door on May 1 if available. Last year's show was a sellout.

A large number of Cohasset actors of all ages are participating in the production.

Easter chorale music at St. Stephen's Church

As part of the St. Stephen's Church recital series, the Cantate Domino Chorale will present Johann Sebastian Bach's Cantata No. 4, "Christ Lag in Todesbanden," along with a program of Easter choral music, on Sunday, April 28, at 3 p.m.

The chorale, directed by Fredrick Guzasky, music director of St. Stephen's, consists of St. Stephen's choir, along with choir members of other area churches.

The church is located at 16 Highland Ave. and is handicapped accessible. Ample parking is available in the village lot. For further information, call 383-1083.

Take a video cruise to Nova Scotia

A video cruising lecture on Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island will be offered by Ross Sherbrooke on Saturday, April 27, at 8 p.m. in Walton Rogers Hall of St. Stephen's Church.

Admission is $7 for adults and $5 for young people 18 and under. Proceeds will benefit Cohasset High School's EXCEL program for restoring a lifesaving surfboat. Refreshments will be served. Call John Bryant at 383-9094 for further information.

First Parish presents play

Joan Jensen of Cohasset will perform the lead role of Mabel in Gilbert & Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance," to be presented on Saturday, April 27, at 7:30 p.m. at First Parish Church, Norwell Center.

In this interactive production, musical director Edwin Light will lead the audience as it learns the chorus parts, with the assistance of the principal singers and choir members.

Following intermission, the full cast and audience will perform a slightly abridged version of the show. Tickets are $10, including refreshments, and may be reserved by calling 659-6122.

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Pupils explore American slavery through original play

History came alive for 100 Deer Hill fifth-graders, last month as they performed "Follow the Drinking Gourd," a play they wrote and researched themselves.

This original four-act play was the culmination of a project initiated by fifth-grade teacher Dayle Dickinson and Deer Hill art teacher Ann Berman. They wanted to combine the visual arts with a curriculum subject, and put into practice the theory of multiple intelligences espoused by Howard Gardner of the Harvard Graduate School of Education, which says that there are many human capacities beyond verbal and math that should be nurtured in schools.

The subjects of art, music, social studies, and literature were combined to give students the opportunity to explore an area of American history in great depth. Slavery, and the Underground Railroad prior to and during the Civil War, was selected because it's a part of the fifth-grade study of American history.

The students read about the subject for one month. The fifth-grade teachers nearly emptied the Deer Hill library, the Paul Pratt Library, and the Lesley College library of every book about slavery from its earliest inception through the Civil War and post Civil War, up to the present day. Students learned about slavery in other cultures. They read journals, fiction, poetry and historical accounts.

The students made a timeline organizing what they'd learned. Under fifth-grade teacher Frank Deakin's guidance, they used computers and card catalogs in their research, and to type their play, stories, and poems. In science, Ray Levine taught the constellations and how they were used by slaves to find the way on unmarked paths. Katherine Whitley and Dayle Dickinson oversaw the writing portions of the project. In addition to writing the play, the students wrote stories and poems based on what they'd learned.

There are four fifth-grade classes. Each class was given the task of writing and performing one act of the play. The play's action is based on a picture book by Jeanette Winter, "Follow the Drinking Gourd."

Each classroom was divided into small writing groups. The first step was talking about the scenes, staging, and dialogue. Each group wrote drafts, did editing and produced a final draft. The final draft of each group was then read to the class. At this point each class of approximately 25 students went through the act, cutting and pasting the best parts from each group's best effort.

Once each class had its act in final form, tryouts, scenery, and other preparations began. Meanwhile, music teacher John MacInnis taught students five songs that would be woven into the action of the play and sung by all 100 students. The songs included "Follow the Drinking Gourd," "One More River," and "Go Down Moses." The students not only learned the words and music, but why these songs were meaningful to the slaves.

Deer Hill fifth-graders Sara Dennis, Shana Sullivan, Molly Flannigan, Ely Kahn, and (at front) Rachel Judge perform in "Follow the Drinking Gourd," an original play, wrote and researched by the pupils themselves.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

In art class, students created traditional African drinking gourds that were displayed in the hall of the school leading to the performance. Each gourd was carved with personal family stories. The students also made miniature gourds that were given to each member of the audience at the conclusion of the two performances.

The stories and poems written by the children were from the point of view of a slave. They created concept maps that organized the information they'd learned. They drew maps depicting the routes of the Underground Railroad. All this work was on display for the audience to enjoy.

Several parents helped coach the students in acting and assisted with some of the more complicated scenery. There was a student-created river that rippled. Students were trees. Conor Mangan, a Cohasset High School senior with an interest in theater, helped coach some of the actors after school. In fact, the preparations often spilled beyond the regular school-day hours.

Because of lunch hours and other regularly scheduled uses of the Deer Hill cafeteria/auditorium, all 100 students got to rehearse together only three times prior to the first performance. The play was a huge success. Students spoke lines clearly and could be heard at the back of the hall.

Dickinson said, "There wasn't the fooling around one might expect from some students this age, because this was their creation. They were committed to this performance. Perhaps the most important thing the students learned was that despite the demeaning cruelties experienced by the slaves, they never lost their hope."

Dickinson said that the interdisciplinary approach may be used next year to study the westward movement in the U.S. In the meantime, this project isn't quite over. The students will be writing evaluations on what they learned and what they liked about this project.

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School News

Senior class plans graduation activities

Cohasset High School senior class parents have organized festive year-end activities for the Class of 1996. Each year the PSO, with the help of a large group of parent volunteers, traditionally hosts a reception before the senior prom and a breakfast afterwards.

Family and friends are welcome to great prom-goers at a reception on Thursday, May 30, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Lightkeepers' Residence. Students will travel by boat to the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel. A breakfast will follow at midnight at Second Congregational Church.

The sale of graduation invitations supports the reception and breakfast. Invitations and individual name cards may be ordered by calling Carol Riley at 383-6215 by Friday, April 19. Invitations are $1 each, with a minimum order of $5, and individual name enclosure cards are $10 for a minimum order of 50.

A new parent initiative this year is the creation of an A-V show, "The Way We Were," to be shown at Class Night June 6. Judy Ritts and Heidi Maitland have asked all senior class parents to collect memorable photos or videos from kindergarten to senior year, identify them and deliver them to Second Congregational Church (mail slot delivery available at any hour) by Monday, April 22. Individuals who would like to help with the video or accompanying audio are asked to call either Maitland or Ritts. All items will be returned at Class Night.

Thanks goes to senior Alli Ritts and her parents, Gary and Judy Ritts, for an excellent Senior Show April 12. The capacity crowd gave a standing ovation for the student director and her talented troupe of performers.

Another new idea this year is a "Class Gift" from the senior parents to CHS. Parents plan to donate a bench near the new athletic fields in memory of Rosemarie Mercurio, the mother of class president Andrea Mercurio. To join in the gesture, send a check payable to Kyle Lubitz and mail to: Kyle Lubitz, 54 Red Gate Lane, Cohasset.

Senior parents who would like to help with the senior class reception are asked to call Carol Riley or Annette Sawchuk. To assist with the breakfast, call Gail Stevens or Regina Shultz.

PSO phone-a-thon, April 30

PSO volunteers will conduct the group's annual fundraising Phone-a-Thon on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, April 30 and May 1.

School council elections

All parents of school children for the 1996-'97 school should have received a ballot for each school in which they will have children enrolled next year.

Parents are encouraged to read and consider the information provided prior to voting for school council representatives during this week and next.

Ballots will be accepted in the front office of each school until 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 2.

Anyone who did not receive a ballot is asked to call Kathy Ofsthun at 383-9396.

Arts performed at Deer Hill

Dancer/choreographer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser is spending April 22-26 at Deer Hill School working with students and staff. They will create a performing arts interpretation of the story "Sadako and the 1,000 Cranes," a highly acclaimed children's book about the life of a Japanese child after the bombing of Hiroshima. The story shows how one child can make a difference in the lifes of others.

The tale of hope and inspiration will be presented as a dance performance incorporating history, music, art and literature. Performances will take place on Friday, April 26, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Deer Hill School.

The project was funded in part by the Mass. Cultural Council, local lottery council and support from the Cohasset Education Foundation, Cohasset PSO and the Diversity Committee.

CHS celebrates spring

Cohasset High School will celebrate the arrival of spring with a Spring Concert on Wednesday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Choral director Bryan Marks will lead the singers through selections encompassing a wide spectrum of musical styles. Instrumental director Marcia Lajoie will conduct the concert band and hand bell choir in an eclectic variety of pieces.

The Senior Chorus and Concert Bank will have just returned from participating in a festival and high school competition in Williamsburg, and the concert will welcome them back and applaud their efforts. The event is free, and all are invited to attend.

Michael Snowdale plays an old man on the "underground railroad" in the original Deer Hill fifth-grade play "Follow the Drinking Gourd."

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

PSO position is open

The PSO executive board has an open position for Cohasset Chairman of the Special Needs Committee. Please consider this rewarding position; you wuld work with co-chairman Lyn Previte. Call Lyn at 383-9723 with questions.

Self-image PSO topic

The PSO annual spring meeting on May 7 at 7:30 p.m. is proud to sponsor Dr. Catherine Steiner-Adair, a research associate at the Harvard Project on the "Psychology of Women and Girls' Development." She is a well-known author and nationally recognized speaker and will discuss recent research on girls' development and how parents and schools can strengthen girls' resistance to socio-cultural values that undermine self-esteem and lead to poor self and body images. Dr. Steiner-Adair will offer concrete ideas on improving the situation, followed by a question and answer period. The meeting will be held in Cohasset High School cafeteria.

Her teachings on girls' development help individuals become more aware of the many cultural and social pressures which are detrimental particularly to girls, but also to boys. Parents of sons are also encouraged to attend.

The new PSO board will also be introduced at the meeting.

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Cohasset Business

Village issues tackled at forum

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The conundrum facing Cohasset Village is how to attract businesses so more people will come to town.

But more people won't come without shops to attract them and shops won't come without more people, citizens say.

"It's a Catch-22," said concerned resident Patty Connors, 134 S. Main St.

About 20 residents, merchants and business people met again last week at French Memories to grapple with the future vitality of the village.

"People told me in 20 years there's been a lot of talk but nothing's been done," said Dean Rizzo, vice president of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce. "This year, let's start to do things, let's make progress."

The group brainstormed on problems and possible long- and short-range solutions for more than two hours.

It was decided a single task force committee would be created to spearhead the effort and keep momentum going. The task force will be under the umbrella of the Chamber of Commerce, which is 145-members strong. Concerns about possibly jealousy from chamber members who own businesses on Rte. 3A were dismissed by the group's president Domenic Micarelli, owner of The Artist's Son Gallery in Jonathan Livingston Plaza on Rte. 3A. He stressed a healthy village benefits all and there is nothing stopping any shopping area from organizing to form its own revitalization group if needed.

Connie Afshar, an interested resident, volunteered to survey the village to come up with a list of vacancies and what the rental prices are. And local architect Frances Andrews said she would ask DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield about infrastructure improvements such as repairs to the sidewalks.

In addition to Connors, Afshar, and Andrews — Anna Abbruzzese of the Village Renaissance Committee, Robert Gaughen of Hingham Institution for Savings, and Stagecoach Way landlord Jerome Pfifer expressed interest in serving on the task force.

One topic debated was what constitutes the village. The consensus seemed to be that it stretched from the harbor to the Music Circus.

Local businessman John J. Flanagan of Edward D. Jones & Co. noted that there is a Washington D.C.-based organization called "Main Street Project" which is dedicated to providing guidance for revitalizing downtown areas and might provide some assistance.

Joe McElroy, who is president of the Cohasset Lightkeeper's Corp., the private group that refurbished the lightkeeper's house on Government Island, felt there might be some state "historical preservation" grants available.

He strongly suggested the village market the town's theatrical and maritime history.

Connors, who formerly lived in the North Shore town, said "old town Marblehead" works and so can Cohasset with the right combination of looks, shops and businesses.

A general village meeting is slated for 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 30 at French Memories. Interested citizens are invited to attend.

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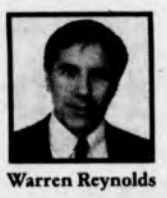

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Mariner Sports

Force is on Yoda's side

Ketchum hurls no-hitter against Hull

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Freshman pitcher Ben "Yoda" Ketchum tossed a no-hitter to lead the JV baseball to victory on Tuesday against Hull High. Oblivious to the gusty winds, Ketchum struck out 12 of the 21 batters he faced and didn't surrender a walk in completely dominating the Pirates squad.

The only blemish came after a third strike was swung on and it skidded to the backstop. Ketchum's strikeout victim beat the throw to first, nixing a perfect-game bid. However, he would get no further than second as Ketchum pitched his way out of the inning.

Nicknamed "Yoda" by a boyhood friend, Ketchum got some support from his teammates as well. Chris Pratt made two excellent grabs in center field and Pete Minnar made a snare in left. J.P. Laugelle blocked a grounder and fired to a lunging Eric Hanian at first for the out. Catcher Sean Parkinson called a solid game behind the plate and Al Schwerin had a strong day offensively with three singles. Laugelle also hit well, tripling to right-center, while Greg Parkinson beat out a pair of bunts for infield hits. Pinch-hitter Ryan Story also added a hit. Ketchum ended the game by striking out the side in the seventh.

Ketchum said he hadn't prepared for the game any differently than any other.

"I thought about what I think about before every game," he said, "which is to try my best and to throw strikes. I didn't realize I had the no-hitter until maybe the firth or sixth inning. I tried not to think about it that much.

"For the last batter, I was nervous, but I just tried to concentrate and throw strikes. It's a good feeling."

Ketchum's mastery of the Pirates could possibly earn him a promotion to the varsity squad. For now, however, he is just savoring one of the rarest achievements in baseball.

Locals become part of marathon history

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Moses Tanui thwarting defending champion Cosmos Ndeti's bid for a fourth consecutive title.

The inspiring run of America's new No. 1 sweetheart, Uta Pippig, despite some unpleasant personal matters she encountered along the way.

The crowd.

The hype

The bandits.

And of course, the hills.

After all the preparation for the largest Boston Marathon ever held, the 100th anniversary of the race is finally in the record books.

And the results of the local runners are in.

The 26.2-mile classic was deemed an overwhelming success by participants and spectators alike. However, a problem did flare up when the computer used to record the finishers by picking up the signal from a chip tied on the runners' shoes malfunctioned. What resulted were times that were off by a few seconds.

Cohasset had 16 runners among the crowd of 38,500 who gathered in Hopkinton and made the trek through the country roads of Ashland, into Framingham and Natick, over Wellesley Hills where the college girls where there to greet them with wild glee. After crossing over Route 128, the runners took the turn at the fire station in Lower Newton Falls and headed into the Newton Hills, the culmination of which is the fabled "Heartbreak Hill" at Boston College.

From there the course headed downhill to Coolidge Corner and along Beacon Street, through Kenmore Square and finally to the finish in the shadow of the Prudential Building.

Cohasset's Joanne Cannon-Hill finished in 14,987th with a time of 3 hours, 51 minutes and 2 seconds. Also completing the race were Richard Anderson (4:21:48, 23,717th), Kurt Devries (4:30:32, 25,730th), Geoffrey Nothnagle (4:26:40, 24,876th), Don DeMichele (4:21:49, 23,719th), Kerry Kates (4:48:09, 28,897th), Michael Kennedy (4:21:47, 23,714th), Mary Algier (4:13:04, 21,608th), Matthew Steele (4:46:05, 28,534th), Kenneth Warner (4:24:03, 24,254th), Daniel DeMichele (4:21:49, 23,720th), Bruce McMeekin (5:13:04, 32,182nd), Jane Lanzillotti (5:02:18, 30,967th), Mark Chase (5:52:18, 34,640th), Liam O'Connell (5:01:05, 30,841st) and Francis Wallingford (5:11:45, 32,027th).

If any of these runners never compete in a marathon again, they still have the distinction of being able to say they ran in the "Marathon of the Century." And it's my guess people will no longer ask runners if they've run a marathon or ran in the Boston Marathon. The question will more than likely be whether or not they ran in the 100th anniversary of the Hopkinton-to-Boston classic.

Penalties make difference in laxmen's Duxbury loss

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Physically, the Cohasset High varsity lacrosse team played well enough to win Tuesday's 11-10 loss to Duxbury.

Mentally, however, the Skippers proved to be their own worst enemy as the Green Dragons took advantage of four fourth-period penalties to score three goals and put the game away.

"We did enough things that just weren't fundamentally sound," said head coach Ken Ekberg. "If we played a little smarter it was a game we could have won."

The loss brought Cohasset's record to 3-2 on the season, a mark Ekberg is luke-warm to. The Skippers haven't had any problem defeating the average teams, but the established, solids strong have proven to be a problem.

True, Cohasset gave Weymouth a tough battle in its 11-9 loss, but it is the teams the calibre of the Wildcats that the Skippers will have to beat if they want any chance of being competitive in the tournament.

Cohasset was hardly outplayed by the Green Dragons, pulling out to a 7-4 lead at the half. What's all the more upsetting about the loss is that the Skippers weren't beaten physically by Duxbury, a problem Cohasset has run up against in past sea-

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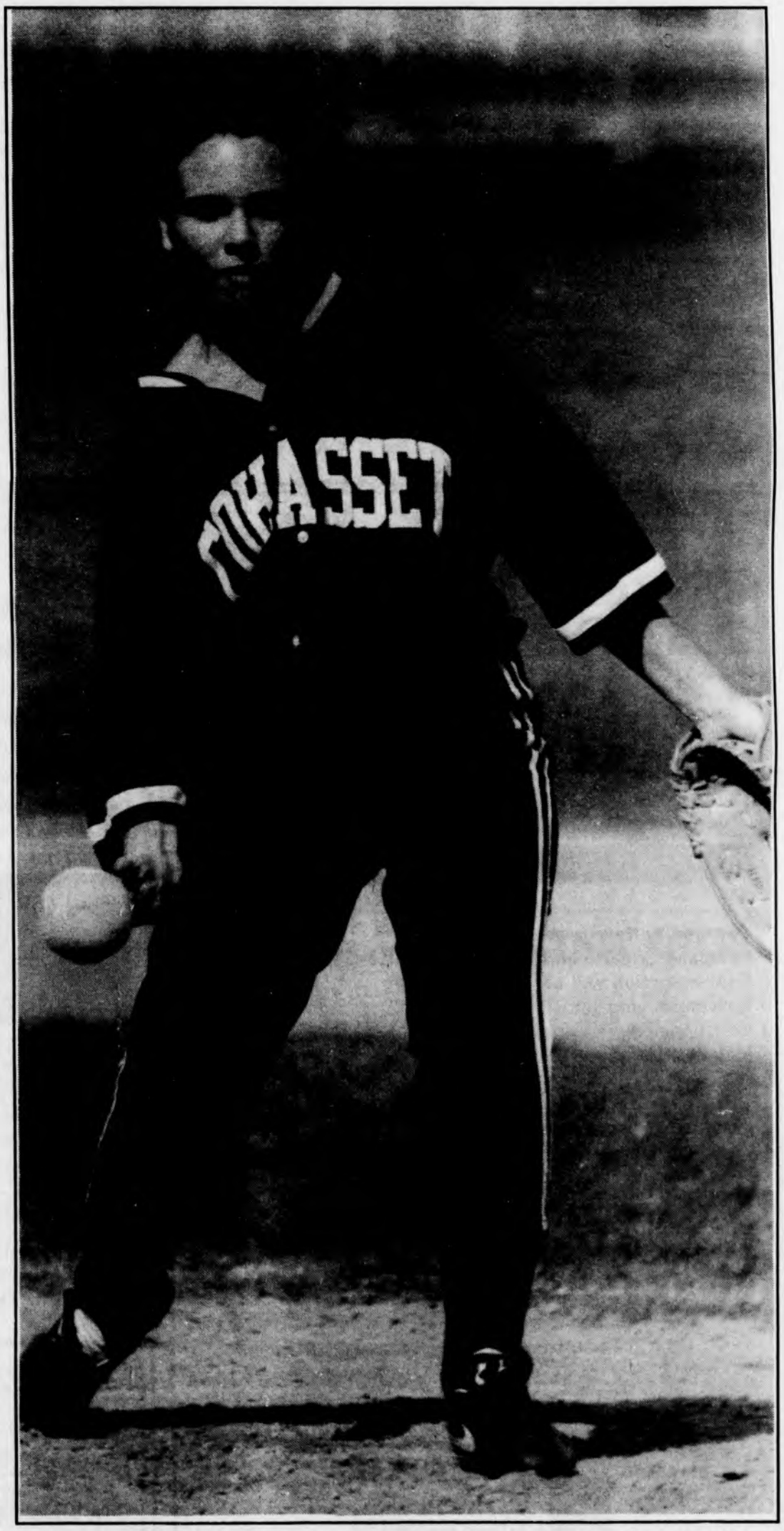

Cohasset pitcher Kelli Tufts fires a pitch to the plate in Tuesday's 12-11 loss to Hanover High in South Shore League play.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Mariner Sports

CHS Varsity baseball squad reaches .500

Skippers are sharp in Cape Cod victories

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

After more than two weeks of indoor practices, the Cohasset High varsity baseball team embarked on a frenzied stretch of the season, akin to a major league schedule. With a 3-2 loss to Norton last Thursday and a pair of wins Saturday against Provincetown (13-10) and Chatham (21-10), the Skippers began a hectic run of five games this week.

Last Thursday the Skippers sent eighth-grade sensation Joe Pergola to the mound against Norton, a team which is perennially one of the best in Eastern Mass. Under the watchful eye of catcher Rob Buckley, Pegola pitched masterfully for 3-2/3 innings, allowing no runs and just one hit. Facing a former All-Star pitcher, the Skippers managed to scrape up two runs.

In Saturday's doubleheader, Joe Magner, Greg Stevens, Mike Dunphy, Greg Taylor and Eric Henry provided the pitching punch for the sweep.

Magner pitched well against P-Town despite a sore arm. Stevens came in after three innings, did his job, and retired to the outfield. Dunphy, who was making his varsity pitching debut, had a good outing.

The bats also had a say in the victory with the entire lineup getting in on the action. Freshman Al Schwerin had his first varsity hit, a line drive to center field, while exchange student Rafael Alarcon also debuted at the plate. Stevens came on in the end to preserve the game for Cohasset.

The Skippers then went on an offensive barrage in the second game, exploding for 21 runs behind the fantastic hitting of Taylor, McKenna, Buckley and Magner. Taylor pitched three innings, striking out four batters and making a fantastic play in the process. A Chatham batter hit a weak bloop over Taylor's head to the second-base side of the bag. Taylor leaped for the ball, missed it, but alertly stuck with the play and fired to first baseman Kevin McKenna for the out. Henry made a great defensive play by spearing a drive in mid-air which was heading to the left-center gap.

Taylor's heroics were not limited to the mound, however, as he went six for nine for the day and driving in nine runs. He scored seven runs, stole two bases and was the winning pitcher in the Chatham game. McKenna finished five for 10. He had six RBI and made several key defensive plays at first base. Dunphy and Stevens came on to close the game with Stevens earning the save.

The Skippers' ventures on Monday did not go quite as well as those during the weekend as Hanover romped to a 13-0 win on Cohasset's brand new field.

Facing a five-game week with a pitching staff already plagued by slightly sore arms, head coach Ron Ford chose Pergola as his starting pitcher. Athletic Director Clark Chatterton threw out the first pitch in the debut game.

Pergola pitched well through three innings, but was the victim of faulty fielding behind him. Hurley offered some defensive help when he dove to catch a weak pop-up behind the mound, then somehow propped himself up and whipped the ball to Magner at third for the double play. Facing a potent Hanover lineup, Pergola appeared to settle down after three innings when he trailed 6-0.

However, the worst was yet to come for the eighth-grader. He was hit in the forearm by a pitch from Hanover's Brian Mahler. Pergola was able to shake it off at first, but left the game after the half-inning.

Ford sent in reliever Jim O'Sullivan, an untested righty with good control but suspect velocity. Despite flawless fielding by Dunphy and Hurley, O'Sullivan allowed five runs, leaving after the sixth inning. Henry finished out the game and pitched scoreless ball in the seventh.

Mahler limited the Skippers to two hits with two hit batsmen.

Cohasset rebounded on Tuesday to squeeze out a 16-13 win over Hull. Taylor pitched 7-1/3 innings, striking out nine. Ford juggled his already tired pitching staff, letting Taylor, Magner and Stevens all see time on the mound.

Buckley, Magner and Rossi had key hits, while Grant Emde and Greg Stevens both made excellent catches in the outfield.

"We're hitting well," said Ford, who saw his team raise its record to 3-3. "Our pitching has been excellent, considering the erratic schedule we're playing; but we need to improve our defense.

With a .500 record, Cohasset appears to be hitting its stride. With four games next week, a new field, deep pitching rotation, and an abundance of solid hitting, Cohasset is at a crucial point where the tournament could be a possibility.

Little League parade set for Saturday

The annual Little League parade will held this Saturday, April 27. Players and coaches should assemble at the Red Lion Inn between 7:30 and 8 a.m. The parade will begin promptly at 8:15 a.m., led by State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, followed by Glenn Pratt driving his antique fire engine with the 1995 Major League champion Rangers aboard.

The parade route will go through town and end at the Harold Barnes Little League Field. Ceremonies will begin with the playing of the National Anthem by the Deer Hill School Band.

A high point of the ceremonies will be the recognition of a generous donation of a new electronic scoreboard by the Hingham Institute for Savings Bank.

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Jones named All-American

Former Cohasset High sports standout Ray Jones became Trinity College's third wrestler to earn All-American honors with a seventh-place finish at the Division 3 Nationals held at SUNY-Cortland. Unseeded, the junior sociology major grappled his way to a 4-2 record at the nationals, good enough for the All-American honors. Trinity placed 36th of 57 teams. Jones previously finished second in the 167-pound weight class at the New England Championships. Trinity finished the season with a 3-13 dual-meet record under head coach Sebby Amato.

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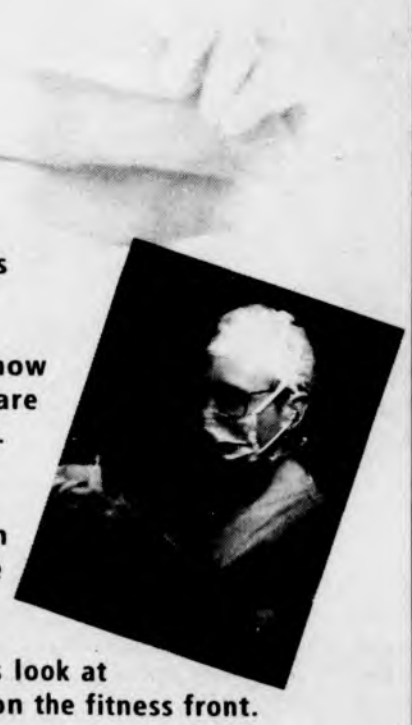

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sons against several teams.

"We haven't played anyone else who has gotten the better of us physically on the field," Ekberg said.

The Skippers continued to generate a strong offensive game. Ken Leahy continued his scoring spree with four goals. Andy Collins, who was playing injured, had a pair of tallies and John Lacks found the back of the net once to go along with an assist.

Defenseman Matt Belson scored his third goal in five games and has earned the praise of Ekberg for the two-way game he has mastered.

"He's really a key to getting the ball out of our own end," Ekberg said.

Cohasset will try again on Friday against a dangerous Hingham High squad. The Harbormen have been up and down all season, but a team that has made the semifinals the past three years in state tourney can't be taken lightly.

Ekberg is confident the Skippers can go head to head with Hingham, but if Cohasset expects to come away with a victory it will have to avoid penalties and play its best two-way game of the season. If not, the Skippers are in for a long afternoon on the field.

Goalie Ely Kahn was solid in net for Cohasset, turning away 27 Weymouth shots in the Skippers' 11-10 loss on April 11.

"That's as good a game as we've ever had in goal," Ekberg said. "Hopefully, we won't have to have it again."

The Weymouth game was played on the Wildcats' home field instead of Cohasset because of the snowstorm. Cohasset got off to a fast start before falling behind, 4-1, then rallying to take a 5-4 lead. Weymouth tied the game with only three seconds remaining in the first half. Three consecutive goals gave the Wildcats an 8-4 lead, early in the third period.

The Skippers, however, weren't finished. Cohasset connected for three goals in the opening seven minutes of the fourth quarter to tie the game at 8. Weymouth then stubbornly pushed itself to a two-goal lead, 10-8.

Cohasset's final burst came with three minutes remaining. Kahn hit Leahy on a long clearing pass, setting up a fast-break goal to cut the Wildcats' margin to 1. Weymouth, though, whipped home its final goal of the game to clinch the win.

Leahy registered his third consecutive hat trick of the season and sophomore attackman Jamie Buick raised his point total to 11 with a pair of goals and an assist. Lacks had two goals and Matt Belson scored his second goal in as many games. Kevin Smith and Matt O'Connor each added an assist.

"We played pretty well," Ekberg said. "We just don't have the depth of talent to overcome mental errors, and we had too many of those today. To beat a quality team, we have to play very smart."

Against Sandwich on April 9, the Skippers thoroughly dominated a squad which beat them twice last spring. Cohasset rolled to an 11-3 win as Leahy and Chris McKenna each rang up hat tricks. Leahy added two assists and McKenna had one. Buick scored a couple of goals to go along with an assist, while Matt Belson and Collins had a goal and assist apiece. Lacks fired in a goal to round out the scoring.

Kahn had 16 saves and backup goalie Bob Stansell looked good with three saves when Kahn drew a first-period penalty.

"Defensively we played well," Ekberg said. "Ely showed leadership and character, and senior John Whitehouse did an excellent job. Offensively, we still haven't jelled."

Skippers' tennis season brightens up with first victory

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The start of the Cohasset High boys tennis team's South Shore League season this spring was uglier than a Marge Schott press conference.

When just five players showed up for the team's first practice, head coach Lou Tedeschi had to talk Athletic Director Clark Chatterton to give the program some time. Two more kids joined the squad and Chatterton gave the team his blessing.

The Skippers were then thrown directly into the SSL fire and came away with two quick losses against Norwell and Scituate, two schools whose tennis programs rival Notre Dame's rich football history.

Tedeschi wondered what affect the losses would have on his young, inexperienced squad. He fretted whether or not his players would go AWOL after Cohasset's lopsided defeats. Thankfully, he found his players had more intestinal fortitude than he gave them credit for.

"I was quite concerned about the team's morale with such devastating losses," Tedeschi admitted, "but the kids stuck in there."

It's a good thing they did because they were able to enjoy their first win of the season last Thursday, a 3-2 defeat of Norton.

Cohasset's future actually looks hopeful. There's no doubt the Skippers are young and will struggle through several matches this season. But consider the indispensable experience the five seventh- and two eighth-graders (there is one senior on the team) will get by playing varsity tennis at such a young age.

And there is talent on the team that is far from reaching anything close to its full potential. Connor Magner mopped up the Lancers' No. 1 singles player with a 6-3, 6-1 victory. Chris Golden did the same at No. 2, winning 6-1, 6-2.

The Skippers fared just as well at doubles as the team of Jeff Scribner and Brad Powell rolled to an easy 6-1, 6-1 decision. Brian Tracy lost a close match, saving Norton from being swept at singles. Heath Heinz, Will McAuliffe and Ted Thompson should also see their share of playing time this season.

"Hopefully the win turned the tide," Tedeschi said. "I suspect we'll do the same type of thing enough times to keep us going."

The first-year coach knows Cohasset will have a rough road ahead of it, but is confident the Skippers can be competitive as the season progresses and the players become more confident on the court.

Of course, Tedeschi is looking at the overall scheme of things with the knowledge that youth is on Cohasset's side. And even though the team has to compete for players against the more glamorous spring sports (ie. lacrosse and baseball), Tedeschi is banking more kids playing tennis as the program grows stronger.

"We want to go through the season with our head held high and work for the years to come," Tedeschi said. "The enthusiasm the kids have will hopefully become contagious. I think we can get more kids through word of mouth.

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Westerly by land now or formerly of said Cohasset Savings Bank, eight and 44/100 (8.44) feet; and

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Police Log

Sunday, April 7

12:26 a.m., noise complaint, Windy Hill Rd., investigated.

12:41 a.m., assist municipal agencies, N. Main St./Hingham Line, referred to other agency.

1:34 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 37

9:02 a.m., message delivery, Woodside Cemetery, departmental action.

9:27 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., investigated.

11:51 a.m., officer field investigation, Reservoir Rd., investigated.

1:24 p.m., general services, HQ, Lamberts Ln., departmental action.

1:29 p.m., recovered stolen MV, Willard St., Quincy, notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:22 p.m., assist municipal agencies, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:54 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Fair Oaks Ln., services rendered.

10:48 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

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Monday, April 8

1:09 a.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

3:30 a.m., general services, Icy Roads, referred to other agency.

6:29 a.m., medical, Elm St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 34

1:47 p.m., suspicious activity, Cohasset Village, area search negative.

3:18 p.m., assist citizen, Old Coach Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Snow, 40

4:08 p.m., animal complaint, Pleasant St., departmental action.

4:46 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

4:55 p.m., animal complaint, Doane St., departmental action.

5:02 p.m., animal complaint, Doane St., departmental action.

6:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St./CJC Hwy., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:14 p.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

10:07 p.m., animal complaint, Sankey Rd., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 36

Tuesday, April 9

1:25 a.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

7:43 a.m., general services, Pond St., referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

9:57 a.m., suspicious activity, N. Main St., no such person can be found.

10:07 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd., referred to other agency.

10:43 a.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., departmental action.

10:56 a.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., referred to other agency.

12:15 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St. Bristol Block, accidental/defective alarm.

4:00 p.m., Partly sunny, 48

4:53 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St., departmental action.

5:02 p.m., animal complaint, HQ Margin St., departmental action.

5:14 p.m., animal complaint, HQ Elm St., departmental action.

5:55 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Cedar St., verbal warning.

7:40 p.m., fire alarm, Pond St., investigated.

7:42 p.m., fire alarm/vandalism, CJC Hwy./Cohasset Plaza, investigated.

12:00 a.m., snow, 34

Wednesday, April 10

1:17 a.m., general services, Snowy roads, referred to other agency.

5:54 a.m., general services, Aaron River Rd., referred to other agency.

6:42 a.m., forgery & counterfeiting, N. Main St. (Cedar St.), services rendered.

6:56 a.m., general services, Church St., referred to other agency.

6:59 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

7:12 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Beechwood St., area search negative.

7:25 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., departmental action.

7:54 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Snow, 32

8:17 a.m., emergency services, Rte. 3A, investigated.

8:51 a.m., emergency services, S. Main St., investigated.

9:52 a.m., emergency services, Arrowwood St., referred to other agency.

10:06 a.m., Power outage — generator failure — no power @ HQ, generator company notified.

10:20 a.m., generator on.

12:42 p.m., emergency services, Jerusalem Rd., unfounded.

12:58 p.m., general services, Beechwood st., notification made/message or summons delivered.

1:20 p.m., emergency services, Doane St., investigated.

2:58 p.m., emergency services, CJC Hwy, removed to hospital.

3:12 p.m., general services, Aaron River Rd. HQ, referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m.., Snow, 40

4:27 p.m.., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

4:40 p.m., vandalism, Forest Ave., departmental action.

7:08 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave. (Sandy Beach), services rendered.

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8:00 a.m., Partly sunny, 42

9:25 a.m., general services, Elm St., services rendered.

9:29 a.m., general services, Forest Ave., unfounded.

12:10 a.m., assist citizen, Nichols Rd., services rendered.

12:33 p.m., building check, S. Main St., secured building.

1:27 p.m., general services, Hobart Lane, services rendered.

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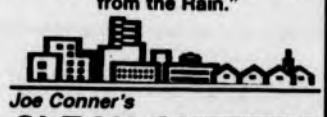
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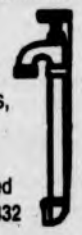

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May 1 (Wed) DET	___ R.F. Box @ $18	___R.F. Box @ $9	$
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May 19 (Sun) OAK	___ R.F. Box @ $18	___R.F. Box @ $9	$
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New field is a dream

Barnes upgrades score on opening day

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The calendar may have read that Cohasset Little League's Opening Day ceremonies were held in late April, but to league President Bob Moody the electricity surrounding the biggest day for the town's young baseball players was as satisfying as any Christmas.

Kicking off with the 44th annual parade with state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray leading the way, more than 300 kids from 5-12 years old made their way from The Red Lion Inn to the Harold Barnes Field.

What was waiting for the players was a new field and facility that the whole town could be proud of and enjoy.

More than $12,000 of donations from businesses and residents went into renovating the home of Cohasset Little League to bring it up to modern standards. The result was an all the more enjoyable atmosphere to view a game on a warm spring morning.

"I felt these were my kids and this is their Christmas present,"

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Ten-year-old Robby Carpenter looks over his "Field of Dreams" as his 2-year-old brother Christopher tries on his glove at last Saturday's Opening Day of the Cohasset Little League.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Landfill expansion application rejected

Owner, Paul Barry says he'll appeal

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Opponents of the proposed expansion of Cohasset Heights Landfill won a hard-fought victory this week with the health board's decision to deny the landfill's site assignment application, which was the next step in the approval process.

But the owners of the private Rte. 3A landfill aren't willing to concede defeat and plan to appeal the ruling.

Paul Barry, who owns Cohasset Heights with his brother John, awaited the decision quietly in the back of the meeting room which was packed with town officials and members of S.A.F.E., the grassroots group that has taken a stand against the expansion every step of the way.

Barry, who has waged a battle with the town for nearly a decade to expand the Rte. 3A landfill, said he hasn't given up.

"I can't give up," Barry said. "I believe in what I'm doing."

Barry, 21 Mohawk Way, wants to expand beyond the 20-acres he is now limited to. There are some 48 acres at the site.

SAFE member Kevin O'Donnell, 196 Fair Oaks Lane, said Monday the decision was like "Christmas in April."

But used to lobbying and expecting the unexpected — O'Donnell was ready with a letter Tuesday (see page 10) to urge citizens not to pull the plug on money for legal fees just yet.

The town has spent upwards of $300,000 in legal fees just this fiscal year in matters relating to Cohasset Heights.

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Who will pay for sewer to be decided at polls on Saturday

Saturday voters can opt for the town to share the cost of installing sewers in the Strait's Pond area of town.

The single ballot question will seek a debt exclusion Prop. 2-1/2 override of about $3.2 million which represents half of the projected $6.3 million cost of the project and would add about $50 a year to the average tax bill.

Residents on the sewer line will pay the other half of the cost through betterments, and pick up the annual operation

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Cohasset's Week

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from the members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said this week.

The idea for a break, during what are often three-hour plus meetings, came from a Mariner editorial suggesting selectmen set aside a few minutes during the meeting for the public at large.

Wadsworth steps down from Hagerty committee

David Wadsworth, senior curator with the Cohasset Historical Society and member of the Cohasset Historical Commission, has stepped down from the Hagerty committee.

The Hagerty committee is charged with establishing a recreational plan for the 2.2 acre harbor-front site the town bought three years ago.

But Wadsworth said he disagrees with razing the Victorian house at the site and decided the time had come for him to leave the committee.

Selectmen accepted Wadsworth's resignation with regret this week.

The Hagerty committee had backed selling the house but town meeting did not approve, so selectmen voted recently to have the house demolished or moved.

Wadsworth said the only way to move the house would be to float it out. Ironically, it was moved to the site in the 1800s from Border Street. The house once belonged to Capt. Aubrey Crocker who was captain of the America's Cup defender "Puritan" against the British challenger, "Gallata," he said. It was moved to Parker Avenue in the early 1900s via Eltman's meadow named after John Eltman who operated a boat yard at what was later to become the Hagerty Company site.

"They used to move houses around like billiard balls," Wadsworth said.

Green space to return

The sidewalk along the town common between Jason and Long Roads will get its green strip back after all.

Selectmen decided last week to loam and re-seed the strip that has given way to gravel and dried dirt due to cars parking on top of it.

Two weeks ago, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield suggested the area be black-topped from the existing sidewalk to the granite curbing, but selectmen said last week that would inappropriate for a 300-year-old town green.

Before they authorize any work, selectmen will meet with Litchfield and the fire and police chiefs to walk the Common. Due to the narrowness of the road, future plans could include returning to a one-way traffic pattern on that section of North Main Street. Selectmen are also considering eliminating parking on the Common side of North Main Street because they worry drivers will continue to be park on the sidewalk once its repaired and the green strip is installed.

Plans to move the telephone poles have been scrapped because it would cost as much as $2,000 per pole.

Fire chief contract renewal

Per the contractual agreement, selectmen notified Fire Chief Roger Lincoln this week of their intent to renegotiate his contract which expires in six months. Lincoln was hired nearly 2-1/2 years ago to replace John Nadeau who left to accept another position.

Landfill legal budget reaches new Heights

Selectmen must grapple with legal costs surrounding litigation and the site assignment hearings regarding Cohasset Heights Landfill.

Best estimates at the moment are the town is about $22,000 in the red and not all the bills are in. The town appropriated about $290,000 for legal fees for CHL issues through special and annual town meetings for FY'96 which ends June 30.

Selectman Peter Pratt said there is a glimmer of hope the town could get some relief from the state. With state Sen. Robert Hedlund's help, the town will seek reimbursement for $325,000 it expended in legal costs for the Site Assignment Hearings which recently wrapped up. The hearings covered the landfill's plans to expand.

Selectmen feel money spent on the hearings is in fact an unfunded state mandate and will seek state relief on that basis.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

May 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 2	11:13	10.0	5:01	11:27	10.9	5:16
Fri. 3	11:58	10.3	5:46	——	——	6:00
Sat. 4	12:10	11.3	6:32	12:43	10.4	6:46
Sun. 5	12:55	11.6	7:18	1:30	10.5	7:32
Mon. 6	1:41	11.6	8:07	2:20	10.4	8:22
Tues. 7	2:31	11.6	8:58	3:12	10.3	9:15
Wed. 8	3:25	11.3	9:51	4:08	10.1	10:11
Thurs. 9	4:23	10.9	10:48	5:07	10.0	11:11

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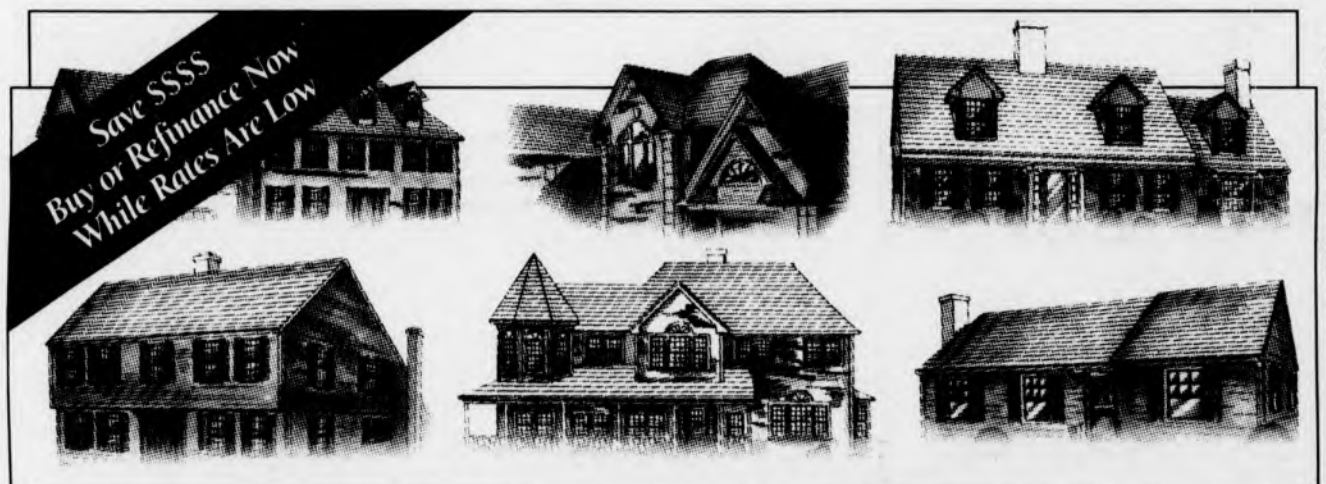

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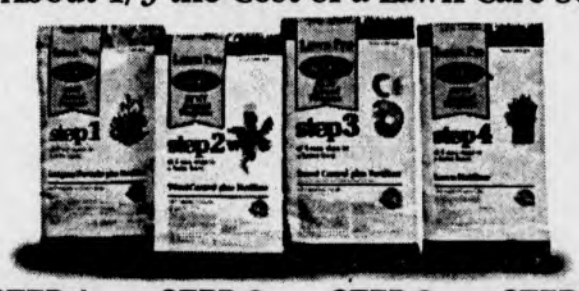

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Dispatcher steps down; former dispatcher rehired

The newly hired dispatcher, Joseph Dellapi of Duxbury, has resigned to accept other employment, Police Chief Brian Noonan said last week. He explained that in July, Dellapi has the opportunity to return to a former job and decided to resign now rather than complete all the training for the Cohasset post. Selectmen approved hiring Dellapi two weeks ago at the rate of $11.53 per hour because of his experience in fire dispatching.

Acting on the enthusiastic recommendation of the Civilian Dispatch Committee, this week selectmen approved the rehiring of former dispatcher David Weeks, who resigned to accept a post with the state police. Weeks was rehired at the same rate as Dellapi, two pay steps above what he was making when he recently stepped down.

In a letter to the board, Weeks wrote "I realize I just recently resigned my position as a dispatcher to pursue, what I blindly thought, was a better job with the state police. I was wrong. I realize the position in Cohasset, although not as much money, was the goal I had been searching for."

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon described Weeks is a "good trainer" and "an outstanding dispatcher" who would be an asset to the department. Doyon said the market for dispatchers is "climbing fast" as more towns adopt enhanced 9-1-1 service, so higher pay rates in the future might have to be considered.

While selectmen agreed, they were concerned that hiring Weeks back at two steps higher after just three weeks off the job might set a dangerous precedent. So they decided to put a letter on file about why the higher pay rate was being offered.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris had the most reservations and wanted to have the matter of higher pay for dispatchers pursued as "a whole group and not individually."

But because the department needed someone right away and due to being short-staffed, would spend money on overtime, selectmen agreed to approve rehiring Weeks at $11.53/hour.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said the town "is lucky (Weeks) is coming back."

Selectman Nan Roth asked that the personnel committee review the pay scale for all civilian dispatcher positions to see how competitive Cohasset's pay scale is when compared with other towns.

Composting bins available

Thanks to the town's good recycling efforts, the state has awarded Cohasset a $1,310 grant toward the purchase of 45 composting bins for home use.

The Department of Environmental Protection said Cohasset was selected because its program demonstrates a commitment and an ability to enhance recycling in both Cohasset and the Commonwealth.

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Your cooperation with these inspection efforts would be greatly appreciated. The inspection will not only allow the North Cohasset sewer system to be designed in a timely manner, thus facilitating State funding efforts for the project, but will also allow our engineers the opportunity to design a service connection which will have minimal impacts to your property.

If you have any questions relative to this inspection program, please contact Mr. Daniel Coughlin, P.E. of Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. at (508) 658-7493, or the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall (383-9900, Ext. 108).

Thank you for your cooperation
Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

Mooring list swells as town readies for boating season

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Boating season is around the corner when more than 220 recreational mariners will join the town's commercial fishing fleet in the increasingly shallow waters of Cohasset Harbor.

As the town awaits a much needed maintenance dredging, harbormaster John Winters anticipates more boat groundings before and during low tides this season.

"We'll have a lot of trouble this season," Winters said, adding "boats are going to run aground during and even two hours before low tide. We'll do a lot of towing."

Winters said the town's 42 commercial fisherman, who will share the harbor with recreational boaters, often lend a hand to fellow mariners in trouble and aid the harbormaster and his two assistants in towing boats that have gone aground.

'We'll do a lot of towing.'

— Harbormaster John Winters, on the shallow conditions in the harbor.

And despite close quarters in the harbor, the 266 moorings available are inadequate for the numbers of both commercial and recreational mariners hoping to float their boats in Cohasset waters.

Winters said the mooring list has crested to 309 this season, with an average wait of about ten years. For commercial fisherman the wait can be more like 15 or 20 years depending on the size of the mooring needed, Winters noted. The mooring fee for vessels, which goes toward dredging and other harbor projects, is $5 per foot annually, Winters said.

Residents are placed on the mooring waiting list on first-come, first-served basis and pay an application fee of $10. Those on the list must reaffirm their place by April 1 of every year. Those who fail to do so are given a second chance through a late notice and $25 fee. If the late fee is not paid within 15 days, the name is scratched from the list, said Winters, who noted that most people are pretty faithful when it comes to reaffirming that spot on the waiting list.

In the past, some boaters complained about mooring favors being given, but Winters said this system seems to be working out well.

"We're running this as tight as possible," he said.

Town Administrator Greg Doyon refers any harbor-related complaints to the harbormaster but agreed with Winters that Cohasset's system for granting moorings works.

One practice, that has been questioned, occurs when owners allow others to temporarily use their moorings while they are not using them. Doyon said this is done only with the permission of the harbormaster who has full discretion over how long someone is permitted to have his boat in someone else's mooring.

Cushing Plaza reconstruction well underway

Bergson's coping well with drainage work

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Officials from Shaw's Supermarkets and the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce plan a ground-breaking ceremony at Cushing Plaza on May 13, but for all intents and purposes, the ground is already broken.

Shaw's spokesman Bernie Rogan said this week work is well underway for construction of the retention pond that is a key component of renovation of the shopping plaza.

In addition to the shopping plaza's 8 acres, the company purchased an adjacent 16 acres to remedy long-standing drainage problems at the site. Without the drainage system, stormwater will continue to sheet across Route 3A.

This work must be done first, he said, to handle stormwater run off that may occur during construction. He added that part of that drainage area will not be cleared and will remain a wooded lot.

At the present, Bergson's restaurant is an island in a sea of construction, while the drainage system work goes on around it.

Bergson's spokesman Eric Pearson said the construction work has not harmed business at the restaurant, and the company is "very pleased" with the work that is being done.

"It will be a major improvement," he said, adding that Shaw's has been cooperative and helpful.

Major demolition work, to remove the buildings at the rear of the shopping plaza will begin later this summer.

"Appleseed's will be the first to go," he said, referring to the building formerly occupied by the women's clothing store.

The Rockland Trust Company and a dentist's office will be relocating to a building across Route 3A by August 1.

Beyond that, Rogan said, there is no firm timetable for completion of the new supermarket.

He added that a formal ground-breaking "needs a ceremony," but the ribbon-cutting when the store opens will be a major event.

Who will pay for sewer to be decided

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and maintenance expense, for an average cost of $800 per year per household.

The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. at town hall.

The town clerk's office does not expect the same degree of interest in this election as was the case in the town election which drew 62 percent or the school override in February when about 46 percent of the town's registered voters participated. As of Wednesday, only 80 absentee ballots had been returned, which is low. The number of absentees is often a gauge of election interest.

However, those in the affected area are working hard to get out the vote and hope the override passes.

Members of the new tax watchdog group, Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers, are opposing the override.

Under Prop.2-1/2 rules, debt exclusion override ballot questions do not include the dollar amount because the figure cannot report the true cost of borrowing plus interest charges.

For the approximately 345 homes to be sewered, betterments will average $435 per year for 20 years ($870 per year if the override fails). In addition, residents will pay entirely for the operation and maintenance of the system, which will cost users on average $400 per year.

Open space group formed

This week selectmen finalized appointments for the Open Space Advisory Committee, which, with the help of a professional planner, will come up with a draft open space/recreational townwide plan by October with the final report due in June 1997.

Conservation Commission member Susan Cope will serve on the board as well as Mary Muncie who will represent the recreation commission; Ronnie McMorris will represent selectmen; James Kinch will be the watershed protection committee representative; and Jack Hubbard, who is a member of the private Conservation Land Trust, will serve on the committee along with Terry Atherton of the planning board and Ellen Freda of historical commission.

Once the open space plan is in place, the town can apply for state grants to purchase open space and recreational land, such as "Turkey Hill" off Rte. 3A. Plans are to ask special town meeting in the fall to appropriate funds to purchase Cohasset's acreage of that property.

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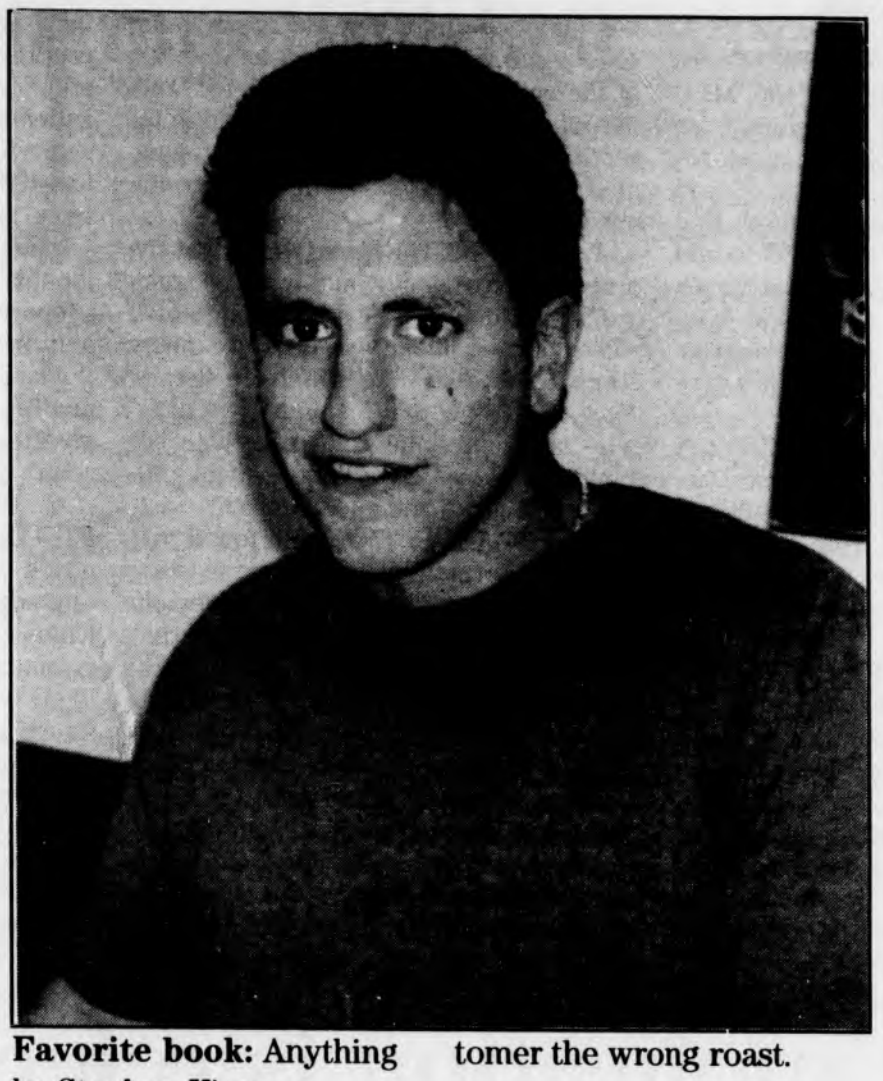

Name: Mike Feroli

Occupation: Owner of the Village Butcher and Deli on Brook Street.

Goal: To build a successful business in Cohasset Village.

Best vacation: A cruise to the Caribbean.

Best day of your life: Too many to mention!

Biggest worry: That vegetarians will take over the town!

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite TV show: Seinfeld.

Favorite movie: 'Carlito's Way.'

Favorite book: Anything by Stephen King.

Favorite junk food: Chocolate.

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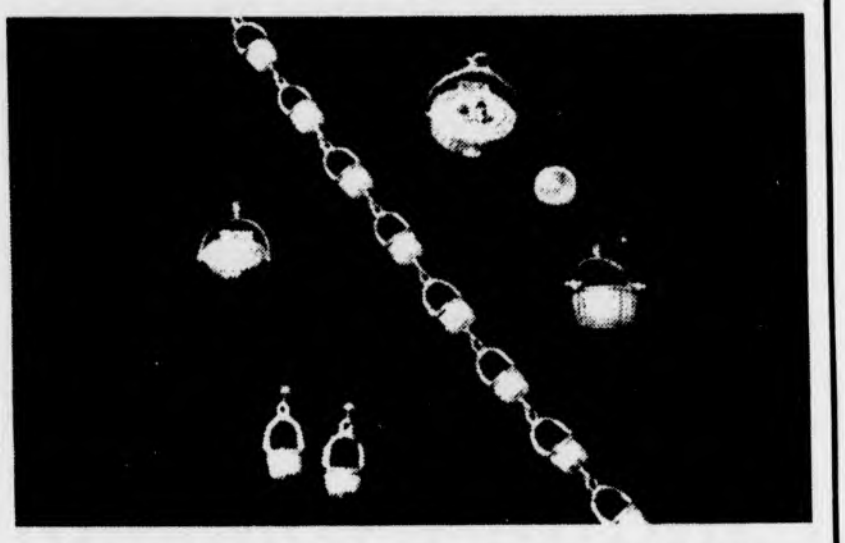

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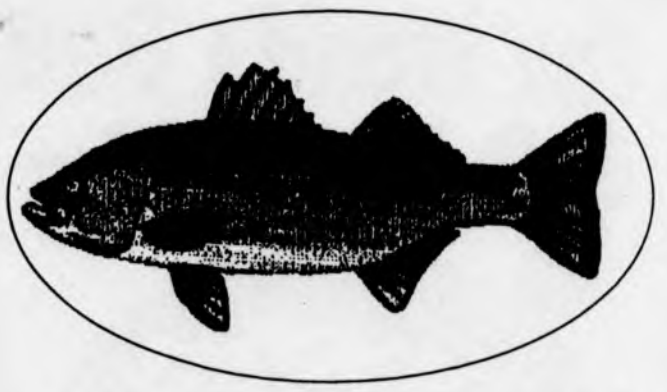

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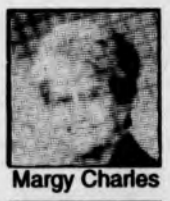
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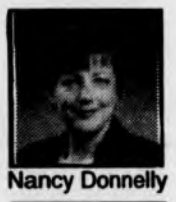
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Summary of decision rejecting CHL expansion

By JOHN McNABB
Special to the Mariner

The Board of Health voted April 29 to deny the Site Assignment Application filed by Cohasset Heights Ltd. (DHL) for their proposed 500 tons per day construction and demolition (C&D) waste landfill and 100 tpd materials processing operation (MPO), because the Board found that the expansion would violate the following seven siting criteria:

1. NOISE. The Board found, based on the testimony of CHL witness David Keast and a report he prepared, that noise generated from the expansion and MPO will at two locations at the CHL property line, increase by 26.5 decibels and 37 decibels above background levels, which would be an increase in noise four to eight times greater than current levels that will violate both state and federal noise control standards, and that the expansion will exacerbate an existing nuisance condition that currently reduces the use of Whitney Woods nearby. The noise level estimates were calculated based on the noise that an oscillating jaws rock crusher used at the MPO would create, and from the expected landfill activities and from a landfill gas flare.

2. DUST EMISSIONS. The Board found that the operation of the MPO would be dust and noise emissions from the movement and processing of stockpiled material, and the deposition of lead and asbestos dust on Whitney woods and nearby homes, and that the MPO would create substantial dust emissions which would create an opaque dust cloud from time to time that would create a nuisance condition in Whitney Woods and be a danger to public health, safety, and the environment. The Board also found that the dust emissions would violate federal air pollution control standards and result in a danger to public health from the emissions of small particles of dust (10 microns or less in size) which can be inhaled into the lungs.

3. DISTANCE FROM GROUNDWATER. The Board found that the proposed landfill area does not have the required four-foot separation from groundwater, and that monitoring wells showed that at one location there was only a distance of two feet from maximum high groundwater to the ground surface. The Board also found that CHL is proposing to dig into the ground to place the landfill liner not four feet above groundwater, but at one point 40 feet into groundwater, a clear violation of the environmental regulation for landfills which, like the "Title V" regulation for septic systems, requires a four-foot separation to protect groundwater from contamination.

4. TRAFFIC. The Board found that the proposed expansion would increase truck traffic on Route 228 by 36 percent, which will endanger public safety at the many Route 228 intersections which are already congested, along the Cushing Street alternate haul route, and will exacerbate the current public safety risks to school children in Hingham and pedestrians.

5. WETLANDS. The Board found that silt-laden storm water from the existing landfill has significantly and adversely affected adjacent wetlands, and that because the proposed storm water control system for the expansion is seriously undersized, the proposed expansion will result in significant further discharges of sediment to wetlands in violation of local, state, and federal wetlands and clean water act requirements. The Board also found that the use of Area 5 for landfilling will prevent CHL from preventing further adverse wetlands impacts from the existing landfill, since much of the land area proposed for Area 5 will be needed for additional sedimentation ponds to mitigate impacts to the wetlands.

6. SIZE OF FACILITY. The Board found that the proposed landfill site is not large enough for both adequately sized sedimentation ponds and the proposed landfill and associated facilities, since the proposed detention basins are undersized and are located immediately adjacent to the landfill boundary and at the toe of the landfill slope, with direct discharge to abutting properties without any buffer zone.

7. PROXIMITY TO TOWN WELLFIELDS. The Board found that the proposed landfill expansion is 15,000 feet upgradient of the town's Sohier Street and Ellms Meadow well fields, and that groundwater from the expansion area will likely flow through faults and fractures in the bedrock from Area 5 to the wells, and that therefore the proposed landfill expansion would constitute a danger to public health, safety, and the environment and that the site of the proposed landfill is not suitable for assignment as a landfill or landfill expansion.

Landfill expansion application is rejected

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spent on legal fees by the town since the early 1980's at more than $750,000.

O'Donnell, who is an attorney, explained work for the appeal has basically been done in the past two months of hearings which include more than 3,000 pages of testimony.

He said the cost of defense now is "a fraction of what has already been spent ...and is a necessary part of the investment in the protection of our water supply and public health."

SAFE member John McNabb Jr. described the health board's decision as "bullet proof and should easily withstand any appeal by CHL."

As a private business, the landfill pays about $30,000 per year in taxes, including about $2,000 for machinery, listed as personal property, and employs a total of five people.

The original permit was granted in 1978 to James Tyeryar, who sold it to the Barrys in 1982. Paul Barry moved to Cohasset from Newton shortly thereafter.

Last fall, the state Department of Environmental Protection gave CHL qualified approval for the 27.5 acre project as suitable for accepting construction and demolition debris. The state decision left town officials and local environmentalists feeling betrayed and threw the landfill expansion plan back into the town's court.

The Cohasset Board of Health had to consider facts presented at a series of hearings which encompassed everything from traffic impacts to bedrock fractures where underground pollutants could make their way to the town's water supply, according to testimony presented.

Monday the board voted to deny the site assignment application for CHL's proposed 500 tons per day construction and demolition debris landfill and materials processing operation because the board found the expansion would violate seven siting criteria (see related story).

Although opponents view a landfill as a threat to the health and safety of the townspeople — to Barry it fills a universal need.

"It's all part of us. How many here haven't had a new roof or expanded deck?" Barry asked referring to the construction and demolition debris that the landfill accepts.

"No one ever said 'a facility like this isn't needed.' "

Wanted: more citizens for train committee

Selectmen put out the call again this week for interested citizens to apply for spots on the "Citizen" Greenbush Mitigation Committee (not to be confused with the "Staff" Greenbush Mitigation Committee, which consists of town officials and one citizen at large).

Selectmen intend that the citizen-at-large on the seven-member Citizen Committee will serve as chair of that committee which is supposed to hold two open forums to solicit residents' concerns and report back to the Staff Committee, which will report to selectmen.

So far only the following residents have applied for the Citizen committee: North Main Street resident Ed Fegreus (who serves as one of Cohasset's representatives on the state-appointed Citizens' Advisory Committee on the train), Peter H. Pearce, 23 Forest Notch, and Nancy Butler, 56 Margin St.

Selectmen said the Citizen Committee is not being appointed to open up the train debate but to solicit through two public forums residents' concerns about safety, aesthetics, traffic flow, and neighborhood and grade-crossing issues relating to the train and report those findings to the Staff Committee, which must formulate a mitigation plan to selectmen within about 75 days.

The Greenbush Mitigation Committee, which includes the police and fire chiefs, department heads and town board members was scheduled to meet at April 25 at town hall but had to reschedule because there wasn't a quorum present.

Selectmen said they were surprised there has not been more interest in the Citizen Committee because restoration of the train has been a controversial issue in town.

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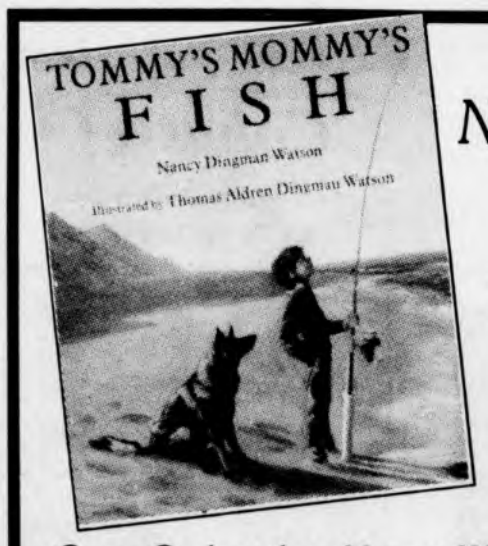

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Health board readied to ink decision at meeting last week

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Board of Health last week reviewed and refined its final decision on the proposed 27.5-acre expansion of the privately owned Cohasset Heights Landfill.

Board members Tom Cook and Alix White denied Cohasset Heights Landfill site assignment application Monday (see related story).

In a crowded meeting room last Thursday, board members Thomas Cook and Alix White, along with attorney Michael Leon, discussed the 50-plus page document.

Newly elected board member Kevin Ulmer did not participate in the decision process, as he was a representative of a group opposed to the expansion during the hearing process.

Leon opened the meeting by telling Cook and White their decision was a legal determination and that they were required to approve the application unless they found expansion would pose a hazard to public health and safety or was a potential danger to the environment.

Discussion focused on potential impacts, including noise, traffic, dust and air quality. But it was the subject of possible dangers to area water supplies that attracted most of the attention, with Leon saying it was paramount to protect all water supplies, both public and private.

The board briefly touched on reasons for the state Department of Environmental Protection's approval of CHL's site suitability application.

Leon said the DEP decision was made in error due to a lack of study data presented by Cohasset Heights, and he informed Cook and White they could broaden their scope of information and render a decision based on the larger body of evidence presented to them during the two-month hearing process.

"You are to set borders of magnitude," Leon told them.

White concurred, adding, "We have to go for the bigger picture."

After reviewing the decision, Cook appeared pleased. "This very well summarizes the testimony and hits all of the highlights," he said.

The tone of the board was not a comfort to CHL owner Paul Barry, who sat through the meeting with a resigned look on his face.

John McNabb, vice president of the anti-expansion group SAFE (Stop Any Further Expansion), felt the board had found at least seven areas for denial of the Cohasset Heights expansion.

Cook asked Leon if the decision was written for "lawyer-type people."

"You write this decision with an eye that someone will appeal it," Leon answered. "Either the applicant or someone else will not be happy with this, so you have to assume that a judge will review it."

Any appeal would go through the state Superior Court and will have to be filed within 30 days from the date of the board's decision.

In closing the proceedings, the board reserved the right to make additional comments on their decision right up until the moment it is announced (see related story).

Decision on common driveway held off

The Planning Board last week postponed a decision on a common driveway application by builder Mark Patrolia for Fair Oaks Lane after safety concerns were raised by abutters.

Patrolia was seeking an easement on town regulations which state that common driveways may serve only two homes. Additional homes must either have their own driveways or another access onto a main road. Fair Oaks Lane runs off of Sohier Street, and Patrolia wants to build two additional homes on the end of the lane.

Fair Oaks residents Philip and Cherie Miles, whose property encompasses the existing driveway, objected to Patrolia's plans on the basis that the proposed 8-foot width of the driveway is not wide enough for additional traffic from new development, and poses a safety concern in the event emergency vehicles require access to the area.

Speaking through their lawyer, the Mileses asked board members to require that Patrolia's driveway plans be expanded to a minimum width of 15 feet.

Chairman Al Moore agreed safety concerns were relevant, and stated the board would ask for input from the fire department before it could render a final decision on Patrolia's plans.

In addition, the board requested Patrolia have a topographical map showing the elevations of the two homes he proposes to build completed for examination by the board to determine how they would impact the area.

Moore scheduled a hearing for May 15, at which time the board will rule on Patrolia's application. In the meantime, he asked all parties to get together and try to iron out their differences so the board can render a decision favorable to all.

In other business, the board approved plans by Black Rock Road resident George McGoldrick to expand his existing garage, and appointed newly elected member Terry Atherton as the board's representative to the town's Open Space Committee.

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Louise's dedication to Girl Scouts deserves applause

Let us begin by giving a delightful lady a round of applause for a super job well done — the lady is our own **Louise Smullen,** and the job performed is 35 years of service to the Girl Scout organization in our town! Louise received a pin at the Patriots Trail annual dinner. All who are involved with the Girl Scout program wanted to recognize her dedication, especially Cohasset's girls, who what to say "thank you."

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We must also tell you about **Angela Parasi,** who won the Gold Award from the Girl Scouts — she has to feel so honored and proud. It's a feat that not many are able to accomplish.

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Jessica L. Jenkins, a sophomore from Cohasset who is enrolled in the College of Arts and Sciences at Northwestern University, has been named to the dean's list for the winter quarter. Congrats go to you, Jessica. Glad to see your hard work paid off!

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Hopefully by now everyone has heard about "Herb Day," a day set aside to honor two of Cohasset's finest gents. **Herb Jason** and **Herb Towle** are the honorees. Everyone wants to recognize them for a lifetime of commitment and service to Cohasset and its maritime history. The event will take place on Government Island in Cohasset Harbor from 2 p.m. until sunset. Enjoy singing by **Lilly Sestitio, Dan Anderson's** famous seafood chowder, exhibits, camaraderie and reminiscing, along with a potpourri of fun and surprises.

For more information, call **Ira Stoughton** at 383-0747 or **Kit Bryant** at 383-9094. The date to circle on your calendar is May 19, a Sunday that will surely be remembered for years to come!

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Cohasset has another tiny resident in its midst — let's all welcome **Madeline Ann Curley,** the wonderful, brand-new baby girl born to **Lauren (Bradley)** and **Joe Curley.** Madeline was born April 19 at 2:43 a.m. She weighed seven pounds, 20 ounces and was 20-1/2 inches long. Madeline's maternal grandparents are **Margaret Pitt-Bradley** and **Dennis Bradley** of Arlington, Virg.; her paternal grandparents are **Christina Edda** of Clinton, Conn. and **Peter Curley** of Madison, Conn. We send our congrats to all of you!

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While perusing the paper this week, please be sure to note the updated schedule for the spring sports season. It includes all corrections and revisions caused by the bad weather!

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And while on the subject of sports, look what we found while doing a little spring cleaning — a September 1972 photo of the football breakfast that was held at the Red Lion Inn. Most of the families still live here in Cohasset. See how many you can recognize!

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Hats off to **Megan Rhodes,** who was named to the dean's list at Curry College for the fall semester.

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Heather A. Brennock has achieved dean's list for the fall semester at Westfield State College. She is majoring in elementary education.

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Rhonda and Carl Young, along with his siblings, **Carl and Stephanie,** wish to announce the birth of **Christian Joseph Young,** born March 14 at 6:48 p.m. He weighed eight pounds, nine ounces. Christian's maternal grandparents are **Russell** and **Eleanor Whitney** of Cohasset; his paternal grandparents are **Carl** and **Barbara Young** of Pembroke. Congratulations to all of you!

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Sr. Anne Monica Ruane, principal of Notre Dame Academy, Hingham, has announced the honor roll for the second quarter, and Cohasset is well represented! On the principal's list is **Julie Catalano; Lauren Campbell, Jennifer Cellucci** and **Sally Hamill** received first honors; and second honors recipients are **Stephanie Canton, Kelleen Dwyer** and **Julie Smith.** All of you deserve kudos. Here they are!

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Last Sunday was a happy/sad occasion for **Judy** and **Peter Kulturides.** Their family had a good-bye party at the Log and Line, which has almost been home for the last 24 years! Family and friends gathered to honor them for all the things they have done — the wonderful food, laughter, love and memories that came out of that little restaurant are too numerous to mention. But everyone remembers them!

We want to wish you a happy and healthy life, and we will always be grateful to you for all the good times you and your restaurant provided. Most of all, relax in the morning!

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That's the news from here. Hopefully you will have some of your own to let us in on — call me!

— Sallyann
383-0560

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Engagements

Spooner/Dunn

Mr. Alexander D. Spooner Jr. of Boston and Ms. Barbara H. Spooner of Wood Island, Scituate, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Victoria Lynn Spooner, to John Pickering Dunn, the son of Mr. Robert M. Dunn of Chevy Chase, Md. and Ms. Charlotte P. Abel of Washington, D.C.

The bride-to-be is a 1985 graduate of Cohasset High School and holds a bachelor's degree in psychology from Brown University and a master of social work degree from the University of Michigan. She is a licensed clinical social worker employed as an outpatient psychotherapist in Alexandria Mental Health Center in Alexandria, Va.

Her fiancé, a 1986 graduate of St. Andrew's School in Bethesda, Md., holds a BA in psychology from Gettysburg College and earned his master of social work degree from the National Catholic School of Social Service. He is employed by Montgomery County Maryland Department of Health and Human Services as a clinical social worker and currently works with adolescents and their families as a home- and school-based psychotherapist.

Victoria L. Spooner and John P. Dunn

The couple will be married in June at the Springdale Country Inn in Lincoln, Va.

Obituaries

Hope Hancock

Cohasset teacher

Hope Dunning Hancock, 83, of Onancock, Virg., formerly of Hingham, died in Northampton-Accomack Memorial Hospital, Nassawadox, Virg., April 17.

Born in Augusta, Maine, she taught at Cohasset High School for 20 years.

Mrs. Hancock was a member of Second Parish Unitarian Church in Hingham.

She was the wife of Ernest J. Hancock and leaves two children, Jeffrey Hancock of San Diego, Calif., and Priscilla Ryan of Rowayton, Conn.; a granddaughter, Ashley Ryan; five nieces, Marsha Dunning Carter, Terry Allen, Wendy Dunning, Penny Dunning and Sue Harter; and a nephew, Kim Dunning.

A memorial service was held at Second Parish April 28.

Donations in her memory may be made to: SPSP, c/o Johns Hopkins Hospital, 5065 Outpatient Center, 601 Caroline St., Baltimore, Md. 21287.

Arrangements were made by Williams-Onancock Funeral Home.

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EDITORIAL

Fairness

Some of your neighbors need your help. Faced with state-mandated sewers, the people in the Straits Pond area of Cohasset are asking that their fellow taxpayers pick up half the tab for the projected $6.3 million project.

If your home is valued at $280,000 that would add about $50 a year to your tax bill.

We are sensitive to those who are alarmed at the town's increasing tax rate. And with another major capital project on the agenda — a new school — many feel they have reached their limit. But we hope they will consider voting yes on Saturday.

The town can no longer put off improvements and upgrades to the town's infrastructure — whether it's the water system, sewers or schools.

Public works projects benefit all taxpayers directly or indirectly.

The Straits Pond sewer project is going ahead whether or not the override passes. But we hope a dangerous precedent isn't set Saturday that would send a 'user should pay all' message which will ultimately hurt the town and could force some residents out of Cohasset.

Play ball!

Cohasset Little League Opening Day ceremonies always provide a slice of Americana. This year was no exception.

But added to the excitement Saturday were the Barnes Field upgrades and additions, including a brand-new scoreboard. More than $12,000 in donations from businesses and residents went into renovating the home of Cohasset Little League.

In this effort, everyone involved with Cohasset Little League has demonstrated how teamwork can make a difference. We take our hats off to them.

We're planning to take Little League president Bob Moody's advice and stop by to catch an evening game and sample one of Hugh Morgan's famous sandwiches. Hope to see you there!

— Mary Ford
Editor

'Let's not weaken our resolve'

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Re: Cohasset Heights limited appeal costs

To the Editor:

The Board of Health has voted to deny the application of Cohasset Heights Limited (CHL) to expand its private landfill.

Cohasset Heights' owner has indicated a number of times throughout the process that he would appeal a denial.

How much will a court appeal cost?

The appeal on this case is a "Record Review." There is no jury. No witnesses will testify. The lawyers will go to court and argue before a judge whether the Board of Health had "sufficient evidence" to make their decision.

The town's attorney will be able to point to the two months of hearings printed in 19 volumes of testimony containing 3,324 pages from the 67 witnesses and the 144 exhibits. One exhibit contains 38 violations by CHL. The record contains an overwhelming amount of evidence about the current severe adverse impacts caused by the present facility, the danger of continued adverse impacts in the future and that CHL is a danger to the health, safety and environment in Cohasset.

The main expense of this case was the hearing. The work for the appeal has basically been done. The cost of defense of a "Record Review" is a fraction of what has already been spent on presenting live expert testimony. Defense costs are a necessary part of the investment in the protection of our water supply and public health.

After all the time, effort and finances that have been utilized to obtain this denial, now is not the time to weaken our resolve.

Kevin F. O'Donnell
196 Fair Oaks

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Cohasset Youth Baseball says thank you

To the Editor:

On behalf of Cohasset Youth Baseball Association I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Department of Public Works, the Tree, Park and Cemetery Department, the Police and Fire Departments, Steve Wigmore and Glenn Pratt for helping to make last Saturday's Little League Parade a success.

I would also like to thank the many townspeople who came out to watch our future Hall of Famers march so proudly through town. I greatly appreciate the support the town has shown towards our program over the years.

I would like to invite everyone to swing by the Barnes Field and see the many improvements that have just been completed. Please be sure to catch an evening game and see our new scoreboard which was so generously donated by The Hingham Institution for Savings. While you're there don't forget to stop by our snack bar and have one of Hugh Morgan's famous sandwiches.

Finally, I would like to thank our State Representative Mary Jennette Murray for finding the time in her busy schedule to help open up the season by throwing out the first pitch.

Bob Moody
President, CYBA

Brook cleanup help appreciated

To the Editor:

Early on the morning of Tuesday, April 23, 70 people gathered in the Cohasset High School auditorium to get ready for the James Brook Cleanup. Among the group of volunteers were students, teachers and members of the community. Mr. Gainor, one of two representatives from the Mosquito Control Board who participated in the activities, spoke about the risk of eastern encephalitis and the importance of clearing the area around James Brook. Removing natural and human-made debris from the water helps keep the water moving, thereby preventing the existence of stagnant water serves as breeding grounds for mosquitoes. By the end of the day ten loads of debris along with trash bags full of litter were removed from our three sites along James Brook. Students worked alongside teachers and members of the community to make a difference in the environment on this National Day of Service.

We, along with the Mosquito Control Board, The Massachusetts National and Community Service Commission, and the Conservation Commission are pleased with the results of the project. An equal amount of work, however, preceded the clean-up. We spent a lot of time writing letters and looking for support within and without the school. The Massachusetts National and

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Override is cost-effective solution

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I wish to respond to recent letters to the editor that express a negative attitude toward the proposed Straits Pond Wastewater Collection System.

I am alarmed by the number of people who view the Straits Pond environmental problem as a neighborhood rather than a town issue. Straits Pond is owned by the whole town, and Straits Pond is not Cohasset's only environmental problem to be solved. The current proposal to divide the costs between the users, the town and the state is fair. When a town starts dividing itself into a collection of special-interest groups with a users-pay-all mentality, community spirit becomes undermined, and people start competing with each other, instead of caring about and supporting each other.

It is true that this new sewer will serve only Straits Pond area residents. However, when the existing Cohasset treatment plant is expanded and upgraded in a couple of years, Straits Pond residents will be paying for a portion of that project which benefits much of the downtown area. Each group that benefits from a single project also has its turn in paying for the projects that do not benefit it. This is called teamwork.

Please vote "YES" on May 4 for the Proposition 2-1/2 override; it is the most cost-effective solution, and it will provide for a clean, environmentally safe Straits Pond that benefits everyone.

Olivia and Bryan Baldwin
Howe Road

Sharing sewer costs is fair solution

To the Editor:

This is in response to a flyer distributed by Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers regarding the Cohasset sewer issue, to be voted on Saturday, May 4. It relates to the question of "fairness."

1. How "fair" is it to hand someone a $26,000 sewer bill ($16,000 for the sewer and $10,000 useage over 20 years) when their current septic system works fine?

2. How "fair" is it to ask someone to pay 100 percent of their own sewer project, when they've been paying part of the downtown sewer project for almost 20 years?

3. How "fair" is it for a town to mandate a sewer project and not participate in its cost?

4. How "fair" is it to compare the average cost of upgrading a septic system in Cohasset ($15,000) to a $26,000 sewer expense?

5. How "fair" is it to suggest this is an "incredible value" because sewered homes will increase in value? The market dictates home values and sewers are just one of the factors contributing to the value.

Finally, nobody wants higher taxes.

But is it "fair" to ask 350 homes to absorb a $6.6 million mandated municipal project which benefits the whole town?

Please vote "yes" on Saturday, May 4.

Diane Sullivan
708 Jerusalem Road

New school costs discussion warranted

Dear Selectmen Chairman:

I recommend that you schedule a discussion on what was learned with the $180,000 that we spent doing the new Osgood School site assessment.

Previous to that work, I attended a school facilities meeting at which it became apparent to me why the school lobbies were unwilling to explain the components of their $9.85 million cost estimate. Specifically, Superintendent Hart and Bob Beggan acknowledged that because they had not done the site assessment, they couldn't risk being specific, nor could they use anything other than the maximum reimbursable factor authorized by the state: $143/square foot.

While detailed plans may not yet be available, we have the right to know whether the $9.85 million was in the ballpark, or whether it was low or high.

As you know, the scandalous cut-off of discussion precluded any answers to these questions at Town Meeting.

None of us want to see a repeat of the Hingham cost overrun fiasco.

Joseph R. McElroy
59 Windy Hill Road

Excel benefit a success

To the Editor:

Thank you for giving so much publicity to Ross Sherbrooke's lecture on cruising in Newfoundland and Nova Scotia. While it was put on by the Cohasset Yacht Club, it was a benefit for Jack Buckley's Excel program at the high school.

This is a worthy cause, and allied to the interests of the yacht club. We are glad to be able to give something back to the community. As of Friday evening, it looks like a full house. Thanks for helping to make it happen.

Cohasset Yacht Club Cruising Committee
Jack K. Bryant, secretary

Brook cleanup help appreciated

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Community Service Commission awarded us a $200 grant which was used to feed the hungry workers and to pay for substitute teachers. We were pleased with the number of voices that rose up from the people in support of our cause.

We would like to thank all of the organizations and individuals from our community who helped make such a wonderful day possible. We hope that people will applaud what this group has accomplished. Furthermore, we hope that everyone can make an honest effort to make every day Earth Day and every moment an opportunity to respect and protect our environment. So maybe the next time you pass that plastic cup sitting by the roadside, you will think of our crusade, take two seconds to pick it up, and join in our efforts to keep the beautiful town of Cohasset free from the dangers of waste. As citizens of this town and the world it is our duty to try and protect it right now, tomorrow and every day of our lives.

Ka'Lorraine Green, Holly Pereira,
Andrea Freeman and Alli Ritts
Cohasset High

Murray announces candidacy for re-election

State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray (R-Cohasset) has announced she is a candidate for re-election to her seat in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. The veteran lawmaker will run for an 11th term representing the 3rd Plymouth District, which is comprised of the towns of Cohasset, Hingham and Hull.

"I want to continue serving the people of Cohasset, Hingham and Hull," said Murray. "Representing the interests of my constituents in the 3rd Plymouth District has been my top priority, and I wish to continue that important job on Beacon Hill."

Her legislative priorities include increased local aid, tax reform, improving public safety, and reducing the size and cost of state government. She also opposes legalizing casino gambling.

"There is a lot of work left to do at the State House," said Murray. "We must upgrade our state's seaport and correctional facilities and provide local aid to our communities, while keeping taxes in line. We must also keep casino gambling from coming into Massachusetts because it will not provide long-term economic benefits."

Representative Murray is the ranking member of the Legislature's Joint Committee on Local Affairs and on the Joint Committee on Counties. She was first elected to the House in 1976, and previously served as a Cohasset Selectmen, and a member of the Cohasset Housing Authority.

Rep. Murray also served on the Human Services Committee and the Committee on Taxation, as well as the Ethics Committee. She served as Chairman of the Special Commission to investigate structural problems at the University of Massachusetts, Boston Campus under Former Speaker George Kevarian.

She is a member of the Special Commission on Veterans, the MWRA Caucus, the Elderly Caucus of the House of Representatives, the Literacy Caucus the South Shore Legislators' Caucus, and the Southeastern Massachusetts Legislative Caucus.

Yes vote on override urged

To the Editor:

We reside on Straits Pond and have since 1959, and are currently are under a state mandate to force all of us to be put on a sewer system.

The problem if the override fails, is that those who live in the "state designated" area will pay for 100 percent of the cost for this "improvement."

When did we in this town force the "recipients" of a town program to pay 100 percent of the cost?

1. When people have no children in the school system do they not pay for the schools? Do they not pay for school bus transportation?

2. When we all have to pay to cap the landfill do we consider that some homeowners have very, very little to dispose off? But they have to pay for it.

3. When a certain section of town road needs new asphalt, new storm drains or new road signs, don't we all pay for it?

4. When the "middle" section of town is forced to have sewage, don't we all pay for it?

5. When residents are "fighting" a legal matter, don't we all have to pay for it, whether it would affect them or their immediate neighborhood?

6. When the police or fire department are needed in one section of town more than others, don't we all pay for it?

7. Did we ever, ever vote to force the homeowner who needs more sand on his road in winter to pay for more sand? More plowing? More road maintenance?

Do we think it is wise that something the town needs (state mandated) be paid for by only a few?

Please let us not forget the 99 percent vote that the people in town voted for at the Town Meeting regarding this amendment.

As caring people we hope Cohasset votes for "total town responsibility" and "fairness" on Saturday, May 4. We hope the large majority will vote YES!

Bill and Gina Chisholm
605 Jerusalem Rd.

Forman, Teague to speak at May 16 forum

Julie Guild, chairman of the Cohasset GOP Town Committee, announced the group's annual dinner will be held Thursday, May 16, for all South Shore towns. Featured speakers will be Plymouth County Sheriff Peter Forman, former Minority Leader, of Plymouth and present Minority Leader and congressional candidate Ed Teague of Yarmouth.

Patriot Ledger State House correspondent Carolyn Ryan will moderate the forum, which will be held at Walton Rodgers' Hall of St. Stephen's Church on historic Cohasset Common. GOP leaders will discuss GOP prospects and issues in 1996. A social hour will be held at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. A $15 donation is requested.

All South Shore residents are invited to attend. Also invited are District Attorney Michael Sullivan of Abington, County Commissioner candidates Peter Paulding of Plymouth, and Chuck Toupence of Pembroke, and candidate for Treasurer Matt Striggles of Bridgewater. Sen. Robert Hedlund of Weymouth, Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray of Cohasset, County Commissioner Bob Stone of Whitman and Norfolk County Treasurer Ob Hall of Needham have also been invited.

Reservations may be made by calling Avis Sweeney (383-1184), Polly Logan (383-0031) or Carl Harris (749-7167).

Cohasset Common listed on National Register

The Cohasset Common Historic District is the town's latest addition to the listing in the prestigious National Register of Historic Places.

The Common District ,which extends along North Main Street from Depot Court to Sohier Street and includes all of Highland Avenue, joins Cohasset's Government Island and the Caleb Lothrup House in receiving the honorary designation from the National Park Service.

"We share with you a sense of pride that the Cohasset Common Historic District" has been listed, said Massachusetts secretary of state William F. Galvin in a letter to David Wadsworth of the Cohasset Historical Commission.

The Common District includes the 1713 Joseph Bates house, the 1722 Unitarian Parish house, the 1747 Meetinghouse, the 1824 Second Congregational Church, the 1857 Town Hall, and the 1900 St. Stephen's Church. Architecture includes the Georgian, Federal, and Greek Revival styles.

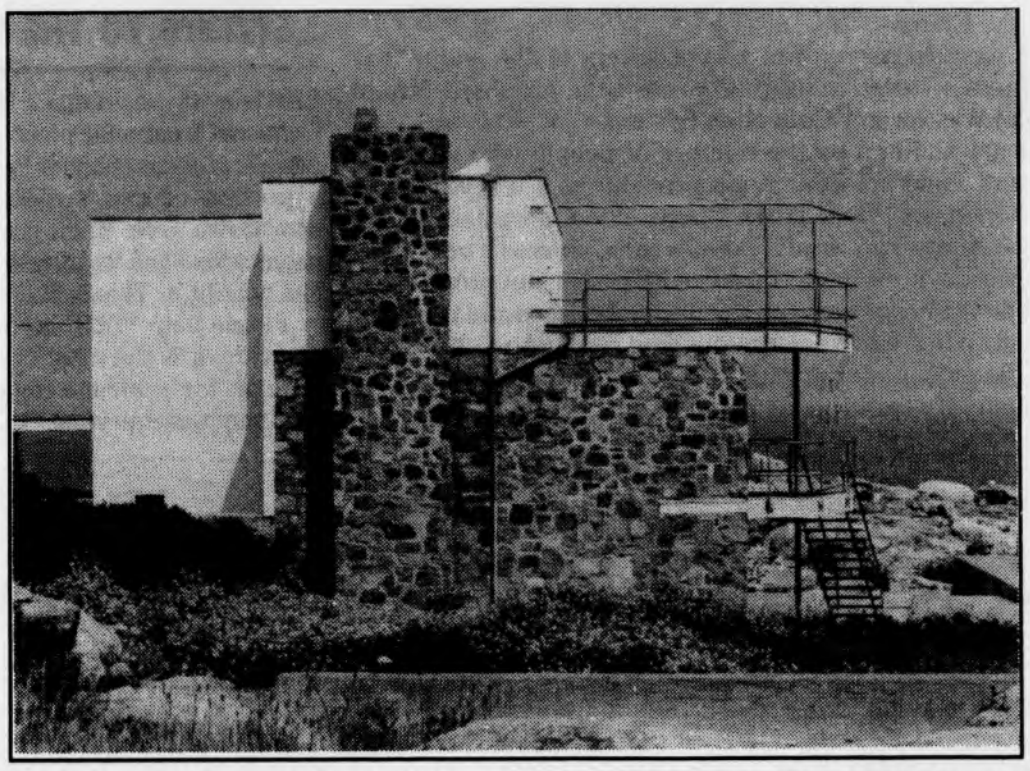
Placing the district on the National Register does not place additional restrictions on homeowners. The district is already regulated by the Cohasset Common Historic District Commission. An additional review of a building project would occur only if federal funds are involved or a federal permit were needed. Members of the Massachusetts Historical Commission met with residents last August to allay any concerns about the national designation.

A Cohasset home at 357 Atlantic Ave. designed by world-famous architect Walter Gropius may be the next Cohasset listing, Wadsworth said.

Gropius' international style of architecture played a major role in the evolution of modern American architecture, according to Wadsworth. The Cohasset house, built in 1939, is considered to one of four that established the International style of Gropius in this country.

American architects later adapted aspects of Gropius' style, such as flat roofs, box-like structures, and functional designs. Born in Berlin in 1883, Gropius founded the famous Bauhaus school of architecture. He left his homeland after becoming unhappy with the Nazi government.

The historical commission filed an application in the spring of 1995 to have the Gropius house listed. Once an application is filed, the review process can take upwards of 18 months, Wadsworth explained.



This Cohasset home at the north end of Sandy Beach was designed by world-famous architect Walter Gropius and may be the next Cohasset property to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Kindergarten cut-off extended for Charter School

The state's Executive Office of Education approved a charter amendment for the South Shore Charter School that will allow students to enter kindergarten before the age of 5.

In many local public schools including Hingham and Cohasset, students entering Kindergarten must be five years of age prior to September 1. The cut-off date is decided by local school boards.

The wavier granted by state Secretary of Education Michael J. Sentance will allow students at the South Shore Charter School enter kindergarten as long as they are five years old by December 31.

According to South School Charter School Headmaster Timothy Anderson the 17- member board of trustees that governs the school requested the charter amendment after several parents complained about arbitrary cut-off dates that prevent some students who are ready for kindergarten before their fifth birthday from starting school.

But according to Hingham Supt. of Schools Gary Baker Ph.D. early education teachers in town feel strongly about the Sept. 1 cut-off and say that students that start school too early can face problems later.

Cohasset Supt. of Schools Stephen Hart agreed. Like Hingham, Cohasset too changed its kindergarten cut-off date from Dec. 31, to Sept. 1 several years ago, and Hart said the school department is comfortable with this policy.

When asked if having this extension gives the competing public charter school an unfair advantage over neighboring public schools, Baker said it is just another example of the extent of flexibility charter schools have been given.

"I don't think anyone has claimed that there has been a level playing field," he said, noting that Charter schools are not required to have a governing school committee or teacher contracts.

"There is a lot more flexibility with Charter Schools than other public schools," Baker added.

And unlike kindergarten which has a specific cut-off age throughout the commonwealth, Hart noted that there is no age threshold for first graders, making it possible for a parent to send a child who's missed the Sept. 1 cut-off to the charter school at age four and re-enter Cohasset public schools in first grade at age five. In such cases or in situations where a student moves in from out of state and has already attended kindergarten at an early age, Hart said the department works with parents to be sure that students are ready, socially, emotionally and academically for first grade.

Next year's kindergarten, first, second and fifth grades have already been filled at the Charter School, said Anderson.

Applications are still being accepted on a rolling admissions basis until classes are filled for the 1996-97 academic school year, he said.

The school will be expanded to include 330 students in grades K-12 this year.

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Permit sought for harbor work

The Cohasset Yacht Club is seeking permission for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to reconfigure and expand its boating facility in Cohasset Harbor. The plan calls for maintaining a 42-slip dock, boat railway and launching ramp, relocating a 20-slip spider float and installing 84 new slips.

The application for the federal permit was filed with the Engineers in compliance with Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, which provides for federal regulation of any work in, under or over navigable waters of the United States.

To assist in evaluating the work, the Engineers are soliciting public comments. Written statements should be forwarded to their office no later than May 23. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Timothy Timmermann at the New England Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, Mass. 02254-9149.

Treasurer/collector wording reviewed

Last week selectmen went over suggested wording for the home rule petition which will set the stage for the treasurer-collector's position to be appointed rather than elected.

Town meeting approved the change once the current three-year term expires. Linden Drive resident Joseph Buckley, who won a three-way race for the position in the April 6 town election, supports moving the position to an appointed one once his term ends.

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Poster contest announced

The South Shore Community Center has announced a call for entries for its first annual school poster contest. The contest, entitled "Color It Community," is open to all South Shore schoolchildren in grades 1-6.

The purpose of the contest is to highlight the importance of the family and community, and posters may depict any aspect of "community."

Complete contest rules have been mailed to private and public schools on the South Shore. Winners will receive $150 certificates toward the purchase of a bicycle of their choice. The deadline submissions is May 17.

Winners will be notified by phone, and awards will be presented during a special ceremony at Harborfest on Cohasset Common on June 15. For additional contest or Harborfest information, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

South Shore Community Center offers spring classes

South Shore Community Center is offering classes this spring.

A babysitting course will be offered for four weeks, beginning May 6, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. ($35/members, $45/non-members)

A CPR class will be held May 28 and 29 and June 11 and 13 from 7 to 10:30 p.m. ($25/M, $35/NM)

Two puppet shows are planned: May 3, "Little Red Hen" and "Little Red Riding Hood" June 7. Shows are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The cost is $2 per person at the door.

"Dazzling Fruit Tartlets with the Village Chef Beth Myers" will be offered May 11 for adults, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. ($15)

Aerobics classes are also scheduled, with babysitting available at St. Stephen's Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Signups for Nature Camp are being accepted. Payment in full is due by May 21. For further information, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

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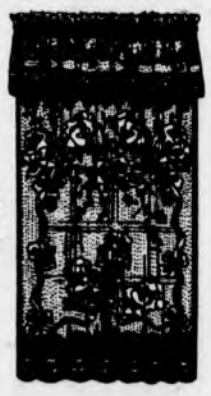
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The Hingham Community Center

Adult Courses

Dog Obedience Classes
Starts Friday, May 3
Rita LaPointe
6:30-7:30 pm.
6 weeks $55 ($50 members)
A great social experience for your dog. Rabies certificate required.

Women's Self Defense
Starts Monday, May 6
Professor John Wooten
6:30-8:00 p.m.
8 weeks $80 ($75 member)
$30 registration fee

Pediatric CPR
Starts May 6 - 2 Nights
David Damstra
Monday & Wednesay
May 6 & May 8
$45

Writing for Publication
Starts Wednesday, May 8
Cathy Corcoran
7:30-9:30 p.m.
6 weeks $65 ($60 member)
Even Tolstoy had to start somewhere. Before he wrote 1589 pages of *War and Peace* he was writing short stories.

Level I & II
Tap Dancing Beginner
Starts Wednesday, May 8
Lillian Fisher
7:00-8:00 p.m.
8 weeks $45 ($40 member)
Learn the art of tap dancing. Each session consists of warm-ups, technique, basic steps.

Level III & IV
Tape Dancing Inter-Advance
Starts Wednesday, May 8
Lillian Fisher
8:15-9:15 p.m.
8 weeks $45 ($40 member)
This class fine tunes the steps of tap as studens learn to use their bodies to form specific sounds and rhythmns.

On-going Courses

Duplicate Bridge
Every Tuesday
Anne Bell
7:00-10:00 p.m.
$4.00

Beyond Diet
Wednesday 5:30-7 p.m. or Thursday 10-11:30 am.
5 weeks $25; 10 weeks $48 or $6/class drop-in

Adult Judo Classes
Professor JohnWooten
11:00-12:30 pm.
8 weeks $80 ($75 member)
$30 Registration Fee

Yoga
Mia Kusumadilaga
Friday 9:00-10:30 a.m. or Monday, 8:00-9:30 p.m.
6 weeks $50 ($45 members)
drop-in $9

Low Impact Aerobics
Mary Jane Butera, Ed.D
Tuesday & Thursday
9:00-10:00 a.m.
4 weeks $32
drop-in $5 per class

Low Impact Senior Citizen Aerobics
Marian Archer
Monday & Wednesday
9:00-9:45 a.m.
Drop-in $2.50 per class

Country-Western Line Dancing
Charlene Bizokas
Every Thursday
6:30-7:30 p.m.
drop-in $6 per class

Senior Citizen Bowling
Every Wednesday
9:30-12:00 noon
$1.00 a string

Computer Class for the Novice:World Perfect 5.1
Starts Monday, May 13
Erin Krull
7:00-8:30 p.m.
6 weeks $70 ($65 member

CPR
Starts Monday, June 3
David Damstra
7:00-10:30 p.m.
1 night $25
This course covers emergency resuscitative techniques for cardiac and respiratory arrest.

CPR & First Aid
Starts Tuesday, June 4
David Damstra
7:00-10:30 p.m.
Two nights, June 4 & 11
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Dog Obedience Classes
Starts Tuesday, June 11 and Tuesday, July 30
Rita LaPointe
6:30-7:30 p.m.
6 weeks $55 ($50 member)

Dog Obedience Level II
Starts Tuesday, June 11
Rita LaPointe
7:35-8:35 p.m.
6 weeks $55 ($50 member)

Astrology
Starts Wednesday, May 22
Denise Rachael
7:00-9:00 p.m.
6 weeks $98 ($93 member)
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Kids' Courses

Judo Classes with Professor John Wooten
Start Monday, May 6
8 weeks $65 ($60 members)
$30 registration fee.
(Judo classes run all year)
Judo Classes for Girls Age 6-12
3:30-4:30 p.m.
Judo Classes for Boys Age 5-8
4:30-5:30 p.m.
Judo Classes for ages 9-15
5:30-6:30 p.m

Start Saturday, May 11
Judo Classes for Age 5-8
9:00-10:00
Judo Classes for Age 9-15
10:00-11:00 a.m.
Jujitsu is a combination of Judo, Aikido and Karate. It is widely considered the most complete form of the martial arts.

Baby-sitting Course
Starts Monday, May 6
Susan Bradley
Age 10 and over
3:30-5:00 p..m.
4 weeks $35 ($30 Members)
This program will offer babysitters a better understanding of young children and infants, their care and safety, and other practical tips.

Playtime with Debbie
Starts Friday, May 3
Debbie Corey
Age 3-6
9:15-11:15 a.m.
5 weeks $50 ($47 members)
7 weeks $70 ($66 members)

Creative Clay Class
Starts Thursday, May 9
Nancy Connolly
Grade 1-6
4:00-5:30 p.m.
4 weeks $45 ($40 Members)

In-Line Skate Workshop
Starts Wednesday, May 29
Laurie Tedeschi
Age 6-15
3:30-5:00 p.m.
1 day $10

Street Dancing Jazz & Funk Workshop
Starts June 25
Tues., Wed., Thurs.
Liz Tronni
Grade 2-5
10:00-11:00 a.m.
1 week $15.00
Grade 6-12

Summer Vacation Pre-School Playtime
Susan Bradley
Age 3-6
Tuesday, Wednsday, Thursday
$45 per week
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Starts July 31-Aug. 1

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Age 3-6
Tues., Wed., Thurs.
$45 per week
9:00-12:00 noon
Starts August 6-8
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Starts August 20-22

Summer Performing Arts Camp
Liz Tronni & Barrie Smith
Age 7-10
Starts August 6-29
Tuesday, Thursday
10:00-2:00 p.m.
4 weeks $140

Summer Performing Arts Camp
Liz Tronni & Barrie Smith
Age 11 and up
Starts August 5-30
Mon., Wed., Fri.
10:00-2:00 p.m.
4 weeks $210

Super Sports Class
Starts Wednesday, May 29
Karin Viafore
Age 3 1/2 through K
Wednesday 1:45-2:30 p.m.
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Starts Monday, May 13
Age 4-6
1:00-2:30 p.m.
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Raggedy Anne
Wednesday, June 19
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Monday, July 15
Age 4 -6
1:00-2:30 p.m.
$8

Spend an Afternoon with Sally Stegosaurs
Monday, August 12
Age 4 -6

Puppet Shows

Age 2-6

Little Red Riding Hood
Monday, May 20
1:00-1:30 p.m.

Three Billy Goats Gruff
Monday, June 24
10:00-10:30 a.m.

The Three Little Pigs
Monday, July 29
10:00-10:30 a.m.

The Little Red Hen
Monday, August 26
10:00-10:30 a.m.

Helping to celebrate Vi Tuthill's 92nd birthday are Corinne Cahill (left) and Alfred Odermatt. Cahill and Odermatt also congratulated Tuthill for her 25 years of service as a volunteer with Cohasset chapter of the American Red Cross Bloodmobile. The former Summer Street resident was the chairman of the donor group for her church, Second Congregational Church, and also volunteered on bloodmobile days in the canteen. Odermatt is a past chairman of the Cohasset bloodmobile and Cahill is the current volunteer in charge of the Cohasset chapter. Mrs. Tuthill is now residing at Norwell Knoll nursing home off Rte. 53 in Norwell.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Sale to benefit service project

Donations of unwanted furniture, art work, boats, books, knick-knacks and other "treasures" are being sought for the Appalachia Service Project's annual yard sale, scheduled for Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Second Congregational Church.

Donated items may be dropped off at the church, located next to town hall on Cohasset Common, any weekday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., or evenings on Wednesday, May 8, and Thursday, May 9, from 7 to 9 p.m. Pick-ups can be arranged by calling Ami Argus at 383-9325.

ASP also welcomes donations of construction tools. Black & Decker has offered to rebuild or replace any old or broken B&D tools.

All proceeds will benefit the 1996 Appalachia Service Project this summer, when 84 Cohasset high school students and adult advisers will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families.

Herb Day party

Herb Day, honoring Herb Jason and Herb Towle for a lifetime of commitment and service to Cohasset and its maritime history, is planned for Sunday, May 19, from 2 p.m. to sunset on Government Island, Cohasset Harbor.

There will be singing by Lilly Sestitio, Dan Anderson's famous seafood chowder, exhibits, along with other fun-filled activities and surprises.

For more information, call Ira Stoughton at 383-0747 or Kit Bryant at 383-9094.

Managed care forum May 22

The Cohasset Elder Affairs' SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) program is sponsoring a forum on HMOs and managed care on Wednesday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lightkeeper's House on Government Island.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to learn about HMOs and the concept of managed care and how it affects Medicare benefits. Speakers will include Diane Paulson, lead attorney of Greater Boston Elderly Legal Services, Medicare Advocacy Project; John May, representative of Mass. Association of Health Maintenance Organizations; and Monica Henderson, health insurance specialist of the Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Managed Care.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling 383-9116. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Force concert set

Force Productions, a local production company comprised of local musicians, will present an all-ages concert featuring six local bands on Friday, May 3, at Cohasset High School, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The concert will feature Blind VR, Drain, Fun In The Kitchen, Stick Figure Stanley and J-Base. Bands will have merchandise available, and refreshments will be served.

Admission is $5 at the door, with a portion of the proceeds to benefit the CHS rowing team. Doors open at 6 p.m. Call 748-9727 or 824-7680 for details. For directions to CHS, call 383-6110.

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Teen Center news

There will be an open house at the Cohasset Teen Center for all 6th graders and their parents from 3:30 to 6:30 p.m., Friday, May 10.

Come and see the center and meet the directors! Board members of Cohasset Youth Resources, Inc. will also be on hand. Juice and baked goods will be served. The Teen Center is at 24 South Main St. in the old Independence Building.

All Paws event is planned

All Paws Rescue is planning its fourth anniversary celebration to help homeless animals and to build All Paws Rescue House, on Sunday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wompatuck State Park, Hingham. Another goal of the celebration is to strengthen the All Paws Humane Education Program.

Activities will include "Paws on Parade," a one-mile walk through scenic Wompatuck Park, led by All Paws "alumni"; a pet show; "Best Friends" photo contest; field trials and demonstrations, fingerprinting of young children for their parents' personal files, courtesy of the Plymouth County Sheriff's Department; and music, clowns, pony rides and facepainting. Refreshments will be available.

For further information, call 749-0968.

Join Harborfest parade!

The annual Harborfest Parade will take place on Sunday, June 16. The parade signifies the link between Cohasset Harbor and the Town Common as residents "Bless the Fleet" and parade to the Common for the annual Chowder Festival, which will culminate the Harborfest celebration.

The theme for this year's parade is "Cohasset's Maritime Heritage," and cash prizes for this year's floats are $250 for first place; $150, second place; and $75 for third place, with two special prizes of $50 each.

Jim Lagrotteria and Bob Martin of the Harborfest Committee have developed a float kit for anyone interested in using a pickup truck as a float vehicle. Through the generosity of Hingham Lumber Co., most framework materials will be provided.

Simple floats are the order of the day for the Norman Rockwell-style parade, and may be fabricated in one day with little or no expense and unlimited imagination. Harborfest celebrates the community, and the event is enhanced by the participation of the town's many organizations and neighborhood associations.

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25	Thu.	Texas	6:05			
26	Fri.	Kansas City	7:05			
27	Sat.	Kansas City	1:05			
28	Sun.	Kansas City	1:05			
30	Tue.	Detroit	7:05			
MAY						
1	Wed.	Detroit	7:05			
3	Fri.	Toronto	7:05			
4	Sat.	Toronto	1:05			
5	Sun.	Toronto	1:05			
14	Tue.	California	7:05			
15	Wed.	California	7:05			
17	Fri.	Oakland	7:05			
18	Sat.	Oakland	1:05			
19	Sun.	Oakland	1:05			
20	Mon.	Oakland	6:05			
21	Tue.	Seattle	7:05			
22	Wed.	Seattle	7:05			
23	Thu.	Seattle	6:05			
JUNE						
4	Tue.	Chicago	7:05			
5	Wed.	Chicago	7:05			
6	Thu.	Chicago	7:05			
7	Fri.	Milwaukee	7:05			
8	Sat.	Milwaukee	5:05			
9	Sun.	Milwaukee	1:05			
13	Thu.	Texas	7:05			
14	Fri.	Texas	7:05			
15	Sat.	Texas	5:05			
16	Sun.	Texas	1:05			
25	Tue.	Cleveland	7:05			
26	Wed.	Cleveland	7:05			
27	Thu.	Detroit	7:05			
28	Fri.	Detroit	7:05			
29	Sat.	Detroit	5:05			
30	Sun.	Detroit	1:05			

GAME DATES	OPPONENT			Number of Tickets BOX	R.G.	BLCH.
JULY						
15	Mon.	New York	7:05			
16	Tue.	New York	7:05			
17	Wed.	New York	7:05			
18	Thu.	Baltimore	7:05			
19	Fri.	Baltimore	7:05			
20	Sat.	Baltimore	1:05			
21	Sun.	Baltimore	1:05			
22	Mon.	Kansas City	7:05			
23	Tue.	Kansas City	7:05			
24	Wed.	Kansas City	7:05			
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3	Sat.	Minnesota	5:05			
4	Sun.	Minnesota	1:05			
5	Mon.	Toronto	7:05			
6	Tue.	Toronto	7:05			
7	Wed.	Toronto	7:05			
8	Thu.	Toronto	1:05			
16	Fri.	California	7:05			
17	Sat.	California	4:05			
18	Sun.	California	8:00			
19	Mon.	California	7:05			
20	Tue.	Oakland	7:05			
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25	Sun.	Seattle	1:05			
SEPT. 9	Mon.	Milwaukee	7:05			
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13	Fri.	Chicago	7:05			
14	Sat.	Chicago	1:05			
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The Grand Tour

with Ginger Ferenz 383-2863

Bonnie and Robert Paine of 255 South Main St. have a lovely springtime basket on their front door filled with bright pink tulips, yellow forsythia and green English ivy. In their side yard, a mass planting of white and purple crocuses and white snowdrops surround the birdbath.

Plants for sale on May 11

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will host a "Not Your Ordinary" Plant Sale on Saturday, May 11, at 9 a.m. in the Lighthouse Keepers' Cottage, Border Street, rain or shine.

A large variety of gardeners' choice plants will be featured, including perennials, small trees, ground covers, herbs, ornamental grasses and annuals.

Of special interest will be many uncommon and hard-to-find perennials.

Proceeds will benefit the club's many civic projects and the scholarship fund. Complimentary coffee will be offered.

Garden Club annual lunch

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset held a meeting on Tuesday, April 23, at Walton Rodgers Hall in St. Stephen's Church.

The meeting began with a President's Tea at noon, followed by a lecture at 1 p.m. by naturalist and photographer Joy Viola, who talked about wildlife and wildflowers of the Aleutian Islands. All Garden Club members are welcome.

The Garden Club will hold its annual luncheon on Tuesday, May 28, at the Chart House. The speaker will be floral designer Cindora Goldberg. Tickets are available by calling Mary Sullivan at 383-1295.

Social Service League to meet

The Social Service League of Cohasset will hold its Annual Meeting and Luncheon Tuesday, May 7, at 11 a.m. in Walton Rodgers' Hall, St. Stephen's Church.

The program, entitled, "Winslow Homer Retrospective," will be presented by Mary Robinson. For further information, call 383-0771 or 383-0821.

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Paul Pratt Library Corner

Book sale to start

A used book sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday, May 10 & 11 and from 2 to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 12 at the Paul Pratt Library.

The books that are left after the sale will be given away.

The sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library with proceeds to benefit the library. Thousands of donated books and library discards will be sold for 50 cents each.

Library news is noted

Don't miss Eleanor LeBlanc's art exhibit which runs through July 7. The new Apple computer has arrived for the children's room. The volunteer recognition evening is June 20 at the home of Barbara and Jeff Power.

$7,000 approved for air-conditioning

Town Meeting, by unanimous vote, approved spending $7,000 to air-condition the staff offices at the library. Approval of air-conditioning for the entire library will be considered this fall.

Special thanks goes to Sheila S. Evans, chairman of the Paul Pratt Library board of trustees, for all her efforts to ensure a comfortable, cool library during the summer.

Newfoundland cruise talk a hit

Saturday, April 27, yachtsman Ross Sherbrooke entertained members of the Cohasset Yacht Club and friends of the ExCel rowing program at the Cohasset High School with a video presentation of his sailing adventures in Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island over the last three years.

Most of the ports on the South Coast of Newfoundland are connected to the rest of the world only by the sea and by microwave. There are no roads for several hundred miles. The small ports were devastated by the fishing ban. In some ports the only jobs are held by government workers. Others have been abandoned completely.

"It's eerie sailing into this beautiful harbor and finding no one there — only us chickens," said Sherbrooke.

Sherbrooke's pictures of the magnificent Newfoundland scenery — steep mountains falling sheer into the water — contrasted sharply with the low, sandy, thinly populated but equally remote Magdalen Islands, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence. His talk gave a great sense of being there.

The lecture was given to raise money for the ExCel program at Cohasset High School, which need materials for restoring a lifesaving surfboat. Jack Buckley, director of the ExCel program, said, "This event will go far to help us achieve our goals for the kids."

Montessori School celebrates May Day

Old Colony Montessori School will hold a May Day Celebration on Saturday, May 4, from noon to 1 p.m. at Brewer Reservation, Hobart Street, Hingham.

All are welcome to participate in a fun-filled hour of song and dance, ending with a traditional May Pole "ribbon-weaving" dance by the junior class.

Participants are asked to park on the street and walk through the forest to the field. Volunteers are needed to bring refreshments. Raindate is Saturday, May 11, at noon.

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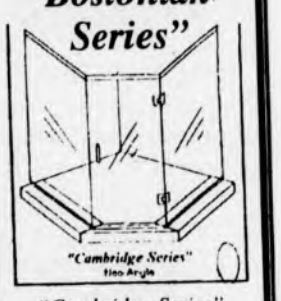

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Cohasset Business

Village effort gets thumbs up

Selectmen told Dean Rizzo of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce that they are enthusiastic about the chamber's efforts to spearhead a village revitalization effort.

Rizzo has conducted three meetings so far and is establishing a task force including merchants, citizens, landlords and business people to help formulate an action plan to help the village.

Selectman Peter Pratt asked Town Administrator Gregory Doyon to investigate the possibility of applying for some state grant money through the open space bill which could possibly be used for planning or infrastructure such as sidewalks.

Selectmen said they would set up a meeting with the sewer commission, historical commission, council on elder affairs, the chamber and public at large to discuss the village and what can be done.

In the meantime, Rizzo said the task force would continue to meet and push forward with a plan to improve the village and make it more attractive for shoppers and merchants.

Hunneman honors Clark

Jacqueline Clark of Cohasset has been named the recipient of the 1995 PREVIEWS award for perseverance and dedication in pursuit of her goals by Hunneman & Company—Coldwell Banker. PREVIEWS is the company's luxury home marketing program.

Clark also received Hunneman's Bronze Circle Award for sales excellence. She has been in the real estate field for 17 years.

Donnelly joins Hunneman

Nancy Donnelly, a Scituate resident, has joined the Cohasset office of Hunneman & Company/Coldwell Banker as a sales associate.

Donnelly has several years of experience in real estate. She also serves on the board of directors of the Scituate Animal Shelter.

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Mariner Sports

The Comeback Kids

Cohasset High lacrosse player John Lax (30) stays close to an opposing Hingham player during the Skippers' 12-7 loss on Friday. Cohasset surged back from the defeat to beat a tough Barnstable squad, 10-9, on Tuesday.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Laxmen rally from 5-0 deficit to beat Barnstable

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Barnstable High lacrosse team learned an important lesson in its 10-9 loss to Cohasset on Tuesday: The Skippers may sometimes be down, but it's dangerous to rule them out.

Maybe it was the long bus ride to the Cape or some other unknown factor, but Cohasset (3-3) limped its way to a 5-0 deficit by the end of just the first period, unable to spark any life into its offense along the way. With a "non-existent defense" according to head coach Ken Ekberg, Barnstable was able to use its patented drives down the middle of the field to take the seemingly unsurmountable lead.

However, it was the Skippers who decided they had enough of being treated like unwelcome guests and tightened up their defense in the second period. Cohasset worked hard to gain as many possessions as possible and closed the middle of the field

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Skippers take two of three on diamond

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Skippers varsity baseball team continued its odyssey which will hopefully result in a berth in the state tourney. Playing five games in as many days, the Skippers finished off last week with three games against Scituate, Provincetown and Norwell. With a tiring pitching staff to juggle, head coach Ron Ford faced a challenge against the Skippers' rivals.

Against Scituate on Wednesday, Cohasset pulled out a 3-2 victory, largely due to a game-breaking double by freshman Al Schwerin. Schwerin, who was called upon by Ford to step up from the JV level and compete for the the varsity squad, has performed quite well. Schwerin has shown poise beyond his years at the plate. Greg Stevens hurled for Cohasset, throwing seven complete innings in what may have been his strongest outing of the season.

Provincetown's game looked as if it would be a tougher one because the Skippers had already handed the Fisherman a 13-10 loss at Chatham over the weekend. However, the Skippers overcame this and, behind the arm of eighth-grader Joe Pergola, who allowed only three hits, dealt the Fishermen their second loss in less than a week to the boys in blue.

Unfortunately, the Skippers' luck, along with the weather, didn't hold against Norwell on Friday. Playing in cold conditions which later turned rainy, Cohasset fell to the visiting Clippers, which had a starting nine comprised of eight seniors and one junior. Cohasset started two seniors, three juniors and five freshmen. The Skippers also had to compete with the weather. Rain came down in spurts, forcing three rain delays, including a ludicrous stall of 30 seconds. Despite home runs from Mike Dunphy, Kevin McKenna and Greg Taylor, Cohasset couldn't keep pace with Norwell, which is having an excellent season. Eric Henry threw several quality innings for Ford and catcher Rob Buckley came up with some key hits for the home team.

Cohasset had two games scheduled this Monday and Tuesday, but both were rained out, creating further havoc for athletic directors and pitching staffs all over the South Shore.

Softball registration set for May 5

Girls softball sign-ups and evaluation day will take place on Sunday, May 5 in front of Cohasset High School.

Girls in Division 1 (grades 3-4) can register and perform the basic skills of throwing, catching and hitting from 1-2:30 p.m. Older girls in Division 2 (grades 5-6) can sign up and attend an evaluation clinic from 2:30-4 p.m.

All girls should wear comfortable clothes and bring a glove. Interested girls who are unable to attend the clinic should call Susan Carr at 383-0331 in order to be placed on a team. Softball season will officially begin on May 21 and end with a jamboree pizza-pool party on June 30.

Summer youth hockey sign-ups slated for Saturday

Sign-ups for the Cohasset Blue Devils will be held Saturday, May 4, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at Deer Hill School. This will be the only sign-up.

The summer team is designed for existing Peewee players and Squirts who are moving up. The cost of the registration is $15. This is a tryout team, and players will be notified regarding the time of their tryout.

Contact Bob Moody at 383-0385 for additional information.

Mariner Sports

Barnes upgrades score on opening day

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Moody said. "But they can't open it for a week."

Although last Saturday marked the beginning of the Little League season in Cohasset, the first official game won't be played until this Saturday morning. Newly-laid sod must set and last minute work still has to be done on the field. Then it's play ball.

Probably the biggest addition to the field is the electronic scoreboard, the $3,000 in funds for which were donated by the Hingham Institute of Savings. The fully functional board replaces the wooden scoreboard which used to be situated in the same area as its modern replacement. Covered in plastic, the scoreboard was set up two weeks ago and wiring was completed last week so it would be ready for opening day.

Gone too is the Harold Barnes Field sign that was erected several years ago at the entrance to the parking area. A handsome sign has been attached to the concession stand, replacing the aging wooden structure. Moody believes it to be a perfect location.

"It looks like it belongs there to begin with," he said.

Work on the field was done by Tomasi Landscaping, which used a Little League engineer to ensure the proper measurements of the diamond. Sod was laid in the 25-foot area behind home plate, as well as cuts around the bases. A warning track of crushed stone was evenly spread around both dugouts and the wooden backstop was replaced by a chain-link fence.

For the players' safety, on-deck circle cages were built just outside the fencing near each dugout. The cages will ensure the on-deck batter won't accidently hit another player or coach with a bat while taking his practice swings.

Moody said two sets of aluminum bleachers will replace the wooden bleachers that were formerly used by spectators. The new bleachers were shipped last week from Ohio and are expected to be put in this week.

Moody credited the community and businesses for the improvements done on the field. Not only does it reflect well on the league, Moody also believes it says a lot for Cohasset on the whole.

"As soon as I walked on the field everyone was telling me how good the field looked," he said. "It makes a statement when people come into town. It shows people we care about our kids."

And the aesthetics of the field can't help but be appreciated by passersby.

"People slow down and some pull in and park to look at the field," Moody said.

The parade itself was an event in itself. Players marched in their colored uniforms with Glenn Pratt following behind in his antique fire truck. Riding on the truck was last year's Little League champion Rangers squad.

Leo Fiori presented the second annual Leo J. Fiori Award to the Lehr-Barnes Insurance Company, recognizing it as the business which has financially supported Little League over the years.

Hingham Institute of Savings Bank President Robert Gaughen accepted a plaque in recognition of the donation for the electronic scoreboard.

Other businesses which played a part in the field's renovation included Barry Waste Services, South Shore Sand and Gravel, Little Harbor Electric, Granite City Electric, Hancock Paint, Russel D. Field & Sons, Hassan Sign and South Shore Fencing.

Laxmen rally from 5-0 deficit

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where Barnstable was thriving in the first.

Then the offense began a controlled march to assert itself in the game. Andy Collins, Jamie Buick, John Lax, Chris McKenna and Dave Noble all scored for the Skippers to bring them within a goal. Ken Leahy, who finished with a hat trick and four assists then tied the game 6-6 by halftime.

"He really just took over," said Ekberg of Leahy. "He's the guy who makes stuff happen out there."

Goaltender Ely Kahn was as sharp as he has been all season, turning away 23 Barnstable shots, many of them point-blank scoring chances to frustrate the bigger of the two squads.

Ekberg has never been one to be tight-lipped when it comes to penalties. And although he wasn't thrilled with the four consecutive penalties called on Cohasset in the fourth period, he said they were more the result of aggressive play in his squad's attempt to swarm Barnstable when it had possession of the ball.

Ekberg was extremely pleased with the way the Skippers didn't let down after falling behind so early in the game.

"The comeback today really showed me something about these kids," he said. "I'm definitely encouraged. I don't remember too many teams which have come back from 5-0 in the first period."

The manner in which the Skippers won should serve as a definite confidence builder for them as well. Cohasset played tight games against Duxbury and Weymouth, only to wind up on the losing end. The Skippers are looking to carry their momentum into Friday's game against Falmouth and Marshfield next Wednesday.

"They worked very hard on groundballs," Ekberg said. "We made an adjustment at the crease and that was a big help to us."

Cohasset was the one to strike hardest in last Friday's meeting with Hingham. The Skippers took a 3-1 lead, but some tough penalties and the Harbormen clamping down on defense turned the two-goal lead to a two-goal deficit (5-3) by the half. Hingham forced Cohasset to throw the ball away and give it up while clearing it out of its zone.

"They just beat us," Ekberg said. "It wasn't a matter of us losing."

Lax led the way with a pair of goals and an assist, while Buick, McKenna, Leahy, Kevin Smith and Bob Stansell also came up with tallies for the Skippers.

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Last year's tournament raised $46,000 to help support the hospital's new cardiac catheterization laboratory. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Jill McDonough at South Shore Health and Educational Foundation at 340-8848 for more information or to register. Hingham resident Dick Dempsey is chairman of the tournament.

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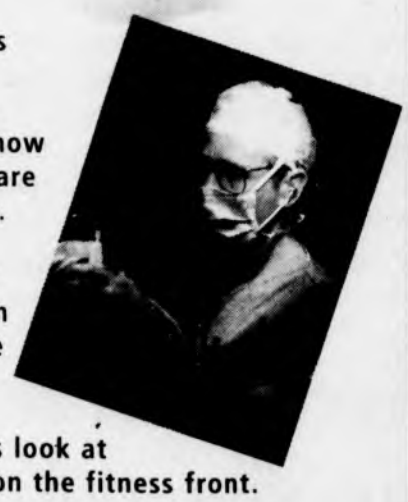

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Opening Day Excitement

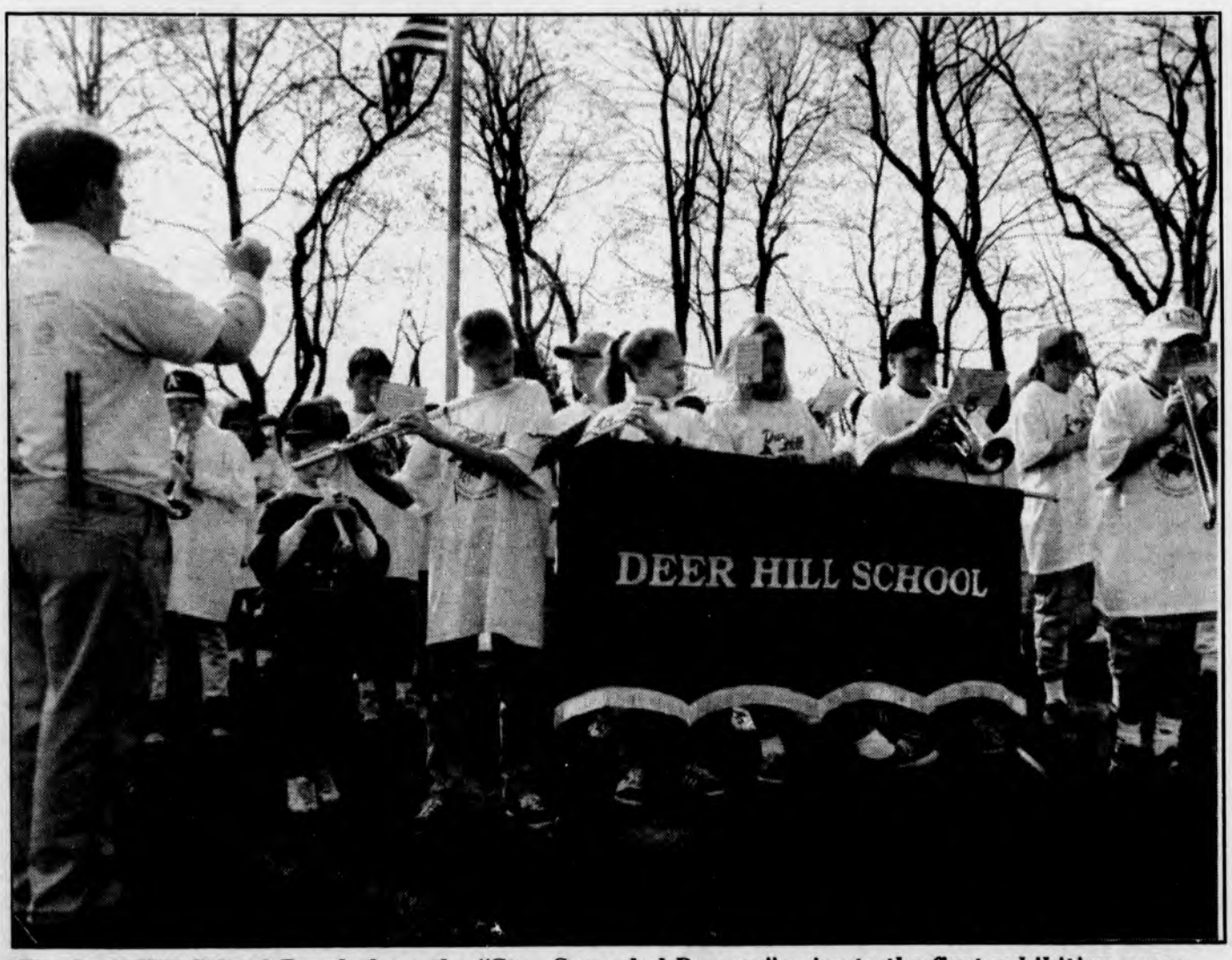
State Representative Mary Jeanette Murray throws out the first pitch during Saturday's Little League opening-day festivities.

Staff photos by Bill Wadsworth

John Carr raises the red, white and blue as the crowd gets ready for the festivities.

The new electronic scoreboard is unveiled just beyond the outfield fence.

Kyle Dattola-Harris finds a convenient place to store his glove while listening to the various speakers.



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Mariner Sports

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

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5/7	Scituate
5/9	at Abington
5/13	at Hanover
5/20	Carver

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5/9	Abington
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5/6	Norton
5/7	Scituate
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5/14	Hull
5/20	Carver
5/22	Chatham

GOLF

5/2	Norwell
TBA	Scituate
5/7	at Abington
5/9	at Hanover
5/14	Norton
TBA	Carver
5/21	at Scituate

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Second baseman Lauren Dooley throws out a Hanover batter after fielding a groundball against the Indians in South Shore League play.
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School Notebook

Osgood pupils study birds

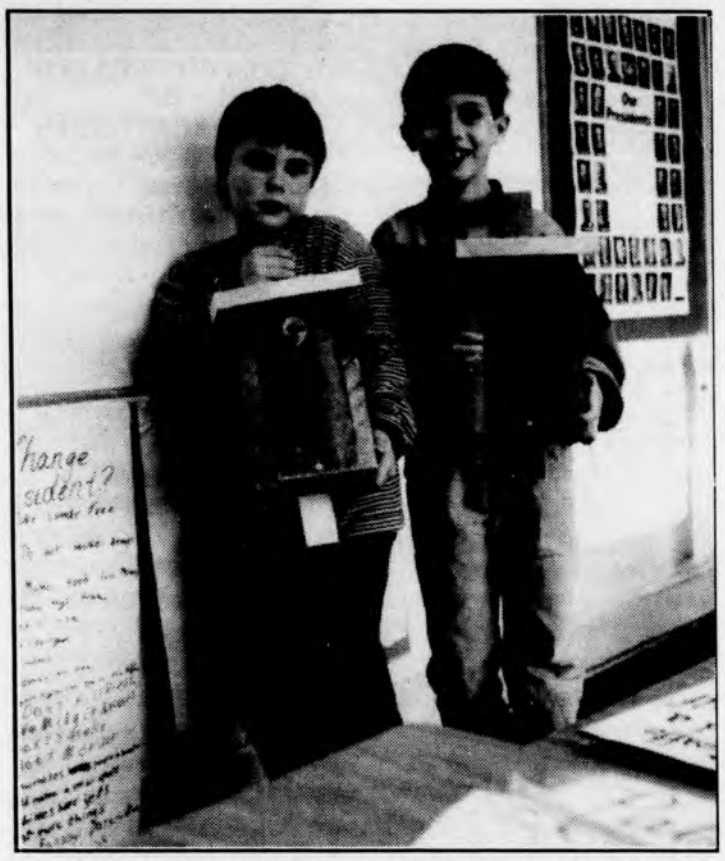
For several months this year, second-grade students at Joseph Osgood Elementary School have studied about birds. In addition to their classroom work, they have been using the nature trail on the school property, listening for bird calls and looking for signs of bird activity.

During the week of March 19, second-graders built a bird nesting box. Elementary schools have a partnership with Mass. Audubon Society, which provides a school naturalist who works with elementary classes throughout the year. The school naturalist program was made possible by a generous grant from the Cohasset Education Foundation.

Audubon naturalist Ellyn Einhorn instructed students in the building of nesting boxes and provided the nails and seven pre-cut pieces of wood. Twenty-five hammers were donated by Georgine Butman, and parent volunteers and Audubon helpers worked with small groups of students as they constructed the bird homes. An information sheet for parents was tucked inside each box.

Einhorn discussed the kinds of birds that would make their nests in the boxes, along with the safest and most appropriate locations for them.

Second-graders had smiling faces as they left school with their nesting boxes, which would offer a safe nesting site for area birds.



Second-graders Nathan Roberts and Michael Martone show the nesting boxes they built as part of a joint program with the Mass. Audubon Society, which provides a school naturalist who works with elementary classes. The program was made possible through a grant from the Cohasset Education Foundation.

Gala art opening is May 14

Deer Hill School will host a Gala Art Opening Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m. The art show, entitled "Favorites 1996," represents the artwork of all Deer Hill students, who have chosen their favorite artwork of the year. There will be refreshments and music. All are invited to attend.

Deer Hill School will also celebrate the grand unveiling of a permanent clay installation created by DHS sixth-grade students, along with displays from Deer Hill's recent artist-in-residency program with dancer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser.

For additional information, art teacher Ann Berman at DHS, 383-6115.

Pupils exhibit at Audubon

Art students at Joseph Osgood School in grades 1-3 are having an Art Exhibit, "Colorful Nature . . . Colorful Art," at the Massachusetts Audubon Center, Route 3A. The exhibit represents all creative art students and runs from May 6-16.

Active parenting series continues this week

Parents can learn how to raise cooperative, responsible children by watching "Active Parenting Today" on cable TV. The The series begins this week.

"Understanding Your Children" will introduce viewers to the "Four Goals of Behavior" on May 6 at 9 p.m. and May 8 at 7:30 p.m.

"Developing Responsibility" will be shown on May 13 at 9 p.m. and May 15 at 7:30 p.m., showing how to use logical consequences and positive "I" messages.

On May 20 at 9 p.m. and May 22 at 7:30 p.m., "Winning Cooperation" will help parents see the importance of communication skills and problem-solving.

"Active Parenting in a Democratic Society" will show model family meetings, using five steps for active problem-solving, on May 27 at 9 p.m. and May 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be broadcast on Channel 53, and is sponsored by the Health Education Department of Cohasset Public Schools.

Tobacco poster contest set

Fourth-grade students are invited to create posters that "tell the truth about tobacco" for a poster contest sponsored by the South Shore Boards of Health Collaborative Tobacco Control Program and local DARE and SAFE programs.

Posters should be no larger than 11"x14". Students should write their name, address, telephone number and school on the back of the poster. All participants receive certificates and smoke-free cards.

The first-place poster from each town will be published in a 1997 South Shore Tobacco Free calendar. First-, second- and third-place winners will receive T-shirts and water bottles. All posters will be displayed in students' towns during the week prior to "World No Tobacco Day" on May 31.

For further information, call (617) 829-4301.

PSO spring meeting set

The PSO annual spring meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Dr. Katherine Adair Steiner from the Gilligan School of Harvard University will speak on "Adolescence!"

Astronomy at Deer Hill

Rolf Egon, president of the South Shore Astronomical Association, visited Deer Hill School to present a slide show of current photographs of the wonders of the solar system.

Fifth-graders enjoyed hearing true stories of meteorites that had landed in various locations in the United States. Egon also spoke about the comet Hyakutaki and the approaching eclipse.

John Peters of Scituate, also a member of the SSAA, spoke to fourth-grade science classes about the stars and solar system. Both students and teachers were impressed with what they learned from the two experts.

Class plans graduation activities

Cohasset High School senior class parents have organized festive year-end activities for the Class of 1996. Each year the PSO, with the help of a large group of parent volunteers, traditionally hosts a reception before the senior prom and a breakfast afterwards.

Family and friends are welcome to great prom-goers at a reception on Thursday, May 30, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Lightkeepers' Residence. Students will travel by boat to the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel. A breakfast will follow at midnight at Second Congregational Church.

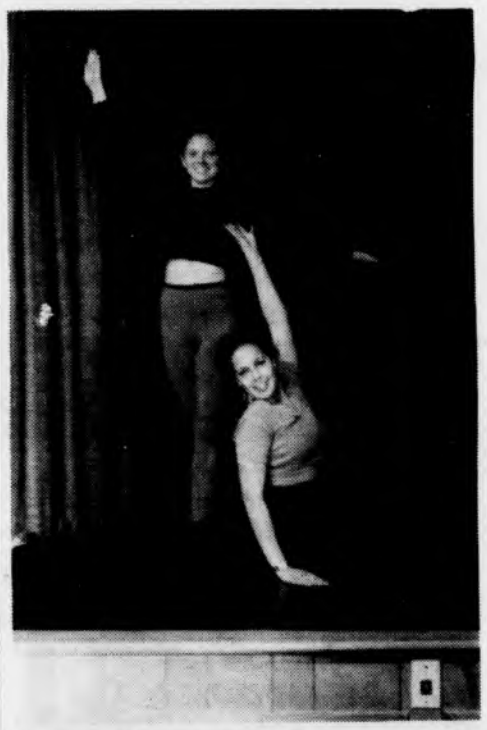
A new parent initiative this year is the creation of an A-V show, "The Way We Were," to be shown at Class Night June 6. Judy Ritts and Heidi Maitland have asked all senior class parents to collect memorable photos or videos from kindergarten to senior year, identify them and deliver them to Second Congregational Church (mail slot delivery available at any hour) by Monday, April 22. Individuals who would like to help with the video or accompanying audio are asked to call either Maitland or Ritts. All items will be returned at Class Night.

Another new idea this year is a "Class Gift" from the senior parents to CHS. Parents plan to donate a bench near the new athletic fields in memory of Rosemarie Mercurio, the mother of class president Andrea Mercurio. To join in the gesture, send a check payable to Kyle Lubitz and mail to: Kyle Lubitz, 54 Red Gate Lane, Cohasset.

Senior parents who would like to help with the senior class reception are asked to call Carol Riley or Annette Sawchuk. To assist with the breakfast, call Gail Stevens or Regina Shultz.

Senior Show was a big hit

With "We'll Get By With A Little Help From Our Friends" — the closing song from their April 12 Senior Show, which included dancing, music and skits — members and helpful friends of the 1996 graduating class of Cohasset High School managed to create a true masterpiece. Special thanks to everyone who had anything to do with it. Bravo to the high-spirited and talented seniors and to the community and warm audience who supported them. The show raised nearly $1,200 toward the senior activities fund.



Faye Menis and Patricia Bull perform in the recent Senior Show.

Katie Ross and Holly Russell are a hit in their number.

Laura Slotnick, who served as master of ceremonies, and Alli Ritts, the show director, are all smiles after the successful senior production.

Police Log

Sunday, April 14

12:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:26 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

1:32 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Koko Island, verbal warning.

2:15 a.m., suspicious activity, Lower King St., investigated.

2:45 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A.

4:12 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Hull St., West Corner, departmental action.

7:04 a.m., assist citizen, King St., no police service necessary.

8:00 a.m., Lt. rain, 42

9:50 a .m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal warning.

10:56 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Border St., departmental action.

11:01 a.m., animal complaint, Hull, departmental action.

11:17 a.m., officer field investigation, Beechwood St., investigated.

7:06 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:04 p.m., disturbance (general), Cohasset Harbor, peace restored.

10:14 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Sandy Beach, dispersed gathering.

10:36 p.m., building check, Ripley Rd., departmental action.

11:13 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Monday, April 15

12:39 a.m., general services, Seagull Plaza, investigated.

12:57 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Tedeschi Plaza), verbal warning.

1:20 a.m., assist other PDs, N. Main St. (Hingham Line), departmental action.

7:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Tupelo, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:45 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Rte. 3A (Stop & Shop), investigated.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 44

9:16 a.m., medical, Tupelo Rd., removed to hospital.

11:35 a.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., departmental action.

12:05 p.m., annoying phone calls, Church St., departmental action.

1:15 p.m., civil complaint, Doane /Beechwood areas, unfounded.

3:28 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 44

5:29 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Cohasset High School, departmental action.

5:43 p.m., fire alarm, Stevens Ln., no police service necessary.

7:20 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

8:22 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy. (Stop & Shop), services rendered.

8:44 p.m., noise complaint, CJC Hwy. (Autohaus), investigated.

10:08 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., investigated.

12:00 a.m, Clear, 44

Tuesday, April 16

6:25 a.m., general services, N. Main St. (Jerusalem Rd.), services rendered.

7:07 a.m., assist other PDs, Atlantic Ave., Hull, referred to other agency.

7:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Rain, 42

8:55 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

3:59 p.m., suspicious activity, Surrey Dr., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Rain, 51

5:10 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ Lantern Lane, investigated.

7:36 p.m., animal complaint, HQ Church St., departmental action.

8:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:10 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Leo's Exxon), investigated.

9:52 p.m., annoying phone calls, Nichols Rd., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 50

Wednesday, April 17

6:35 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Beechwood St. (Doane St.), departmental action.

6:42 a.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., (Tedeschis), unfounded.

7:41 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Red Gate), verbal warning.

7:45 a.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy., accidental/defective alarm.

7:48 a.m., assist citizen, Cohasset Plaza, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 48

8:22 a.m., larceny, Pond St., departmental action.

10:25 a.m., officer wanted, Highland, services rendered.

11:13 a.m., emergency services, Pond St., referred to other agency.

11:58 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Square, HQ, departmental action.

12:27 p.m., annoying phone calls, Pleasant St., HQ, services rendered.

3:11 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Elm St. (HQ), departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 49

4:37 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Evergreen Ln., departmental action.

10:40 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Hingham Line), verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 46

Thursday, April 18

12:19 a.m, officer field investigation, Deep Run, services rendered.

12:27 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Deep Run), traffic warning issued.

1:35 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy (Winter Gardens), investigated.

7:23 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest ave. (Cedar Acres), traffic warning issued.

7:32 a.m., general services, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

7:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., (Jerusalem Rd., verbal warning.

7:43 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Jerusalem Rd.).

7:49 a.m., warrant arrest , Ptl. Quigley in with Vernon Egan, 379 Tilden Rd., Scituate DOB: 11/23/52, WMS warrant.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 40

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of that certain parcel of land situate in COHASSET in the County of Norfolk and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by a Town Way, two hundred nineteen and 60/100 (219.60) feet;

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Said parcel is shown as lot numbered 2 on a plan drawn by Lewis W. Perkins & Son, Engineers, dated March 9, 1960, as approved by the Land Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as No. 15947B, a copy of a portion of which is filed in Norfolk Registry District with Certificate No. 65673, Book 329.

The northeasterly corner of the above described land within a space located approximately as shown on said plan is subject to the provisions of a taking by the Town of Cohasset, dated September 13, 1934, duly recorded in Book 2042, Page 91.

The above described land is subject to and has the benefit of, usual, passageway rights in said James Lane located one-half of its width on such land and the other half on said Cohasset Savings Bank Land.

The above described land is subject also to and has the benefit of a stipulation between Maude D. Sweeney and the Cohasset Savings Bank, et al, filed with the papers in this case on December 4, 1935, a copy of which is filed in the Norfolk Registry District with Decree No. 1746.

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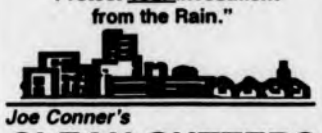
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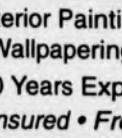

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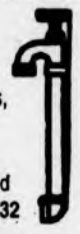

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Food drive is Saturday

30 families use local pantry

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

On May 11, letter carriers from the Cohasset post office will be delivering mail as usual and, for the second year, will collect non-perishable foods for donation to the Cohasset food pantry.

Postmaster James Hooley said the letter carriers hope to repeat the success of last year's collection, when more than 1-1/2 tons of food was collected.

Food pantry volunteer Bob Thompson said that any items that residents wish to donate are greatly appreciated. When asked for suggestions for donations to the pantry, Thompson noted that if possible, the pantry prefers smaller sizes of items, and has had requests for some items, particularly from families with small children.

Thompson said the pantry can use "juice boxes" which children take to school, as well as many requests for "Spaghetti-o's," and apple juice.

The pantry can also use dry cereal,

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New director finds art center is the perfect fit

By ALISON SHYER
Special to the Mariner

David Lloyd Brown, the South Shore Art Center's new executive director, took his first step into the art world at the age of 5, when he did his first painting, a seascape in oil. Since then he has never looked back.

By anyone's measuring stick, Brown, 38, has had, and continues to have, a successful career as a visual artist. He is currently showing his work in Owen/Patrick Gallery in Philadelphia and has had over a dozen solo exhibitions and been a part of 30 group shows throughout the United States since 1979.

'I wake up every day thinking, 'My gosh, I get to go to work at this wonderful place with a wonderful staff.'
— David Lloyd Brown.

He has also been teaching since he was 18, the summer before he started at Mass. College of Art. He went on to receive a master of fine arts degree from Cornell and has taught both undergraduate and graduate students at Penn State University, where he was an assistant professor for 4-1/2 years; Yale University, where he was a visiting artist; and MIT, to name a few.

But it is living and working in his studio in Boston from which Brown draws his strengths as an administrator. And he truly is surrounded by the arts: he is co-founder of the 249 A Street cooperative in South Boston, an artist-owned building of studios/residences. He is but one of 35 artists in his building.

"My experience comes from being an artist," he said, "and in the process of being involved for so long, one

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David Lloyd Brown, the new director at the South Shore Art Center, is enthusiastic about his new job.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

North Cohasset voters may be back in the fall

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Saturday's sewer vote may have failed but its supporters haven't given up.

Those leading the push in North Cohasset for sharing the cost of the project with the town — blamed confusion about the finances of the plan and the lack of leadership of town officials on its 68-vote defeat at the polls.

North Cohasset citizens say it's possible they'll try to join forces with their counterparts in the 400-430 homes in the central Cohasset area to bring a similar plan before the fall's special town meeting. Central Cohasset residents could also face

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Punch-card ballots faulted

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

To Hingham's Town Clerk Thomas Hall, it's still a bad memory.

A 1991 Hingham override vote was challenged in court where a judge held the punched-card ballots up to the light to make a determination on the vote.

"The vote went from six plus to two minus," Hall recalled.

But since the state primary election in September 1992 when Hingham's new optical scanning machines went into use — Hall hasn't looked back despite a glitch the first time out when he bought the wrong pens and the machines couldn't read the ink. With optical scanners, voters must connect an arrow with a marker next to a candidate's name or question before inserting the ballot into the machine.

Cohasset's "punch-ballot" system has come increasingly under fire of late because recent election results are close

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Cohasset's Week

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from the members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said this week.

The idea for a break, during what are often three-hour plus meetings, came from a Mariner editorial suggesting selectmen set aside a few minutes during the meeting for the public at large.

Composting bins available

Thanks to the town's good recycling efforts, the state has awarded Cohasset a $1,310 grant toward the purchase of 45 composting bins for home use.

The Department of Environmental Protection said Cohasset was selected because its program demonstrates a commitment and an ability to enhance recycling in both Cohasset and the Commonwealth.

The town will sell the composting bins at the RTF and use the money to purchase more bins, Selectmen Chairman Merle S. Brown explained.

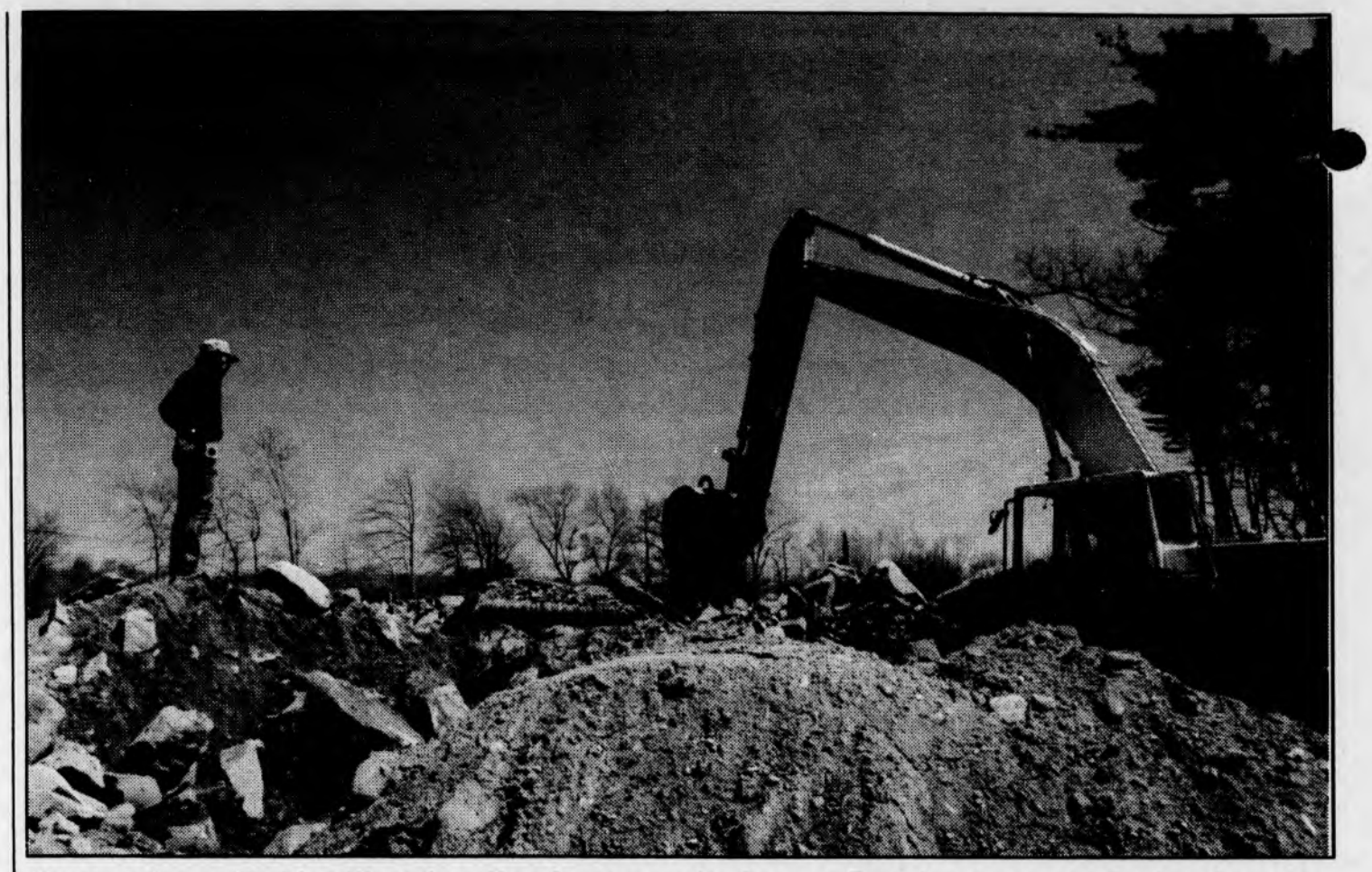
Citizens named to train committee

Selectmen named the following residents to the seven-member Citizen Committee formed to comment on solicit concerns about the train: Peter H. Pearce, 23 Forest Notch; Nancy Butler, 56 Margin St.; Margaret Charles, 85 Linden Dr.; John Rafferty, Stoneleigh Lane; Mary Foley, 184 Lamberts Ln.; James Mullen , 337 S. Main St.; and Ed Woods 231 Jerusalem Rd.

North Main Street resident Ed Fegreus, who also applied and serves as one of Cohasset's representatives on the state-appointed Citizens' Advisory Committee on the train, can act as an ex-officio member, selectmen said.

Selectmen intend that the chairman of the Citizen Committee will serve as the citizen-at-large on the town's Staff Mitigation Committee, which will report to selectmen.

Selectmen said the Citizen Committee is not being appointed to open up the train debate but to solicit through two public forums residents' concerns about safety, aesthetics, traffic flow, and neighborhood and grade-crossing issues relating to the train and report those findings to the Staff Mitigation Committee, which must formulate a mitigation plan to selectmen within about 75 days.



Construction at Cushing Plaza is well underway as site foreman Paul Arena oversees laying the water-line near Bergson's. An official ground-breaking ceremony is planned at the plaza for May 13.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

McNabb, Waldfogel named

John McNabb, 53 Pond St., and Melvin Waldfogel, 9 Cedarledge Village, have been appointed to the recycling committee, selectmen announced this week.

Tide chart

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

May 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 9	4:23	10.9	10:48	5:07	10.0	11:11
Fri. 10	5:24	10.5	11:48	6:09	10.0	——
Sat. 11	6:29	10.2	12:14	7:11	10.1	12:48
Sun. 12	7:35	10.0	1:19	8:12	10.3	1:49
Mon. 13	8:38	10.0	2:22	9:09	10.5	2:47
Tues. 14	9:38	10.0	3:22	10:01	10.8	3:41
Wed. 15	10:32	10.0	4:16	10:49	10.9	4:31
Thurs. 16	11:21	10.0	5:06	11:33	11.0	5:17

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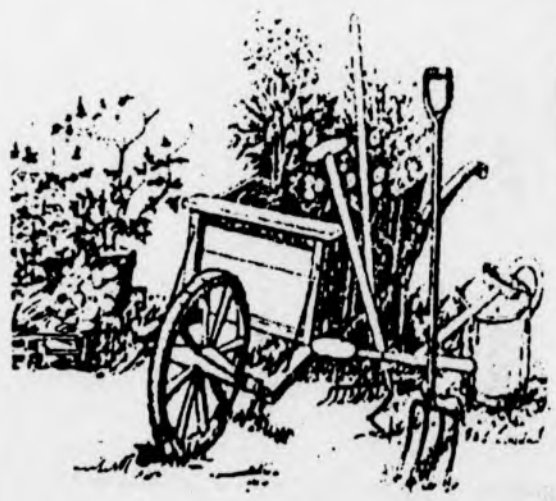

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Cohasset's Week

Maritime Institute lease is renewed

Selectmen this week renewed Cohasset Maritime Institute's lease of the town-owned Hagerty boat house through Dec. 31, 1997.

CMI founder Jack Buckley told the board that the non-profit organization used the $4,850 provided by the town to shore up the boat house with the installation of six new pilings. This summer CMI plans more renovations to the structure which is the base of operations for the educational center fostering maritime education and rowing in Cohasset Harbor. CMI leased the house from the town for $1 in December 1994.

Boards have openings

A licensed Realtor is needed to serve on the Cohasset Common Historic District Commission. There is also a vacancy on the mosquito control committee, the personnel committee and the zoning board of appeals needs an associate member. Interested citizens should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Open space consultants hired

This week selectmen approved hiring three consultants to assist the recently formed Open Space Advisory Committee, to come up with a draft open space/recreational town-wide plan by October with the final report due in June 1997.

Larissa Brown of Cambridge, who bid $6,000, will serve as the lead consultant on the project; Hyla Ecological Services of Concord, which bid $3,200, will consult on wildlife and wildlife habitat; and Applied Geographics of Boston, which bid $3,690, will do the mapping.

Conservation Commission member Susan Cope, who also serves on the Open Space Committee, said ten separate companies submitted a total of 13 bids (some bid on more than one aspect of the job).

"We interviewed two for each component of the plan," Cope explained. "We're extremely comfortable" with those chosen and checked out their references, she said.

"We reviewed all proposals for thoroughness," she said.

Selectmen also approved a transfer of $922 to make up the shortfall between the bids' total and the $12,000 approved for the project at town meeting.

Once the open space plan is in place, the town can apply for state grants to purchase open space and recreational land, such as "Turkey Hill" off Rte. 3A. Plans are to ask special town meeting in the fall to appropriate funds to purchase Cohasset's acreage of that property.

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New director finds art center is the perfect fit

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develops certain skills that are not necessarily useful in producing art, but which I feel are very useful for the Center. I want to give something back to a community that's been very good to me."

Indeed, Brown is clearly excited about his new job and its prospects. He said he feels very lucky to be the director. "I wake up every day thinking, 'My gosh, I get to go to work at this wonderful place with a wonderful staff,' " he stated.

Brown is upbeat and positive about the state of the arts. He talks about the National Endowment for the Arts and about state and federal funding in a matter-of-fact way, his voice devoid of any bitterness. Instead, he has a realist's perception, a businessman's approach. He is proud of the Center and believes it makes a very good candidate for grants.

"Even with the best intentions, the arts fall short of big public support," he said, "but we are always interested in applying for any funds, public or private. We have the ability, the staff, the facility, the track record. We can put together serious exhibitions to properly use the grants. It is important to maintain this level, regardless of the cuts."

To keep the Center on the cutting edge and expand its appeal to other communities, Brown is looking into two new satellite exhibition centers which he hopes will increase the visibility of local artists.

"One of the functions of an executive director is to facilitate those kinds of shows," Brown states. "It's not always easy for artists to orchestrate the logistics."

The Cohasset Public Library is a work in progress. In the next year, Brown plans to use the space for one-person shows as well as group presentations. He also has his sights set on two "more urban" spaces: the Landmark Building in Boston, where the Center is just wrapping up two years of exhibition rotations and embarking on its third, and the Federal Reserve Bank which, because of restrictive policies, is an ideal setting for a non-profit group.

"The Center has really come a long way since it opened in the '40s," he said. "Its most recent successes" — including the current exhibition space as well as its ownership of the building, whose mortgage has finally been paid off — "have really moved the Center onto a different level. We have become a place that all of New England can benefit from. We encompass 14 towns between the south of Boston and all the way down to New Bedford and Fall River," he added, "so that we truly are the South Shore Art Center."

Hoping to branch out even further, Brown is planning to pursue Internet possibilities and hopes to create a homepage on the worldwide web. Although the Art Center is not yet on-line, Brown does have some experience in cyberspace: one of his last projects as executive director of the Brush Art Gallery and Studios in Norwell, his most recent position, was creating such a page.

"The web page we set up at Brush pulled in artists from all over the country" Brown stated. "Even when the exhibit was over, it lived on. The (Internet) is not for everyone, but only for those who are intrigued by it."

Residents of the South Shore are not the only ones who will reap the benefits of having a new and ambitious executive director. Brown admits that while he has very little free time, he continues to produce and show his art. And he has been surprised to find that his overwhelming and challenging new job has not left him drained, as one might imagine, but "charged" with a renewed energy for his art. He is working very hard at "living in the moment," especially because the moment in which he's living right now is so fulfilling.

"(This job) is very much my dream job. Maybe you just got me on a good day, but I am in a good productive space for myself, both as an artist and a productive member of society."

The Art Center is putting out its bi-annual call for entries for new gallery artists. All portfolios and credentials will be voted in by a panel, including senior members of the gallery artists. Only three or four will be chosen of the dozens received. The deadline is May 9. The next call for entries will be in the fall.

30 families use local pantry

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macaroni and cheese, canned fruits, cans of whole kernel corn (not creamed corn), coffee, and granulated sugar, he said. Cleaning and paper products are also needed, including laundry and dish washing detergents, cleanser, bathroom tissue, and paper towels.

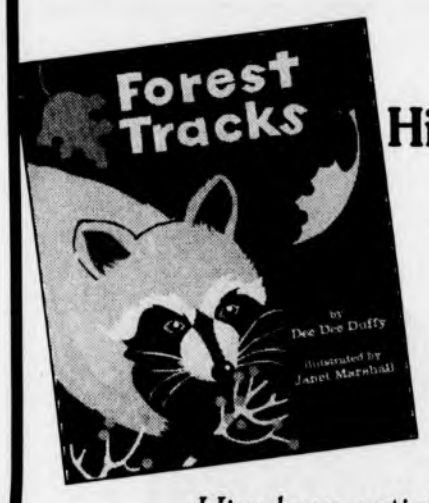
Hooley said residents may leave their donations near their mailboxes, where the letter carriers will collect them. He noted that most mail deliveries are made by mail trucks, so residents should not be discouraged from leaving several or large-sized items, but any donations—large or small—are welcome and appreciated.

"Whatever is out there, we'll collect," Hooley said.

He also said that all food this is collected is distributed to Cohasset families who use the pantry.

The food items will be returned to the post office and distributed to the food pantry staff, which will have the items available to the 30 families who use the pantry.

Thompson said the food pantry staff and families who use the pantry are grateful for the efforts of the letter carriers and the post office staff. The donations from last year's collection kept the pantry stocked through the summer when donations customarily drop off.



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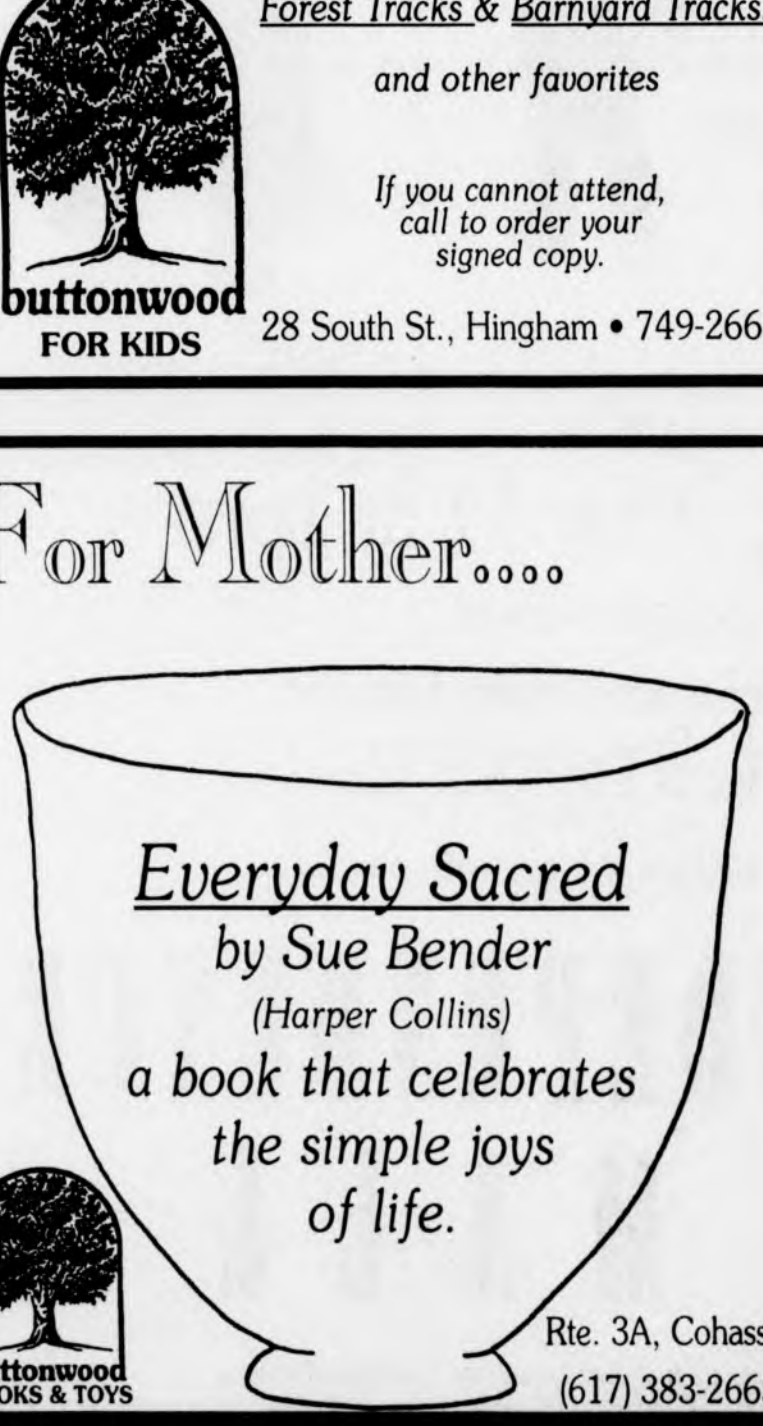

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Punch-card ballots faulted

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and there seems to be a high number of "blank" votes cast.

In Saturday's single-ballot question vote on financing the sewer project, there were 34 blank ballots — too high a number, some say.

Roy Fitzsimmons, 116 Doane Street, who is a member of the newly formed Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers, brought the matter up at the selectmen's meeting this week.

Fitzsimmons wondered why someone would make the effort to come to the polls on a rainy day for a single ballot question and then not vote.

He said many Cohasset citizens are elderly and frail and may not be inserting the card properly or may be unable to punch it through.

But registrar Domenic Baccari, 55 Reservoir Rd., said help was readily available at the polls if someone needed assistance.

"I don't know anybody who indicated any problem," he said.

Explaining that there was even a machine to practice on, Baccari said signs were also posted saying if help was needed to ask an election worker.

And he maintained the process is a simple one.

"Once you stick the card in properly, the stylus can go right through."

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said the punch-ballot system has been in use in town for at least ten years.

"I like the punch card myself," she said, pointing out that "every system has its quirks."

Douglas also said that voters have to take some responsibility for making sure they vote properly.

Hall said Hingham spent $30,000 for six optical scanning machines. He now swears by the machines which make the counting process a lot quicker.

Duxbury's town clerk Nancy Oates said that town went to the optical scanners two years ago. Duxbury also has a computer that plugs in and provides a quick read-out of results. The town initially rented the scanners to try them out and she has quickly become a fan.

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The school will be closed and turned over the the town once the new school, authorized by town meeting, is built. Others on the committee include two neighbors tot he school, a member of Cohasset Elder Affairs, a planning board member, and tow members of the housing authority.

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North Cohasset voters may be back in the fall

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paying the entire bill for that phase of the project.

An article, which overwhelmingly passed the March 30 special town meeting and set the stage for the May 4 Prop. 2-1/2 override, would have allowed the town to pick up the half the tab for the projected $6.3 million 'Straits Pond/Hull Street" project and would have added about $50 a year for 20 years to the tax bill on a home assessed at $280,000.

The "Straits Pond/Hull Street" project, which will connect about 345 homes via a sewer main to the Hull treatment plant, is the first step in a town-wide solution to address failing septic systems and an inadequate sewer system. The town is under a court order to solve its sewer woes or face steep, state-imposed fines.

"I'm going to wait for things to quiet down and analyze what happened," said Maria Plante, 798 Jerusalem Rd., who fought passionately for shared payment.

Plante said judging from unfavorable comments she's received on election day and earlier this week, she surmised that many people did not understand what they were voting for. The vote was 989 to 921 against the override; the turnout was about 38 percent.

"'One fellow on Ripley Road stopped me and said,'Too bad you lost,' " said Plante. Part of Ripley Road is included in the proposed central Cohasset sewer expansion area.

"I said, 'I didn't lose — we all lost.' "

Supporters argued that it is unprecedented for users to pay the entire cost for a public works project. Plante cited the example of the cost of construction of the town's water plant going onto the tax base. North Cohasset residents do not gain a direct benefit from the water plant because they are on Hingham water and ironically, they face a 164 percent increase in their water bills to help pay for a new plant in Hingham.

Diane C. Sullivan, 708 Jerusalem Rd., who worked with Plante to get the word out said central Cohasset residents didn't seem to understand "the way we go, they will go."

The Straits Pond/Hull Street project will cost the user about $870 a year in betterment charges. Central Cohasset residents will be faced with about $830 a year to pay for the project in that part of town not including additional operation and maintenance costs estimated at about $400 a year.

"It's a setback," Sullivan said about the failed override. "We are disappointed that we didn't make our position better understood."

"But there's no need to panic as Yogi Berra would say 'It's not over, 'till it's over,' " she said.

Sewer Commission Chairman Edward "Ted" Guild said there is still time for residents to be hooked up to the sewer system to regroup. Bills for the new sewer in North Cohasset won't be issued to users until the system is operational which is estimated to be the first quarter of 1998.

Guild explained that the actual cost to install sewers the central part of town is greater (about $9 million), but the state provides a larger subsidy for parts of that project so the net effect on the user is about the same as that in North Cohasset.

Some homeowners, who do not live in a part of town to be added to the sewer line, objected to the override on the grounds that they are faced with costly septic system repairs under the state environmental code, known as Title V, and no one will share their costs.

Guild said however, those homeowners can obtain some financial relief for septic system repairs under the state's newly established septic program.

The state has allocated $500,000 a year for six years to subsidize septic system repairs in Cohasset up to a maximum of $20,000 per house in the form of low-interest, 20-year loans. Guild noted that otherwise a homeowner would be faced with "writing a check" for the cost of the repair up front.

Roy Fitzsimmons, 116 Doane St., who is part of Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers a group opposed to the override, was pleased with Saturday's vote.

"Now the tax rate will go up about 29 percent as opposed to 33 percent," said Fitzsimmons who also opposed the recent $9.9 million school override.

Plante said she would be looking toward the sewer commission and other town officials for leadership on the shared-payment issue.

"I think the selectmen should request the sewer commission meet once a month at a reasonable time at night when people can come with questions," she said.

Guild said the sewer commission held seven "highly publicized hearings, all at convenient hours" on the sewer since November 1994. The commission's routine monthly meetings are held at 6 p.m. and a meeting was held at 4:30 p.m. because that was the time the engineer could make it, he said.

Plante said she will hang on in North Cohasset despite the sewer and water bills, but some others aren't.

"There are 11 houses (in our area) for sale," she said.

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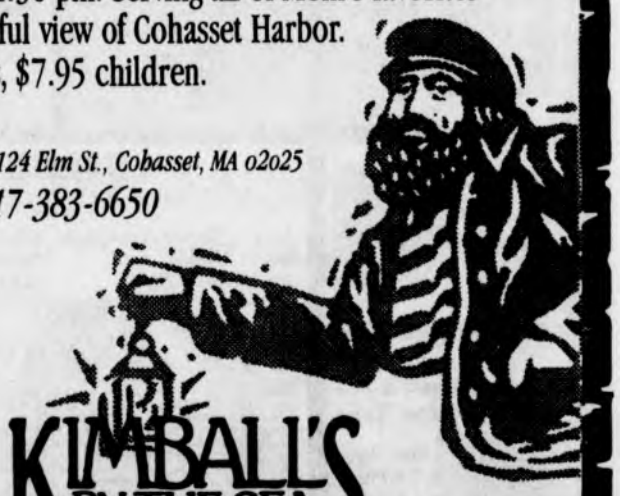

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

A yard sale for a good cause is Saturday

It is almost time for the **Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project** to get underway. On June 22, 48 high school students, 13 college-age CITS and 22 adult advisers will travel to three counties in West Virginia to spend a week doing home repair work. They drive by bus and van, spend their nights sleeping on the floors of local schools, eat in school cafeterias and spend five days working on 12 homes of impoverished and needy families.

You have seen the many fund-raisers they have held throughout the year to raise more than $43,000 for construction supplies, transportation and room and board. This Saturday, May 11, at Second Congregational Church from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. is when they will hold their yard sale. (Call 383-9325 if you have an item you wish to donate.)

On May 18 and 25, there will be car washes at the same location, or you can purchase "stock" for $20 per share. For more information, call **Gary Ritts,** who has directed the project for the past nine years, at 383-0345; **Ami Argus** at 383-9325; or **Pam DeLorenzo** at 383-6904. They will certainly appreciate your (tax-deductible) contribution.

❑

We send belated Happy Birthday wishes to **Joseph Tansey** this week. His birthday was April 20. How old?, you ask. 100 years old! And still working! Joseph's family held a wonderful birthday party for him at Kimball's By-the-Sea, with more than 50 of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in attendance. You can bet the day was a happy one for everyone! Again, Happy Birthday to you, Mr. Tansey.

❑

Recent news from Massachusetts Maritime Academy informs us that **Peter A. Collins** of Cohasset was awarded one of the highest positions given to Senior Cadets. Five bars are awarded to only five senior cadets who most exemplify leadership qualities at the academy. The five chosen senior cadets will be totally in charge of all cadet responsibilities at the school. Peter's direct area of responsibility will be the training of all underclassmen aboard the 600-ft. training ship, The Patriot Ship. Peter will implement education, safety and maintenance training on board the vessel.

❑

Did you know the **Social Awareness Organization** of CHS has undertaken the responsibility of sponsoring a child from the Philippines? Her name is **Jael Tambis,** she is 9-years-old, and she yearns to be a teacher someday.

SAO is trying to make that dream come true, and we bet they will! This is just one more thing our teens are doing to make us sit up and take note — and feel proud!

❑

We never did congratulate **Jean Driscoll,** the winner of the wheelchair division in the Boston Marathon! In case you don't remember, Jean stayed with the **Morse** family of Cohasset, and everyone was cheering for her to win!

She did more than that, though; she was good enough to speak to our students at Deer Hill in her spare time. Every one of the children fell in love with her, and students and teachers were inspired by Jean and her wonderful ways. A special thanks goes to her for touching so many people!

❑

The **Sisters of Saint Joseph Retreat Center,** Cohasset, is planning a fund-raiser, its first event ever, to be held in conjunction with the South Shore Music Circus in Cohasset. They have purchased a block of tickets to an Evening of Irish Music with Phil Coulter, the internationally renowned Irish musician, on Saturday, July 20, at 8 p.m.

In addition to the performance at the Music Circus, initial plans include a limited picnic supper at the retreat center before the performance, and a raffle of prizes, with the fortunate winners to be drawn at a later date.

The sisters will be most grateful for any way in which you can respond to this, their first fund-raising endeavor! In addition, the "promise a musical evening where the mundane falls away and is replaced by spirit-filled melodies." For further information, call the retreat center at 383-6024.

❑

Hats off to **Caitlin Connolly,** who was chosen as the Massachusetts winner of the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards. She received citations from Governor Weld, **Mary Jeanette Murray** and Cohasset selectmen. Caitlin is one of 52 students nationwide recognized for their leadership skills and community service by the national association of secondary principals.

Caitlin will be in Washington, D.C. for four days and will have lunch and dinner with the Senate. Hopefully she will give us all a full report upon her return. It is such an honor, with lots of fun to go along with it — a learning experience indeed!

❑

How nice it was this weekend to see the Little Leaguers back in their brand-new park, enjoying the new field while their parents had a double treat — they got to watch their "stars" from brand-new bleachers while "soaking up the rays"! It was really great. Just one word of caution — drive slowly. Kiddos will still be darting out into the street for one reason or another.

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That's it from here — all the news that's fit to print. Please call with yours!

— Sallyann
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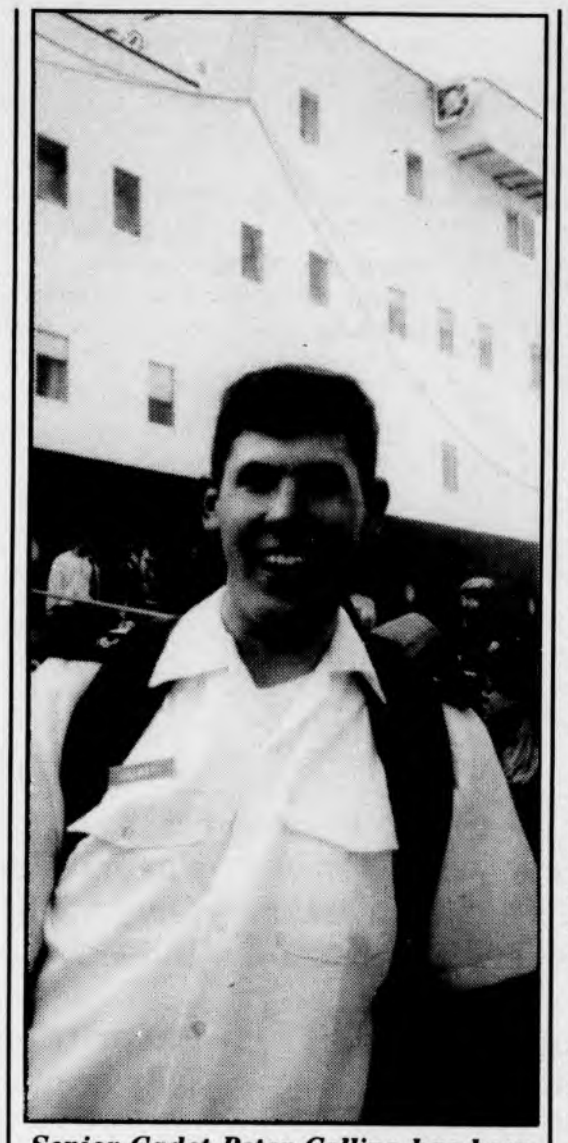

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Harborfest marching band to form again

The Cohasset Harborfest Marching Band is forming to perform in the Harborfest Parade Sunday, June 16. As many of you recall, Rev. Ed Atkinson organized a marching band for the 1995 Harborfest, welcoming all to dust off instruments and join in the fun. Atkinson's band delighted and amazed those watching along the parade route.

The band is forming again for the 1996 Harborfest Parade, sadly without Mr. Atkinson, who died in July 1995. The formula remains the same: simple music, two rehearsals, a uniform of khaki pants or shorts with T-shirts, provided by the Harborfest Committee. Fun is guaranteed!

We can use all marching band instruments. We will rehearse at First Parish in Cohasset (Trueblood Hall) Tuesday, June 4 and 11, at 7 p.m. Music will be provided ahead of time. Please call Sandy Bailey (or leave a message) at the office at First Parish (383-1100) to join us!

Join Harborfest parade!

The annual Harborfest Parade will take place on Sunday, June 16. The parade signifies the link between Cohasset Harbor and the Town Common as residents "Bless the Fleet" and parade to the Common for the annual Chowder Festival, which will culminate the Harborfest celebration.

The theme for this year's parade is "Cohasset's Maritime Heritage," and cash prizes for this year's floats are $250 for first place; $150, second place; and $75 for third place, with two special prizes of $50 each.

Jim Lagrotteria and Bob Martin of the Harborfest Committee have developed a float kit for anyone interested in using a pickup truck as a float vehicle. Through the generosity of Hingham Lumber Co., most framework materials will be provided.

Simple floats are the order of the day for the Norman Rockwell-style parade, and may be fabricated in one day with little or no expense and unlimited imagination. Harborfest celebrates the community, and the event is enhanced by the participation of the town's many organizations and neighborhood associations.

Anyone wishing to participate is asked to call Jim at 383-9385 or Bob at 383-0648.

Poster contest announced

The South Shore Community Center has announced a call for entries for its first annual school poster contest. The contest, entitled "Color It Community," is open to all South Shore schoolchildren in grades 1-6.

The purpose of the contest is to highlight the importance of the family and community, and posters may depict any aspect of "community."

Complete contest rules have been mailed to private and public schools on the South Shore. Winners will receive $150 certificates toward the purchase of a bicycle of their choice. The deadline submissions is May 17.

Winners will be notified by phone, and awards will be presented during a special ceremony at Harborfest on Cohasset Common on June 15. For additional contest or Harborfest information, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

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EDITORIAL

A national treasure

If there's a more beautiful town common than Cohasset's, we haven't seen it yet.

It's no wonder that producers of feature films such as "Housesitter" and "Witches of Eastwick" and those of several TV commercials have taken one look and fallen in love.

The Cohasset Common Historic District of which the 300-year-old town green is a part, was just recently added to the prestigious National Register of Historic Places. The common district, which extends along North Main Street from Depot Court to Sohier Street and includes all of Highland Avenue, joins Government Island off Border Street and the Caleb Lothrup House on Summer Street in holding that distinction in town.

It should be noted however, that no one from the Massachusetts Historical Commission, which reviews all requests from the state for listing, or the Dept. of the Interior of which the National Register is a part — drives around randomly to spot these places to add to the list.

It takes innumerable hours of work over many months to fill out the application and provide all the documentation on the required criteria. So Cohasset owes a big thank you to its historical commission and especially David Wadsworth, for this effort.

In a related matter, selectmen have recently discussed a "common" subject over several meetings. They are pondering what should be done to improve with the sidewalk along the Common between Jason and Long roads on the North Main Street side.

About 25 cars on a busy day are parked there. Drivers pull their cars up onto the "green" strip between the asphalt sidewalk and the street due to the narrowness of North Main.

What's happened as a result is the grass has been worn away leaving an unattractive dirt strip.

Solutions on the table include eliminating parking on that side of the road; installing a cement grating system which would allow grass to grow and not be damaged by tires; or replacing the sidewalk and strip with cobblestones.

We're partial to eliminating parking along the Common side of the road although we realize that could pose a hardship to church-goers and senior citizens and those who use the community center.

With the discussion, we've taken a "new" look at the Common and suggest you do as well. If you have any ideas about how to restore the green strip between the granite curb and asphalt sidewalk, be sure to let the selectmen know.

Otherwise, just take a walk and enjoy the Common. It is particularly beautiful this time of year and is a village centerpiece about which Cohasset can be very proud.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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School program was one-sided

To the Editor:

Two weeks ago, I watched Deer Hill fifth-graders, including my daughter, participate in a dance depicting the suffering resulting from the nuclear bombing of Hiroshima. The school paid consultants $1,000 to train the fifth-graders.

Later, I asked my daughter whether she thought the United States was right or wrong to bomb Hiroshima.

Unequivocally, she stated, "Wrong."

I asked the chairman of the School Committee, Ralph Kidder, whether a balanced historical background was provided to the youngsters. He said he didn't know, and referred my to the Deer Hill principal because "the School Committee wouldn't be concerned with that aspect of the curriculum." I have since contacted the principal, who "doubts" the students were provided with any historical background.

Youngsters are very impressionable during their elementary grade years. President Truman made a tough decision, but the right one. I expect the Cohasset school system to correct the one-sided impression it has left with our youth.

Joseph R. McElroy
Windy Hill Road

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Proposition 2 1/2 question debt exclusion results

Shall the town of Cohasset be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 1/2, so called, the amounts required to pay for the bond issued in order to lay out and construct sewers for the Straits Pond/Hull Street Area?

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Total
Yes (6)	602	319	921
No (7)	455	534	989
Blanks	6	28	34
Overvote	1	0	1
Total	1,064	881	1,945

The polls closed at 6 p.m., the results were declared at 6:45 p.m.

Thanks for benefit show

To the Editor:

On behalf of the Cohasset Teen Center I would like to thank the Cohasset Dramatic Club for our benefit performance, "Charlie And The Chocolate Factory" was terrific. The 68 talented children gave an enthusiastic and heartwarming performance under the direction of Sally Wright. We appreciate the generous donation awarded us by the producer Dawn Rota. We would like to thank the town for allowing our benefit production to be held at Town Hall. In addition we would like to thank everyone who donated refreshments and attended this wonderful evening. How lucky we are to live in a community that supports youth programs.

Betsy Connolly
Cohasset Teen Center
Board of Directors

Co-Op 8 to host breakfast

Co-Op 8 will host a breakfast at the Ramada Inn, Rockland, on May 19, at 10 a.m., featuring the Democratic candidates for the 10th Congressional District. Ian Bowles of Falmouth, William Delahunt of Quincy, Philip Johnston of Marshfield and Walter Murray of Hull will share their thoughts on important issues and answer questions from those in attendance.

Co-Op 8 is a coalition of eight Democratic Town Committees on the South Shore which works to educate and involve Democrats from the region. The organization is comprised of the Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Norwell, Scituate and Weymouth Town Committees.

Tickets are $14 and may be reserved by contacting Robert MacLean, 337-7148, or calling one's local Democratic Town Committee chairperson.

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Curtis Collins helped draft national report

Received principal of the year honors

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

When Curtis Collins arrived here in July — Cohasset Junior-Senior High wasn't just getting any new principal.

It was getting someone who has been a driving force in education reform at the public high school level for several years.

Collins, who was named state principal of the year in October for his reform work, is a member of a national panel which recently released a host of recommendations to better education at the high school level.

"It is an exciting time to be in public education," said Collins. "The excitement is balanced off with a little bit of frustration. I believe high schools can do a far better job than they've been doing."

Collins was interested in restructuring education before the Massachusetts Education Reform Act was instated in 1993.

In fact, when he was the principal at Dennis-Yarmouth Regional High School, from 1984 to 1995, groups from all over the area made trips to the school to see its innovative programs.

For example, the ninth-grade at the school, which had about 300 students, was split into four teams. Each team had its own set of teachers.

We tried to "personalize a large high school. We broke down the school into smaller units," Collins recalled. "There were four little communities instead of one big one".

He said the more personalized a school is, the less likely a student is to "fall through the cracks," especially at a large school.

Another at-the-time revolutionary idea, that Collins and his peers at the school experimented with, was block scheduling.

The seven-period day was done away with and a combination of 90- and 43-minute classes were implemented.

"Block scheduling liberates a good teacher," said Collins.

These ideas, along with numerous others, are echoed in the 114-page report released in February by the national panel .

The panel was formed about two years ago by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching.

Even though Collins had done a tremendous amount of work in education reform he was still surprised when he was chosen to be a member of the panel, and later as state principal of the year.

"I was shocked," he said "It is nice to be recognized by your peers."

Collins joined 19 other panelists several times a year, for four or five days at a time, to draft 80 recommendations.

Although many reports have been written on the changing face of education, this is the first that was "written by inside people, by practitioners," said Collins.

The report does repeat some of the premises drawn up in education reform, but it goes far beyond that.

The report deals with students having their own action plan, similar to what special needs students have now. And perhaps more importantly their own advocate.

"We all like people to take an interest in our work," Collins said. "It is rather human."

Other new ideas include student input on collective bargaining issues and the opportunity for employers to send students back to high school if their training is inadequate for the job market.

Collins made it clear he was not advocating change for the sake of change.

The intention is "to keep the good things we have and improve other areas."

The issue of time in learning was also explored by the panel.

"It is time to look at a 12-month school year, at least for teachers," Collins said.

He added that far-reaching ideas such as these were impossible to implement without courageous leaders.

"Change is very difficult," he said.

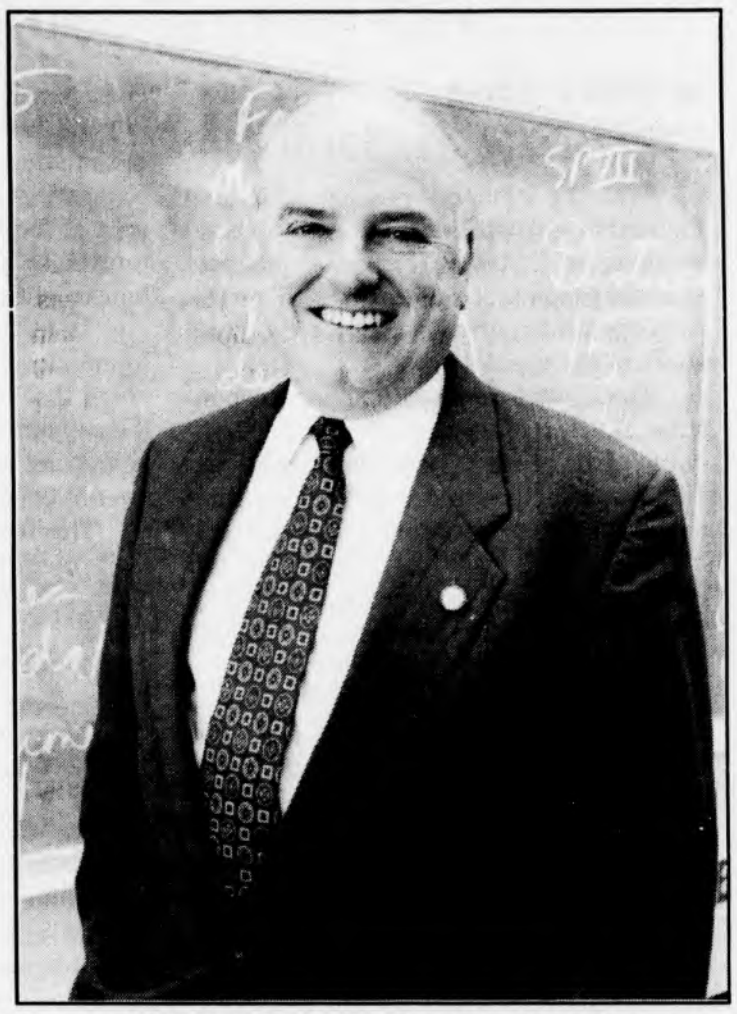
Although these are recent national guidelines there is impact at the local level.

Collins has set up a study group at Cohasset to explore a middle-school model for Cohasset seventh- and eighth-graders. This model focuses on teams, among other things.

The Cohasset school system is not new to Collins. He taught English in the high school for 13 years before he left in 1978 to pursue a career in administration in Sandwich, Mass.

"I wanted to end my career where it started," he said. "I have very pleasant memories of my 13 years in Cohasset "

Collins lives in Marshfield with his wife, Phyllis. They have three grown children, Christine, Michael, and Erin.



Cohasset High School Principal CurtisCollins, who was named state principal of the year in October for his reform work, is a member of a national panel which recently released a host of recommendations to better education at the high school level.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Schools opt to stick with in-house bus service

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset will remain one of the few districts in the area that provides students with an in-house bus service.

The distinction was in jeopardy a few weeks ago due to financial questions.

But after meeting with the bus drivers and receiving bids back from two contractors, it was more economical to stay with the present system, schools Supt. Stephen Hart said Thursday.

The decision requires the school committee to ask town meeting for two $90,000 buses in the fall. The town now has six buses and a minibus.

Although fueled by economics, the decision has more than financial implications.

Parents have often commended the bus drivers on their personalized service and close relationships with the students.

"In a small community having a local service is an advantage," said Hart.

Janet Figueiredo, who has driven a bus in town for 28 years, recently said that the bus drivers will often do an extra route for the town at no extra cost.

The town couldn't get that same service from an outside contractor, she said.

The numbers initially showed that hiring an outside contractor would save about $40,000 a year.

At that time, the school committee was looking at rotating the buses every six years, now the buses would be replaced every eight years.

The oldest bus is 10-years-old.

With the new numbers, the cost of the lowest bidder (North River Transportation in Norwell) is $180,000, while the cost of the in-house service is $175,000.

Hart said that the buses used by an outside contractor would vary in age from six to ten years.

An outside contractor would have hired the six full-time bus drivers, but with certain stipulations.

"The bus drivers had some concerns," Hart said. "They felt if we moved to an independent contractor they would lose some benefits, particularly health insurance. At the same time we had to look at economics, and they were quite helpful."

One parent asked if the location of the new school would necessitate the purchase of another bus, because some of those who walked to Osgood wouldn't be able to walk to the new location.

Hart said that the numbers would more than likely balance out. He added that increased enrollments have been taken into consideration.

Approximately 100 students have already signed up for kindergarten.

In other business, the school committee:

• approved next year's school calender. Students will return to school on Sept. 4, and their last day will be June 19 — June 26 with five snow days. Winter vacation will end on Wednesday, Jan. 2. There had been some discussion about the school year starting before Labor Day, but the teacher's association voted against that change.

School Committee Member Maureen Jerz said that people need to be aware that the calender may change from year to year. The school committee will revisit the idea of going back to school before Labor Day in the fall.

• approved the 1996-1997 school goals. The goals fall under the headings of curriculum, school facilities, community awareness and technology. They include developing a plan to implement a middle school program in the fall of 1997; develop a plan to house all kindergarten through sixth grade students at the Osgood and Deer Hill Schools during the two-year elementary school construction project; develop a system-wide program to encourage student participation in local government activities; and develop model technology-related curriculum units at the primary elementary and secondary levels.

• announced that the educational program for the new school has been accepted by the state.

• approved a policy that would require administrators to immediately notify Hart of student offenses in the system. The school committee would then be notified, so members could address the concerns of parents.

Forman, Teague to speak at May 16 forum

Julie Guild, chairman of the Cohasset GOP Town Committee, announced the group's annual dinner will be held Thursday, May 16, for all South Shore towns. Featured speakers will be Plymouth County Sheriff Peter Forman, former Minority Leader, of Plymouth and present Minority Leader and congressional candidate Ed Teague of Yarmouth.

Patriot Ledger State House correspondent Carolyn Ryan will moderate the forum, which will be held at Walton Rodgers' Hall of St. Stephen's Church on historic Cohasset Common. GOP leaders will discuss GOP prospects and issues in 1996. A social hour will be held at 6:30 p.m., followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. A $15 donation is requested.

All South Shore residents are invited to attend. Also invited are District Attorney Michael Sullivan of Abington, County Commissioner candidates Peter Paulding of Plymouth, and Chuck Toupence of Pembroke, and candidate for Treasurer Matt Striggles of Bridgewater. Sen. Robert Hedlund of Weymouth, Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray of Cohasset, County Commissioner Bob Stone of Whitman and Norfolk County Treasurer Ob Hall of Needham have also been invited.

Reservations may be made by calling Avis Sweeney (383-1184), Polly Logan (383-0031) or Carl Harris (749-7167).

Dredging project hits some rough seas

Additional testing could delay work and increase costs

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

With the imminent passage of federal legislation that will allow for badly needed dredging of Cohasset Harbor — planners said the project hit new hurdles this week with the agency responsible for the lion's share of the work.

The Army Corps of Engineers responsible for the dredging of about 90,000 cubic yards of silt material in the harbor's channel, which is under federal jurisdiction, have raised questions about silt testing procedures and have suggested the more extensive and expensive testing may be required before the project can get underway, said Selectman Peter Pratt.

"There seems to be some significant differences in the interpretation of the rules for testing. The state and the town see it one way and the Army Corps sees it another," Pratt said.

Since last summer engineers have worked with the state Department of Environmental Management to test the quality of silt material to be dredged. Polluted material within the harbor, which is not suitable for ocean dumping, must be disposed at inland landfills at a much higher cost to the town, Pratt said. While ocean dumping costs $15 per cubic yard of material, landfill disposal can run about $100 per cubic yard, he said.

Several "hot spots" (about 1,500 of the town's 6,500 cubic yards to be dredged) have been discovered so far. The contamination source is mercury, a substance that is associated to industrial activity near waterways, said Pratt, who noted that how the mercury got into the harbor remains a substantial mystery.

According to Pratt, the Army Corps could require some earlier tests be redone and further, more expensive testing of the contaminated silt be undertaken.

But despite this recent glitch, Pratt is optimistic that the Cohasset Harbor Navigation Act, which will redefine the area of federal jurisdiction and allow the project to go forward should pass both houses of Congress this month.

"In all honesty, we've accomplished a tremendous amount here," said Pratt, who noted that Cohasset harbor has not been the subject of as much testing, regulatory permitting and legislation since 1939 and has not been fully dredged since 1959.

This federal legislation is also vital to the reconfiguration and expansion planned by the Cohasset Yacht Club, Pratt noted.

The yacht club has plans to maintain a 42-slip dock, boat railway and launching ramp, relocate a 20-slip spider float, and install 84 new slips which will help to greatly reduce the number of local mariners — more than 300 — who line the pages of the town's boat mooring waiting list. None of this work could be done without encroaching on the area of federal jurisdiction which makes the pending legislation essential to both the town and the club, Pratt said.

"This is going to satisfy a pent up demand," Pratt said. "It's a win-win situation for the town, the boating public and the yacht club."

Pratt is still holding onto a fall 1997 start for the projected $1.8 million dredging project. Of that total project cost, Pratt estimates the cost to Cohasset at about $150,000, most of which has and will continue to be drawn from the town's waterway's account With a 25 percent local match required for financing dredging projects, Cohasset is in some ways fortunate that so much of its harbor falls within federal jurisdiction, he added. In neighboring Hingham, the town will pay much more for dredging its harbor, and due to the high costs to the state which will cover 75 percent of the work, the project will likely be carried out over several years.

"We're hoping the federal project will happen no later than October 1997," said Pratt, who noted that town will have to rely on good cooperation between state and federal agencies in order to do the job as quickly and economically as possible. Equipment mobilization and set up costs alone can be upwards of $90,000, which makes doing all work simultaneously, in both federal and town waters the most sensible plan, Pratt said.

Permit sought for harbor work

The Cohasset Yacht Club is seeking permission for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to reconfigure and expand its boating facility in Cohasset Harbor. The plan calls for maintaining a 42-slip dock, boat railway and launching ramp, relocating a 20-slip spider float and installing 84 new slips.

The application for the federal permit was filed with the Engineers in compliance with Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, which provides for federal regulation of any work in, under or over navigable waters of the United States.

To assist in evaluating the work, the Engineers are soliciting public comments. Written statements should be forwarded to their office no later than May 23. Additional information may be obtained by contacting Timothy Timmermann at the New England Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 424 Trapelo Road, Waltham, Mass. 02254-9149.

Managed care is forum May 22

The Cohasset Elder Affairs' SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) program is sponsoring a forum on HMOs and managed care on Wednesday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lightkeeper's House on Government Island.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to learn about HMOs and the concept of managed care and how it affects Medicare benefits. Speakers will include Diane Paulson, lead attorney of Greater Boston Elderly Legal Services, Medicare Advocacy Project; John May, representative of Mass. Association of Health Maintenance Organizations; and Monica Henderson, health insurance specialist of the Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Managed Care.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling 383-9116. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Hedlund office hours listed

Sen. Robert L. Hedlund (R-Weymouth) will hold regular local office hours on Friday, May 10, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the meeting room at Cohasset Town Hall.

Office hours provide an opportunity for constituents to voice their opinions and comments in person without traveling to the State House. To make an appointment, call Jeff Granatino at 722-1646. Walk-ins are also encouraged.

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Local legislators keep the Hingham commuter boat afloat

No reductions or interruptions of service planned

South Shore legislators assured local consituents this week that commuter boat services from Hingham to Boston will continue without interruption or any reductions.

State Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Scituate/Marshfield and other members of the South Shore Legislators Caucus worked to ensure that disagreements between State Secretary of Transportation James Kerasiotes and the MBTA Advisory Board did not interfere with commuter boat service, one of the few public transportation options available to South Shore commuters.

Disagreements arose between Kerasiotes and the MBTA advisory board over budget cuts recommended in April by the board which included a $1 million cut in the commuter boat subsidy.

These cuts, said Kerasiotes would lead to a 50 percent reduction in boat service from Hingham to Boston starting July 1. Hynes and State Senator Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth negotiated with state transportation officials and the advisory board and were given assurances that the dispute would be settled with no cuts in transit service.

"The primary focus of the state's transportation agencies must be the commuting needs of the public and the public shall not be allowed to be held hostage to disagreements between state agencies no matter how valid or hardened," said Hynes, who was instramental in establishing the MBTA subsidized boat service more than 10 years ago..

Hedlund, who called the disgreement and threats of cuts in boat service "political posturing" guarenteed South Shore commuters that the boat service would be in no way reduced and in fact could be expanded with additional runs later into the evenings during busier summer months. Hedlund said he has been working with state transportation officials to secure the additional boat trips.

"The Hingham commuter boat is an essential, vial part of the South Shore's transit infrastructure. Our role as public officials must be to support it and expand it where possible. I am confident tha its value and need are fully understood by our state agencies and will not be used again as a pawn to control their internal disputes," Hynes added.

–Alice Coyle-

Chamber ensemble concert to benefit Carr Ampitheater

The Monet Chamber Ensemble, a quartet of Boston Symphony musicians, will appear at Broad Cove House on Sunday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m., in a concert to benefit South Shore Conservatory's Jane C. Carr Ampitheater.

The new outdoor performance facility provides a permanent home for the conservatory's Summer Wind Ensemble, and provides a much-needed performance space for conservatory and community drama, small concerts, or performances by professional artists.

The ensemble performed their first concert earlier this year, at the home of Franz and Margo Euler, to benefit the ampitheater. The performance was so moving they were asked back to present a new chamber music program.

Following the concert is a catered light supper and open bar. The cost is $50, with proceeds going to the ampitheater project.

Reservations and advance donations are required. Call (617) 749-7565, ext. 16, before May 13 to reserve tickets.

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Pesky mosquitos will make a big comeback this year

The record snowfall this past winter assures an abundant supply of moisture for the present spring season. Unless the summer of 1996 is unusually dry, we can expect a huge mosquito population in our region.

It is of utmost importance that residents take measures to minimize the numbers of these insects. Although fortunately Eastern Equine Encephalitis, a serious disease carried by certain types of mosquitoes, is a rare visitor to our specific South Shore area, it nevertheless is always treated by the Commonwealth as a possibility, and its presence from time to time is a reality recognized by authorities of the Plymouth Mosquito Control Project (of which Cohasset is a member).

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee strongly urges citizens to initiate surveys of the area surrounding each house. Particular attention should be paid to objects such as old tires, bird baths, toy pails, gutters, etc., and surface areas where stagnant water may collect. It takes only a few days of such stagnation to permit hatching of adult mosquitoes from previously deposited eggs. Water in bird baths and wading pools should be changed at least once a week. If your area has a sizable expanse of stagnant water (e.g., a small pond) or even a depression in the ground which repeatedly retains small quantities of water for three days to a week, it is essential either to drain such areas or to apply a biological inhibitor, such as a preparation containing the bacterium Bacillus thuringiensis (Bti), which is harmless to humans and pets but which prevents development of adult mosquitoes. These inhibitors are available as powders, "dunks," or sprays in most garden supply or hardware stores.

Current information about mosquito control provided by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Audubon Society, and general medical media is available to Cohasset residents in a hang-pocket located in the entry area of Town Hall. For further information, you may call the Cohasset Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121, leaving your name and telephone number so that a member of the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee can call you personally.

Finally, there is the matter of pesticide usage. It is important to be aware that the majority of safety standards for pesticide use set by the U.S. Government are primarily based on tolerance levels for adults. Young children and aged seniors are often harmed at such dosage levels. We respectfully request that citizens intending to spray their yards with a pesticide or requesting such spraying by the Plymouth District, please notify neighbors sufficiently in advance so that proper precautions can be taken to protect families from the impact of spray drift. Plymouth District staff usually spray in the very early morning at 4 to 8 a.m. If neighbors know that spraying is to occur, windows maybe closed and pets kept indoors.

Folklore, fables to be shared in Cohasset on May 19

Storyteller Aili Paal Singer will present a program of folklore and fables for the children and families of Cohasset Sunday, May 19. Her performance will blend oral narratives with puppetry, pantomime, creative dramatics and audience participation. Among her favorite tales are multicultural stories that expose the audience to other people and their cultures. In addition, she tells stories of her own creation.

An Estonian by birth, she and her family became displaced persons after WWII and in 1949 emigrated to the United States. Growing up in New York City, she studied drama at the High School of Performing Arts in downtown Manhattan. At Boston University, she continued her drama work with an avant-garde theater company, Caravan Theater, in Cambridge. She then worked as a writer of folk and fairy tales for the award-winning children's show, "Catch a Rainbow," on Channel 5. Singer has received a number of awards. Currently, the Massachusetts Cultural Council has selected her as an artist eligible to receive partial state funding towards programs taking place in Massachusetts public schools.

While performing, Singer's voice bounces from a mousy eek of one character to a raspy bark that is rough as sandpaper for another character. When she tells a story she jumps, she bends and is the voice of every creature. Like a one-woman band, Aili carries her mystery bag of materials and props, enough to pique the curiosity of many children. She looks to the young people for help, and by such involvement, brings the world of imagination within touching distance of all the children.

The Cohasset Diversity Committee is sponsoring this family event for all to enjoy. This particular program has been created especially for children from the ages of 3 to 9.

The program will be held Sunday, May 19, from 1 to 2 p.m., in the South Shore Community Center gym. Refreshments will be available. Additionally, there will be a basket at the entrance for those who wish to make a donation. Any money collected will be used to ensure that programs, such as this one, may continue to be funded by The Diversity Committee.

Stress management support offered

Cohasset Community Church, a new evangelical church, is hosting a Stress Management Support Group on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room. The study will be led by the church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Hurlbut. All are welcome.

The group is involved in a six-week practical study of "Stress Management: Finding the Balance." The study will allow participants to learn about stress and its effects and how to deal with stressful situations.

For further information, call the church at 383-9761.

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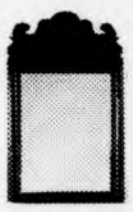
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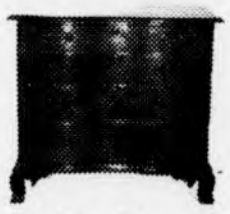
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Planners look at Rte. 3A condo project

BY STACEY POWERS
Special to the Mariner

Concerns over possible side effects of a proposed condominium development at the corner of Beechwood Street and Chief Justice Cushing Highway drew neighboring residents to attend a Planning Board meeting last Wednesday night.

Developer Mark Winchester presented plans to the board detailing a 6.9 acre site which will include eight lots connected by a common driveway approximately 400 feet in length. The proposed site is designated for six, two bedroom units and two, one bedroom units.

Drainage calculations have been performed at the site and consulting engineer for the developer, Paul Maributo of Ross Engineering, pointed out that no water will drain out onto either Schofield Road or Beechwood Street. Drainage has been diverted to the wetlands.

Despite this assurance, several residents of Schofield Road whose homes back up to the development are concerned about excess water drainage that could possibly result after the construction of the site. Since there are already wetlands surrounding the area, residents are all too familiar with having to deal with constant swampy conditions on their property and feel that further disturbance to the land will only add to the situation.

Maributo maintains that drainage will be directed into the wetlands along the highway edge of the development which will then run off into a culvert at the corner of Chief Justice Cushing Highway and Beechwood Street.

To further offset any possible problem with excess drainage, the lots will be angled so that any excess water will run down the curbing and into the common driveway. Each site will also be equipped with a catch basin built into the land designed to hold excess drainage. The Board, however, is concerned that once residents move in they may attempt to do away with the drainage swail. They will look into insuring that this scenario will never be played out. Each house will also have its own septic tank and in addition, there will be another common septic tank to process any surplus overflow.

The entrance to the common driveway will be located west of the proposed Beechwood Street entrance to Shaws Plaza. It has been relocated 130 feet west of the original proposed site in order to save a large tree that grows there. Many trees will be taken down to accommodate the site but Winchester plans to replace the lost shrubbery with extensive landscaping. The area separating the development from the highway will be concealed by an existing 200 feet of wooded area.

The planning board took the matter under advisement.

Eligiblity sought on local veterans

In the ongoing effort to complete the World War II Cohasset Historical Military Memorial, an oversight committee was established. The purpose of the committee is to determine to the best of its ability whether names in question meet eligibility requirements for inclusion on the wall.

After diligent research, the committee is left with several names it can find nothing about, and it is appealing to the public for help. Anyone with information that would help the committee determine the eligibility of the following people is asked to call Town Hall (383-9900): Margaret Drucilla Coleman, Ernest Elden Decker, Helen Marion Heartz, Joseph Lay Rohr Jr., William Roger Scannell and Shirley Eleanor Wright.

Those who call with information are asked to leave their name and telephone number at the selectmen's office and a member of the committee will contact them.

Weight loss seminar begins May 14

Cohasset Community Church is starting a Christian weight loss seminar called Weigh Down Workshop. The orientation class will be held May 14 at 7 p.m. at South Shore Community Center (downstairs in the pink room), 3 N. Main St. The 12-week class will begin Tuesday, May 28. There is a cost for materials.

For more information, call the church at 383-9761. The seminar is coordinated by Kim Hurlbut.

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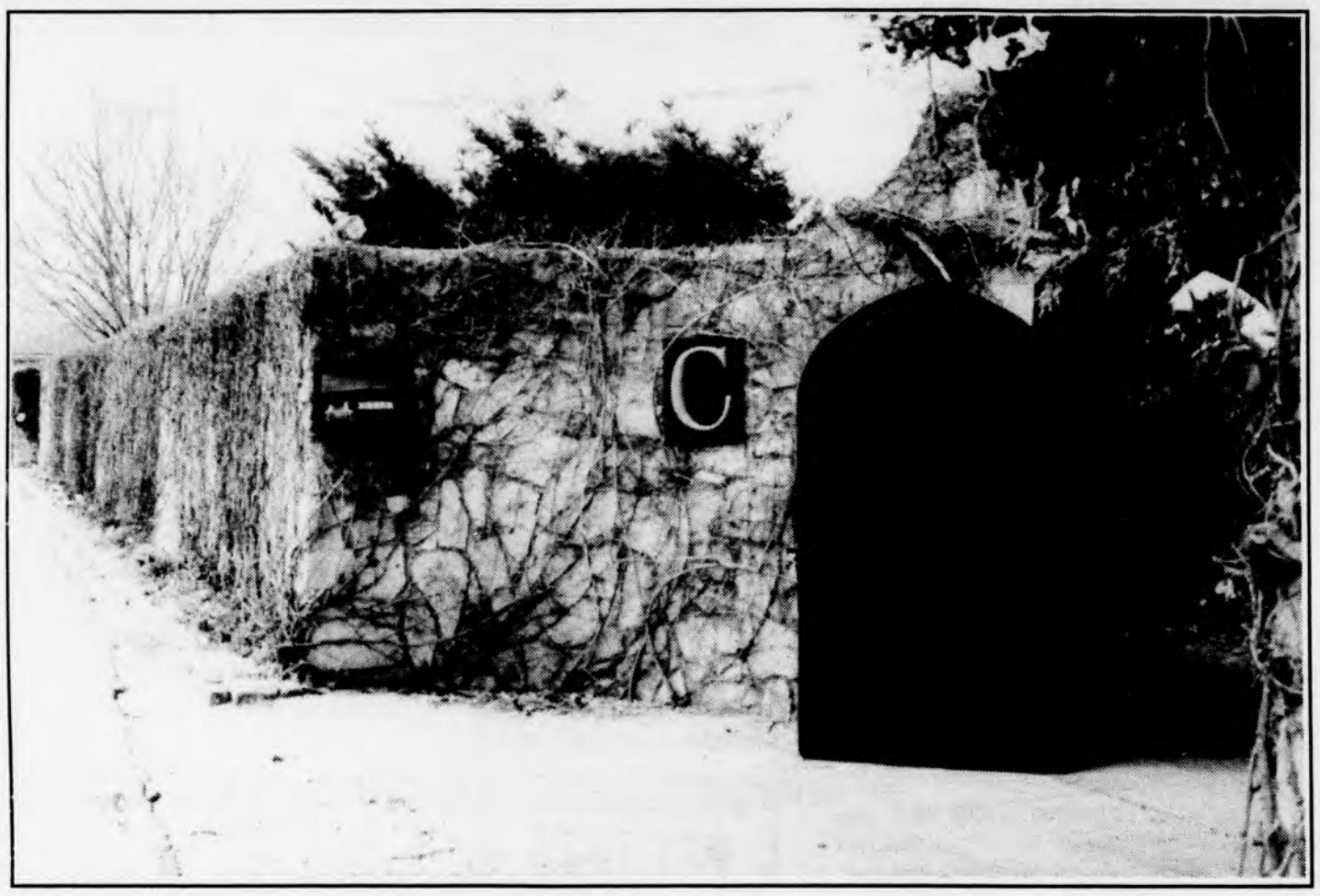

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The Chases of 449 Jerusalem Rd. have a beautiful roadside border of yellow, purple and white crocus for all to enjoy as we pass their oceanside home. The stone wall with the arched top door slightly ajar welcomes friends.

Plants for sale on May 11

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will host a "Not Your Ordinary" Plant Sale on Saturday, May 11, at 9 a.m. in the Lighthouse Keepers' Cottage, Border Street, rain or shine.

A large variety of gardeners' choice plants will be featured, including perennials, small trees, ground covers, herbs, ornamental grasses and annuals.

Of special interest will be many uncommon and hard-to-find perennials.

Proceeds will benefit the club's many civic projects and the scholarship fund. Complimentary coffee will be offered.

Garden Club annual lunch

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold its annual luncheon on Tuesday, May 28, at the Chart House. The speaker will be floral designer Cindora Goldberg. Tickets are available by calling Mary Sullivan at 383-1295.

Plant sale at Abbey, May 18

A Plant Sale, featuring perennials, ground cover, herbs, house plants, annuals, fruit and vegetable plants and bushes will be held Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to noon at Glastonbury Abbey, 16 Hull St., Route 228, Hingham.

Proceeds will benefit the Monks of Glastonbury.

Hingham Farmers Market to open on May 18

Hingham Farmers Market will open for its 19th season on Saturday, May 18. The hours of the market, located on Station Street between North and Water streets, will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays through June 15. From that time, the market will also be open Wednesdays until the last Saturday in October,

The market features locally grown produce from gardeners and growers from the area and will accept Farmers Market coupons as they become available. The opening will feature plants, including bedding, herbs, perennials, tomato and other vegetables. There will also be a limited amount of rhubarb, asparagus and lettuce, as well as homemade jams, baked goods and honey.

Growers may call Dave Sturgis at 749-4643 for selling information.

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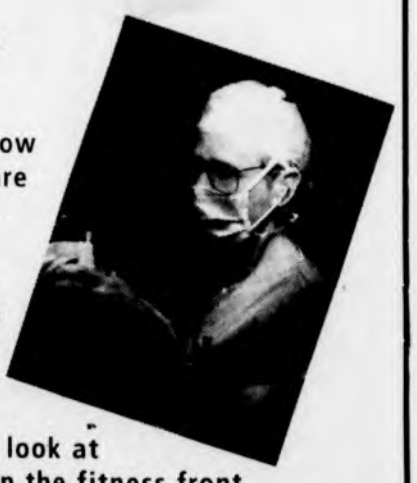

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Choral concert in Hingham Friday, May 11

The Broad Cove Chorale will present a spring concert Saturday evening, May 11, with organist Lenae Badger. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. at St. John's Church on Main Street in Hingham, and will be followed by a reception in Weld Hall. The program of sacred music from four centuries will feature some of the best-loved compositions written for women's voices, both with and without accompaniment. Music includes Brahms' *Psalm 13,* selections from Mendelssohn's *"Hymn of Praise,"* Renaissance motets, the *"Magnificat,"* by Nicola Porpora (a contemporary of J.S. Bach), and a haunting composition by cellist Pablo Casals. Badger will perform two movements of the Mendelssohn Organ Concerto and a demanding solo work from this century.

Tickets are $8 and may be purchased at Nobles Camera in Hingham Square, from members of the chorale, or by mail to the Broad Cove Chorale, 66 Lincoln St., Hingham. The Broad Cove Chorale is made up of 21 singers from Hingham, Cohasset, Scituate, Norwell, Duxbury, Pembroke, Plymouth and Milton. For more information call (617) 749-6561.

Paul Pratt Library Corner

Book sale to start

A used book sale will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday, May 10 & 11 and from 2 to 5 p.m., Sunday, May 12 at the Paul Pratt Library.

The books that are left after the sale will be given away.

The sale is sponsored by the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library with proceeds to benefit the library. Thousands of donated books and library discards will be sold for 50 cents each.

Library trustees reorganize

May 1, the Trustees of the Paul Pratt Memorial Library held their first meeting since the town elections.

Patience G. Towle, a trustee since 1993, was elected chairman of the board of trustees. Sarah R. Pease, elected as a trustee in 1995, was elected secretary. The trustees decided to meet at 8 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month at the library on South Main Street. The meetings are open to the public and accessible to the handicapped.

Library news is noted

Don't miss Eleanor LeBlanc's art exhibit which runs through July 7. The new Apple computer has arrived for the children's room. The volunteer recognition evening is June 20 at the home of Barbara and Jeff Power. Watch this column for details.

Librarian Susan Terry welcomes the new computer for the children in the children's room.

Derby Fair is Saturday

Derby Academy will hold its annual Spring Fair on Saturday, May 11, from noon to 4 p.m., rain or shine, at the school, located on Burditt Avenue.

Pony rides, a moonwalk, the high striker, face painting, cookie painting and games and prizes will be featured.

Lunch will be available at the Fast Food Grille or at Derby's Gourmet Galley, offering many selections. Music will be provided throughout the afternoon by a DJ.

Items for sale include plants for Mother's Day, gently used books, White Elephant treasures and home-baked goods. Admission and parking are free.

Call for former crew members

Former crew members of the USS Longbeach (CGN-9, AK-9, PF-34, all pre comm. crew members and all Marine detachments personnel are being sought for a 1996 reunion to be held Sept. 11-15 in the Boston area.

For information, contact Don Shade, P.O. Box 69, Clymer, N.Y. 14724-0069; telephone: (716) 355-6661.

Photo contest to benefit All Paws Rescue

All Paws Rescue of Hingham is hosting a photo contest, "Best Friends," for pet-loving shutterbugs. Dogs, cats, birds, fish and all animals qualify as potential poster pets. Winners will be named during All Paws Rescue's Paw Prints for Progress Dog Walk and Festival on Sunday, May 19, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Wompatuck State Park Visitor's Center, Hingham. Call 749-0968 for information. The contest is sponsored by Noble's Camera Shop. Proceeds will benefit All Paws Rescue Humane Society.

The three categories include: Canine Best Friends, Feline Best Friends and My Other Best Friend.

First-, second- and third-place ribbons will be awarded in the categories of Junior Pet Lover Shutterbugs (15 years and younger) and Seasoned Pet Lover Shutterbugs (16 years and older). Judging will be May 19 at 12:30 p.m. by award-winning photographers Bill Brett of the Boston Globe and Alan Chapman of Mariner Newspapers.

All photos should be submitted as prints, either color or black and white, and be no larger than 8x10-inches. No slides or negatives will be accepted.

Each photo must be accompanied by a separate copy of the official entry form, and a fee of $5 is required, payable by check or money order. Entries must be returned by mail by May 17, but may be picked up at the May 19 event. Multiple entries will be accepted as long as an official entry form or copy is submitted with each photo.

The photographer's name, age and phone number must be clearly marked on the back of the photo, along with the subject's name.

Entries should be mailed to: All Paws Rescue, P.O. Box 569, Accord 02108. Call 749-0968 for further details.

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Police Log

Thursday, April 18

8:15 a.m., medical, Pond St., services rendered.

9:02 a.m., emergency services, Summer St., no police service necessary.

9:00 a.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St. (Doane St.), investigated.

12:37 p.m., general services, N. Main St., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 85

4:04 p.m., animal complaint, Mohawk Way, departmental action.

5:42 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, Surry Dr., departmental action.

6:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:54 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

6:28 p.m., fire alarm, Nichols Rd., services rendered.

8:23 p.m., officer field investigation, Old Pasture Rd., departmental action.

9:18 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., verbal warning.

11:10 p.m., burglary (B&E), Elm Ct., investigated.

12:00 a.m,. Clear, 46

Friday, April 19

12:04 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

12:19 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy., area search negative.

12:20 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Pond St.), traffic warning issued.

12:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood (Hillside), traffic waring issued.

3:20 a.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 46

8:54 a.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy. (Victoria's), accidental/defective alarm.

9:06 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., verbal warning.

9:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St./Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St./Beechwood ST., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:06 a.m., medical, Clay Spring Rd., services rendered.

10:18 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

11:08 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., services rendered.

11:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., traffic warning issued.

11:54 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St./S. Main St., verbal warning.

12:48 p.m., medical, Elm St., services rendered.

2:23 p.m., annoying phone calls, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

3:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

3:37 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., services rendered.

3:54 p.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 58

5:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

6:23 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, HQ Atlantic Ave., departmental action.

6:26 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, HQ King St./CJC Hwy., departmental action.

7:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Pizza), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 56

Saturday, April 20

12:55 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/JJ's, verbal warning.

1:03 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd./Sohier St., verbal warning.

1:04 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main/Brook St., verbal warning.

2:00 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Bergson's, departmental action.

3:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lower King/Rte. 3A, verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 57

10:01 a.m., assist citizen, Border St. (Boat yard), services rendered.

10:39 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy., investigated.

12:44 p.m., general offenses, Forest Ave., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 70

5:23 p.m., general services, Church St., HQ, departmental action.

6:19 p.m., suspicious activity, Beach St., HQ, departmental action.

6:44 p.m., vandalism, N. Main St., HQ, departmental action.

6:37 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Border St., verbal warning.

10:55 p.m., animal complaint, Hull St., HQ, no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 62

Sunday, April 21

1:03 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A/Mendel Rd., verbal warning.

2:41 a.m., general services, Border St., investigated.

4:00 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), King & Pond St., removed to hospital.

4:42 a.m., juvenile offense, N. Main St., returned to home or family.

6:29 a.m., medical, Cedar St., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 60

9:42 a.m., offenses against family and children, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

11:20 a.m., general services, Summer St., departmental action.

12:06 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St./Bound Brook, investigated.

12:20 p.m., officer field investigation, Windy Hill Rd., investigated.

12:29 p.m., officer wanted, Oak St., investigated.

12:46 p.m., medical, Buttonwood Ln., services rendered.

1:36 p.m., larceny, Doane St., investigated.

2:16 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave, investigated.

2:17 p.m., general services, Old Coach Rd., services rendered.

2:45 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., investigated.

3:21 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St./Beechwood St., services rendered.

4:16 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St., brought to station.

4:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Linden Dr., services rendered.

5:00 p.m., assist citizen, Town Lot, services rendered.

5:00 p.m., speeding complaint, Forest Ave., arrest.

5:09 p.m., warrant arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with Mark E. Fish DOB: 9/23/55, 735 Nantasket Ave., Hull.

5:12 p.m., general services, Hull Line to Woodland Dr., services rendered.

5:28 p.m., suspicious activity, Ripley Rd., investigated.

5:43 p.m., assist citizen, Highland Ave., services rendered.

10:26 p.m., disturbance (family), N. Main St., returned to home or family.

10:59 p.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

11:06 p.m., disturbance (general), CJC Hwy., peace restored.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Monday, April 22

5:52 a.m., animal complaint, Holly Ln., departmental action.

6:41 a.m., general services, Cushing Plaza, unfounded.

7:31 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St. Ext., verbal warning.

7:52 a.m., officer field investigation, Beechwood St., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 62

8:48 a.m., vandalism, Ripley Rd., departmental action.

8:57 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy., investigated.

9:02 a.m., officer field investigation, Highland Ave. (Town Hall), investigated.

10:51 a.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd. (Post Office), services rendered.

1:39 p.m., message delivery, Nichols Rd., notification made/message or summons delivered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 70

5:02 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Pond St./CJC Hwy., investigated.

5:10 p.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St., investigated.

4:29 p.m., officer wanted, Border St., departmental action.

6:50 p.m., officer wanted, Border St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

10:48 p.m., officer field investigation, Highland Ave., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 64

Tuesday, April 23

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 64

9:53 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood st., services rendered.

10:41 a.m., officer field investigation, Church St., departmental action.

11:27 a.m., fire alarm, Sohier St., investigated.

12:53 p.m, general services, N. Main St., departmental action.

1:51 p.m., general services, S. Main St./Beechwood , notification made/message or summons delivered.

2:36 p.m., traffic/MV compla[illegible] CO\S. Main St./Beechwood St., verbal wa[illegible]g.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 75

4:02 p.m., medical, Buttonwood Ln., services rendered.

5:04 p.m., fire alarm, Elm St., services rendered.

5:56 p.m., animal complaint, HQ S. Main St., departmental action.

6:48 p.m., officer field investigation, Ash St., investigated.

8:04 p.m., building check, Margin St., investigated.

9:48 p.m., fire alarm, Elm St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 62

Wednesday, April 24

6:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St. (Square), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:27 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., (Beechwood St.), traffic warning issued.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 58

OUI arrests are made

Police charged Scott M. Aikens, 31, of 414B N. Main St., with operating under the influence of liquor (third or subsequent offense), operating after suspension (fifth or subsequent offense), operating to endanger, leaving the scene with property damage, and failure to stay in marked lanes following an accident in the early hours of Sunday morning, police Sgt. Robert Jackson said.

At about 2:10 a.m. Sunday, an officer received a report of a motor vehicle accident on Cedar Street, Jackson said. There was evidence that Aikens was involved in earlier accidents that morning at the intersection of 3A & King Street and King and N. Main streets where traffic signs were hit, he said. Aikens struck a tree on Cedar Street, Jackson said. He was bailed at South Shore Hospital where he was treated and released. Aikens will report to court July 24 for a pre-trial conference, Jackson said.

On Friday night, police Officer William Quigley arrested Frank Falvey, 65, of Trysting Place in Scituate and charged him with operating under the influence and failure to stay within marked lanes. Falvey was arraigned on the charges in Quincy District Court with return date of May 16.

Parking clerk is a bargain

Selectmen readily approved a transfer of $300 this week to pay the remaining expenses for a parking clerk. There is only $91.60 left in the budget out of $1,400, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

"This is a case of the tail wagging the dog," Doyon explained. "The parking clerk costs are equal to the number of (parking) tickets issued."

Tickets are up because of the use of a summer police officer, said Doyon who serves as Cohasset's parking clerk.

About $20,000 has been deposited in the general fund in ticket fines, he said.

Doyon said parking clerk expenses are due to data processing and postage costs in processing the tickets.

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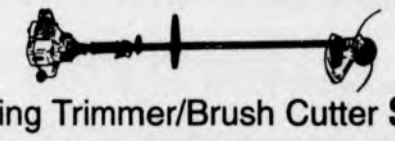

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Mariner Sports

Girls hit lacrosse field

New coach brings added enthusiasm to 38-player squad

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

For several years girls at Cohasset High were lobbying for a female lacrosse team. The main obstacle in their way, though, was getting someone who not only knew the game, but was available to coach.

The Skippers finally got the full package this spring when Hull's Cory Mundhenk dived into the job.

Mundhenk, who played lacrosse at Hingham High and Boston College, is ecstatic that she is coaching the game she loved to play.

"I really want to keep coaching," said Mundhenk, who is filling in teaching at Cohasset High for another teacher on maternity leave. "There aren't a lot of people around who know the sport. I'd love to stay and coach them.

"I want them to learn the sport and develop a love for the sport. I'm not looking to set any huge records. I just want to see them improve and enjoy the game."

The girls lacrosse team is currently playing at the club level against other non-varsity programs including Dennis-Yarmouth, Duxbury and Dover-Sherborn. By the end of the season the Lady Skippers will have played at least 11 games, Mundhenk is still working on adding a few more to the schedule.

Cohasset got off to a solid start, particularly for a first-year team, with a 3-3-1 record. The turnout for registration proved girls lacrosse is in demand in town with 38 girls from the seventh to 12th grade on the squad.

"I'm excited because we're doing well for a first-year team," she said. "I think it's great. I'm trying to get the younger girls involved in a pick-up league on Saturdays in Hingham."

Mudhenk says the team is chalk full of promising players, including seventh-grader Sarah Motley, who plays first home, the

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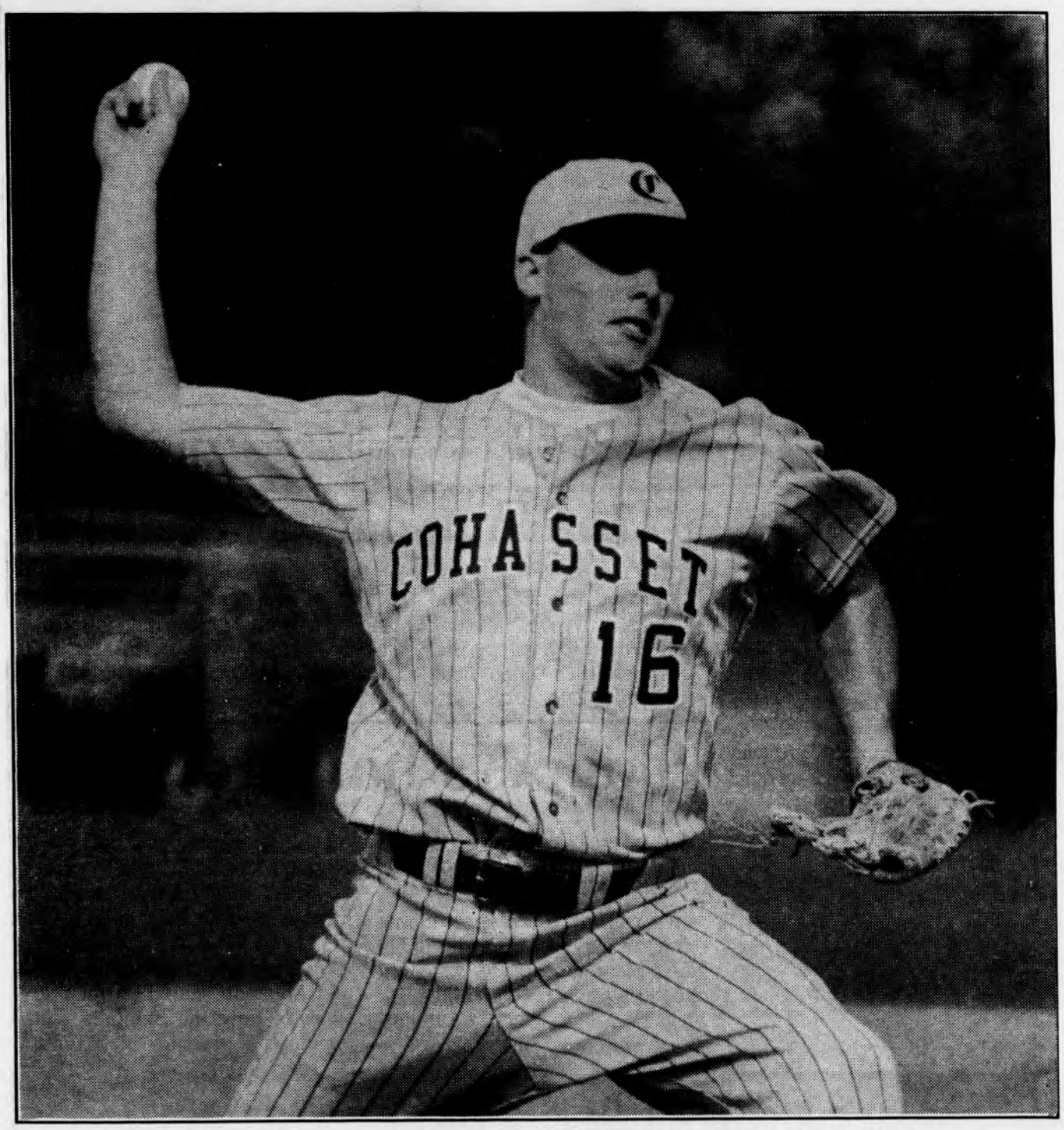

Cohasset pitcher Greg Stevens bears down on a Scituate batter during Tuesday's game.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Skippers hang tough to future tourney bid

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Cohasset Mariner

Heading into last Thursday's East Bridgewater game, the Skippers held a 5-4 record. Emerging with a victory, Cohasset, with two winnable baseball games ahead, looked as if it could solidify its position as a tournament challenger. Instead, the Skippers dropped two games, one to Abington and the second to Scituate, bringing their record to 6-6.

Although a .500 record would get the Skippers into the tournament, head coach Ron Ford would like to see his squad better its record, which would allow it to draw a higher seed.

Against the Vikings, eighth-grade pitcher Joe Pergola, a right-hander with a steaming fastball and a nasty curve, threw 5-1/3 innings, allowing two runs. Pergola, who began the year on JV, has worked his way up through the ranks and has earned his position as of Ford's premier pitchers.

Senior pitcher and co-captain Greg Stevens mopped up, chalking up his third save of the year. Stevens calmly threw 1-2/3 frames of scoreless ball. The superb pitching of the righty duo was helped along by big hits from catcher Rob Buckley, outfielder Mike Dunphy and first baseman Kevin McKenna, each of whom knocked in runs against EB's tough pitching.

In the Abington game, Ford sent flame-throwing righty Greg Taylor to the mound. The freshman, now in his second year on varsity, gutted out seven innings, throwing hard, but not enough to win as Cohasset wound up on the losing end of the 6-3 decision.

Taylor also made a diving barehanded grab of a pop-up bunt, a play Ford called "phenomenal." Center fielder Grant Emde came up with a few RBI for Cohasset, but it wasn't enough to top the tough Abington squad.

After being rained out against Norton on Monday, the Skippers faced Scituate at home on Tuesday. The Sailors jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the first frame. Cohasset fought back to get five in the bottom of the first, but the Skippers' neighboring rivals held on to win, 15-7. Senior co-captain Eric Henry and Emde hit back-to-back home runs on consecutive pitches, but it was too little too late as the Skippers' record dropped to 6-6. A bright spot came

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Marshfield lax battle never comes to fruition

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Sometimes things don't turn out the way you planned. In Cohasset High's lacrosse team's case that was a good thing when it came to its game against a tough Marshfield squad.

Head coach Ken Ekberg was prepared for a knock-down, drag-out match against the Rams, but the down-and-dirty battle never materialized.

The Skippers came out in the first half and played the best first half of lacrosse Ekberg has seen by any team all season to take an 11-2 lead. Ekberg made some personnel changes in the second half, but they hardly mattered as Cohasset walked away with a 13-7 victory.

The win put the Skippers over the .500 mark at 5-4 and surprised Ekberg as much as anyone.

"Marshfield is a tough team," he said. "I thought this was going to be a heck of a game."

Cohasset dominated every aspect of play throughout and goalie Ely Kahn wound up with 18 goals, most of which came in the second period, to earn the win.

As has been the case in the majority of the Skippers' games, Ken Leahy led a slew of Cohasset scorers. Leahy netted a hat trick and assisted on five others and sophomore Jamie Buick fired in four goals and added two assists. Chris McKenna had an assist to go along with his pair of tallies, while John Lax had a goal and assist. Kevin Smith, Eric Moore and Matt O'Connor all struck for goals.

Cohasset's next game is Friday against Norwell, followed by an away contest at Westwood on Saturday. The Skippers pretty much had their way with Norwell in the first meeting of the two teams this season. Cohasset took an early lead then built up a 14-3 win. Ekberg said he doesn't know much about the Westwood squad and has every intention of taking the squad very seriously.

As happy as Ekberg was with the Skippers' first half of play in the Marshfield game, he was a bit disappointed with the second.

"Consistency is an issue," he said. "We played a great first, but we didn't go at them as hard in the second half."

Mariner Sports

Cohasset's Andy Collins (23) controls the play against a Hingham High defender in lacrosse action.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

New coach brings added enthusiasm

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position closest to the opposing goal, and third home.

Ninth-grader Megan Connolly has one of the strongest shots on the team and can play several different positions. "She'll do anything I ask of her," Mudhenk said. "She's very much the team player."

Eighth-grader Jackie Kahn's strong suit is "cradling the ball" and moving it down field, while ninth-grader Katie Devine has been playing a solid game at center.

Co-captain Catie Campbell is the most versatile player on the team and has seen action on the wings, attack and defense. Campbell is especially good at knowing what her role is at the various positions.

"She's able to score and is very good at keeping others from scoring," Mudhenk said.

Goalie Ali Kinchla, a 10th-grader, should be a key to the Lady Skippers' defense in the coming years.

Despite the talent she does see from the girls, Mudhenk did say it's only natural that work be done on polishing the squad's skills. With so many girls on the team she holds two separate practices in the afternoon so she can get a better look at every player.

"I didn't think they were getting enough attention from me," she said. "I really want them to learn. The older girls picked it up quicker than the younger girls, but everybody has been working really hard.

"They've got the energy and enthusiasm. They're all really willing to work. It has been a great time commitment, but it's a lot of fun for me to do."

Legion tryouts scheduled

The George H. Mealy Post 118 will hold American Legion Baseball Tryouts Saturday, May 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Scituate High School field.

Any player between the ages of 15 and 19 after Aug. 1 is invited to try out. A certified copy of a player's birth certificate is required. For further information, call John Carr at 383-0331.

Skippers hang tough

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when righty Ben Ketchum, who recently threw a no-hitter, came on to throw a scoreless inning and got his first varsity hit in his first plate appearance. Ketchum roped a single up the middle. He had been batting .438 on the JV team with one home run.

Cohasset now finds itself at a crucial point in the season. With rested arms and live bats, the Skippers should be able to come up with four more wins and still have time to vie for a solid tourney seed. The two remaining games this week against Norwell and Abington should be tell-tale signs of how the Skippers will handle the pressure of making the tournament.

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The Skippers' Ben Ketchum is safe at second with a stolen base as Scituate's Ryan O'Donnell waits for the throw in South Shore League action.

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SSH hosts golf tournament

The seventh annual South Shore Hospital golf tournament will be held Monday, June 3, at Hatherly Country Club, North Scituate. Proceeds will support hospital programs and services that are available free of charge to the community. In 1995, SSH provided $7.3 million in care to those unable to pay for services.

Last year's tournament raised $46,000 to help support the hospital's new cardiac catheterization laboratory. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Jill McDonough at South Shore Health and Educational Foundation at 340-8848 for more information or to register. Hingham resident Dick Dempsey is chairman of the tournament.

Girls basketball clinic at Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy is sponsoring a Basketball Clinic for girls in grades 6-8 on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, 1073 Main St. The fee is $75.

The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ballhandling, passing, shooting and team play.

For an application or more details, call (508) 238-0372.

Gymnastics openings available

There are still openings in Tumble Bugs, pre-school boys and girls, beginner boys and girls, sports for kids, intermediates and junior and high school classes. The session began April 29 and runs for eight weeks. For more information call the South Shore Community Center at 383-0088.

Upcoming events at the center include "Boys Night Out" on Friday, June 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for boys ages 5-10 years old. Come join Ruthann, George and others for a fun-filled evening of sports, bowling, obstacle courses, and make your own pizza. Everyone receives something for participation. You must be pre-registered. Call the center for more information.

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Dog obedience classes set for May 14

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept telephone registrations for beginner and intermediate dog training classes to be taught by Laurie Cleveland. Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings on Cohasset Common beginning May 14.

Beginner classes will be from 6:30-7:30 p.m., and intermediate-advanced classes will be from 7:30-8:30 p.m. The fee for the eight-week program will be $48. Checks should be made payable to the Town of Cohasset and may be brought to the first class.

Participating dogs should be a minimum of three months of age. To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Classes are limited in size, non-residents will be accepted on a space available basis. Classes do not meet in inclement weather.

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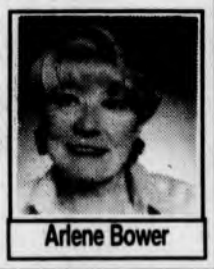

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School Notebook

Cohasset Arts Boosters Club

Cohasset High School will come alive with the sound of music this spring with the annual Pops Concert May 16. The Arts Boosters will host the 11th annual CHS Arts Recognition Night May 23. More details will follow later, but please mark your calendars now for these festive events.

In 1995/96, the Arts Boosters have continued their tradition of providing essential funding, publicity and organizational support for all of the high school arts. Arts Boosters volunteers work closely with six teachers of the arts all year, and funding comes from student performances, grants and an annual fundraising letter sent to parents and businesses.

This year the Arts Boosters donated a major gift of stage risers for the CHS auditorium to enhance the performance setting for Deer Hill and high school musicians. In addition, they funded an HP Deskwriter 660c Printer and the student literary magazine, Whispers & Shadows, which will be mailed to all parents 7 to 12.

As part of a Boston-wide commemoration of tenor Roland Hayes, the first black male singer to perform with the Boston Symphony Orchestra, they donated materials on Hayes's life and work. The Arts Boosters also provided curriculum materials for the new photography class, including the film for Cohasset's participation in the National Photo Documentary, "One Day in the Life of America: A Photographic Celebration of Student Life."

The Arts Boosters Club would like to thank the many "Patrons of the Arts" who have contributed to our efforts in support of the arts at Cohasset High School.

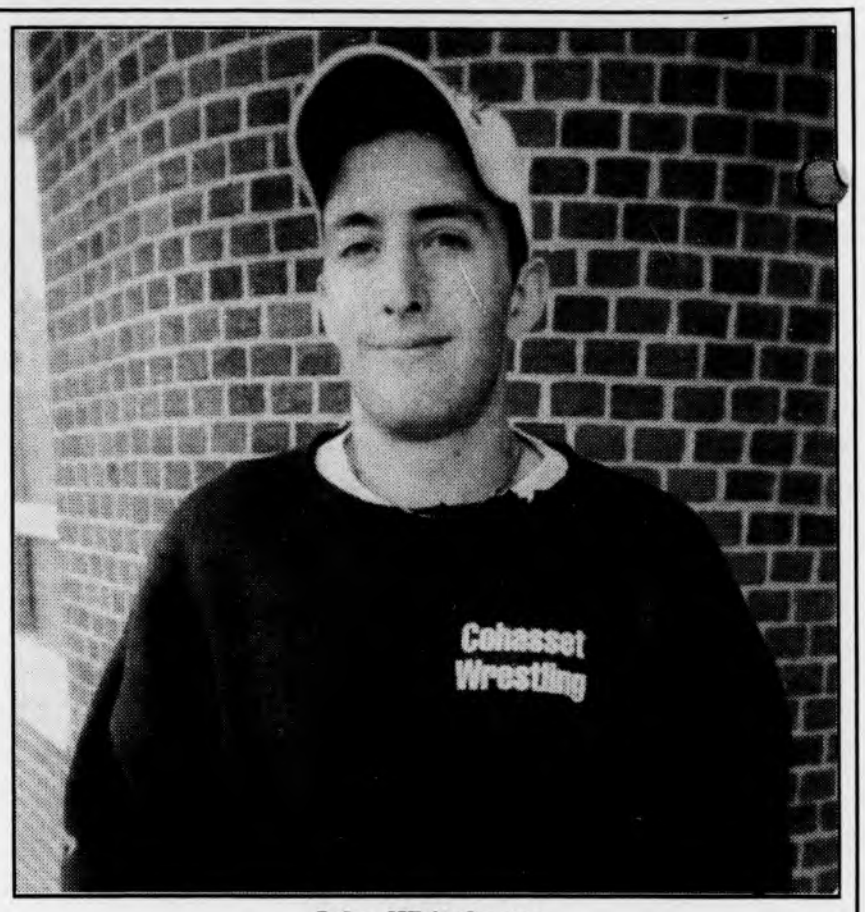
Gala art opening is May 14

Deer Hill School will host a Gala Art Opening Tuesday, May 14, at 7 p.m. The art show, entitled "Favorites 1996," represents the artwork of all Deer Hill students, who have chosen their favorite artwork of the year. There will be refreshments and music. All are invited to attend.

Deer Hill School will also celebrate the grand unveiling of a permanent clay installation created by DHS sixth-grade students, along with displays from Deer Hill's recent artist-in-residency program with dancer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser.

For additional information, art teacher Ann Berman at DHS, 383-6115.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH/ John Whitehouse



John Whitehouse

It's rather unusual for a wrestling coach and an English teacher to collaborate on a recommendation for Student of the Month, but we're recommending a rather unusual student, John Whitehouse.

I can truly say it has been a pleasure to teach and to know John Whitehouse. In the classroom, he is one of the top students I have taught in my career, but perhaps the thing I am most impressed with about John is something I would call intellectual humility. In a discussion, he is not the person who "knows all the answers" and can't wait to get his next words in — even it it means not listening to what someone else is saying.

I have watched John make a comment, sit back and listen to the class respond, and when appropriate, say, "I can see that as another way of looking at things," or even "That makes much more sense than what I said originally."

John is not an academic wimp; he is an open-minded thinker willing to accept the ideas of others if they are convincing. He has the patience to let others express these ideas even when he disagrees with them.

His wrestling coach has been impressed by his work ethic, also. John worked during the off-season at lifting and wrestling to better prepare himself for the season, which was his third of varsity competition.

John served as one of the captains of this year's team and, according to his coach, will make a strong bid to place in the state competition.

We recommend John Whitehouse very strongly for Student of the Month.

— Ron Emmons and Torin Sweeney

Arts performed at Deer Hill

Dancer/choreographer Nikki Hu and composer Guy Van Duser is spending April 22-26 at Deer Hill School working with students and staff. They will create a performing arts interpretation of the story "Sadako and the 1,000 Cranes," a highly acclaimed children's book about the life of a Japanese child after the bombing of Hiroshima. The story shows how one child can make a difference in the lifes of others.

The tale of hope and inspiration will be presented as a dance performance incorporating history, music, art and literature. Performances took place on Friday, April 26, at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Deer Hill School.

The project was funded in part by the Mass. Cultural Council, local lottery council and support from the Cohasset Education Foundation, Cohasset PSO and the Diversity Committee.

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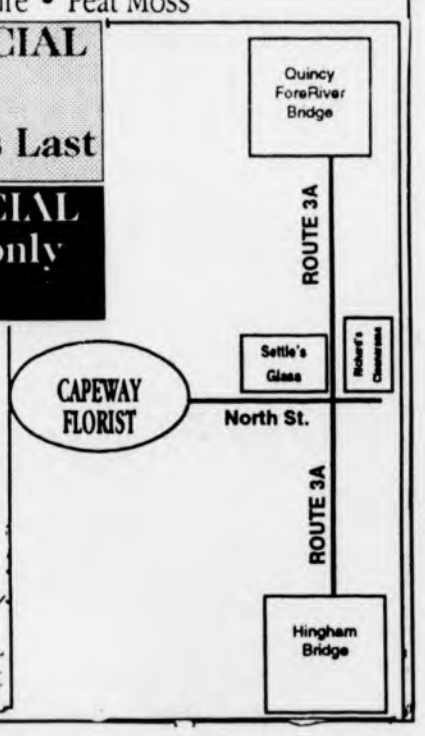

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Special program at Deer Hill School

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Clockwise from top left: Nikki Hu welcomes visitors to the Deer Hill School where she led fifth-grade pupils in a dance portraying the story of Hiroshima's tragedy. Soldier (Robert Hickey) stands by as Sara Genovese (a survivor) pulls one of the dying (portrayed by Meghan Chastain) to the river. Pupils perform the dance of 'A Thousand Cranes,' based on a true story about a Hiroshima survivor who later succumbed to leukemia (Front row L-R are Yasmine Afshar, Katherine Coyne, and Kim Ulmer). Alexis Bugley, at front, shows the sign of respect. The program tries to convey the understanding that making a peaceful world is much like the process of learning a dance or making music — working with courage and hope for a beautiful outcome. The program was made possible through state and local grants.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS SHERIFF'S SALE
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Seized and taken on execution and will be sold by Public Auction on Thursday, the 30th day of May A.D. 1996 at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Deputy Sheriffs Office at 638 High St., in Dedham in said County of Norfolk, all the right, title and interest which George Roukounakis aka George K. Roukounakis had (not exempt by law from attachment or levy on execution) on the 29th day of January A.D. 1996, when the same was seized on execution in and to the following described real estate:

of that certain parcel of land situate in COHASSET in the County of Norfolk and said Commonwealth, bounded and described as follows:

Northerly by a Town Way, two hundred nineteen and 60/100 (219.60) feet;

Easterly by South Main Street, one hundred thirty five and 60/100 (135.60) feet;

Southeasterly and Southerly by the Middle line of James Lane, on land now or formerly of the Cohasset Savings Bank, two hundred ninety one and 72/100 (291.72) feet;

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The northeasterly corner of the above described land within a space located approximately as shown on said plan is subject to the provisions of a taking by the Town of Cohasset, dated September 13, 1934, duly recorded in Book 2042, Page 91.

The above described land is subject to and has the benefit of, usual, passageway rights in said James Lane located one-half of its width on such land and the other half on said Cohasset Savings Bank Land.

The above described land is subject also to and has the benefit of a stipulation between Maude D. Sweeney and the Cohasset Savings Bank, et al, filed with the papers in this case on December 4, 1935, a copy of which is filed in the Norfolk Registry District with Decree No. 1746.

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5/9/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 95P1023E2

Estate of ANNE W. SMITH late of COHASSET
In the County of NORFOLK
NOTICE

AKA: THE MASSACHUSETTS ATTORNEY'S GENERAL OFFICE and all other interested parties

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that HENRY C. LARSEN, Jr. of NORWELL in the County of PLYMOUTH be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on May 29, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this first day of April, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

5/9/96

Elder Affairs events

"An Evening at the Pops" at Cohasset High School, Thursday, May 16, in the cafeteria. Tickets are $5. Call Kathy Gray, 383-2718.

Grand Amish tour to Pennsylvania Dutch country. Gettysburg-Hershey, Penn., September 13-16. $209 double occupancy, includes six meals and one dinner theater. Call Libby Pompeo, 383-0711.

Rosecliff-Newport, Saturday, July 13. Visit Rosecliff and relive the Gilded Age of elegance. Full course lunch at LaForge, one of Newport's finest restaurants, and tour Marble House afterward. Fully escorted. $55 per person.

Ongoing programs: Step program, Mon., Weds., Fri., 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. with Mary Jane Butera.

Stretch and strengthen, Tues. and Thurs., 7:45 - 8:30 a.m. with Marian Archer.

Easy does it, Tues., 11 a.m.-noon, Ginny Waterman.

Bowling for seniors, Thurs, 9:30 a.m., with Bill O'Connell.

Chi cong, Fri., 9-10 a.m., with Barbara Alger.

Knitting, Fri., 1-3 p.m., Edna Finegan.

Transportation is provided the first Monday of each month to Braintree Mall, and the second Wednesday of each month to Hanover Mall.

Share pick-up date is May 18, 8-9 a.m.

Tuesday luncheon speakers:

May 14, David Brown, executive director at the South Shore Art Center, will speak about upcoming events planned by the center and Harborfest.

May 21, a visit with Debbie Webster and her third grade students from the Joseph Osgood School.

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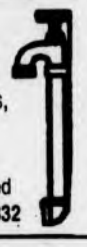

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It's Happening

Herb Day party is slated

Herb Day, honoring Herb Jason and Herb Towle for a lifetime of commitment and service to Cohasset and its maritime history, is planned for Sunday, May 19, from 2 p.m. to sunset on Government Island, Cohasset Harbor.

There will be singing by Lilly Sestitio, Dan Anderson's famous seafood chowder, exhibits, along with other fun-filled activities and surprises.

For more information, call Ira Stoughton at 383-0747 or Kit Bryant at 383-9094.

Buy stock in service project

ASP volunteers have invited all Cohasset residents to become a part of this year's Appalachia Service Project. A recent town-wide mailing outlined "stock options," at $20 a share, with guaranteed returns of postcards, letters, newsletters, photos, and above all, the satisfaction of joining this community effort. Proceeds from the sale of "stock" are used for construction materials, transportation, and room and board.

"Stock" sales is the project's major fund-raiser. If you are interested in helping out and becoming an integral part of the 1996 Appalachia Service Project, please send your tax-deductible contribution, payable to "SCC Youth Group," to Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., 02025. For more information, call Gary Ritts (383-0345), Ami Argus (383-9325), or Pam DeLorenzo (383-6904).

Yard sale is Saturday

Your spring cleanup can help others this year when you donate your unwanted furniture, toys, sports equipment, kitchen goods, art work, boats, books, knick-knacks, and other "treasures" to ASP's annual yard sale, scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, May 11 at the Second Congregational Church.

Donated items may be dropped off at the church, next to town hall, from 7 to 9 p.m. today (Thursday). Pickups can be arranged by calling Ami Argus at 383-9325.

ASP also welcomes donations of construction tools. Black & Decker will rebuild or replace any old or broken B&D tools, so please include those.

All proceeds will benefit the 1996 Appalachia Service Project this summer when 84 Cohasset High School students and adult supervisors will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families.

Pops concert at CHS

The annual Pops Concert will take in Cohasset High School cafeteria on Thursday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited. Refreshments are included in the $5 admission fee.

The event is sponsored by the Arts Boosters Club, and all proceeds will support the arts at CHS.

Mother's Day brunch

A Mother's Day Brunch on Saturday will be served to mothers and their guests by the Young Women of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Reservations need be made by calling Polly Doggett at 383-1847. Any profits will go to the young women for this summer's girls' camp program.

Teen center update noted

There will be an open house at the Cohasset Teen Center, 24 So. Main St., Friday, May 10, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. All sixth graders and their parents are invited to drop by, tour the center, and meet the directors, staff, and some of the board members of the Cohasset Youth Resources. Juice and baked goods will be served.

Later that evening, all seventh, eighth and ninth graders are invited to the second poker night at the center. Games will be played from 7 to 10 p.m., with pizza and soda provided and prizes awarded.

The teen center also will be open Saturday, May 11, 7 to 10 p.m.

Girl Scout registration

Girl Scout registration for the fall will be held Wednesday, May 22, from 7 to 8 p.m. at Second Congregational Church in Bates Hall. Adults are needed to be leaders.

Geranium sale this Sunday

A perfect Mother's Day gift! Beautiful geraniums in 6" pots in pink, white or red will be sold after church at 11:35 a.m. on Sunday, May 12, at the First Parish front yard, 23 North Main St., opposite the common. Plants are $5 each, three for $12.

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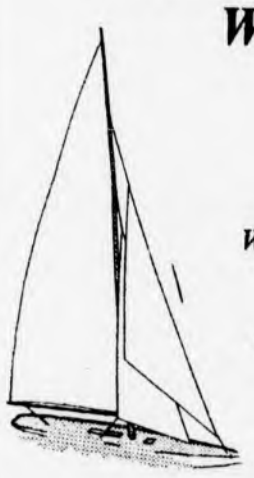

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Septic system relief offered

State loans may put repairs within homeowners' reach

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset residents, troubled by failed or failing septic systems, and without a sewer connection in their future will soon be eligible for some significant financial aide.

A new state revolving loan fund, managed by the state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), will make $30 million in long-term, low-interest loans available to towns, offering relief to those hardest hit by Title V.

The money has become available through the passage of the state's Open Space Bond Bill and Cohasset will be one of the first communities eligible for the loan program, said DEP Deputy Assistant Commissioner Glenn Haas.

"Cohasset is coming in under a comprehensive approach management plan for handling its whole unsewered area and is under a court agreement with the state," Haas said. Under the agreement, Cohasset must sewer 1/3 of its homes before 1999. A major sewer project

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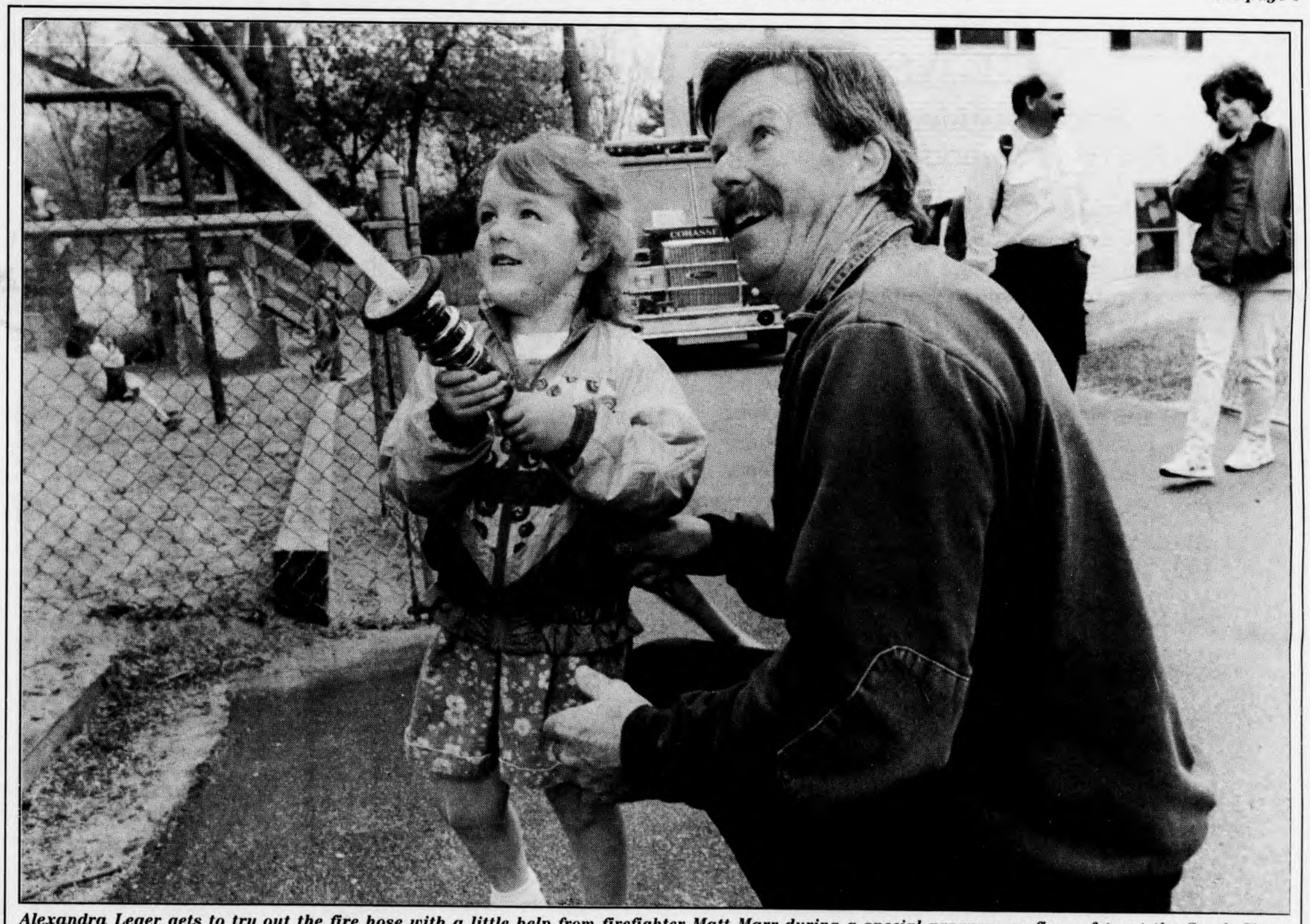

Alexandra Leger gets to try out the fire hose with a little help from firefighter Matt Marr during a special program on fire safety at the South Shore Community Center Nursery School last week. For more photos, see page 18.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Landfill legal fees out of control, counsel warns

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

What Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown thought would be a 15-minute powwow lasted nearly two hours Monday as members of three town boards grappled with soaring costs related to legal issues surrounding Cohasset Heights Landfill.

The heated discussion may have seemed like déjà vu to those who recall when the same topic reached a head — about 12 months and $300,000 ago.

Ironically, it is a lawyer who sounded

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Two Herbs to be honored

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Herb Jason and Herb Towle have a lot more in common than their first name.

Jason, 82, and Towle, 78, may be well past the age when most people slow down – but these two Cohasset natives haven't even thought of stepping back from their hectic pace of involvement.

Jason, a lobsterman, and Towle, a sailing enthusiast, are as comfortable on the water as on land.

So Government Island, which juts out into Cohasset harbor, is the perfect spot to honor the men who put in hours of their time volunteering on parallel projects at the town park: the refurbishing of the Lightkeepers' House and the construction of the Minot's Light Replica.

Both men will be honored at "Herb Day" a special community celebration getting underway Sunday with a boat proces-

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Cohasset's Week

Housing complex meeting is tonight at town hall

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said there is a meeting at 7:30 p.m. (tonight) May 16 in the selectmen's office to learn about the proposed senior citizen development off Beechwood Street. Developer Wayne Sawchuck has proposed at 28-unit condominium-style housing proposal for the so-called "Wolf Pit" area off the end of Beechwood Street. Twenty-five percent of the project would be dedicated as affordable housing for elderly/handicapped.

Village forum is slated

Selectmen plan to host a public forum on Cohasset Village issues at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 22 at Bancroft Hall at the Lightkeepers House on Government Island. The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce recently launched a village revitalization effort which selectmen have enthusiastically supported.

Silvia on re-use board

Rich Silvia, who has served on the school facilities committee since the 1970s, selectmen said, resigned from that board in order to be appointed to the Osgood School Re-Use Committee.

Selectmen accepted Silvia's resignation with thanks and were happy to appoint him to the Osgood committee which will come up with a recommendation on what should be done with the aging elementary school after the new school is built on the Deer Hill site.

Also appointed to the re-use committee are two neighborhood representatives, Kathleen L. O'Malley, 56 Sohier St. and John W. Childs, 87 Sohier St.

Ambulance billing update

As of April 30, the town has collected $85,813.34 out of a possible $97,135.01 in ambulance bills for a collection rate of 88 percent, the fire department reported to selectmen this week.

Receipts are not solely from fiscal year 1996 ambulance transports but include previous fiscal years.

Support for bricks noted

Mark and Diana Remlinger, 55 Norfolk Rd., wrote to selectmen this week to support the idea of installing inscribed bricks along the common. Selectmen have been looking for a solution to the "brown" strip where the grass has worn away due to cars parking on it along the North Main Street side between Jason and Long Roads.

"We will also volunteer to buy and sell bricks," they wrote.

Lights, camera, action!

Cohasset is the site of an upcoming Marshall's commercial, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon reported.

September Productions, which filmed a Maxwell House commercial on the common several years ago, asked permission to use the Sandy Beach and Parker Street parking lots as a staging area this week.

The commercial was slated to be filmed this week at a private home on Atlantic Avenue and not on public property so in lieu of a location fee, Doyon asked the production company for a $300 donation for the town common maintenance fund.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

May 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 16	11:21	10.0	5:06	11:33	11.0	5:17
Fri. 17	——	——	5:52	12:06	9.9	6:01
Sat. 18	12:15	10.9	6:35	12:49	9.8	6:44
Sun. 19	12:56	10.8	7:17	1:31	9.6	7:26
Mon. 20	1:37	10.6	7:59	2:13	9.4	8:08
Tues. 21	2:19	10.3	8:41	2:56	9.2	8:52
Wed. 22	3:02	10.0	9:24	3:41	9.1	9:38
Thurs. 23	3:48	9.7	10:10	4:27	8.9	10:26

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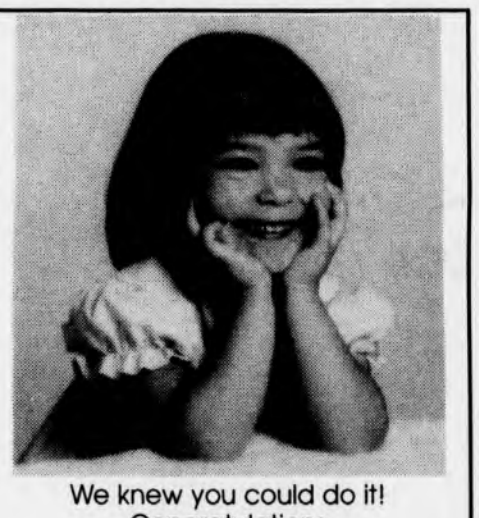

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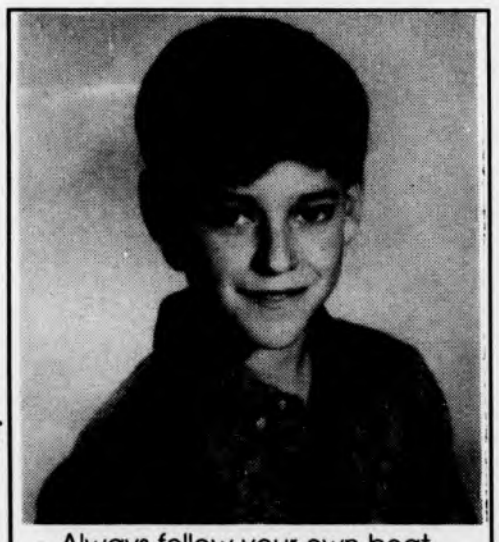

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Cohasset's Week

Shaw's head of real estate development Brian Leahy, state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, and Shaw's president and CEO Philip Francis pose for the official ground-breaking at Cushing Plaza on Monday morning. Shaw's is razing the existing buildings to construct a new shopping center at the site. Plans are to have the plaza finished within about a year. A retention pond near Bergson's is currently under construction which will solve the existing problem with rain water run-off from the plaza, officials said. Francis said the plaza is one of his favorite places to shop and is exactly 6.2 miles from his home in Norwell.

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THE CRAFT (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:45

THE TRUTH ABOUT CATS AND DOGS (PG13) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35

PRIMAL FEAR (R) 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40

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JAMES AND THE GIANT PEACH (PG)
1:15, 3:15, 5:15

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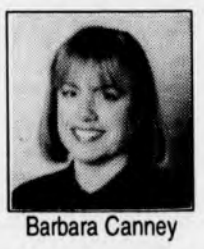
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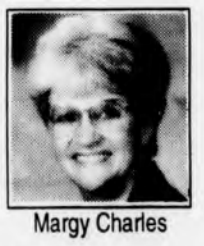
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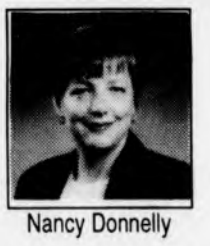
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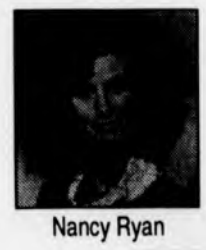
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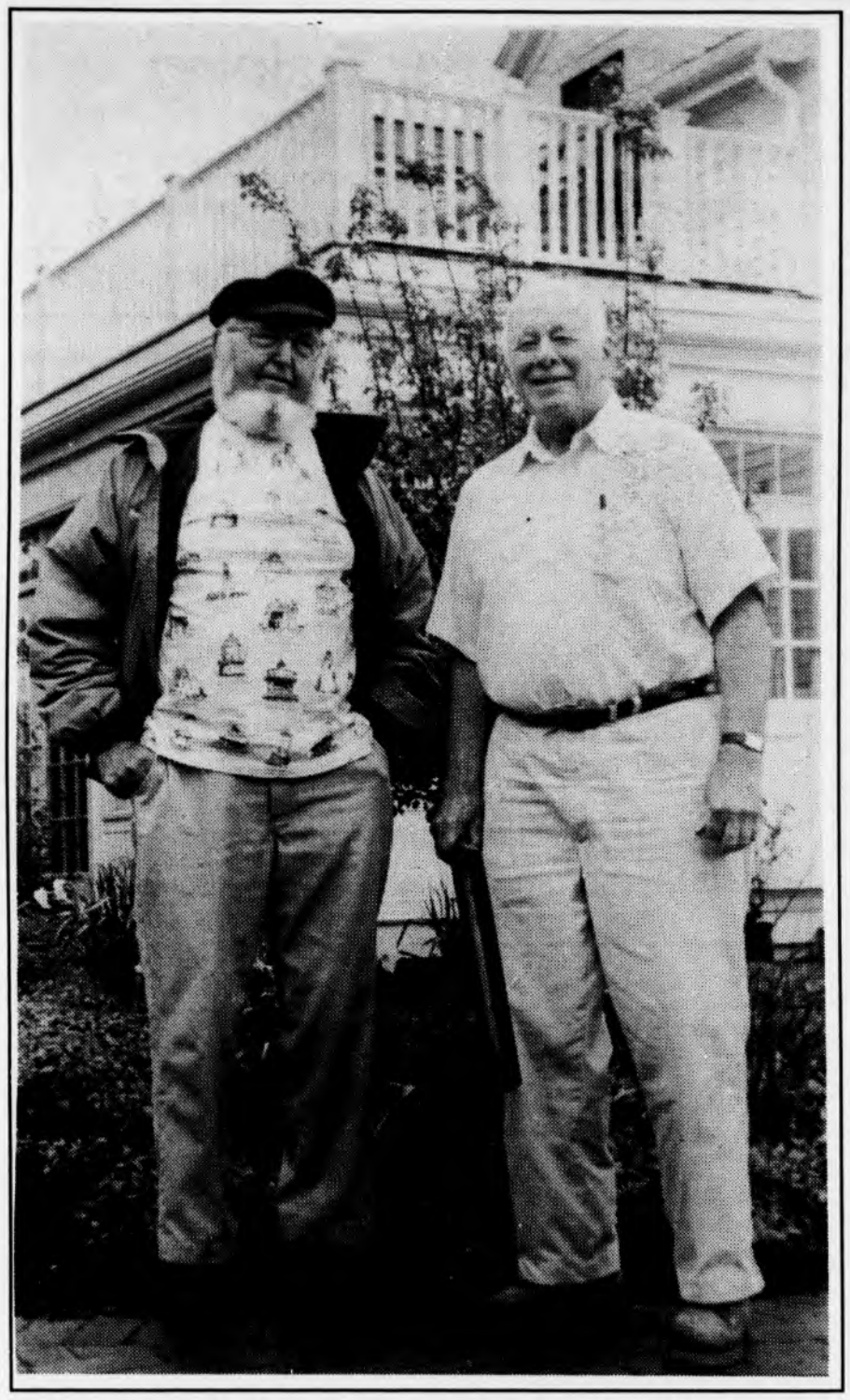

Cohasset's Herb Jason, left, and Herb Towle will be honored Sunday during a special community celebration on Government Island.

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Two Herbs to be honored

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sion at 2 p.m. at Government Island off Border Street. The event is being sponsored by the non-profit Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation, which preserved and now manages the lightkeepers' house. The day also features Blessing of the Fleet at 2:30 p.m. and from 3 to 3:45 p.m., "proclamations, presentations and responses," CLC president Joe McElroy said. Antique autos will be on display throughout the afternoon along with other exhibits and Dan Anderson's famous New England Clam Chowder with coffee or soda pop will be available.

Towle, who founded the Cohasset sailing club in 1960, said he's looking forward to the event.

"It gives me a chance to thank the people for the help they gave me to make things happen," he said.

Towle worked hand-in-hand with McElroy and other volunteers with the refurbishing of the 140-year-old lightkeepers' house, which now includes two apartments and Bancroft Hall which is available as a meeting place for community groups. CLC leases the residence from the town for $1 a year. Money for the about $1/4 million project, which started four years ago, was raised privately and McElroy said a mortgage burning is also planned Sunday to celebrate the paying off of the remaining $11,000 owed.

Jason helped construct the Minot light replica, which stands down the hill in front of the lightkeepers' house, and is made with the cement blocks from Minot's Ledge Light which was rebuilt several years ago.

Both men have a vision for the future of Government Island which they'd like to see become a focal point for townspeople and tourists alike.

Refurbishing the red building next to the lightkeepers (which is now used for storage) and turning it into a small museum is one project. The structure was used as the engineer's headquarters during the construction of the second Minot's light in the 1860's and Towle and Jason would like to see it recreated complete with old photographs and plans. Another project is to incorporate the small brick building by the sailing club into the historical features of the island. That building was used to store the sperm whale oil once used to light the lamps at Minot light. And lastly, they'd like to see Beacon Rock made more accessible and perhaps install the braces and mast up there like the one that once existed to send messages from atop the rock to the lightkeepers by the semaphore system.

One thing Jason would like to see changed is the island's name.

"The name Government Island, I do not like!" he says. The land used to be owned by the government and when Minot light was being reconstructed in the 1800s, townspeople referred to the area as "government land" and the name evolved that way, Jason says.

Bury common wires

Selectman Nan Roth said several residents in the town common area are interested in learning how much it would cost to bury the utility wires all the way around the common up to St. Stephen's.

They'd like to accomplish the project by the year 2000 and are willing to obtain some private resources and solicit grant funds, Roth said.

"They'd like to know what the exact numbers will be," Roth said.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said determining the cost would require a significant engineering study.

Selectman Peter Pratt noted that "utilities don't like doing this, not out of the goodness of their heart."

Pratt suggested town counsel be consulted to see how the town should proceed with this matter and felt that burying the wires might go along with open space planning which the town has just embarked on. Selectmen recently appointed an open space planning committee.

Pay hikes recommended

Selectmen recommended pay raises for civilian dispatcher Thomas Wigmore from $9.39 to $9.94 per hour effective June 4 and for Mary M. Farrell, accounting clerk, from $10.19 to $10.72 effective June 14.

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Loans may put repairs within homeowners' reach

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involving upgrading Cohasset's wastewater treatment plant and a plan to sewer homes along Straits Pond by connecting them to Hull's sewer treatment plant are already in the works.

Cohasset can borrow up to $500,000 annually for the next six years and can in turn lend the money to homeowners in need of septic system repairs or an upgrade, said Sewer Commission Chairman Edward "Ted" Guild. Once the loan is made, the town puts a lean on the homeowner's property until the loan is paid off, he said.

Individual homeowners will be allowed to borrow up to $20,000 for on-site repairs to their septic systems, Guild said. The loans are offered at half market rate interest, currently less than 3 percent, and can be paid off over 20 years. Without the subsidy program, Guild said homeowners will be faced with paying the entire cost of the repair work up front.

Average repair costs in Cohasset have run between $10,000 and $25,000, said Guild, who noted that with $500,000 to work with annually — 25, $20,000 repairs or upgrades could be done each year, making it possible to handle the bulk of problems in town over the next six years.

Town meeting must vote to approve borrowing the money, Guild said, noting that the health and sewer boards will likely work together to sponsor an article for the special town meeting this fall. If the article passes muster at town meeting, Guild said the money could be available to homeowners by the end of the year.

Other communities could apply to borrow lesser amounts $100,000 to $200,000 in the next fiscal year, Haas noted.

"I can't imagine it wouldn't pass," Guild said of the proposed article, noting that the program's adoption would have no impact on the tax rate and will help many people. For those who have already upgraded their systems there is no retroactive assistance available, but for those still facing costly repairs, it will be a boon, Guild said.

Town Administrator Greg Doyon agreed, but has concerns that $500,000 per year won't be sufficient to solve all of Cohasset's septic problems.

"This will only solve a small proportion of the potential need out there," he said, adding "1,300 households in Cohasset will not be sewered and we're concerned there will be more in need than money available."

Cohasset Health Agent Dr. Joseph Godzik also has concerns about the program which he noted is in the beginning stages.

Godzik noted there is a risk to Cohasset which is responsible to pay the state back for the loan, if a homeowner defaults on his loan payment to the town. Godzik also stressed a need to provide training to those who will administer the program for the town.

"It's early on in the process," said Godzik, who expects the health and sewer boards to meet in June or July to work out the administrative details.

"We need to get the treasurer/collector involved, so they know what's going on," he said, pointing out that this is a loan program and not a gift from the state or town.

Residents who have gotten wind of the program are already starting to voice their support of it. River Road resident Lisa Westcott said she knew when she purchased her home she'd have to upgrade its septic system — an old cesspool — and has been concerned about the cost.

"I'm very interested in finding out about the loan program," she said.

An additional homeowner loan, managed through the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency, became available this month, giving residents another loan option, Godzik noted.

Landfill legal fees out of control, counsel warns

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the alarm this time with what he described as "very troubling" bills.

The town's new Town Counsel Paul DeRensis incredulously fanned last month's $40,000 in legal bills from the Boston law firm Warner & Stackpole in front of selectmen, the board of health and members of the conservation commission at Monday's meeting.

"This has the feel of $1 million being spent," DeRensis said.

And he may be closer than the thinks. Unofficial estimates put the amount the town has spent over the past decade at upwards of $750,000. The town appropriated about $290,000 for legal fees for CHL issues through special and annual town meetings for FY' 96, which ends June 30.

At the DeRensis' urging that they take charge of the situation — selectmen said all requests for special town counsel must be funnelled through their board. They will now insist on a firm, detailed estimate for services which must not be exceeded.

Last year, selectmen were divided on how to corral the rising cost of special legal counsel dealing with Cohasset Heights, a privately-owned landfill off Rte. 3A, whose proposed expansion the town opposes.

At that time, under pressure from the board of health and conservation commission which felt long-time special environmental counsel Warner & Stackpole should continue to represent the town on Cohasset Heights issues — in a majority vote selectmen (with Selectmen Peter Pratt and Martha Gjesteby dissenting) backed off a promise made at town meeting to issue a Request for Proposal (RFP) to shop the market and see if the town is getting the best value for the dollar.

They decided then to have then town counsel Richard Henderson be a liaison between town boards and Warner & Stackpole to save money and discourage board members from calling W&S directly and running up the costs that way.

But Henderson stepped down as town counsel last year to devote more time to his private practice and with the spate of site assignment hearings — 19 in all — relating to Cohasset Heights expansion, the legal cost meter kept ticking away.

This week selectmen said DeRensis' firm will take over CHL issues that are not directly related to the site assignment hearings and possible appeal of the board of health's recent decision to deny CHL's expansion application.

CHL matters before the conservation commission will be handled by town counsel immediately, selectmen said. The Board of Health wants to keep W&S on board and it is not clear if selectmen will agree. Legal appellate work differs from evidential hearings and often law firms send in a different team of specialist lawyers for appeals. DeRensis said the appeal "it should be a fairly routine thing" because the evidence is already in the record, therefore negating the need for W&S to handle the appeal.

DeRensis noted that law firms that predominantly work for private entities play by different rules. He explained that judging from the bills, W&S had two and sometimes three lawyers working simultaneously on town matters at the rate of $150 to $200 per hour apiece when some of the work could be done by a paralegal at $50 an hour.

"We find in the public sector having two lawyers on a case doesn't work for economic reasons," DeRensis said. DeRensis's firm, Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis Holland & Drachman serves as town counsel for Randolph, Nantucket and a host of other municipalities, counties and special governmental agencies in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Vermont. Some 70 percent of its clients are public entities with private practice taking up the rest.

DeRensis said the fault for the escalating bills lies with selectmen for not laying down guidelines and providing control "on a very close basis."

Apparently in agreement, selectman Ronnie McMorris noted that when she was on the conservation commission, W&S lawyer Michael Leon attended a number of meetings.

"I had no idea when he came it was $1,000 a shot," she said.

Dropping a potential bombshell, DeRensis said he found the town's decision on denying CHL's site assignment application to have a couple of "fatal defects which could be overturned."

Selectmen were dumbfounded by this statement which DeRensis did not elaborate on except to say the matter might be remanded for additional fact finding so legal expenditures relating to the proposed expansion could go on for a "considerable amount of time."

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Fishing boat incident is under investigation, police chief says

Police, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the state Environmental Police are investigating an incident that occurred at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday when the operator of a fishing boat was found in the water.

Sheldon F. Sladen, 61, of 42 Elm Court, was air lifted by helicopter to Boston City Hospital. BCH said Sladen was in surgery and was listed in critical condition at 3 p.m. Tuesday as the Mariner went to press.

A press release issued by Police Chief Brian W. Noonan said shortly after 10:30 a.m., the Cohasset harbormaster John Winters received a "May Day" from the fishing boat "Prime Rib" saying "have found fishing boat 'Beachcomber' at east Shag Rock with motor running, no one on vessel."

The harbormaster responded shortly thereafter after receiving a transmission from "Prime Rib" that the owner of the boat had been located in the water and had been taken on board where CPR was administered.

"Prime Rib" was escorted by the harbormaster to the Government Island pier where police and fire units were waiting. Sladen was transported by ambulance to Miliken Field on Bancroft Road and subsequently transported by Boston MedFlight to Boston City Hospital.

Help clean up Cohasset Village!

The Village Task Force is sponsoring two Village clean-up days to coincide with flower planters being installed by the Village Renaissance Committee. The clean-up area will consist of the Central Village, Elm Street, town parking area, Depot Court and Ripley Road. The effort will be continued down to the Harbor area if there are enough volunteers and time permits.

Clean-up days will be: Saturday, May 18, from 9 a.m. to noon; and Monday, May 20, from 8 a.m. to noon. Volunteers will meet at Aquarius Sunrooms, 22 Depot Court.

Along with volunteers, the following items are needed: tools, rakes brooms, compost, plants rail road ties, trash bags, mulch, top soil, flowers and pressure-treated timbers. Volunteers are asked to bring their own equipment if possible.

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Martha Logan attends auction of Jackie's estate

Martha Logan of Cohasset and her Smith College classmate, **Carol Plum** of New York, were among those attending Sotheby's auction of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis' estate. They were present at the book, china, furniture and jewelry collections of the auction, and they were among the 75,000 who received catalogues. (Profits from catalogue sales were earmarked for the JFK Library, Boston.)

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Guild, Mrs. John Chase, Mrs. John Keane, Mrs. Edward Logan and **Miss Martha Logan** recently toured the "Splendors of Imperial China: Treasures from National Palace Museum, Taipei" at the New York Metropolitan Museum, which is considered the finest collection of Chinese art in existence.

From all reports, the collection is spectacular and held in the highest esteem; those who attended were thrilled to be able to do so!

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Had a pleasant chat with **Brendan Mulcahy** the other day. He was so happy to let everyone know he won two medals in the Special Olympics, held a few weeks ago in Brockton. The medals were for softball throw and the 50-yard dash, in the 18-30 age group. He goes onward next week; hopefully he will let us know how he does in his events. We will be sending cheers to you, Brendan.

❑

At a recent Plymouth County Education Association banquet, the following teachers were honored: meritorious citations went to **Marian Atkinson** and **Susan Bausch,** Osgood School, $500 awards; **R. Lawrence Shultz,** Deer Hill School, $500 award; honor awards went to **Faith Bowker Maloney,** Osgood School, and **Katherine Whitley,** Deer Hill School.

Alexander Gaston, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gaston III, is a freshman at Holderness School, Plymouth, N.H. and has been named to the honor roll for the winter semester.

PCEA awards for retirement went to **Virginia Burbank, Pauline Gallagher, Faith Maloney, Donald Reade** and **Katherine Whitley.** The professional service award went to **Jim Franey** for 35 years of service; and honorary life membership was awarded to **Mary Babaian** for 30 years. **Marian Atkinson** also received a citation.

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A standing ovation goes to **Ben Redfield,** a freshman at Roger Williams University, who plays on the men's lacrosse team. Ben had three goals and two assists when the team beat Nichols College recently.

❑

Kim Hurlbut is coordinating the "Weigh Down Workshop," a 12-week course starting May 28. It will be sponsored by Cohasset Community Church, and will be held at South Shore Community Center at 7 p.m. Please call 383-9761 with any questions you may have about the program.

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Abigail Kornet is one of 47 students who participated in the 1996 student-directed One-Act Play Festival at Northfield Mount Hermon School during the last two weekends of April. Abigail, a sophomore, is assistant director of the play, "Hidden In This Picture." She also has participated in girls crew. Abigail is the daughter of **Diana** and **John L. Kornet** of Cohasset.

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Gregory and **Joan Meallo** are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, **Lindsey Paula Meallo,** born April 20 at 4:10 p.m. at South Shore Hospital. Lindsey weighed eight pounds, 12 ounces. Her maternal grandmother is **Marjorie Emanuello** of Cohasset; her paternal grandparents are **Albert and Paula Meallo,** also of Cohasset. Congratulations to all of you!

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Kudos go to **Robert C. Morgan,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Morgan,** Jerusalem Road, and **Benjamin T. Smoot,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. John Smoot,** Hull Street — both are members of the Class of 1999 at Boston College High School, and both made high honors for the third term!

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Alexander Gaston, a freshman at Holderness School, Plymouth, N.H., has been named to the honor roll for the winter semester. He is a member of the Holderness chorus, and performed a leading role in a production of the musical "Oliver."

Alex also took part in Artward Bound, a program providing two weeks of intensive workshop instruction in the arts from practicing professional artists. Alexander is the son of **Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gaston III.**

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We hope this so-called spring weather will improve, but here is an idea for you to ponder if it doesn't: Think of an idea for a float for **Harborfest!** The theme for this year is "Cohasset's Maritime Heritage." The idea is to keep ideas simple — ones that don't need huge flatbed trailers. Five cash prizes will be awarded, ranging from $50 to $250.

Call **Jim Lagrotteria** at 383-9385 or **Bob Martin,** 383-0787, to let them know you want a space reserved for you and your "seaworthy" float!

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That's all the news for this week. We surely hope something exciting goes on at your house this week, and that you will call telling us all about it!

Sallyann Chatterton
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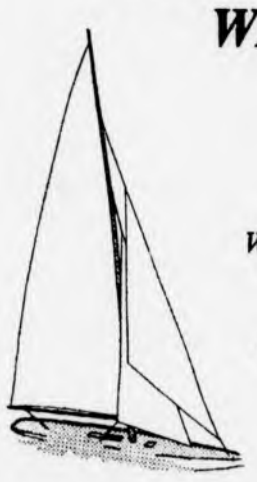

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Obituaries

Pasquale J. Calorio

Pasquale J. "Murph" Calorio, 76, of Cohasset, died suddenly May 11 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Born in Cambridge, he attended Rindge Technical High School in Cambridge. He was a resident of Hingham before moving to Cohasset, where he lived for 43 years.

He was a ground man for 25 years for Mass. Electric in Weymouth before retiring in 1985.

Mr. Colorio was a World War II Army veteran. After the service, he went to work for the ammunition depot in Hingham, where he met his wife, Helen M. (Bravo) Calorio. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in September, renewing their vows in St. Paul's Church.

Mr. Colorio's first priority was his family. He had become the "chauffeur" for his grandchildren, driving them to daily activities. He spent a lot of time playing with and nurturing his grandchildren.

Besides his wife, Mr. Calorio leaves a daughter, Patricia E. Hagerty of Hingham; a son, Thomas F. Calorio of Cohasset; a son-in-law, David A. Hagerty of Hingham; a daughter-in-law, Marie E. Calorio of Cohasset; six grandchildren, Allyson and Anthony Hagerty of Hingham and Michael, Catherine, Tess and Vincent Pasquale Calorio, all of Cohasset; three brothers, Jimmy Calorio of Watertown and Frank and Joseph Calorio, both of Cambridge; and a sister, Agnes Hebert of New Hampshire. He was the father of the late Mary Ann Calorio and the brother of the late Domenic and John Calorio and the late Betty Giove. He also leaves numerous nieces and nephews and grandnieces and grandnephews.

A funeral Mass was held May 15 at St. Paul's Church, Hingham.

Burial was in St. Paul's Cemetery.

Arrangements were made by Pyne Keohane Funeral Home, Hingham.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Mary A. Calorio Scholarship Fund, Wrentham Developmental Center, P.O. Box 144, Emerald Street, Wrentham 02093.

Ethel B. Knowles

Ethel B. Knowles, 91, of Cohasset, died April 20 after a long illness.

A 66-year member of the Order of Eastern Star, Mrs. Knowles joined the order in 1922 and was Worthy Matron of the Braintree chapter in 1951.

One of the first residents of the elderly housing apartments at 60 Elm St., she was active in the senior community until 1983.

Mrs. Knowles leaves her son and daughter-in-law, Keith and Paula Knowles of Cohasset; her grandchildren, Susan Curtin of Norwell, Christopher Knowles of Basking Ridge, N.J., and Gregory and Jennifer Knowles of Cohasset; and her great-grandchildren, Jordan and Darius Knowles of Basking Ridge.

A private graveside memorial service willbe held for family members.

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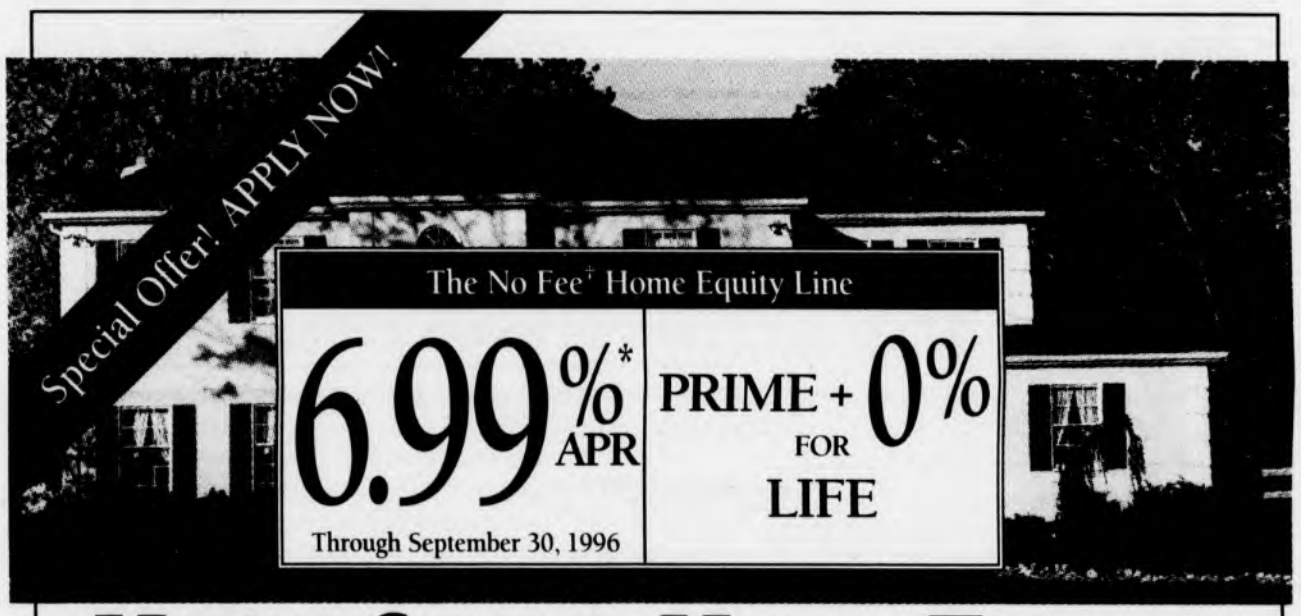

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EDITORIAL

Herb Day

Sunday, the community will honor two special people, Herb Jason and Herb Towle.

The Cohasset natives share a lot more than their first name.

They both grew up in town and gravitated to the water where Mr. Towle discovered sailing and Mr. Jason took up "lobstering."

Over the years, they've never left town for long — except when Mr. Towle served in the Pacific in the Navy during World War II.

Cohasset is where their hearts are.

And luckily for all of us, Herb and Herb both found a place on Government Island to occupy their boundless energy and enthusiasm.

Herb Jason has played an integral role in the development of the Minot Light Replica, which is by any measure spectacular.

And Herb Towle worked endless hours on the refurbishing of the lightkeepers house, which is now a shining star.

Neither man sat back and gave directions — they got involved and used their hands to help mold both places into something which the town will have forever.

Herb Jason and Herb Towle are no longer young in years — but don't let that fool you. Their attitude, determination, and energy are that of men less than half their age.

And each have a barrel or two full of stories to tell. The harbor and Minot Light hold a lot of tales – which are full of life and legend. So much so that we finally had to surrender our pen and just sit back to listen and enjoy their anecdotal accounts during our recent interview.

Whether it's sailing through rough seas, helping a lightkeeper into Minot Light after a winter storm when the ladder was caked with ice, or swimming in a wet suit through ice to rescue a fellow boater — there's lots of Cohasset mariner history to learn from these men.

Yet while they fondly remember where they've been — they look forward to new projects and challenges including further enhancements to Government Island.

So make it a point to stop by Sunday to meet these two venerable Cohasset institutions. The schedule of events get underway at 2 p.m. with a boat parade following by the blessing of the fleet and presentations and proclamations. There will be clam chowder to eat and lots of antique autos to see.

— Mary Ford
Editor

Left-leaning schoolhouse?

To the Editor:

In a letter last week, Joe McElroy noted that our school system used a consultant who concocted a dance routine purporting to depict the suffering resulting from the bombing of Hiroshima.

The suffering by Hiroshima can't be denied, but neither can the suffering of the American captives during the Death March at Bataan, and many other cruelties that are spawned by war. The Axis powers displayed no mercy in their ruthless grab for power, and the monstrous evil would not have been destroyed without powerfully destructive response. Diplomacy wasn't a useful option with Tojo, Hitler and Mussolini; they regarded it as a means of conning weak-kneed politicians into inaction. (A tactic used with great success half a century later by Milosevich to gain tacit acquiescence to Serbian genocide of the Bosnians).

Anyone exposed to "higher" education, including our teachers, hears the "America Stinks" philosophy of left-leaning professors. What keeps the cancer in check is the common sense and family/school training of most people. But we should be forever watchful for soft-headed bias

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

that distorts history, especially when impressionable children are exposed to it.

When the battle is over, it is often possible to realize that the last few shells need not have been lobbed, and some of the enemy spared. But battles and wars are not won by economy of force. WW2 was a righteous war against tyranny, and President Truman was absolutely correct to bring it to a swift conclusion that was less terrible than the delayed conclusion both sides might have suffered.

Despite its flaws, America is an example of democracy, personal freedom and justice that billions of others don't enjoy, with a government that can't stray far afield for long from the basic decency and kindliness of its citizens. Teachers and parents should focus on the fruits and promise of active democracy, and eschew revisionist self-denigration.

R. M. Campbell
75 Old Pasture Rd.

'Cranes' is inspirational story

To the Editor:

In response to Joseph R. McElroy's letter to the editor last week, I wish to respond that I too, watched Deer Hill fifth-graders, including my son, Christopher, participate in Nikki Hu and Guy Van Duser's marvelous theatre production of "A Thousand Cranes." The impression left with me, my son and my sixth-grade daughter (who watched the performance with her classmates) was quite different than that of Mr. McElroy.

I did not ask my 10-year-old son whether the United States was right or wrong to bomb Hiroshima. That question was clearly not the point of the artistic production. Instead, I asked him to express his impressions and feelings about Sadako's story — "A Thousand Cranes" — a story about a child of Hiroshima, who survived, later developed leukemia, struggled with her illness, then died — a child who, despite tragedy, had faith in her cranes, courage daily and hope for the future — always inspired by her belief that "A Thousand Cranes" would help.

My son responded to the week-long production with incredible sensitivity to both the suffering and the courage of a young girl. As he has said, and as he has read daily, "Tragedies happen everywhere. How we deal with them is the most important thing. Sadako was brave, she tried hard, and she put her hope in the cranes — that kept her focused."

We have bought the musical cassette of the production, and my son has taught me the 10 positions of the first dance, from "palms down" to "arms wide open into the air like a crane," depicting emotions from fear and sadness to hope. I am fortunate to share a half-hour of artistic dance with my son often, one-liner questions don't pass much muster in our house.

This brilliant production was not about politics — unforeseen tragedies or planned tragedies are part of the life cycle. This is a lesson I try to teach my children every day — bad things happen — how you deal with them is what matters.

I have taught my children that you must be like a Japanese daruma, a figurine weighted at its rounded bottom that rebounds upright whenever it is knocked down. Notwithstanding life's problems, the daruma says to keep your weight firmly on your feet, your personality stable and strong, and then you can withstand life's buffeting.

Nikki and Guy are to be heralded with a gift of their own "A Thousand Cranes" for their artistic professionalism and their beautiful and inspirational story of courage and hope and faith. Kudos to them and to all parents who encourage in their children optimism and hope in life, instead of one-line political questions.

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Replace 'senior' voting machines

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

I read with great interest the article in the May 9 issue of the Cohasset Mariner and I would like to share my experience and my husband's experience with the punch cards used for voting.

On a previous election, we both voted at the Town Hall using the punch cards. After I voted I ran my hand over the back of the card before inserting it into the envelope and realized about 1/3 of the "punch outs" had not fully punched out. Some were still partially attached to the card so I had to pull them off. I called my husband's attention to this and he found some on his card had not fully punched out.

Now I admit we are senior citizens. We do not consider ourselves frail but still we had a problem. So I hope you all are not under the impression that frail senior citizens are skewing the vote tally.

Several suggestions:

Mr. Fitzsimmons could suggest that all frail elderly people coming to vote take a strength test before voting.

Clerk Douglas could check with each person to see that they have taken "some responsibility" in their voting.

Mr. Baccari could advise everyone coming in to check the back side of the ballot card after voting in addition to his offer of assistance in use of the machine.

I would suggest you look into the quality of either the cards that are used or perhaps the machine and/or the stylus are worn after years of use.

Or perhaps it is time for the town to purchase new machines that employ improved technology to replace the "senior" machines that may be truly frail.

Refusal by a voter from punching a card may also be that individual's right.

Martha Hurtig
58 Gammons Road

'Thousand Cranes' was about peace

To the Editor:

For several weeks the students of Deer Hill School (fourth, fifth and sixth grades) had been folding origami paper cranes, reading the story "Sadako" by Eleanor Carr and studying the history of Hiroshima's tragedy. They were preparing for an artist residency with Nikki Hu and Guy Van Duser.

From the moment that Ms. Hu stood before the classes of youngsters, they were hooked. She began quietly, her hands together, her head bowed, in the traditional demonstration of respect for individuals. They learned the same respect for her, for the art, for the subject. Dance will never be the same to them. Deer Hill will never be the same.

The students have had an opportunity to use their imaginations and their bodies to express a story. The "difficult students" (those with behavioral problems) have been brought to the altar of this process and been amazed. The students with special needs participated and were uplifted. We have all been embraced by the wonderful feeling of working together as a team, sharing with each other. The students learned what it means to rehearse, practice an art form, have it all come together and perform it well.

This artistic activity made possible the kinds of knowledge that are only learned through the arts: a heightened awareness of our own inner being, and how that being is interconnected with the world and others. Dance develops poise, teaches discipline, strengthens muscles and builds self-confidence. The latest child-development data recognizes intelligence in these forms: spatial, musical, linguistic, mathematical-logical, kinesthetic, interpersonal and intrapersonal. Dance strengthens most of these areas.

But it wasn't just a dance. Science and history were presented in combination with various art forms: zoology (crane)/poetry; atomic fission death and destruction/illustrated children's book; fatal illness/folk art (paperfolding). There has been a "critical thinking synthesis" through discussion groups. Students have been provoked to see how artists often use "forced-fit" creativity to address difficult, complex issues of the human heart.

The Hiroshima devastation of the 1940s elicits ambivalent responses in many people. There are strong feelings on both sides of the Pacific concerning this tragedy. However, no one with any sense of humanity has any doubts about the need to prevent such a thing from occurring again.

The "Thousand Cranes" performance was about peace. It was about children working together for peace. In the school gym, where the performance took place, the music soared in the background. Nikki Hu stood in the front of what looked like a professional dance troupe. Every eye was on her gentle guidance: "Watch each other...see who knows what to do and follow...gently, gently...with the rhythm here, do you see?...wonderful...you're terrific..."

Many parents and teachers stood with tears in their eyes, touched by the enormity of the heartfelt response the children were showing. What was demonstrated last week showed the true value of the arts in education...to pull out the humanity, imaginations and cognitive processes so important to our lives as individuals.

This event and residency was completely funded by outside sources to the Deer Hill School: the Cohasset PSO, the Mass. Cultural Council, the Cohasset Arts Council, and the Cohasset Education Foundation. Nikki Hu, who works regularly with students and last year directed a performance in Japan, was voted Artistic Educator of the year in 1995 by the Mass. Alliance for Arts Education. No wonder.

Joan Jensen
63 Howe Rd.

Participatory democracy offers greatest potential for all Americans

To the Editor:

Seventy-five years ago, women could not vote in a Federal election, nor hold public office, nor serve on juries. Before the adoption of the Nineteenth Amendment, women had no political voice. Two years ago in the 1994 elections 54 million women failed to vote. The energy, optimism and trust of the Suffragists mark a stark contrast to the voters' mood 75 years later. A poisonous cynicism and anger have infected the electorate and dimmed the people's faith in their elected officials. Whatever happened to the optimism and faith of the Suffragists? Was that a unique phenomenon? We don't think so. Poll taxes are gone; literacy tests are gone. Now most Americans can register to vote when they get their driver's license. We are trying to make the system work better.

Ironically, in the face of these improvements, many Americans think their votes don't matter. They are disillusioned by negative campaigns, by the influence of the money in politics, by the difficulty of getting balanced information that is needed to make good choices at the polls. The mission of the League of Women Voters remains the same: to create an active, informed citizenry of men and women. We are a group devoted to the peaceful and serious practice of democracy. The League's most glorious triumphs do not occur in Washington. They are spread across the nation and manifested in thousands of communities in thousands of ways. We help make democracy work better at all levels of government. Self-government is hard work. We know. We have been at it for three-quarters of a century.

As we look ahead to the presidential elections in 1996, we are challenged to break through the apathy and the anger to let the voters know that their vote DOES matter. Let us pay tribute to the achievements of our foremothers by believing, as they believed, that participatory democracy offers the greatest potential for all Americans. The system works when YOU vote. We look to see you at YOUR polls on election day.

Anyone interested to join the Hingham League of Women Voters can contact: Membership Chair — 749-7089 or President — 749-4826.

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The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Thanks for health fair support

To the Editor:

The Social Service League of Cohasset and the Board of Health would like to express our thanks to all who contributed to the success of our recent health fair at Cohasset High School. To all the professionals who provided the free screenings, we are most grateful and appreciate their efficient and pleasant delivery of their services. To all our volunteers who worked so hard before, during and after the fair, we say "Thank you," and "Well done."

A special note of thanks to Stop and Shop, Dunkin' Donuts, Shaw's Market and Jeanne Pierce of the Cohasset High School cafeteria staff for all the wonderful snacks they provided for the food table at the fair. Thanks also to Ron Goodwinn of Goodwinn Graphics for the publicity and flyers.

This year the cholesterol screening was funded by donations from the Rotary Club and the Hingham Institution for Savings. The Hearing Van was funded by Pilgrim Cooperative Bank.

Almost 500 people attended the fair and the day was a great success! Thanks again to you all!

Judy Fitzsimmons R.N.
Social Service League

Community spirit 'died' May 4

To the Editor:

At what point does a sense of Cohasset "community" spirit die and become replaced by the agenda of parochial, selfish interest groups? Answer – the recent sewer vote on May 4.

Clearly, as an owner of property which is scheduled to receive the sewer, I would have benefited from a yes vote. However, the no vote will not materially affect my family in the manner in which it will affect other families, particularly those on retirement or, in these days of corporate downsizing, diminished incomes.

Those of us scheduled for sewers knew that, based on sheer numbers, we would likely not receive a yes vote. What we hoped for was that town residents would ask, "What is best for Cohasset?" Apparently the question was, "What's best for me?"

Like it or not, a precedent has been set by the voters. For those that voted no don't be surprised if future voters reject decent and proper issues such as new or improved schools, school buses and additional sewer installations. You started the trend.

Michael F. Lombardy
27 Windy Hill Road

Opposition to Greenbush urged

To the Editor:

It is time for an uprising! It's time our voices are heard because pretty soon it will be too late! The monsters will be here and once they're here they won't go away. Our voices will be drowned out by the roar of double-decker, diesel powered, polluting, dangerous and loud monsters called Greenbush trains! It will never happen you say? The state can't afford it you say? We voted it down you say? All true. The proof that they are coming is in the fact that the engineering firm hired by the MBTA has already started surveying. They have been seen in Scituate, Cohasset and Hingham. We know they're coming because Gov. Weld made an executive decision okaying Greenbush and has given the MBTA seemingly unlimited capital to build and operate these monsters. We know they're coming because Trudy Cox, the Weld administration's excuse for an environmental director need only sign off on the last Environmental Impact Report due this summer. We also know they're coming because our own selectmen have already agreed to talk mitigation with the MBTA — no fight there!

This is why we need an uprising. No more excuses for not getting involved. Now is the only time we have left. Those of you who voted against these monsters, let your voices be heard. Write letters, call the governor's office, rally with the rest of us in the upcoming Weld/Kerry debate June 3 at Channel 7 in Boston. Gov. Weld ignored the democratic process of majority rule and single-handedly erased your vote. Those of you sitting on the fence about this issue and those of you in favor of allowing these metal monsters to ruin our beautiful, tranquil and safe towns, keep your rose-colored glasses on, you're going to need them.

Kathy Yeager
79 Sohier St.

New school is closer to homes than expected

Public meeting is May 22

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

A lot has changed in 27 years. The suitability of the acreage for the new school is among those changes.

When the 70-acre parcel of land near the Deer Hill School was purchased by the town for the purpose of school expansion in 1969, much of the land could be used for building.

Since then, environmental legislation and man-made construction, has made most of the land unbuildable.

The edge of the lot, close to James Brook is wet, as is the property running near 3A.

Architects had intended to place the school on a ridge between the Deer Hill School and Old Pasture Road, but closer to Deer Hill.

Recent wetland delineations discovered that the school would have to pushed closer to Old Pasture Road.

On Wednesday, May 8, concerned citizens met with architects and the school facilities committee, to see what could be done to move the boundaries of the school farther away from Old Pasture Road.

Elaine Breslow of 90 Old Pasture Road was among them. She said she finds it ironic that the $9.9 million school she fought for may end up 40 feet from her property line.

What she finds surprising is that she wouldn't have known the school was going to be built in a different area, if she didn't look out her window and see the boundary markers.

Bob Beggan, chairman of the school facilities committee, said that he walked the property line on May 4.

The markers were supposed to be 200 feet from the property lines on Old Pasture Road, he said. They weren't.

With the state's June 1 deadline for school proposals swiftly approaching, Breslow is afraid that the plans submitted to the state will have to be strictly adhered to.

"There is no dispute over whether or not it is close," she said. "It is whether we can push it back a bit."

Schools Supt. Stephen Hart said that the school can be shifted back without penalization by the state.

Beggan added that the architects assured him that location can be changed, just not the plans themselves.

He added that the school facilities committee is working to move the building as far from residents' property lines as possible.

Hart said that it may be possible to get a variance to fill some wetlands.

Breslow said her property line is the closest to the school, but at least five of her neighbors' homes will be impacted. The other property lines are approximately 130 feet from the proposed school.

Most of the wooded area behind her home would be lost, Breslow said. She also expressed reservations about the "harsh" lighting from the school at night.

She added that she certainly isn't worried about young elementary school children hanging around.

Breslow said she hears the sounds of children playing at the Deer Hill, and she thinks that is wonderful.

The school facilities committee will present the plans to the selectmen at their meeting on May 20, and to the public on May 22 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria.

Saturday's food pantry donations total two tons

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

The cans, bottles, and jars have all been counted, and the results are in: letter carriers collected just over two tons of non-perishable food for donation to the local food pantry.

This amount exceeds the amount donated last year, when the letter carriers collected 1-1/2 tons from residences along their routes.

While the letter carriers and postal workers made the collections, food pantry volunteers brought lunch to the postal workers.

"The food pantry volunteers are overwhelmed," Postmaster James Hooley said Monday, adding, "We're still picking up donations from people who missed their carriers on Saturday."

Food pantry volunteers were also kept busy throughout the day, making numerous trips between the post office loading dock and the Food Pantry at the Second Congregational Church.

"People were extremely generous," food pantry volunteer Bob Thompson said.

The amount of food collected "will certainly hold us through several months."

Thompson thanked the postal workers for their enthusiastic support of the food collection. He also thanked the Cohasset Mariner, which published a list of suggested donations, which are often requested by families who use the pantry.

The donations represented a good variety of groceries, toiletries, and cleaning supplies, and many people used the suggestions because those items are now well-stocked on the pantry shelves, Thompson noted.

Letter carriers Dan O'Brien, Dennis Reardon and Rick Lincoln work on a truck load of food for the Cohasset Food Pantry. Post offices across the country held a food drive Saturday. Cohasseters donated more than two tons of items for the pantry.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

This is the second year that Cohasset letter carriers joined their colleagues around the country to replenish the shelves of the food pantries. All items collected are donated to pantries and homeless shelters in the towns where they are collected.

In Hingham and Hull, postal workers collected more than seven tons of food which was donated to the Hingham Interfaith Food Pantry and to Wellspring in Hull.

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Beechwood cemetery plans finalized

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Cemetery Study Committee on Tuesday finalized its request for proposal to be submitted to selectmen for the upgrade of the Beechwood Cemetery.

The 12-step process (many improvements would fall under the classification of landscaping) includes repairs to headstones, reclaiming of pathways, trimming/clearing of trees and brush, construction of a paved drive in the north corner allowing Beechwood Street and Doane Avenue to loop the rear of the cemetery and the installation of water faucets.

This last item was included at the direction of DPW representative Peter Laugelle., who said that easy access to water would be beneficial in helping residents maintain plots in the cemetery.

The study committee, after several visits to the Beechwood site and with the help of a cemetery consultant from Worcester, decided upon areas of greatest concern and appropriate action to be undertaken.

Funds for the upgrade come from the sale of cemetery plots as well as appropriations voted at the 1989 town meeting.

Chairman Joseph Jerz said the committee's goal would be to receive fixed price bids from private contractors for all 12 items in the scope of work proposal to determine a total figure for committee consideration.

At this point the committee would then select specific items which would be contracted out to private firms and which could be handled by town workers.

According to Laugelle, his department presently has a full load and it would be several months before he would be able to begin any upgrade work.

Jerz stated this schedule was not a problem and his committee was submitting its request at this time in the hope that initial work could commence in August or September.

"We're looking at the end of the summer realistically before we could get to any of these things," he said.

Laugelle further told the committee that once the upgrade was complete it would require additional town funds on a yearly basis to continue the process of beautification or the cemetery would eventually revert to its current state.

The next meeting of the study committee is scheduled for June 4, at 7:30 p.m.

Composting bins available

Thanks to the town's good recycling efforts, the state has awarded Cohasset a $1,310 grant toward the purchase of 45 composting bins for home use.

The Department of Environmental Protection said Cohasset was selected because its program demonstrates a commitment and an ability to enhance recycling in both Cohasset and the Commonwealth.

The town will sell the composting bins at the RTF and use the money to purchase more bins, Selectmen Chairman Merle S. Brown explained.

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It's Happening

Mangone exhibits art at the Chart House

The Chart House Restaurant, Cohasset Harbor, will be the setting for the opening reception of a presentation of the diverse artistic offerings of Mary F. Mangone. The reception is planned for Friday, May 17, at 7 p.m.

Mangone is a local self-taught artist whose drawings and paintings span an artistic spectrum that is described as eclectic. She combines brilliant colors with emotive feeling in her art.

Also on display will be the artwork of local artists Martha Gangemi, Mary Ann Gaul, Jeanne Holway, Rita Kirk, MaryEllen Maich, Janet Pierson and Maureen Stebbins. The exhibit will be on display through the end of June.

Anyone interested in exhibiting artwork in a future show is asked to contact Maureen Stebbins at 383-0279.

Health fair held at CHS

On April 25, the Social League and Cohasset Board of Health held their annual Health Fair at Cohasset High School. This was the first year the fair was held at the school, and more than 400 students and teachers were able to participate in the free health screenings offered.

Science teacher Ken Cisneros' seventh-grade class had been studying the circulatory and respiratory systems in class and took part in the health fair as a class project. Each student now has an ID card with picture, fingerprint, blood type, blood pressure, weight, cholesterol level and other important information, to be kept at home. More than 60 seventh-graders were able to complete the project.

Many senior citizens took advantage of the free services, which included eye and hearing testing; free oral, podiatry, cholesterol and blood sugar screenings; and many exhibits promoting health and nutrition. The fair was open to the community.

A snack table offered a variety of foods contributed by Stop & Shop, Dunkin' Donuts, Atlantic Bagel Co. and CHS cafeteria. The cost of the fair was underwritten by the Rotary Club, Hingham Institution for Savings and Pilgrim Cooperative Bank.

Little League dance planned

The annual Little League Dance will be held Saturday, June 1, from 7 p.m. to midnight at Kimball's By The Sea. Music will be provided by the Grateful Dads, and there will be silent auction items and hourly drawings for sports tickets and donated items. Tickets will also be sold for a weekend on Nantucket.

This year marks Cohasset Little League's 44th anniversary.

Tickets are $50 per couple and may be obtained by calling Linda Bolster at 383-6148. Anyone interested in making a donation to the silent auction is asked to call Ginger Byrne at 383-2705.

Join Harborfest parade!

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Anyone wishing to participate is asked to call Jim at 383-9385 or Bob at 383-0648.

Chamber concert to benefit Jane C. Carr Ampitheater

The Monet Chamber Ensemble, a quartet of Boston Symphony musicians, will appear at Broad Cove House on Sunday, May 19 at 5:30 p.m., in a concert to benefit South Shore Conservatory's Jane C. Carr Ampitheater.

The new outdoor performance facility provides a permanent home for the conservatory's Summer Wind Ensemble, and provides a much-needed performance space for conservatory and community drama, small concerts, or performances by professional artists.

The ensemble performed their first concert earlier this year, at the home of Franz and Margo Euler, to benefit the ampitheater. The performance was so moving they were asked back to present a new chamber music program.

Following the concert is a catered light supper and open bar. The cost is $50, with proceeds going to the ampitheater project.

Reservations and advance donations are required. Call (617) 749-7565, ext. 16, before May 13 to reserve tickets.

Storyteller at center Sunday

Aili Paal Singer, a storyteller who blends oral narrative with puppetry, pantomime, creative dramatics and audience participation, will present a program of her favorite tales and multicultural stories, Sunday, May 19, from 1 to 2 p.m. at South Shore Community Center.

The free performance, created especially for children ages three to nine and their families, is a gift from the Cohasset PSO-sponsored Diversity Committee. Refreshments will be available, and donations will be accepted from those who wish to make them. All monies collected will be used to fund programs sponsored by the Diversity Committee.

Girl Scout registration

Girl Scout registration for the fall will be held Wednesday, May 22, from 7 to 8 p.m. at Second Congregational Church in Bates Hall. Adults are needed to be leaders.

Author/illustrator signing

Author/illustrator Maryann Cocca-Leffler will sign copies of her new children's book, "Clams All Year," on Saturday, May 18, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Buttonwood Books & Toys, Cohasset. Cocca-Leffler, a resident of Saugus, draws on her personal experiences and relatives for her illustrations and writing.

"Clams All Year" harkens back to a magical summer day in Hull when her grandfather led an expedition to gather clams so plentiful that the family feasts all year featured dishes made with clams.

Call 383-2665 for more information or to reserve a signed copy of her book.

Pops concert is tonight

The annual Pops Concert will take in Cohasset High School cafeteria on Thursday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited. Refreshments are included in the $5 admission fee.

The event is sponsored by the Arts Boosters Club, and all proceeds will support the arts at CHS.

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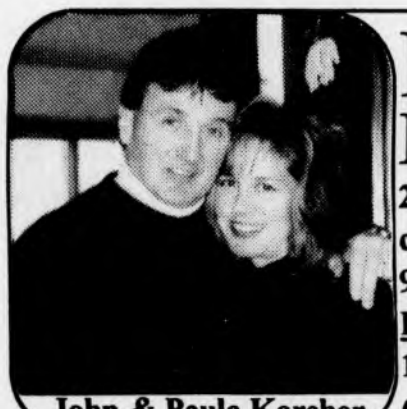

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GRADE 10

Kathleen Buckley, Jane Flaherty, John Flanagan, Alison Kinchla, Christopher Laas and Eric Moore.

GRADE 11

Holly Brennock, Burke Davis, Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Jacqueline Hurley, Rebecca Jenkins, Ely Kahn, Ryan McWilliams and Karen Niessink.

GRADE 12

Chloe Chittick, Caitlin Connolly, Erin Devine, Megan Fahey, Tafana Fiore, Eric Henry, Amber Hopeman, Jessica Hurley, Kenneth Leahy, Stephanie Lubitz, Tammy Maitland, Conor Mangan, Kaylen Medinger, Andrea Mercurio, Nicole Peterson, Allison Ritts, Gina Rosano, Ryan Sawchuk and John Whitehouse.

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GRADE 8

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GRADE 9

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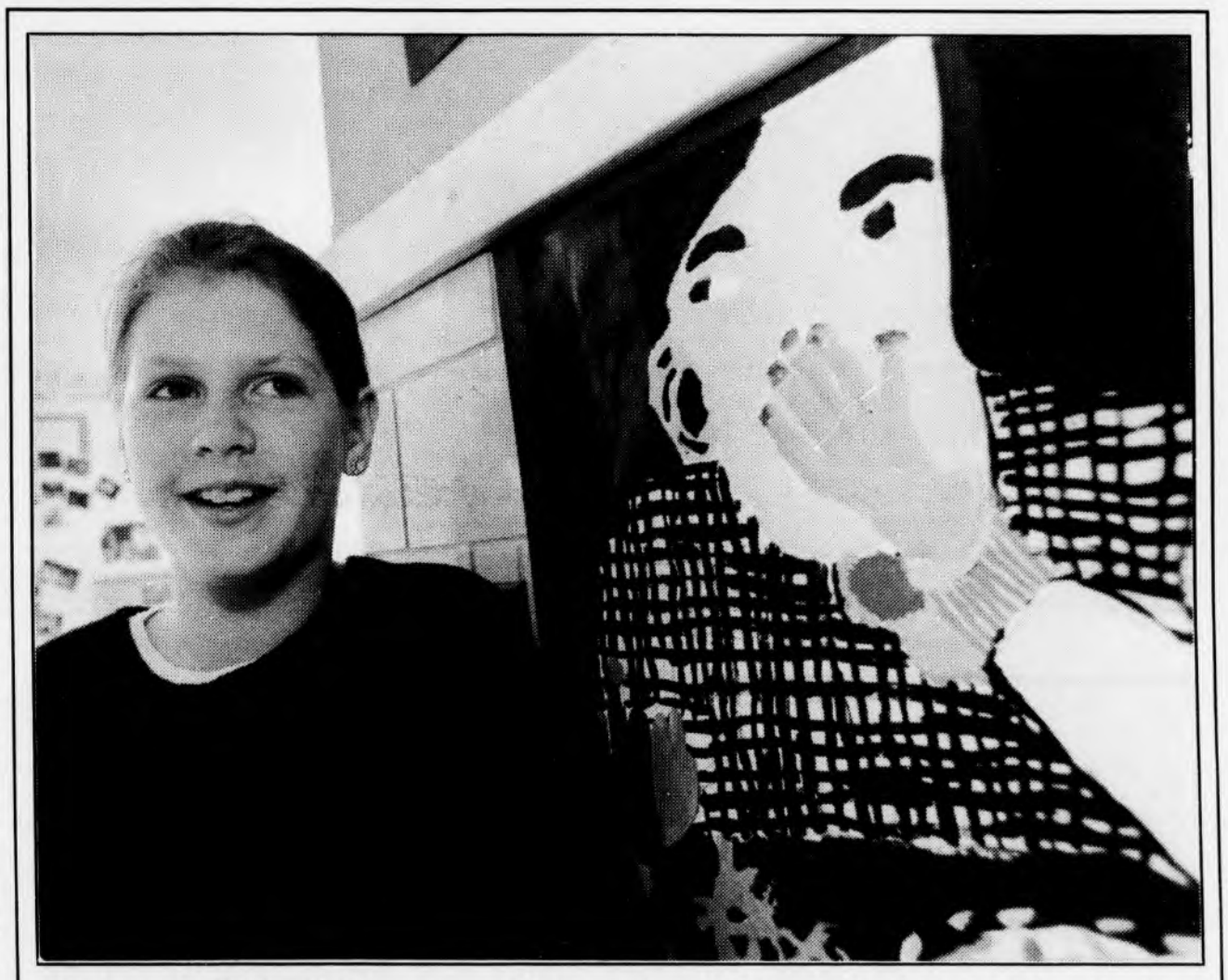

Sixth-grader Skyler Ralston poses with her art on display at "Favorites 1996" at the Deer Hill School. A gala opening for the exhibit was held Tuesday, May 14 at the school.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Rec program offers expanded hours

Cohasset Enrichment Program, through the Cohasset public schools, will offer a Before- and After-Recreation Program this summer, beginning the week of July 1 and continuing through Aug. 16. The program will not run July 4 and 5.

Held at Deer Hill School, it is open to children who will be in grades K-6 in the fall. The Before-Recreation Program opens at 7 a.m. and runs until the program begins at 9 a.m. Children may bring their own breakfast, and quiet activities will be offered. Children attending Recreation at Osgood School will be escorted there by a teacher.

The After-Recreation Program begins at 3 p.m. and runs until 6 p.m. The format is similar to the after-school enrichment program, with organized sports, cooking projects, games, arts and crafts and, for the summer, swimming at the town pool. Children at Osgood will be escorted to Deer Hill by a teacher.

Registrations are accepted for limited times or for the entire program. Sign-ups begin the week of June 16, but children must be registered for the program prior to signing up for the Recreation Program. The registration deadline is Friday, June 7. For further information, call Missy Walker at 383-6860 or stop in at Room 2 at DHS to pick up a registration form.

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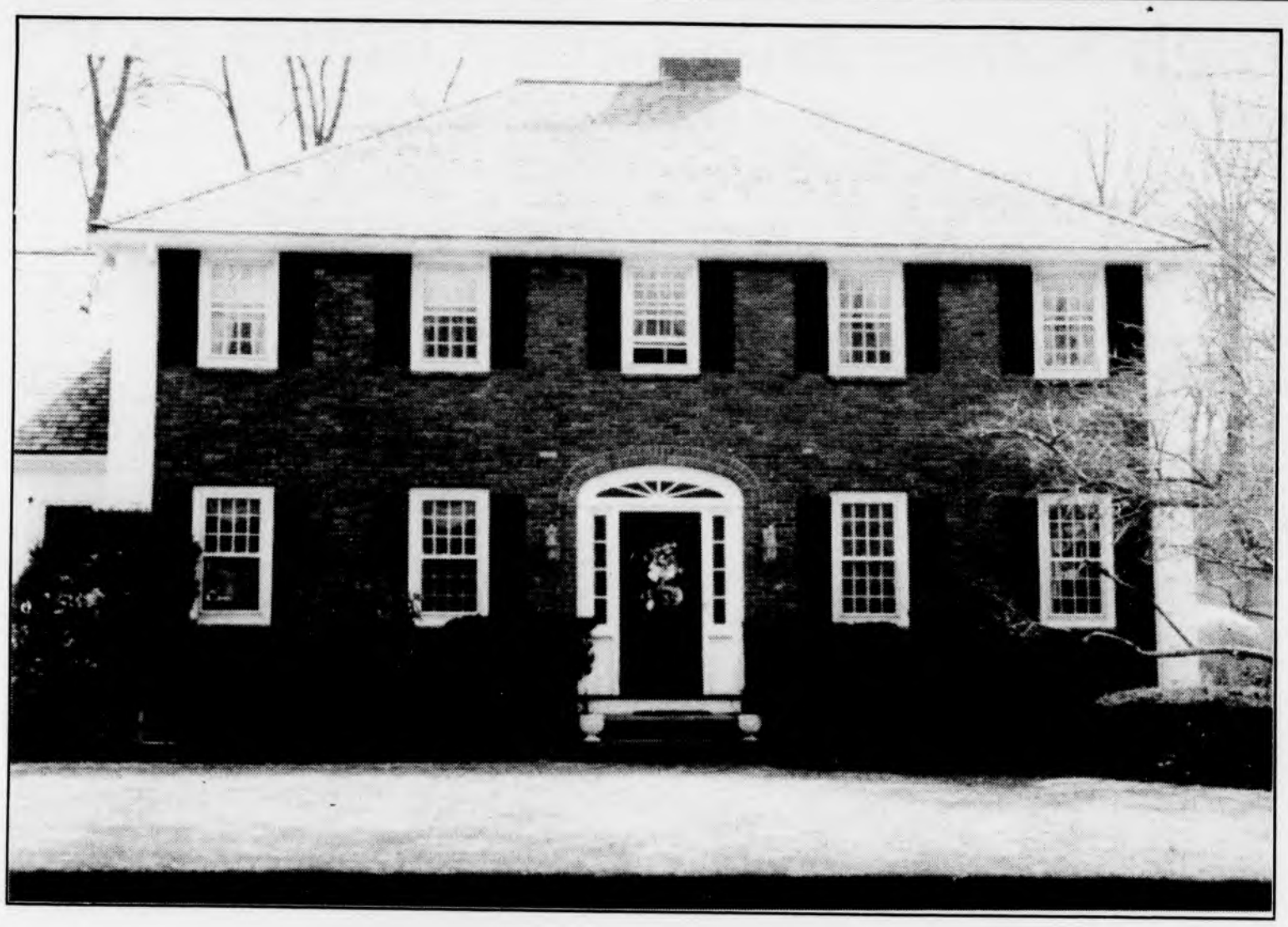

The home of Deborah and Steven Scribner at 120 Fairoaks Lane is decorated for springtime. Deborah has artfully created a beautiful spray for the front door using flowers in shades of pinks, purples and whites.

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Poster contest deadline May 17

The South Shore Community Center has announced a call for entries for its first annual school poster contest. The contest, entitled "Color It Community," is open to all South Shore schoolchildren in grades 1-6.

The purpose of the contest is to highlight the importance of the family and community, and posters may depict any aspect of "community."

Complete contest rules have been mailed to private and public schools on the South Shore. Winners will receive $150 certificates toward the purchase of a bicycle of their choice. The deadline submissions is May 17.

Winners will be notified by phone, and awards will be presented during a special ceremony at Harborfest on Cohasset Common on June 15. For additional contest or Harborfest information, call the SSCC at 383-0088.

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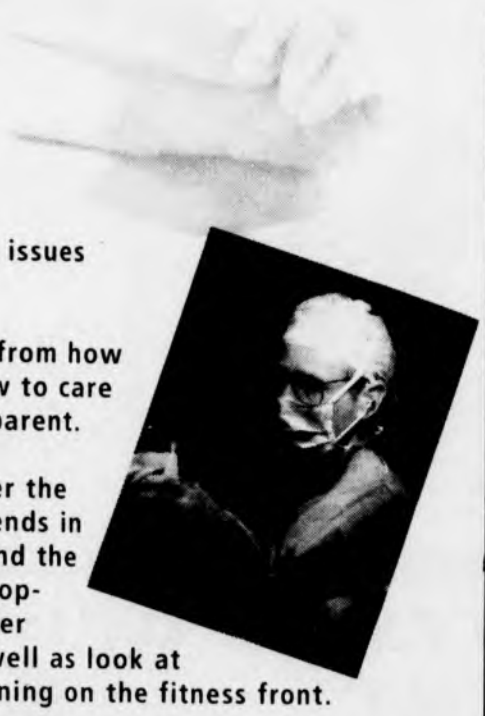

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Managed care is forum May 22

The Cohasset Elder Affairs' SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders) program is sponsoring a forum on HMOs and managed care on Wednesday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Lightkeeper's House on Government Island.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to learn about HMOs and the concept of managed care and how it affects Medicare benefits. Speakers will include Diane Paulson, lead attorney of Greater Boston Elderly Legal Services, Medicare Advocacy Project; John May, representative of Mass. Association of Health Maintenance Organizations; and Monica Henderson, health insurance specialist of the Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Managed Care.

Reservations are required and may be made by calling 383-9116. Coffee and refreshments will be served.

Elder Affairs events noted

"An Evening at the Pops" at Cohasset High School, Thursday, May 16, in the cafeteria. Tickets are $5. Call Kathy Gray, 383-2718.

Grand Amish tour to Pennsylvania Dutch country. Gettysburg-Hershey, Penn., September 13-16. $209 double occupancy, includes six meals and one dinner theater. Call Libby Pompeo, 383-0711.

Rosecliff-Newport, Saturday, July 13. Visit Rosecliff and relive the Gilded Age of elegance. Full course lunch at LaForge, one of Newport's finest restaurants, and tour Marble House afterward. Fully escorted. $55 per person.

Ongoing programs: Step program, Mon., Weds., Fri., 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. with Mary Jane Butera.

Stretch and strengthen, Tues. and Thurs., 7:45 - 8:30 a.m. with Marian Archer.

Easy does it, Tues., 11 a.m.-noon, Ginny Waterman.

Bowling for seniors, Thurs, 9:30 a.m., with Bill O'Connell.

Chi cong, Fri., 9-10 a.m., with Barbara Alger.

Knitting, Fri., 1-3 p.m., Edna Finegan.

Transportation is provided the first Monday of each month to Braintree Mall, and the second Wednesday of each month to Hanover Mall.

Share pick-up date is May 18, 8-9 a.m.

Tuesday luncheon speakers:

May 14, David Brown, executive director at the South Shore Art Center, will speak about upcoming events planned by the center and Harborfest.

May 21, a visit with Debbie Webster and her third grade students from the Joseph Osgood School.

May 28, Linda Fitzgibbon, community service director at South Shore Elder Services, will present an overview of the agency and what it does for elders. Jayne Davis will speak about the nutrition program.

Everyone has a story to tell — what's yours?

The Cohasset Senior Center invites you to a free introduction to the popular autobiography workshop series, "Working From Memory, Writing About Our Lives," Friday, May 17, 10 to 11 a.m. at the South Shore Community Center, 3 North Main St. Call 383-9112 to reserve a space.

Karen Flood will discuss the next workshop, which begins Wednesday, June 5, and will meet from 10 a.m. to noon for four weeks. The cost is $25.

Registration and payment for the four-week program are due May 29. Please make check payable to Cohasset Elder Affairs.

Stress course support offered

Cohasset Community Church, a new evangelical church, is hosting a Stress Management Support Group on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room. The study will be led by the church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Hurlbut. All are welcome.

The group is involved in a six-week practical study of "Stress Management: Finding the Balance." The study will allow participants to learn about stress and its effects and how to deal with stressful situations.

For further information, call the church at 383-9761.

Weight loss seminar begins

Cohasset Community Church is starting a Christian weight loss seminar called Weigh Down Workshop. The orientation class was held May 14 at 7 p.m. at South Shore Community Center (downstairs in the pink room), 3 N. Main St. The 12-week class will begin Tuesday, May 28. There is a cost for materials.

For more information, call the church at 383-9761. The seminar is coordinated by Kim Hurlbut.

'Earnest' auditions

Hull Performing Arts, Inc. will hold auditions for Oscar Wilde's 1890s comedy "The Importance of Being Earnest" on May 22 and 23 at 7 p.m. at Charisma Realty offices, 115 Nantasket Ave., Hull. The cast will be comprised of five men and four women. Show dates are scheduled for July 20, 21, 26 and 27.

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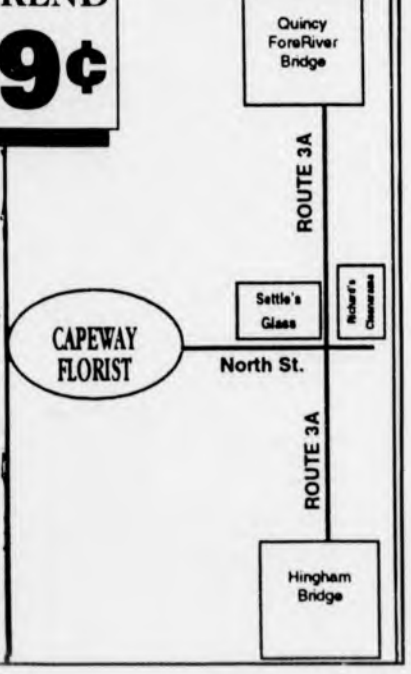

Kids learn firefighters are friendly

Annual program teaches fire safety lessons

Staff photos/ Alan Chapman

At right, Michael Froio tries his hand at handling a fire hose with a little help from Cohasset firefighter Matt Marr. The visit by the fire department capped the annual Fire Safety Program at the South Shore Community Center Nursery School.

Above left, pre-schoolers have a ball climbing all over the fire truck. Firefighters visited all nine classes at the school throughout the week to talk about fire safety.

Above, Capt. Bob Silvia lets Patrick Herlin take the wheel of a fire truck. Earlier in the week, firefighters donned their masks, suits and gear to show the children there is a friendly, helpful person inside.

At left, firefighters Ed Struzik, Matt Marr, and Tom Hernan enjoy the program as much as the kids. The program helps the kids be better prepared should they encounter a firefighter during the day or night if an emergency arises.

Mariner Sports

Youngsters make strides in lacrosse

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cory Mudhenk came back from chaperoning a trip to Europe not knowing just how rusty the Cohasset High girls lacrosse team would be.

The first-year coach knew her time to prepare the young Lady Skippers for Tuesday's game against Dover-Sherborn would be limited and she was worried one day of practice may not be enough to overtake D-S.

As it turned out, Mudhenk could have stayed in Europe and the girls could have faxed her the results of their smothering 8-2 win.

Led by an overwhelming offensive performance by Megan Connolly, the Lady Skippers controlled the play from beginning to end and moved their game up a level, en-route to improving to 5-3-1 on the season.

"I was a little bit worried about this game because we hadn't practiced in four days," Mudhenk said.

Connolly burned D-S with four goals and an assist and Cohasset added goals from Katie Campbell (two), Alia Asshar and Andi Shaughnessy to give the Lady Skippers the easy win.

Cohasset probably had its best passing game of the season and moved continually, thwarting the D-S defense and working its way to the net for a good shot. The

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Team aims for diamond

Baseball squad looking to end 22-year drought

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset High baseball team has shown the poise of a veteran team over the past week. Heading into last week's Abington game with a 6-7 record, the Skippers needed to emerge with a win to keep their tournament hopes alive. Cohasset's goal all season has been set on earning a berth in the Promised Land of the Division 3 South Sectional tourney.

The Abington game was a must-win if the Skippers hoped to salvage a tourney spot. With seven games remaining, Cohasset was still four four wins short. Situations like these call for great performances from great players.

If the obstacles weren't too daunting already, the Skippers had to play a tough Green Wave squad on a field which required the right fielder to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with the ongoing JV game.

However, the Skippers pulled together and nailed the game down with a 9-8 win. Eighth-grader Joe Pegola, who has pitched magnificently for the varsity squad this year, gave a solid outing against the Green Wave, but yielded to senior Greg Stevens in the late innings. Stevens came on and earned the win, shutting down Abington's team after playing the whole game in right field.

Stevens retired the first batter he faced on a pop-up in the bottom of the sixth. The table was set for Stevens by Joe Magner, Kevin McKenna and Rob Buckley. Stevens

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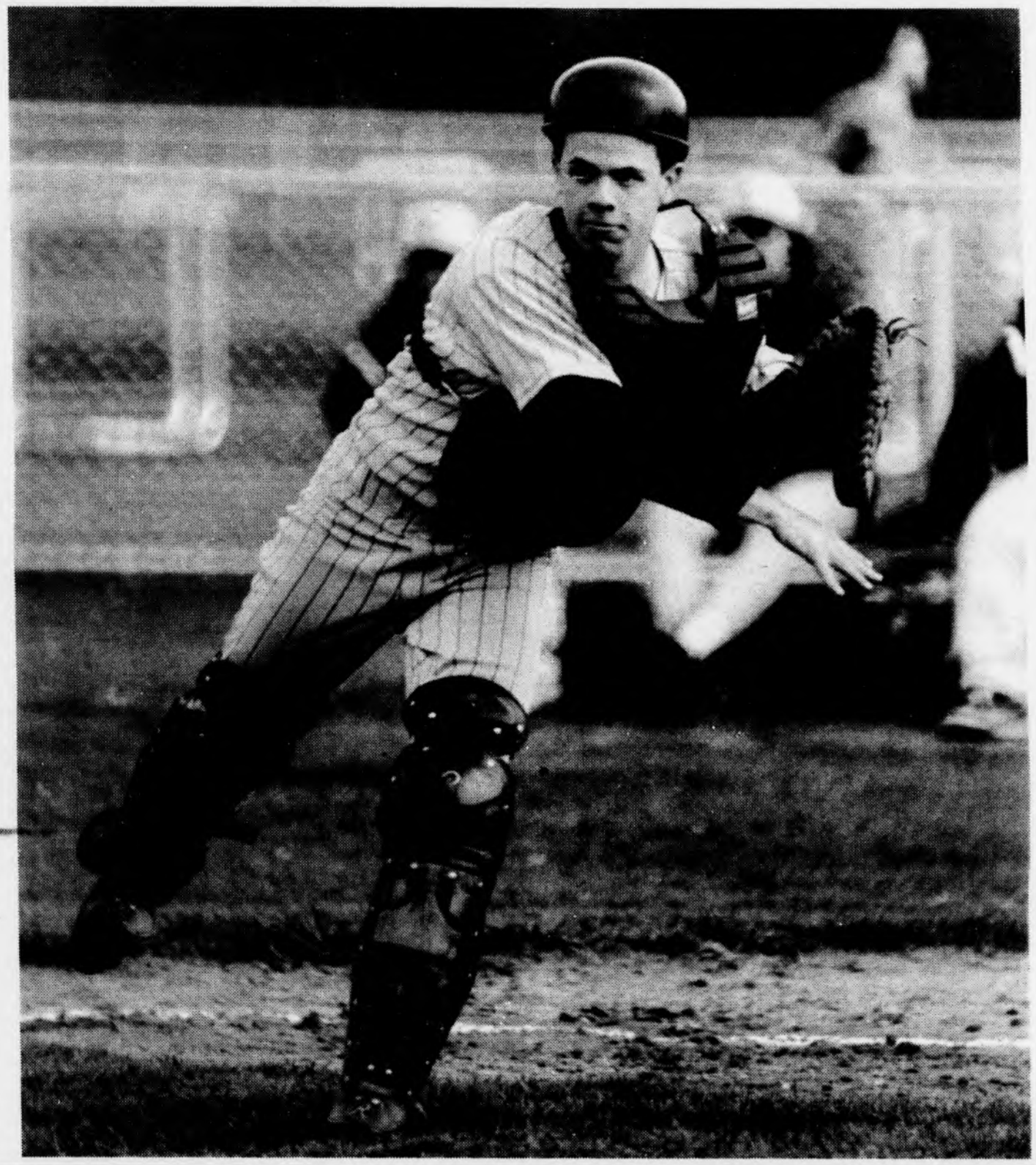


Cohasset High freshman catcher Mike Rossi fires a throw to first base during the Skippers' South Shore League game against Hanover on Monday.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

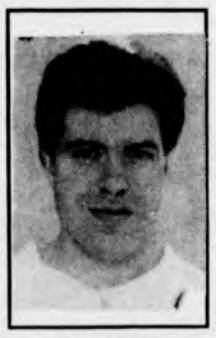
EXTRA POINTS/ Joe Reardon

Laxmen in search of tourney success

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The box score will read the Cohasset High varsity lacrosse team qualified for the state lacrosse tourney for the fifth consecutive season with its 9-8 overtime win over Sandwich on Tuesday. The Skippers improved to 8-4 with the win, leaving just four games to play on the season before the tournament.

It goes without saying that every team's first goal of the season is to get into position to qualify for the tourney, no matter what the sport. Depending on good that team is, qualifying for the tourney in itself is a great thrill. But for the senior-heavy Cohasset squad, the big rush of postseason play is gone until it actually gets on the field.



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The Skippers are hoping for a good seeding position and a good draw in the first round. The two go hand in hand and Cohasset has been on the short end in past seasons. Last year the Skippers played a tough Weymouth squad on the Wildcats home field in the opening round. Cohasset played hard, but in the end it was a first-round elimination for the Skippers.

Cohasset defeated Marblehead in its opening tourney game two years ago, but then ran smack dab into eventual state champion Newton North in the second round. On a sweltering day on NN's home field, the Skippers, like the rest of the teams which tried to get in North's way, were steamrolled by the lacrosse juggernaut. Seeing that the team continued its onslaught straight through the tourney, losing big to NN was hardly a disgrace.

Cohasset, though, is looking to have its best tourney showing in the past five years. The Skippers have learned how to come from behind to win games and they'd like nothing more than to have at least one game on their home field where

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Mariner Sports

Athletes shine at Special Olympics

BY TAFFY NOTHNAGLE
Special to the Olympics

Several Cohasset athletes left their mark on the South Suburban Area Special Olympics track and field games held at Brockton High School May 4. The 400 athletes who entered the competition were divided into heats according to age and ability. The results for local young men and women were as follows:

Brook Miele — silver, softball throw; gold, 100 meter dash; gold, 4x100 meter relay.

Brandan Mulcahy — gold, softball throw; gold, 50 meter dash.

Danny Patrolia — silver, softball throw; silver, 50 meter dash.

Rosemarie Kierce — silver, softball throw; bronze, 100 meter dash; bronze, 4x100 meter relay.

Matthew Kardox — silver, softball throw; ribbon, 100 meter dash; bronze, 4x100 meter relay.

Frank Rosano — bronze, softball throw; gold, 100 meter dash; bronze, 4x100 meter relay.

Joann Valle — silver, softball throw; gold, 100 meter dash.

Caroline Wells — silver, softball throw; bronze, 100 meter dash; bronze, 4x100 meter relay.

Miele, Mulcahy and Patrolia were part of the 30 member Scituate Public Schools and Alumni Team, while Kierce, Kardox, Rosano, Valle and Wells competed representing Cohasset Jr./Sr. H.S.

This is the 26th year of Massachusetts Special Olympics. In 1995, more than 10,000 athletes competed in 22 different sports in year-round training and area games.

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School spring sports schedule

BOYS TENNIS
5/20 Carver

GIRLS TENNIS
5/20 at Carver

SOFTBALL
5/20 at Carver

BASEBALL
5/20 Carver
5/22 Chatham

GOLF
TBA Carver
5/21 at Scituate

TRACK
5/20 All League - Girls
5/21 All League - Boys

J.V. LACROSSE
5/17 at Duxbury
5/20 at Derby
5/23 Brookline
5/29 Norwell, 5:30 p.m.
5/31 Marshfield

LACROSSE
5/17 Marshfield
5/21 Barnstable
5/23 Brookline

All games have a starting time of 3:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Basketball clinic at Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy is sponsoring a Basketball Clinic for girls in grades 6-8 on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, 1073 Main St. The fee is $75.

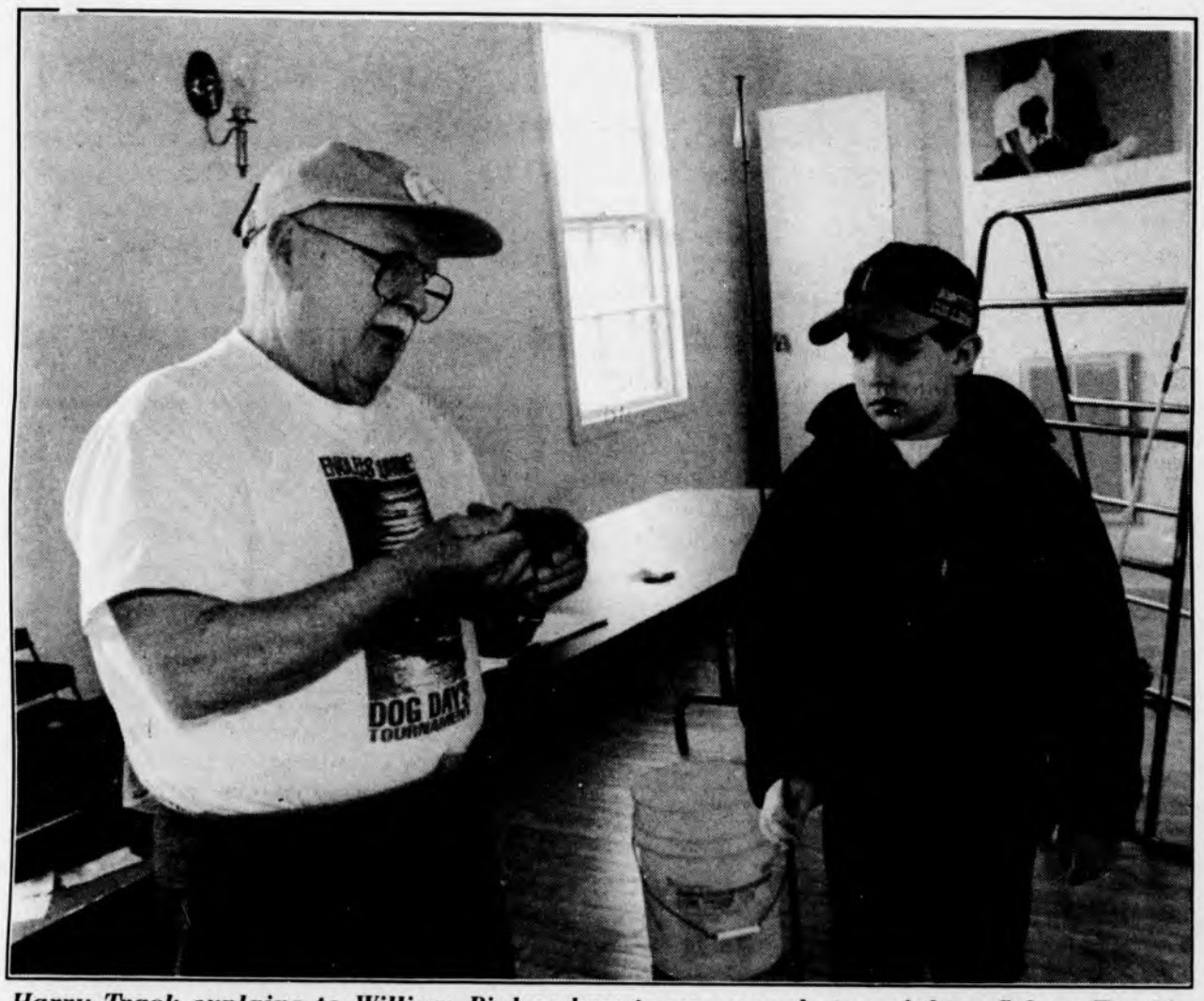
The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ballhandling, passing, shooting and team play.

For an application or more details, call (508) 238-0372.

SSH hosts golf tournament

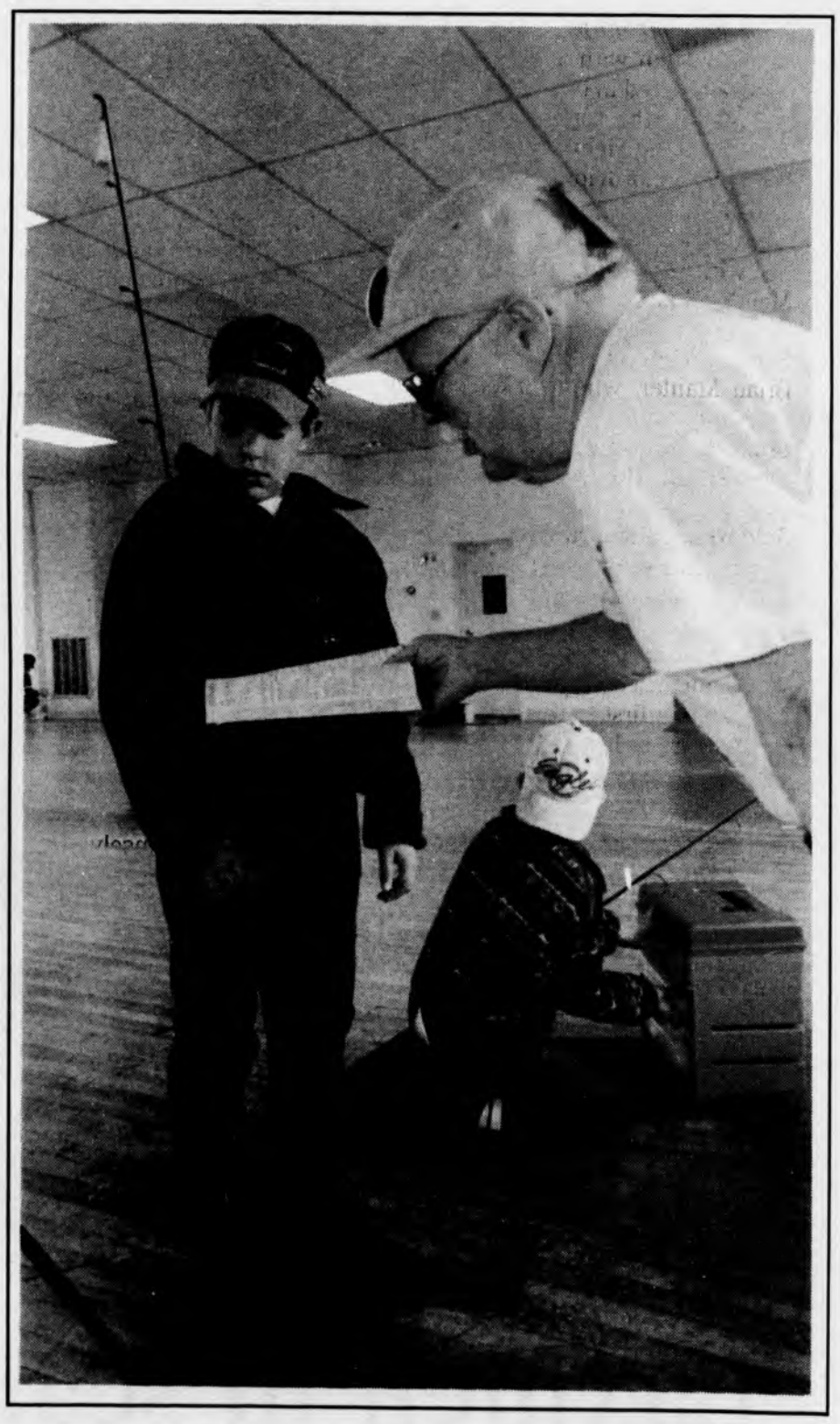
The seventh annual South Shore Hospital golf tournament will be held Monday, June 3, at Hatherly Country Club, North Scituate. Proceeds will support hospital programs and services that are available free of charge to the community. In 1995, SSH provided $7.3 million in care to those unable to pay for services.

Last year's tournament raised $46,000 to help support the hospital's new cardiac catheterization laboratory. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Jill McDonough at South Shore Health and Educational Foundation at 340-8848 for more information or to register. Hingham resident Dick Dempsey is chairman of the tournament.



Harry Trask explains to William Pinkus how to use a scale to weight a fish at Trask's recent fishing clinic.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald



William and Kyle Pinkus set up their rods as instructed by Harry Trask.

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Mariner Sports

Bay State games tryouts

BASEBALL

Scholastic tryouts will begin June 16. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

BASKETBALL

Scholastic and open division tryouts begin May 26. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

JUNIORS BASKETBALL

Qualifying tournaments (seventh and eighth grade). Spaces available on first-come, first-serve basis. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

FIELD HOCKEY

Scholastic division tryouts begin June 2. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

GYMNASTICS

Girls scholastic athletes must register by June 7; all others by June 21. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

ICE HOCKEY

Scholastic athletes must register by May 24. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

LACROSSE

Men's and women's scholastic and open tryouts begin June 16. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

SOCCER

Scholastic tryouts begin May 26. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

TENNIS

Scholastic qualifying tournament will be held June 15 and 16. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

VOLLEYBALL

Scholastic, open and masters tryouts begin June 2. Call the Bay State Games office at (617) 391-1196 for more information.

Youngsters make strides

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Lady Skippers hadn't been communicating on the field in past games as well as Mudhenk would have liked, but there was a marked overall improvement against D-S.

"They don't tend to talk on the field," she said, "but they're getting at that."

The Lady Skippers were more aware of where their competition was on the field and got the ball off, forcing D-S's defense to stay on their collective toes and backpedal to the net. There were fewer unassisted goals because of the passing, a stat Mudhenk was very pleased with.

"In other games there were more straight drives to the net," she said.

Goalie Ali Kinchla had a relatively quiet game in goal, but did come up with eight saves, half of which were definite scoring threats.

The win was Cohasset's second in a row after its 4-3 victory over the Hingham freshman team, last Wednesday. Shaughnessy fired in a pair of goals to lead the Lady Skippers in the scoring department. Katie Devine and Nicole Peterson, the lone senior on the team, had a goal.

Hingham's tallies came from Susan Powers, Hillary Bowers and Libby Miarabile. Beyond the three goals, Kinchla was superb between the posts for Cohasset.

The Lady Skippers face the Duxbury High squad on Friday beginning at 3:45 p.m. at the Deer Hill School. They wind up their schedule with a pair of games at the Deer Hill against Martha's Vineyard on May 21 at 4 p.m.

Mudhenk doesn't plan to let the girls just run out the season over the course of the final three games. Although she is pleased with Cohasset's increased on-field communication, Mudhenk believes the team can still make big improvements in that area of the game. So to is she convinced the team still needs to work the opposing goal area when it has the ball. Constant movement provides more scoring opportunities and is harder to score against.

Mudhenk is having her fun coaching the game she played in high school and college, and admits she is going to miss the season once it ends. She wishes there were more games scheduled for this spring, but three is it.

"I can't believe it's almost over," Mudhenk said.

Baseball squad looking to end drought

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came through with a bases-loaded single, which knocked in two, giving the Skippers the lead in the top of the seventh. The hard-throwing righty then shut down the Green Wave, providing his clutch value for Cohasset.

With a 7-7 record, the Skippers matched up with a strong Hanover squad on Monday. Playing without catcher and .400 hitter Rob Buckley, who broke his arm on Sunday, Cohasset faced Hanover righty Brian Mahler, who worked the no-hitter for four innings until Kevin McKenna broke it up with a Texas League single over short. However, the Skippers just couldn't get the bats going and did not field well, committing nine errors.

A bright spot came when Eric Henry drove a double to right-center, knocking in McKenna. Freshman Greg Taylor also made a nice play when he ranged all the way behind second base to field a bouncer and fired to first to retire the fifth.

However, as head coach Ron Ford pointed out, the Skippers had five freshman on the field at one point, experience which will undoubtedly solidify Cohasset's baseball future. But Cohasset dropped the game, bowing to 7-8 with only five games left.

The Hull game on Tuesday was another must-win contest. With Stevens, who has made 10 appearances in 16 games this year, once again taking the hill, Ford needed a win from his ace. And a win he got, as the Skippers romped, thrashing their neighboring rivals, 9-1.

Stevens and freshman catcher Mike Rossi connected for a heads-up play in the second, when Hull tried the suicide squeeze. With a runner breaking for the plate, Stevens cleanly fielded the bunt and Rossi, having the smarts to stay at the plate, took the throw and made the out. Rossi also came through with a homer, his first as a varsity player.

Ben Ketchum, another freshman, jumped all over the Pirates' pitching, going 3 for 4 with an RBI. Stevens and Henry collected two base hits apiece and fleet-footed center fielder Grant Emde made seven put-outs.

It has been 22 years since the squad qualified for the Division 3 South Sectionals. With four games left and two wins needed, the Skippers could use some fan support to squeeze out their final two wins and launch themselves into the tourney for the first time since 1974.

Laxmen in search of tourney success

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they'd draw more fans than at another school.

"I'd like to get past the second round," head coach Ken Ekberg said. "I want to finish up the season strong. We're a perennial tourney team and the smallest school to qualify every year. The kids should be proud of that accomplishment."

Tourney experience shouldn't be a problem for Cohasset's laxmen. Some of the seniors on the squad have played lacrosse for five years and are itching to raise some eyebrows in their last high school hurrah.

"The maturity of the team is that a one game and out is not what we have in mind," Ekberg said. "I think this team is as talented and accomplished as any we've had."

Cohasset should get good workouts in its games against Marshfield and Barnstable. And you can bet the proverbial farm that both teams will be looking to rectify their earlier losses to the Skippers.

The Skippers looked to be dead in the water against Marshfield, trailing 5-0 in the early going. Cohasset finally got its game in synch and tied the game. The squad went on to defeat the startled Rams.

Cohasset did much of the same with Barnstable. Down by five goals and playing as though they've never been on a field together, the Skippers suddenly began to click and surge on to victory.

However, Cohasset has gotten out to quick starts only to run out of steam later in the game. Ekberg is banking on the Skippers improving their consistency from period to period before the tourney begins.

"We're not all the way there consistently yet," he said. "We have had some weak third periods."

But the Skippers have had more solid efforts than weak ones this season. Here's to Cohasset winning its first two games and taking a third while its on a roll.

This, after all, is the year for the Skippers to keep on rolling along.

Goalie school offered

The All-East Goalie Hockey. Program will take place at the Bridgewater Ice Arena from June 17 to June 21 and at the Falmouth Ice Arena July 15 to July 19. Boys and girls ages 7 to 17 may call (603) 382-9410 for application and further details.

Murphy named MVP

Cohasset's Kerry Murphy was named the Most Valuable Player on the women's sailing team at St. Mary's College of Maryland. The senior was awarded the honor at the athletic banquet held on May 8.

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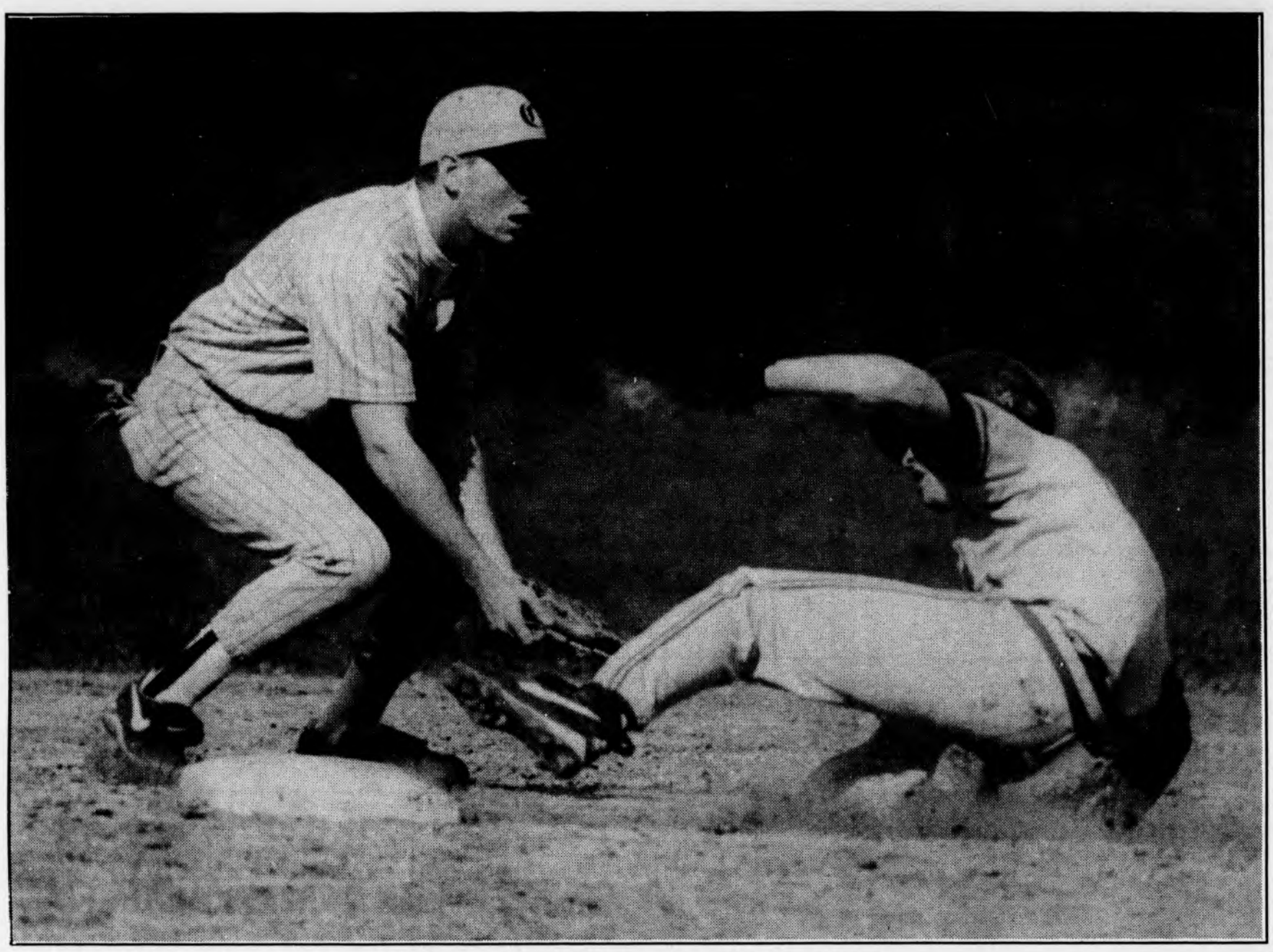

A Cohasset High player covers second base as a Norwell baserunner slides into the bag.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Gymnastics openings available

There are still openings in Tumble Bugs, pre-school boys and girls, beginner boys and girls, sports for kids, intermediates and junior and high school classes. The session began April 29 and runs for eight weeks. For more information call the South Shore Community Center at 383-0088.

Upcoming events at the center include "Boys Night Out" on Friday, June 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for boys ages 5-10 years old. Come join Ruthann, George and others for a fun-filled evening of sports, bowling, obstacle courses, and make your own pizza. Everyone receives something for participation. You must be pre-registered. Call the center for more information.

Safe boating course

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 1208, and the Cohasset Recreation Department will sponsor a spring, six-session, safe boating course, offering certification by both the Coast Guard and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The course will be offered to both youth and adults, however, certification in this course is mandatory for those 16 years old and under who wish to operate a craft powered by 25 horsepower or more. U.S.C.G.A., Flotilla 1208 instructors will teach the six-session course, scheduled to begin Tuesday, May 21, at the Cohasset High School. Classes will meet each Tuesday and Thursday from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., May 21 through June 11.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department office at 383-6791, as soon as possible as class will be limited in size and participants will be enrolled on a first call basis. There will be a $25 per person fee for this program which covers the cost of the textbook and class materials. Checks for payment must be made out to U.S.C.G.A. Flotilla 12008. While the class is designed for children/youth and adults, it is suggested that children age 12 and under be accompanied by a participating adult. A segment of the class will be devoted to the new laws regulating personal water craft.

Certification cards will be issued and both the Coast Guard and the State recognize the Safe Boating Certificate. Further, for those who may be interested, certification for this course will allow you a discount on your boat insurance premium of 5 percent to 10 percent, depending upon your insurance carrier.

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Police Log

Monday, April 29

6:33 a.m., animal complaint, Holly Ln., area search negative.

8:00 a.m., cloudy, 45

9:24 a.m., medical, Norfolk Rd., removed to hospital.

11:50 a.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., investigated.

3:49 p.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., rain, 58

5:59 p.m., disturbance (family), Beechwood St., protective custody.

6:10 p.m., Sgt. Pomarico in with 18-year-old Cohasset male in protective custody.

6:48 p.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., (Red Lion Inn), investigated.

7:40 p.m., building check, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

8:44 p.m., general services, Stockbridge St., services rendered.

9:35 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Pond St., verbal warning.

9:38 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

10:33 p.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St., investigated.

11:46 p.m., general services, Highland Ave., secured building.

12:00 a.m., Rainy, 45

Tuesday, April 30

7:00 a.m., animal complaint, Border St., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Foggy, 45

8:24 a.m., medical, CJC Hwy., removed to hospital.

9:13 a.m., suspicious activity, HQ CJC Hwy.., departmental action.

9:41 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 58

4:32 p.m., general services, Red Gate Ln., departmental action.

7:38 p.m., missing persons, Sohier St., departmental action.

7:55 p.m., annoying phone calls, Diab Ln., departmental action.

9:54 p.m., assist citizen, Pleasant St., services rendered.

12:00 p.m., Rain, 60

Wednesday, May 1

6:30 a.m., assist citizen, Wadleigh Park, services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 60

8:17 a.m., general services, Hull, Hdqts., services rendered.

9:32 a.m., emergency services, N. Main St., removed to hospital.

10:27 a.m., annoying phone calls, Quincy, Hdqts., departmental action.

11:43 a.m., emergency services, Little Harbor Rd., services rendered.

12:14 p.m., animal complaint, Pleasant St., investigated.

12:33 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Lamberts Ln., departmental action.

3:06 p.m., arrest, CJC Hwy.

3:16 p.m., Ptl. Matos in with 14-year-old female on a CHINS warrant.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 70

4;39 p.m., local ordinances/by-laws, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

5:15 p.m., animal complaint, Doane St., departmental action.

5:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

5:52 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St., investigated.

7:12 p.m., officer wanted, King St., investigated.

7:36 p.m., assist citizen, Pond St., services rendered.

8:40 p.m., officer field investigation, Pond St., investigated.

10:15 p.m., medical, Forest Ave., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 52

Thursday, May 2

2:00 a.m., general services, HQ, services rendered.

2:41 a.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., investigated.

7:27 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St.

7:34 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Ripley Rd.).

7:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint,.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 55

8:57 a.m., officer wanted, Meadow Ln., departmental action.

9:46 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy., (Atlantic Bagel), departmental action.

11:27 a.m., emergency services, Cedar St. removed to hospital.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 70

5:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

6:02 p.m., violation of court order, N. Main St., investigated.

7:04 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St./Hingham Line, services rendered.

7:17 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Jerusalem Rd., removed to hospital.

8:28 p.m., building check, Linden Dr., services rendered.

10:31 p.m., general services, Dolan Ln., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 50

Friday, May 3

1:40 a.m., traffic /MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

6:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Cushing Plaza, verbal warning.

7:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square, traffic warning issued.

7:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 50

8:20 a.m., officer field investigation, N. Main St., investigated.

8:27 a.m., general services, Hingham Line/N. Main St., services rendered.

10:48 a.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ Beach St., departmental action.

11:00 a.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ Beechwood St., departmental action.

11:02 a.m., medical, Forest Ave., removed to hospital.

12:00 p.m.., assist citizen/reported death, Elm St., departmental action.

3:27 p.m., fire alarm, Beach St., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy 63

5:17 p.m., missing persons, Old Coach Rd., returned to home or family.

7:34 p.m., medical, Beechwood St., removed to hospital.

7:52 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Pond St./CJC Hwy., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:02 p.m., annoying phone calls, S. Main St., investigated.

6:11 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., services rendered.

9:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Ripley Rd.,/Scituate Line, services rendered.

9:42 p.m., Ptl. Quigley in with Frank Falvey, Trysting Pl., Scituate, DOB: 8/30/30, OUI, Marked lanes.

9:55 p.m., general services, Ripley Rd./Scituate Line, services rendered.

10:16 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St.,/Cohasset High School, verbal warning.

11:35 p.m., fire alarm, Elm St., accidental/defective alarm.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 57

Saturday, May 4

12:05 a.m., noise complaint, Summer St., unfounded.

7:25 a.m., larceny, Linden Dr., investigated.

7:46 a.m., assist citizen, Wheelwright Farm, services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 53

11:52 a.m., assist other PDs, Hull PD, HQ, departmental action.

12:04 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ, departmental action.

12:17 p.m., missing property (lost & found), HQ, departmental action.

3:02 p.m., speeding complaint, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

3:07 p.m., assist citizen, Nichols Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Rain, 52

5:25 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Hillside Dr., services rendered.

8:11 p.m., general services, Hull, services rendered.

8:14 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

8:57 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Square, departmental action.

8:58 p.m., officer field investigation, Summer St., investigation.

See page 24

Police Chief Noonan issues status report for April

Police Chief Brian Noonan reported there were 11 arrests last month including four for outstanding warrants, three for assault & battery, one for drug possession, one for a minor in possession of alcohol, and one for motor vehicle violations, and one person was taken in for protective custody.

There was one breaking and entering reported in April, Noonan said. The civilian dispatch center received 88, 9-1-1 calls last month.

PALS Officer Lisa Matos attended the health fair at Cohasset High School and spoke with many residents, Noonan said.

New part-time civilian dispatcher is appointed

M. Susan McQuay has been appointed the town's newest part-time civilian dispatcher pending a sign off by the personnel committee.

McQuay, who moved to Scituate in April, will start at $11.53 per hour, the rate offered to dispatchers with considerable experience, and will work 16 hours per week. McQuay has dispatch experience in Florida and Connecticut, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

The state will also allow McQuay to become certified in Massachusetts by taking a two-hour refresher course and exam and waive the 16-hour training requirement in light of her certification in e-9-1-1 telecommunications in Connecticut, Doyon said.

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10:19 p.m., arrest Ptl. Quigley in with Robert A. Paton, DOB: 7/19/61, 15 N. Main St., Cohasset, violation of 209A order, larceny over $250.

11:30 p.m., suspicious activity, N. Main St., investigated.

11:16 p.m., building check, Highland Ave., services rendered.

11:36 p.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., area search negative.

11:30 p.m. suspicious activity, N. Main St., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 50

Sunday, May 5

12:54 a.m., assist citizen, 3A/Lower King St., services rendered.

12:59 a.m., disturbance (gathering), Fairoaks Ln., peace restored.

1:18 a.m., incapacitated person, Ptl. Lennon in with 19-year-old Cohasset male.

1:31 a.m., leaving scene, 3A & Lower King St. — N. Main & Lower King St., departmental action.

1:57 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Hull St. & Cedar St., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

2:10 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Ptl. has in custody Scott M. Aikens DOB: 11/24/64, 414B North Main St., arrest OUI, Oper. Aft Rev., Oper. Endanger.

7:51 a.m., building check, Deer Hill School, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 58

10:34 a.m., animal complaint, Border St/.Scituate HQ, departmental action.

11:05 a.m., abandoned vehicle, Sohier St. (Cohasset Swim Center), departmental action.

11:31 a.m., general services, HQ, departmental action.

11:58 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave., services rendered.

12:22 p.m., missing persons, Hammond Ave., returned to home or family.

2:26 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Jerusalem Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

2:22 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

3:04 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., departmental action.

3:15 p.m., officer field investigation, Beechwood St., investigated.

3:17 p.m., officer field investigation, Church St., investigated.

3:18 p.m., officer wanted, Mill Bridge, departmental action.

3:28 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

5:37 p.m., trespassing, Cedar Landfill, departmental action.

6:18 p.m., fire alarm, Beechwood St., services rendered.

8:55 p.m., officer wanted, Sohier St., unfounded.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Monday, May 6

8:00 a.m., Rain, 44

10:03 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Sankey Rd., no police service necessary.

12:48 p.m., emergency services, Hull St., services rendered.

1:10 p.m., emergency services, King St., referred to other agency.

2:15 p.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave., referred to other agency.

2:58 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

3:23 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), N. Main St., investigated.

4:00 p.m, Rain, 52

4:20 p.m., general services, HQ Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

5:54 p.m., vandalism, N. Main St. (Swim Center), departmental action.

6:25 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./King St., verbal warning.

6:39 p.m., general services, Beechwood St., departmental action.

7:47 p.m., animal complaint, HQ Hammond Ave., departmental action.

8:07 p.m., suspicious activity, Rust Way, area search negative.

11:32 p.m., building check, CJC Hwy., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Tuesday, May 7

12:20 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd., secured building.

1:34 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (JJ's Dairy), verbal warning.

7:17 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Imports).

7:21 a.m., arrest, no arrest due to computer glitch.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 52

1:47 p.m., assist citizen, Town Lot, services rendered.

2:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Linden Dr. @ Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

3:02 p.m., general services, Brewster Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 63

4:03 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, HQ Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

4:32 p.m., medical, CJC Hwy. (Walgreens), removed to hospital.

4:52 p.m., animal complaint, HQ N. Main St., departmental action.

5:39 p.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave., services rendered.

9:17 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

9:48 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 42

Wednesday, May 8

12:23 a.m., officer field investigation, Old Pasture Rd., investigated.

1:20 a.m., suspicious activity, Square, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 50

8:27 a.m., assist other PDs, Hingham line to Scituate line, services rendered.

11:56 a.m., medical, King St., removed to hospital.

12:54 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., advised civil action.

1:24 p.m., general services, S. Main St., services rendered.

2:40 p.m., officer field investigation, Dunkin Donuts, false call.

2:45 p.m., emergency services, Hull St., services rendered.

3:52 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., services rendered.

3:52 p.m., vandalism, Beechwood St., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sun, 63

4:17 p.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., departmental action.

5:44 p.m., abandoned vehicle, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

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NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that DIANA J. WALTON, formerly known as DIANA BERKERY of WEYMOUTH in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on June 19, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this sixth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
5/16/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
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DOCKET NO. 96P1118E1

Estate of JEAN C. WILLIAMS late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that DONNA J. WILLIAMS of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK and DONALD G. LEKBERG of WAREHAM in the County of PLYMOUTH be appointed executors named in the will without surety on the bond.

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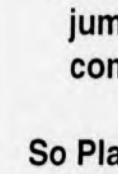
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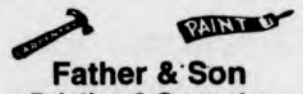

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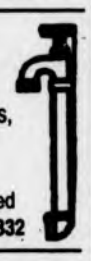

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James Brook study may find reason for flooding

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Two weeks ago, Summer Street resident Sandra Noble told the selectmen she has been watching the marsh behind her house flood at high tide during the three years she has lived there. During storm tides, the flooding is worse.

She has also watched James Brook erode its banks, and detects another stream forming along side it.

Noble is convinced the tidal gates are not functioning properly. She believes the gates leak at the bottom, allowing sea water to flow upstream.

The regular flooding of the marsh is now damaging trees which have fungus growing on them due to the saltwater and the constant wet ground, Noble said.

Highway Supt. Harold Litchfield said the gates are working properly. One gate was stuck open during the winter, and that has been repaired. Work crews have cleared James Brook, removing branches, but also tires, pipes, and even chairs.

Workers were called out Sunday to remove debris that hindered the flow of water, he noted.

But, Litchfield said this week, "The place has been flooding since I've been on the highway department for 36 years."

Noble agrees the situation has improved slightly since her complaints, but wants the problem solved before it gets worse.

"I don't feel anyone has done anything," she said.

Selectman Peter Pratt said the first step toward solving the problem of the James Brook flooding is a thorough study of the entire drainage basin.

The tidal gates have deteriorated due to budget cuts that have not provided funds for regular maintenance and repair. The gates are another example of infrastructure problems "that have gotten away from us," he said this week.

"It's too easy to say 'it's always been this way,'" Pratt commented.

"Harold [Litchfield] has done a marvelous job of keeping after the gates," but the long-range solution will come when James Brook is studied. Maintenance and repair of the gates is a short-term remedy.

Town administrator Greg Doyon said the town has set aside more than $20,000 for the study, which will provide the information and a recommendation for the necessary work. One possible solution is to design a rip-rap wall at Elm Street, to prevent further erosion.

The combination of development upstream—which removed land that had absorbed storm water—and snowy winters with wet springs have worsened drainage problems downstream, said conservation commissioner Vee Roebuck.

Selectman Pratt believes the James Brook drainage problems will worsen when commuter rail is restored through Cohasset.

Most of the railroad right-of-way runs through the James Brook drainage basin, and many sections of the rail will be upgraded in preparation for the train. This will exacerbate the existing drainage problems, he said, adding that only recently has there been recognition that the James Brook drainage is a problem.

Pratt wants the MBTA should pay for the study of the James Brook drainage system, as mitigation for the restoration of rail service, since the train "will place a severe strain on James Brook."

"That alone will be a significant impact on residential and commercial properties."

Pratt said he asked MBTA environmental affairs ... Andrew Brennan abou ... James Brook drainage ... Given the impact of the train, this is a candidate for mitigation. While Brennan replied that this is not something that the T customarily does, he did say that it could be considered.

Cohasset should actively pursue the study as part of the T's mitigation from Greenbush, Pratt said.

"Mitigation goes to those communities that yell the loudest."

Treasurer-collector post hearing

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon reported this week that a public hearing on a special act to change the treasurer-collector's position from elected to appointed is at 11 a.m. today (May 16) in Room A-1 at the state house. Town meeting approved making the position an appointed one at the end of the current term. The change must pass muster with the legislature. Linden Drive resident Joseph D. Buckley, who won a three-way race for a three-year term as treasurer-collector in April, supports the change.

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Friends and family recall the life of lobsterman

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And although he couldn't be there — by honoring the lobsterman's life, hundreds of his friends and members of his family and community celebrated it for him.

Sladen died of drowning May 22 following a boating mishap.

But the focus at a special memorial service organized by his daughters Shelanne Durkin and Sandra Zappolo — was not on the tragic incident but on a life that touched all who knew their father.

"You find yourself laughing and crying at the same time — that's the price we pay for loving him," the Rev. Gary Ritts said.

"Sheldon put himself second and he put each one of you first," Ritts told the crowd gathered at Government Island for the service.

John Durkin told how much his father-in-law loved life.

"Happiness is not getting what you want — it's wanting what you got," Durkin said about Sladen's philosophy.

He related how Sladen would be at the Log 'n Line at the same time every morning for breakfast, followed by a stop at Tedeschi's before, like clockwork, he'd be at the harbor.

Durkin, who as a youth served as Sladen's sternman, recalled how once enough lobsters were caught — Sladen would say "now it's time to play" and

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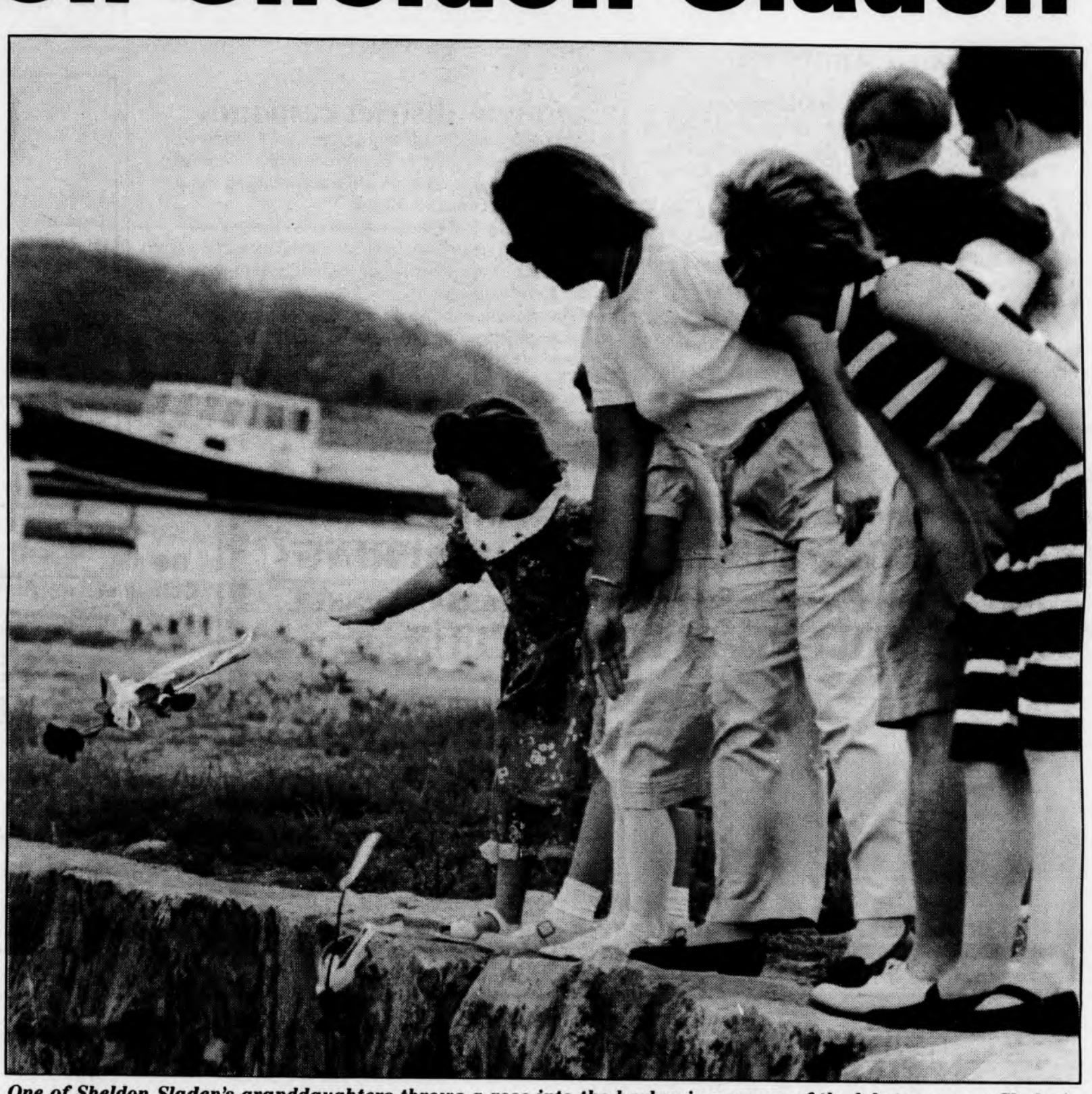

One of Sheldon Sladen's granddaughters throws a rose into the harbor in memory of the lobsterman as Sladen's daughters Sandra Zappolo and Shelanne Durkin stand by.

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Police Det. Richard Grassie said a ten-year-old Deer Hill pupil came to the station Thursday after school to report that his friend was slapped by the principal.

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Hartlage could not be reached for comment.

Grassie said police investigate all reported cases of where a child may have been struck even when the incident occurs at home.

Grassie said there is no criminal investigation at this time.

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Police have not heard from the alleged victim's parents and there has been no complaint filed, Grassie said Monday.

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Cemetery problems dying for a solution

By CHARLENE VANDINI
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The sale of graves "as-needed" began in 1988, according to cemetery study committee member Glenn Pratt.

"Every time word got out that we were running out of space," people would contact the town to buy a plot, Pratt said. Originally, a family plot would provide space for 16 caskets. The number was reduced to 12, then to 8, until

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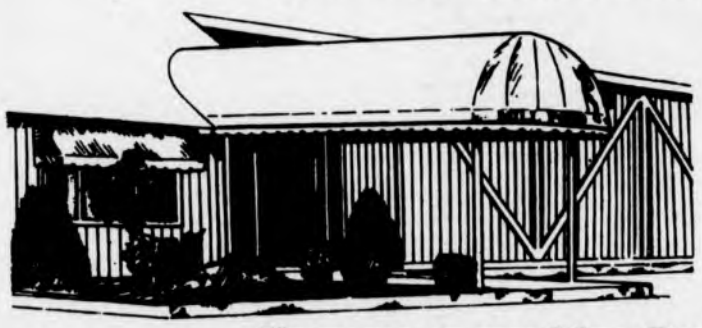
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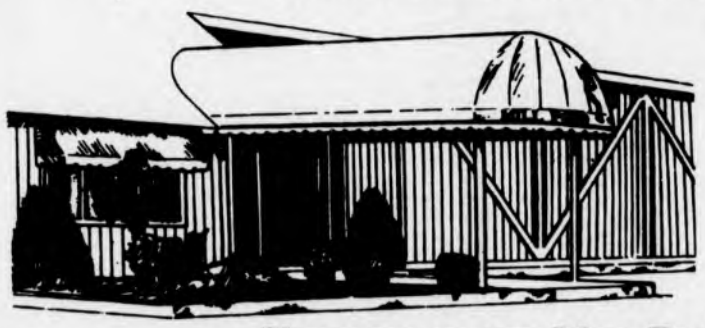

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Cemetery problems dying for a solution

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the as-needed policy was instituted.

Families who did buy their plots prior to the as-needed policy can only sell them back to the town if they do not intend to use them. The town then re-sells the graves as families need to bury a deceased person, he said.

But the town cannot buy back unused graves in the old portion of the Beechwood Cemetery. The cemetery records are incomplete, and the actual number and location of unused graves is uncertain, Pratt explained. Without the accurate records, cemetery workers could open a new grave and find that they are disturbing the eternal rest of a long-departed person.

Pratt said when the improvements are completed at Beechwood, the selectmen, as town's cemetery commissioners, should consider increasing the cost of gravesites.

At $500 for residents and $700 for non-residents, the cost of burial sites in Cohasset is much lower than other cemeteries, Pratt said. Many other cemeteries charge $750.

Of the present fees, Laugelle said, $125 is set aside for "perpetual care" of the gravesite. These monies are invested, with the accrued interest transferred to the park department which does the work.

Pratt said the trust fund presently is worth $200,000, but actually needs $1 million in principal to generate sufficient income to adequately care for the cemeteries. As recently as 1950, graves were sold for $4, of which $2 was set aside for perpetual care.

Higher prices for the gravesites will mean a greater infusion of money into the trust fund, and more regular maintenance and repair of the cemeteries.

Laugelle told cemetery study committee last week that once the Beechwood Cemetery project is completed, regular annual maintenance will be necessary or the site will deteriorate again.

Creating a new cemetery will become more crucial as the "baby boom" generation ages. This has been difficult due to the limited amount of undeveloped, usable land in Cohasset.

Several years ago, the cemetery study committee looked at an 8-acre parcel of town-owned land off Route 3A. That site hit a snag when a developer who owned the abutting property objected to the use of Red Fox Lane as access to the cemetery. Since then, other means of access have been investigated and using this site is once again being considered.

But Pratt explained there can be no request for funds from the town to pursue this project until engineering studies are done, and the site is approved by the board of health.

"Nothing can move until the board of health says 'yes,'" he said.

If wetlands are involved, the conservation commission and state Department of Environmental Protection must also approve the plan.

In the case of the property off Route 3A, various engineering studies have been done in the past for other town projects that did not come to pass. Those studies could be used now, in planning for a new cemetery, Pratt said.

How many gravesites would be created at a new cemetery depends on how much of the land is not wetlands nor ledge. Another factor is whether caskets or cremation urns are buried. More cremation urns can be interred in a gravesite than if caskets are buried. Laugelle said cremation has become more widespread: he estimated 30 to 40 percent of the burials in Cohasset are cremated remains.

Pratt also said some in sections of the cemetery, caskets could be buried "stacked," with one casket buried above another.

The cemetery study committee has said a cemetery at this location could provide as many as 5,000 new burial sites, which would be adequate for a century.

Principal on leave

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Hart said he was "made aware of this incident Thursday."

"Since that time, I've been conducting an investigation of the incident interviewing people who were there to get a true idea of what happened," Hart said.

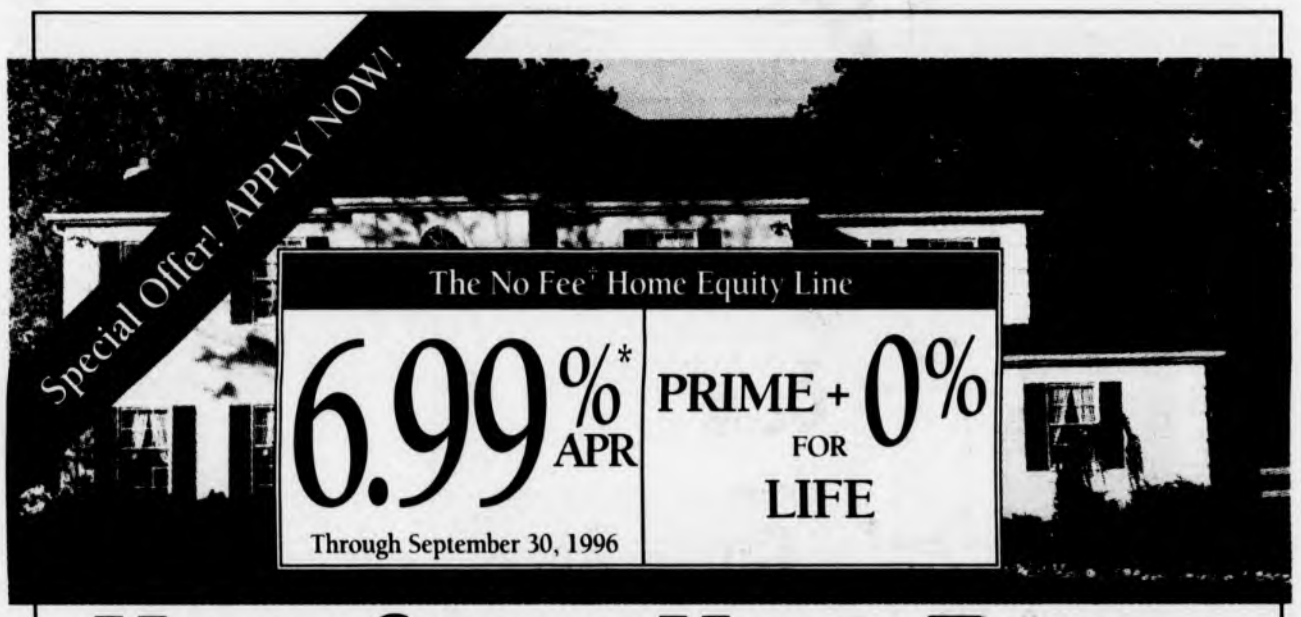
The incident occurred during a "picture-taking" session in the morning in front of the school.

Although he would not say she was serving as acting principal, Hart said curriculum coordinator Ruth Fennessy is at Deer Hill to handle any school matters that arise while Hartlage is on leave.

Hartlage, a Plymouth resident, was hired at a salary in the $50,000 to $60,000 range last June to replace long-time principal Kenneth Ekberg, who took an early retirement.

She holds a bachelor's degree from North Adams State and a master's from Bridgewater state and was an administrator with the Chelsea Public Schools where she headed the Title I program from pre-school through grade 12 before coming to Cohasset.

She was picked from a pool of about 40 applicants. Hart narrowed the field down to about 18-to-20 individuals whom he interviewed himself. He sent the names of six semi-finalists to a screening committee consisting of school administrators, teachers, parents, school council members, school board member, and a resident at large. The screening committee came up with a list of two or three finalists from which Hart made his choice. Under the three-year-old Education Reform Law, superintendents rather than school committees hire principals.



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Cohasset says no to school choice

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset public schools will not open their doors to non-resident students this fall.

School committee members unanimously voted Tuesday to notify the state that Cohasset has withdrawn the town's obligation to enroll non-resident students for the 1996-1997 academic year.

Members cited lack of space and the unfairness of the program to communities who will lose funding, as the major reasons Cohasset won't be participating in school choice.

If a student attends school in a different town, the student's town has to pay the school system for educating the child.

"By opening the doors of an attractive school system we could hurt the budget (of another school system)," said School Committee Member James Kirk.

The Education Reform Act of 1993 requires school committees to hold a public hearing on the school choice policy.

Additionally, the committee must vote not to participate in school choice before June 1, or the state automatically enrolls the town.

Cohasset has not participated in the program since it began three years ago.

In other business, the school committee:

• Discussed the new school project. School Committee Member Maureen Jerz said that in-depth discussions about wetlands issues are taking place. The major concern is the proximity of the back of the property to abutters on Old Pasture Road. The school facilities committee is working with the conservation commission to move the building in a westerly direction. The location of the building does not have to be decided by the state deadline of June 3. That deadline concerns the footprint of the building.

• Updated the communications plan, which is under the umbrella of the strategic plan. The five committee members were assigned groups to outreach. The pairings are:

* JoAnne Chittick — Senior citizens, school staff and administrators.

* Jerz — Town boards and school councils.

* Chairman Ralph Kidder — students and media (newspapers and cable).

* Kirk — teachers and non-parents

* Rick Shea — Parent Student Organizations (PSO), parents and local organizations and businesses

• Listened to a presentation by Curtis Collins, principal of the junior/ senior high school, on "Breaking Ranks : Changing An American Institution." Collins was a member of an expert panel that studied how high schools can be improved. The panel, which was comprised of educators, produced a book that outlined the direction public education at the high school level should move in.

The six major themes that were discussed in the manual are: personalization, coherency, time, technology, professional development and leadership.

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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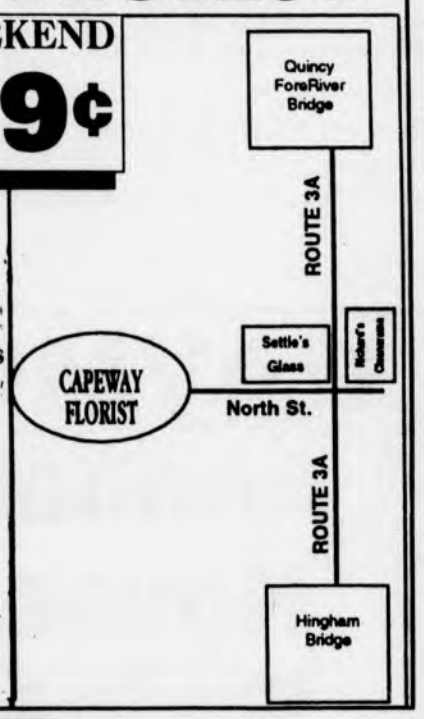

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At Music Circus, stage acts revolve around community

By SUSAN HAGSTROM
Special to the Mariner

Whether you're part of Generation X or the older generation, a toddler or a teenager — you should be able to find something appealing in this season's schedule at Cohasset's South Shore Music Circus.

'We're popular because quite frankly, we're 48 years old. How many entertainment establishments have been in business that long?'

— Vince Longo, general manager.

Tickets for popular artists like Tom Jones, Steve Lawrence & Eydie Gorme and blockbuster Vince Gill go on sale this weekend. The Music Circus, located on Sohier Street, off of 3A, is a 2,300-seat theater in the round that has been providing big-name entertainment for nearly 50 years.

The South Shore Music Circus and the Cape Cod Melody Tent are owned and operated by the South Shore Playhouse Associates, Inc.; a not-for-profit corporation whose proceeds are donated to other non-profit organizations that support education throughout the South Shore and Cape Cod.

General Manager Vince Longo said he is especially excited about the wide variety of acts that will appear on the revolving stage this season.

"I think that this year we have a much more diversified schedule of events," Longo said. "We have Tom Jones, Paul Anka and Gladys Knight on one end and then Little Feet and Dr. John's 70's rock on the other. It's a better mix than we've had in the past."

Longo said he was proud to include Vince Gill in the schedule. The Music Circus will be the smallest venue this year for Gill, who often performs for crowds of 15,000 and up.

"He (Gill) is really an arena act that has chosen to perform in this smaller venue. He's the superstar of the season."

In addition to presenting pop, rock, country, jazz and comedy acts, the Music Circus offers weekly performances by the award winning Kaleidoscope Theatre for the youngest of patrons.

"It's a good way to introduce children to live theater," said Debra Fernandes, the Music Circus' director of Public Relations. "You don't have the hassle of going into the city. All of the children's shows are Thursday matinees."

According to Longo, last year's revenues were the highest in the last five years and he expects to better that this year. Longo attributes some of the success to better advertising and spreading the word to local residents. Longo said the Music Circus has remained popular because of the intimate, outdoor setting, the competitive prices, the convenience and the relaxed, community-oriented atmosphere.

Barbara Marcus talks about seating availability with Music Circus box office Mgr. Chester Trunfio. Tickets go on sale this week.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Another revenue-booster was the 1994 addition of beer and wine to the concession's menu. The sale of beer and wine improved the concession revenues by 40 percent.

Longo said there have been no problems related to the sale of beer and wine. By Cohasset regulation, beer and wine are sold one hour prior to show time and for 30 minutes during intermission.

"The patrons have been asking for this for years and now we can accommodate that need," Longo explained. "It basically enhances the evening."

Because the Music Circus is a non-profit group, increased revenues greatly benefit the surrounding communities. Past recipients of large donations include the South Shore Art Center, the Cohasset Community Center and the South Shore Conservatory of Music.

"We exist to put money back into the communities," Longo said. "That's one of the reasons that we can attract the big names. The artists know that it's not going to be some promoter who's getting rich. The fact is, the community profits if we do well."

Longo has been general manager since November 1994 and said he is very conscious of how hard his predecessors worked to develop the good reputation now enjoyed by the Music Circus. Longo is also the talent buyer and takes great care to hand pick acts which he feels will uphold that good name.

"We're popular because quite frankly, we're 48 years old. How many entertainment establishments have been in business that long? I've had to turn away lots of big draws. I don't just book acts by the draw. It would just take a few bad seasons to tarnish our good reputation and I want to continue that."

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State house must resolve school override snafu

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

A election law technicality could derail the recent school override if not resolved quickly.

The town's bond counsel notified selectmen Monday, that legislation would have to be passed validating the recent school vote before the $9.9 million in school bonds could be issued.

Although the ballot question was reported in local newspapers and posted on a dummy ballot at town hall, the warrant for the April 6 annual town election did not contain mention of the Prop. 2-1/2 exemption ballot question as required by law, said Roger P. Vacco of Palmer & Dodge LLP, in a letter to selectmen. Vacco said his firm cannot approve the bonds without further action.

That action is to introduce a bill to the state legislature which must pass both houses by a 2/3 vote following a recommendation by the governor.

Vacco said Cohasset is not alone in facing this kind of problem.

"Failure to include mention of a Prop. 2-1/2 exemption vote in the warrant for a town election has been a frequent problem for towns facing the technical compliance procedures under an admittedly confusing Prop. 2-1/2 statute. In recent years we have had to obtain special legislation to deal with this problem in the towns of Dennis, Dudley, Georgetown and Lenox, among others," he said.

Because of the June 3 state deadline to submit school plans (part of which require having the finances in order) to qualify for 60 percent reimbursement of the project — Cohasset's bill must be "babysat on a daily basis," Selectman Peter Pratt warned members of the school committee and school facilities committee this week.

There isn't time to call a special town meeting to validate the vote, selectmen said Monday.

Election warrants must be posted in five places around town, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said. Doyon said it was an oversight that the warrants did not include the ballot question as required.

Doyon said a letter was transmitted to state Sen. Robert Hedlund and state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray on Tuesday. They will write a letter to the governor asking him to file this legislation on behalf of Cohasset.

The school override passed with a vote of 1574 to 1494 at the April 6 election.

Buckley named to disabilities commission

Selectmen appointed Joseph D. Buckley to the Cohasset Commission on Disabilities this week.

Harpsichordist to perform at St. Stephen's

As part of the Centennial Celebration Weekend, St. Stephen's Church will present harpsichord Mark Kroll in recital, Sunday, June 9, at 3 p.m. The final concert in the 1995-'96 Music at St. Stephen's series will include work by Bach, Frescobaldi, Scarlatti and Couperin.

Kroll has been acclaimed as one of the finest harpsichordists of this generation, and has performed throughout North and South American and Europe. He has served as harpsichordist for the Boston Symphony since 1979 and has appeared on several of their recordings.

Kroll recently returned from a tour in Germany, which included recitals in the "Bach cities" of Leipzig and Ohrdruf.

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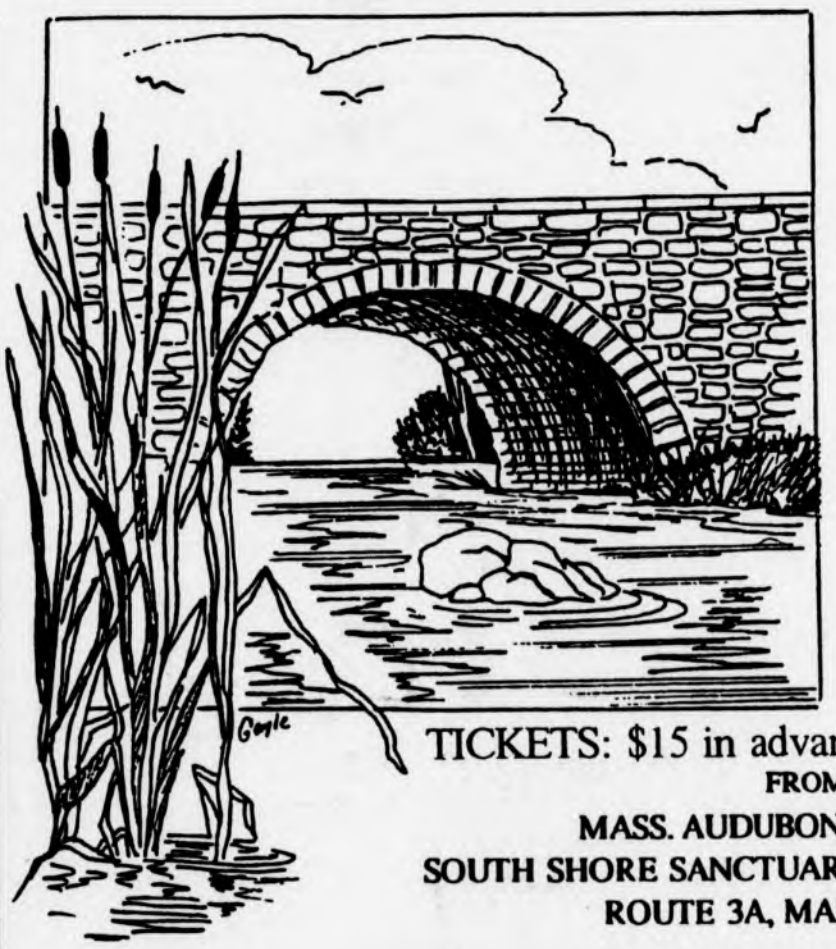

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New coffee hour at senior center is a hit

Jarred Hardwick certainly has (another) reason to be proud of himself and his efforts—he was recently presented a citation from the House of Representatives, expressing congratulations to him for being named South Shore League Basketball Player of the Year for the 1995-'96 season.

The citation was signed by Speaker of the House Charles Flaherty and Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, complete with the state seal. To put the finishing touch on Jarred's happiness, he also made the honor roll at CHS. We add our kudos to your list, and surely wish you every success in the future!

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Have you noticed the extra cars around the Common on Friday mornings? Well, word has gotten out that the new coffee hour hosted by the **Council on Elder Affairs** is wonderful. There are special treats to go with the coffee, and the coffee hour, held from 9:30 to 11 a.m., is open to people of all ages. The Council would like it if you stopped in and tried their café!

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Seventy Smith College students have been elected associate members of Sigma Xi, a national honorary organization recognizing excellence in science. On that list is Cohasset student **Cecilia Beatrix Candia,** who majors in biological sciences. Congratulations from us to you, Cecilia!

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Northfield Mount Hermon School sophomore **Abigail Kornet,** daughter of **Diana** and **John L. Kornet,** will appear in the school's spring theater production of the "Cinderella Waltz." An assistant director in the 1996 theater program's One-Act Play Festival, she also participated in girls crew.

The show will be presented May 24, 31 and June 1 at 7:30 p.m. in Silverthorne Theatre on the Northfield campus. If you are in the mood for a "comic treatment of the familiar Cinderella story," be sure to attend.

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A standing ovation goes to **Leslie-Ann McGee,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. James P. McGee.** Leslie-Ann earned her master of environmental management degree from Duke University a few weeks ago, and to say that everyone is extremely proud of her is a vast understatement! Best of luck in the business world, Leslie!

Exploring their family tree at the John Alden House Museum in Duxbury recently are Catherine Johnson Bell of Troy, N.Y. and her daughter, Chartis Langmaid, of Cohasset.

Staff photo/Chris Bernstein

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Happy Birthday wishes go to **Ann Pompeo,** whose birthday is May 28. Be sure to give her birthday greetings and hugs and smiles when you see her!

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Congratulations to **Angela Rose Parisi,** daughter of **Bruce** and **Georgine Butman.** Angela is the first girl in Cohasset to receive her Gold Award from the Girl Scouts. The award is the highest a young woman can earn from Girl Scouts USA.

Angela's project focused on the melting pot of the USA. She went into classrooms at Osgood School and performed "Folktales of Diversity." The project will serve the entire Patriots' Trail Council in Massachusetts.

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Hope everyone received their letter from the **Sandy Beach Association** asking for voluntary gifts to help maintain the beach after the very long winter. Your donation enables the association to provide full-duty lifeguards, bathhouse facilities, walkway access, preservation (with the use of a snow fence) and daily maintenance. Any amount you can donate will be appreciated, and you will enjoy Sandy Beach even more knowing you contributed to its beauty!

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We congratulate **Ann M. Grew,** Flintlocke Ridge, who received her BA in accounting from Michigan State University. Ann was one of 4,658 candidates for bachelor's degrees!

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We are sure lots of you remember **Liz Hills,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. David Hills,** and recall how well we told you she was doing at Mercersburg Academy in Pennsylvania. Well, she is really proving to be an outstanding student! After two years of junior high school French, she will be taking French IV this summer and AP French in the fall! She is a sophomore! Liz is copy editor of the school newspaper, has received an award for academic excellence and is happy and very busy! We can say Cohasset's loss is truly Mercersburg Academy's gain!

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That's it for this week, but this is the "newsy" time of year, so don't forget to fill us in on yours!

— Sallyann
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Weddings

Dow/Chase

Dama Chase, the daughter of Elaine Chase of Cohasset, married James Dow, the son of Phil and Edna Dow of Hull, April 20. The wedding and reception were held at Sons of Italy, Hingham.

E. Gardner Jones officiated at the ceremony.

Maid of Honor was Josie Ouellette of Hanover, and Kerri-Anne Dow was Flower Girl.

Rick Hutchison of Cohasset served as Best Man. Ring Bearer was Zachary Eicoff.

The bride is a graduate of Cohasset High School, and is employed by the Cohasset school department.

Her husband is a graduate of Hull High School, and is employed by the Hingham Sewer Department.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dow

Following a wedding trip to Jamaica, the couple is residing in Cohasset.

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EDITORIAL

Memorial Day 1996

Last month, this nation paused to reflect on the tragic loss of life caused by a senseless, brutal act of terrorism in America's heartland. That single act of cowardice in Oklahoma City shattered for many Americans a feeling of innocence, of solitude, that is our birthright as citizens of this great country.

As we paused on April 19, we reflected on our personal memories of that sad day and how it touched us as individuals and as a nation. For many, that horrendous event is an image seared into our minds: a limp, lifeless child cradled in the arms of an exhausted firefighter; a smoking pile of rubble viewed from a television reporter's helicopter.

For many, the Oklahoma City bombing was reminiscent of a devastated World War II bomb site or blown-up embassy building in Beirut, Lebanon. It was a painful reminder of the brutality of war; of the ultimate price paid for the freedoms we enjoy today. Our freedoms are legion. Our memories are personal, delicate.

On Memorial Day, we pause to reflect on our personal memories of America's veterans.

For some, the memory of an American veteran will be one of a soldier in the next foxhole, valiantly serving his country while enduring the horror of war. For others, the memory will be of a nurse valiantly serving her country while dressing the wounds of battle-weary infantrymen. She, too, endured the horrors of war.

For some, our memories of American veterans are merely names etched in a black granite wall in the nation's capital.

For others still, American veterans are memorialized in the many benefits offered in gratitude of their service: the homes we grew up in that were backed by VA-guaranteed loans. The educational benefits that paid for college tuitions.

For many Americans, the memory of an American veteran is very simple: the memory of grandpa. Or dad.

Many of our fathers and grandfathers, our sisters and brothers, returned from battlefields to be nursed back to health in the nation's VA medical centers. There are veterans there now, at each of the 172 hospitals nationwide. On Memorial Day they will remember their fallen comrades. They will hold solemn, special remembrances of friends, colleagues, partners — countrymen. Our memories, in whatever fashion, are small personal tributes to the memory of someone who has served this country. They deserve our honor, for they — in some divine fashion, for some divine reason — have been sacrificed.

Let us honor the more than *one million* American men and women who fought and died on battlefields — so that we might enjoy the freedoms we have today.

This day, this *Memorial* Day, is an opportunity for us to pay that tribute. For it is through their sacrifices that we are able to enjoy the freedom to bind as a nation. To help grieve the tragedy in our nation's heartland. To endure. To grow.

(Michael D. Olson, Director of the Dept. of Veterans Affairs)

'Thousand Cranes' raised troubling questions

To the Editor:

We have followed the letters of the past two weeks concerning the Deer Hill's performance of "A Thousand Cranes." We wonder why Joe McElroy's reasonable request for a balanced treatment of the Hiroshima tragedy elicited an implication that his letter was about one-line political questions. Can it be that there's an underlying worry that the other side of the story somehow would detract from the play's effectiveness in inspiring us to seek peace? Is there some politically correct attitude that was offended by such a request?

We also have a fifth- and sixth-grader at the Deer Hill. Conversations with them and one of their teachers have convinced us that the other side of the story was lightly skimmed over in one session of one child's social studies class, and not touched upon in the other child's classes. There is legitimate concern about giving time to a balanced presentation. The arts, and drama especially, are powerful tools for shaping people's understanding, feelings, and views. They are not, however, a comprehensive and thorough means of conveying an education. Without a more balanced background given, it's easy for the drama to be mistaken for the whole story. A political message may not have been intended in this production, but clearly, it was received by some, including one of our own two children.

No people of good will, including several victims of Japanese aggression that we knew, would deny the need to mourn the innocents that died anywhere in that war. It really doesn't matter if it was one of the 10 million Chinese civilians killed during the Japanese occupation of China, or one of the 115,000 (U.S. estimate) to 240,000 (Japanese estimate) Japanese civilians killed in Hiroshima and Nagasaki, or one of the 6 million Jewish civilians killed in the concentration camps of Nazi Germany. Mankind is all the poorer for the loss. "A Thousand Cranes" was about peace in the emotional sense. It inspired and created the desire for peace. Was it important and effective? Absolutely. Joe McElroy's letter was about peace in terms of common sense. If peace is to be preserved in the future, *all* of history must be taught in the present. Is this necessary and relevant? Absolutely. Discussing important topics with your child should not be dismissed as indulging in one-line political questions. Evenhanded discussions at home and at school are essential for preparing our children to make wise and compassionate choices in the future, based on information instead of passion. Peace is a goal that is not always achieved without terrible sacrifice and difficult decisions. Our children need to be reminded of that as we approach Memorial Day, and honor the many Americans who died so that this debate can even take place.

Elaine and Craig Holt
40 Brewster Rd.

Food pantry appreciates support

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Food Pantry would like to thank everyone who helped to make the recent Postal Service townwide food drive a success.

Through the hard work of Richard Leach and his associates at Cohasset Post Office, Food Pantry volunteers who spent the day stocking shelves, and the generosity of the Cohasset community, we were able to add 4,000 pounds of food to the Food Pantry shelves on May 11. Not only was the quantity of food tremendous, but the quality was excellent as well!

The Food Pantry relies on the generosity of our community and the support of local organizations like the town Post Office to help our families in need. The support we received from this food drive is a reminder of why we are so fortunate to live in such a special community.

Marjorie F. Steele
Cohasset Food Pantry

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fresh legal approach needed

To the Editor:

The time has come for the Town of Cohasset to consolidate all of its legal services into one firm, the law firm of new Town Counsel Paul DeRensis. Consolidation of legal services will provide more cost-effective legal representation to the town for all municipal, labor and environmental matters, and will reduce costs while providing quality legal service.

The continued employment of Warner & Stackpole for Cohasset Heights landfill-related litigation can no longer be justified. We have seen, time and time again, that with this firm, the costs have been very high and the results have not always been satisfactory. My experience is that they frequently have pulled their punches, have recommended too many times that town boards negotiate away their legal authority, and are so afraid of losing that they do not always try as hard as they could to win for the town. Besides, after 10 years with the same firm handling CHL-related matters, we need a fresh approach. It's time for a change.

John K. McNabb Jr.
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Local gym teachers oppose plan to repeal PE mandates

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Local physical education teachers voiced opposition this week to a recent proposal to repeal the state education regulation requiring all students to take physical education in school.

The proposal was made by Education Commissioner Robert V. Antonucci at a state board of education meeting last week. Antonucci's plan would let individual school districts decide their physical education requirements.

Under the three-year-old state education reform law — time and learning mandates, requiring students to spend more time in school on academics — may force some schools to cut-back or eliminate some elective and non-academic programs. In tight budget years, eliminating non-essential programs could prove even more tempting to some towns. Without the law requiring physical education, some gym teachers fear their programs could be the first to go.

Torin Sweeney, a physical education teacher at the Deer Hill School in Cohasset said the proponents of the repeal have not considered the ramifications.

"When cuts are made in programs and faculty, it is very difficult to restore them," said Sweeney.

Sweeney said the proposal stems from "30 and 40 something" adults who think physical education still amounts to dodge ball and square dancing. And while he acknowledges the fact that some programs are poor — new training and new curriculums show that gym class has come a long way in the last 20 years.

State regulations currently require 30 hours of physical education for kindergartners and 60 hours for students in grades one through 10 during the school year. There is no requirement for juniors and seniors but in Cohasset physical education is part of the curriculum at all grade levels.

According to schools physical education director Michael Gill, pupils in kindergarten and first grade have physical education class twice a week for about a half hour. In grades two-through-six, gym class is 45 minutes long twice a week.

State regulations currently require 30 hours of physical education for kindergartners and 60 hours for students in grades one through 10 during the school year.

At the elementary level, pupils learn balance, coordination and specific skills for sporting activities. In junior high school and high school, the physical education focus shifts to organized sports and individual fitness units, said Gill, who would like to build a-state-of-the-art fitness center that would offer programs like weight training, step aerobics and a whole host of cardiovascular equipment such as stair climbers and treadmills. Fitness testing during physical education is used to help students achieve their own physical best rather than as a way to compare students with each other, Gill said.

"We need to do a better job of emphasizing fitness and help students form good fitness habits for the rest of their lives," Gill said.

At the secondary level students take gym every day for half the year (90 days) and have health class every day during the second half of the year. Gill said the half-year program, which began two years ago, gives both physical and health education continuity.

With nearly 85 percent of the student body participating in extra curricular sports programs, Gill said during the half year students are in health class, they're still getting enough exercise.

Gill, who opposes the repeal or any cutbacks in physical education, said that rather than reducing or eliminating programs, schools should be focusing on improving them and making them more meaningful and relevant to students.

"It has to be more than a glorified recess," said Gill, who noted that physical education exposes students to a wide range of abilities, many different activities and should be a skill-based, sequential program with a well-defined curriculum.

"Physical education is not just to give kids some physical activity, but to teach a curriculum. If that's not happening, it's the responsibility of the school," Gill said.

But by increasing and improving fitness levels, Gill said students perform better in the classrooms and all around academically.

Sweeney agreed and added that physical education also helps mold a well-rounded child, and provides another place for socialization.

Like many physical education instructors, Gill and Sweeney have concerns about fitness levels, especially in young children, who may be spending more time in front of television and computer screen on the playgrounds and playing fields.

"You drive by the little league fields and they're empty," Gill said.

"Everything seems to indicate that fitness levels in children are not what they should be," said Gill, noting "our culture is promoting a more sedentary lifestyle in our children."

If anything, Gill said rather than cutting physical education programs, schools need to consider promoting more fitness both in and outside of school.

While no formal discussion on the physical education issue has taken place within the school department, school Supt.Stephen Hart said no substantial changes in the current programs are planned at this point.

"We'll want to look at our program and make sure it's meeting the goals we've established," Hart said.

Fair Oaks Lane driveway decision put off again

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Planning Board last week postponed once again a final decision on an application by developer Mark Patrolia to extend for building purposes a common driveway off Fair Oaks Lane.

Questions over potential zoning difficulties, landscaping grades and the final design of one structure necessitated board members to seek outside help before they could make a fair and final decision.

Philip and Cherie Miles, whose property is on the opposite side of the existing driveway, have asked the board to deny Patrolia's application. Through their lawyer, they have requested the board to stipulate that any future homes be serviced by new driveways running off Fair Oaks Lane.

At a previous meeting the board had requested Patrolia to provide a topographical map, showing detailed elevation grades, for the homes he intends to construct; as well as approval from Cohasset Fire Chief Roger Lincoln relevant to neighbors concerns that the proposed driveway would not meet safety standards.

In what is becoming an acrimonious affair, the Mileses have also filed a civil lawsuit against Patrolia. Board members learned that disputes over this particular development site have been ongoing for several years.

Patrolia's father was granted original development permits for this area in 1978 and over the years the final rendering of the plans has constantly changed, much to the chagrin of abutters.

The board deferred a final determination on the topic until it received an opinion from town counsel on whether 1978 or current zoning statutes should be applied in this case.

Chairman Al Moore, who had hoped for a quick resolution, appeared frustrated over matters.

"If a complete driveway had been engineered and put on a plan, whether it was built or not," Moore told Patrolia, "it would have served purposes and residents would not be before the board today seeking redress."

Fellow board member Robert Sturdy was even more emphatic. He stated that in addition to driveway concerns, water run-off from any new construction would affect neighboring properties.

"I have some real difficulty with this," Sturdy said. "These people (Philip and Cherie Miles) got really duped into buying something under false pretenses."

Moore noted the board had received the topographical map, though Sturdy was not pleased with its details, as well as a letter from Chief Lincoln stating that Patrolia had met minimum town safety standards for proposed expansion; and, as long as no new trees or utility poles were placed in the location of the driveway fire department apparatus could, if necessary, back out the area.

Moore told all parties a decision would be forthcoming at the next board meeting on June 5.

In another common driveway hearing, approval was granted on a conditional basis to the developers of Kendall Village (Beechwood Street and Route 3A).

The board will ask for an opinion from town counsel as to whether the proposed eight-unit lots can be accessed over property that may be wetland.

Moore stated if this was to be the case, the board would then consider an alternative plan by developers, as it was not the board's intention to kill off the Kendall Village project.

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In other business, representatives of Sunshine Development, a proposed three-story, 62-unit assisted living facility to be built on a five-acre site across from Jonathan Livingston Square (Route 3A), met with board members for an informal discussion of their plans.

Attorney Charles Humphreys stated an official proposal would be put before the town in approximately six to eight weeks and from that time site completion could be expected to take one year.

The definition of an assisted living facility was described as being for individuals such as Alzheimer's patients, who are one-step shy of requiring the constant 24-hour care of a nursing home.

Lastly, the board declined a request by the Water Resources Protection Committee (WRPC) to appoint a Planning Board representative to their committee.

Moore stated that while the Planning Board appreciated what the WRPC is doing, at this time because of already full work loads, it was not possible to add another duty to any individual board member.

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Concerned Taxpayers elects its officers

The following individuals were recently elected as officers of the newly formed Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers:

F. Roy Fitzsimmons, president; Leonora Jenkins, vice president and treasurer; Alex Koines, secretary; Board of Directors: Fred Quelle, Jack Doherty, Tom Jerome and Joanne Young. Florence Jerome will serve as director of membership; and Fred Grassie as sign coordinator.

Paul Patterson and Fred Grassie are in charge of committee assignments. Tanna Kasperowicz is in charge of public relations.

Persons interested in attending meetings of the taxpayer group should call Florence Jerome at 383-2139.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Friends and family recall the life of lobsterman

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they'd start fishing.

"Then he'd do what he loved to do — spend his leisure time, where he worked. He was happiest on the ocean," Durkin said.

Chrissy Sladen, Sladen's great niece, said her uncle was like a father.

Coming back from a fishing trip, Chrissy said she'd have a great tan and most of all "another wonderful memory of my great uncle Sheldon."

Family friend Barry Getto also spoke at the service and Lilly Sestito sang a hymn about life on the sea. Harbormasters from Hingham, Hull, Scituate, Cohasset and Weymouth were in attendance along with members of the Coast Guard.

Born in Cohasset and a 1952 Cohasset High graduate, Sladen, who had worked on the ocean since he was 11, was part of the close-knit fishing and harbor community which pulled out all the stops last week to find and rescue Sladen when a fellow fisherman reported that Sladen's boat, the Beachcomber, had been discovered empty.

Sladen was discovered minutes later in the 44 degree water. CPR was administered and he was air lifted to Boston City Hospital where he died later that day.

A reception followed Tuesday's memorial service at the Lightkeepers Residence.

Donations in Sladen's memory may be made to the Sheldon F. Sladen Memorial Fund for the Continued Beautification of the Government Island area, c/o Pilgrim Cooperative Bank, 48 S. Main St., Cohasset, 02025.

During Tuesday's memorial service on Government Island, the Rev. Gary Ritts recalls the life of Sheldon Sladen, a beloved father, uncle, grandfather and friend to many.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Obituaries

Sheldon F. Sladen

A memorial service was held May 21 for Sheldon F. Sladen, 61, of Cohasset, a lobsterman who drowned in the ocean outside Cohasset Harbor on May 15. The service was held at Government Island, Cohasset Town Pier.

Born in Cohasset, he graduated from Cohasset High School in 1952.

Mr. Sladen was a veteran of the Navy Seabees and had worked on the ocean since he was 11. He did his lobstering from his boat, named the "Beachcomber."

He was the husband of the late Nancy E. (Tower) Sladen and leaves two daughters, Shelanne S. Durkin and Sandra Zappolo, both of Cohasset; a brother, Donald E. Sladen of Scituate; and seven grandchildren.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

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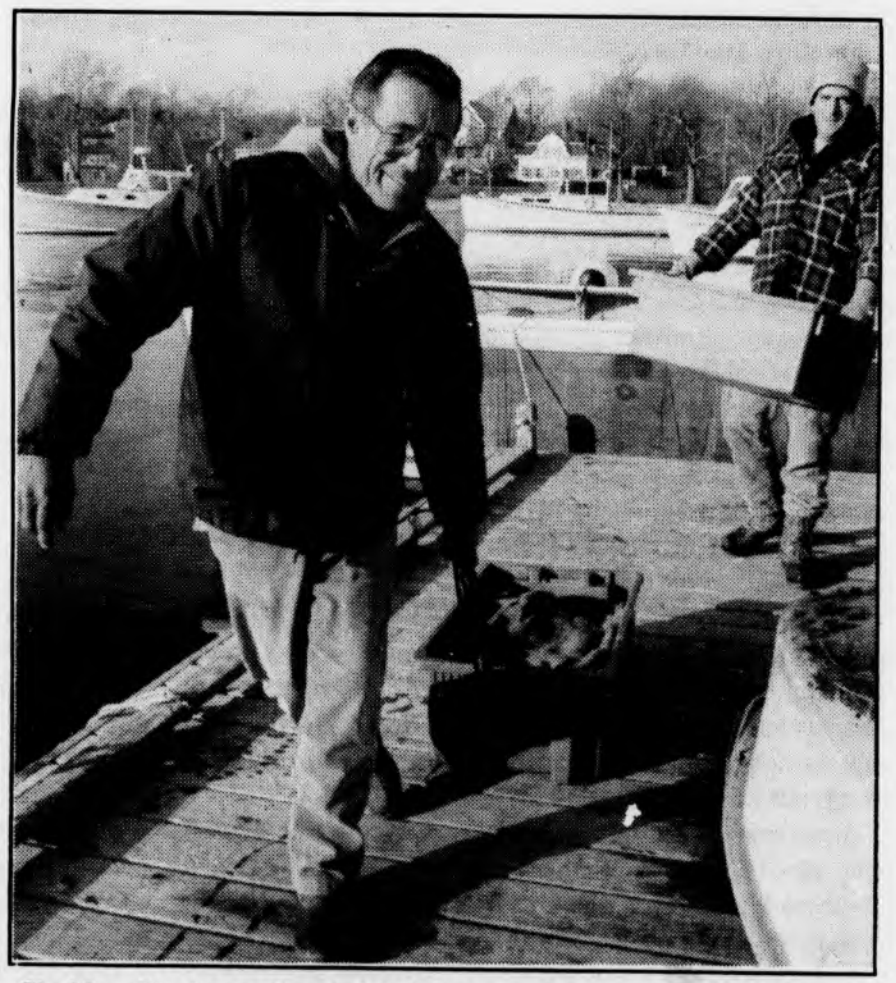

Sheldon Sladen unloads his lobster catch in Cohasset Harbor. A memorial service was held Tuesday for Sladen who died May 22.

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Paul Pratt Library Corner

Book sale success

The Friends of the Paul Pratt Library report the used book sale, which was held the weekend of May 10, was a great success. They are thankful to the many Cohasset residents who supported the sale and to the many volunteers who helped set up and sell the books. All proceeds will benefit the library. There is a small book rack currently in the lobby of the library holding used paperbacks for sale for 25 cents each — for any interested bargain hunters.

Upcoming 'Friends' events

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library will take place at the library Wednesday morning, June 19, at 9 a.m. All current and prospective officers and members are invited to attend.

An evening reception, from 6 to 8 p.m., Thursday, June 20, will take place at the home of Barbara and Jeff Power, in recognition of all of the library volunteers.

Le Blanc art exhibit continues

Don't miss award-winning artist Eleanor Le Blanc's exhibit of prints and paintings, which will continue through July 7. Le Blanc, a resident of Hull, holds a BFA from Massachusetts College of Art, Boston, and has attended the School of the Museum of Fine Arts and the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth. She has been a part of exhibitions in such galleries as: the South Shore Art Center; the Hingham Public Library; the Newton Public Library; the Fuller Museum, Brockton; the Bank of Boston, Boston and the South Shore Hospital. There will be a reception honoring Eleanor Le Blanc at the Paul Pratt Library, hosted by the Friends of the library, Sunday, June 9, at 5 p.m. Please come meet the artist!

Visiting Moms program

The Visiting Moms program of Jewish Family and Children's Service is holding a drop-in group for mothers and babies on Thursdays from 10 to 11:30 a.m. New mothers are invited to come together with their babies in a nurturing environment at St. Paul's Parish House, 20 Fearing Road, Hingham.

Lead by volunteers, drop-in groups provide an atmosphere where mothers can "share the excitement and concerns about being a new parent, share information and begin to build a network of mothers in the community," said Debbie Whitehill, coordinator of the South Area Visiting Moms. The free, non-sectarian program serves new and expectant mothers who are looking for emotional support, companionship and an understanding listener. The program is designed to promote self-esteem, communication, problem-solving skills, awareness of the community's resources and provide an education in infant development.

Registration is not necessary. For more information, call Debbie Whitehill at (617) 821-4990.

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Cohasset to send two young ambassadors abroad

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

It is certainly not a secret society, but few know how students are recommended to the People to People Student Ambassador Program.

Carolyn Contis, a program organizer, said that students are invited to participate.

She said that she knows the organization receives letters with the names of certain students. She just doesn't know who recommends them.

What she does know, is that the chosen students not only excel academically, but in extra-curricular activities as well.

"These kids do a lot of things. They are pretty impressive," Contis said.

Cohasset seventh-graders Ben Bixby and Lane Forrer fit this description.

Last fall, the two were sent information on a student ambassador program to Western Europe and ended up applying.

After personal interviews, school recommendations and a screening process, the two were chosen, along with 19 other junior high students from Norfolk and Suffolk counties, to represent the United States.

"This is a chance of a lifetime," said Forrer. "You don't get to go to far away countries, and represent your country as a student ambassador every day."

Bixby added that the group, which also includes students from other counties across the U.S., will learn a lot about the culture of the countries, among other things.

"I'm looking forward to seeing what they think about us," he said with a grin.

The student delegation will leave July 5 and spend 20 days visiting England, France, Belgium, the Netherlands and Germany. They will learn about the countries' governments, cultures and economies.

People to People was founded by President Dwight Eisenhower in 1956 to foster understanding between countries.

This year approximately 8,000 students from the United States will be participating in the program.

"It is just such a memorable experience and it is also a confidence builder," said Contis, a Cohasset resident. The students "become much more interested in world cultures and world affairs."

She stressed that this is not just a site-seeing tour. Students will have the opportunity to attend briefings at ministries and embassies, have discussions with industry and trade officials, and visit the headquarters of international organizations.

While in Brussels, students will have the opportunity to visit the headquarters of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, and learn about the changes now taking place in its membership.

Many student ambassadors, said Contis, have gone on to pursue international careers in business, law, government service and teaching.

Bixby and Forrer are unsure of what career path they will choose, although Forrer said he may want to be a college professor. However, they agree that the experience will be invaluable.

"This will be one of the better summers," said Forrer. "I won't just be sitting at home and sleeping."

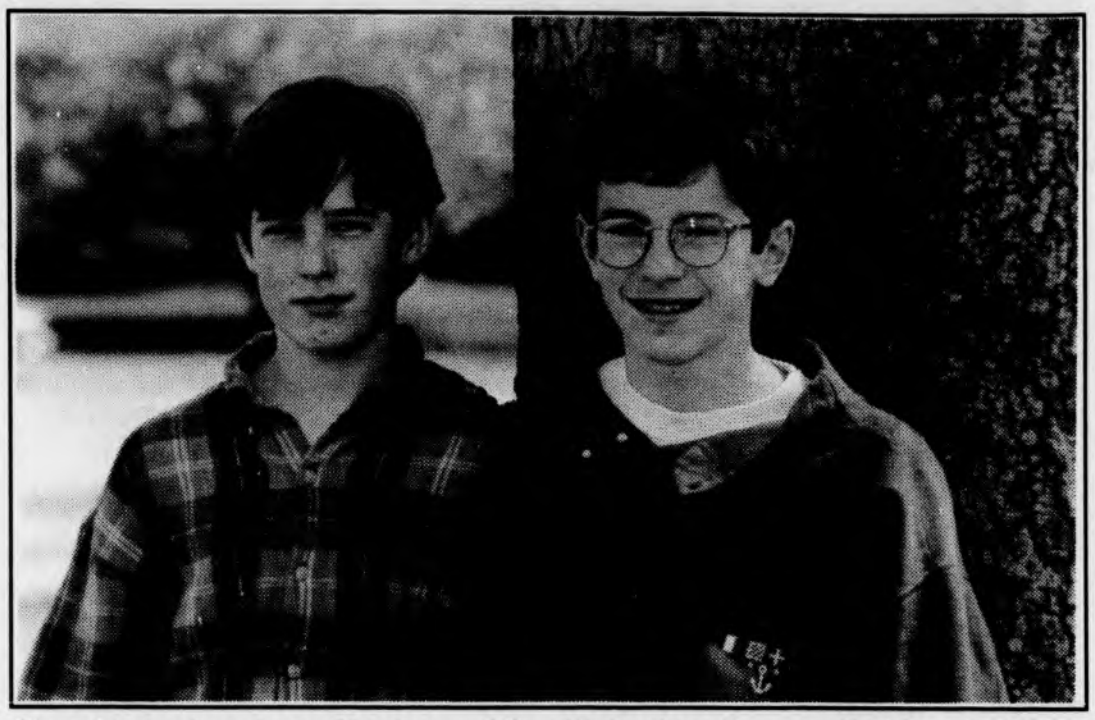
The two 13-year-olds, who know each other from soccer, school and the track team, are both veteran travelers.

Bixby has been to Spain twice with his parents. He said his mother was jealous that he'll be able to see so much of the world at a young age.

"She never got to travel anywhere," Bixby explained. "She wasn't on a plane until she was 21."

Forrer has already been to every country on the itinerary, except for England.

His father grew up in the Netherlands, so the family went there for a three-week vacation, and toured neighboring countries, when he was in the fourth grade.



Seventh-graders Lane Fourier and Ben Bixby have been invited to participate in the People to People Student Ambassador Program this summer.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

This time around, said Forrer, it will be better because he'll be older and better able to appreciate the cultures.

"My Dad keeps telling me what to go and see. I think he has said it about five times," said Forrer.

He added that he wants to visit the Eiffel Tower. When he was there high winds prevented him from traveling to the top.

Big Ben and the Louvre museum are also on his list of things to see.

Bixby is less discriminating.

"There is nothing in particular I want to see," he said. "I just want to see Europe."

He added that he was interested in seeing France because the government spent more on education than it did on national defense.

Both students said they were looking forward to cleaner cities, and no graffiti on the Metro.

Each student will get the chance to stay in a home in Germany for a couple days. Bixby and Forrer may even attend school with their "foster" brother or sister.

"It will be for a day, one day only," emphasized Forrer.

The students are required to keep a daily log of the trip, and write a paper when they return home.

Bixby joked that since he couldn't receive high school credit, he was going to save his credits for college.

The two said they are a willing to try new things as they travel from country to country.

"I hear they have good chocolate in Belgium," said Bixby.

He was less sure of trying raw herring in Holland.

"It tastes like onions," explained Forrer.

American Legion Auxiliary to hold Girls State

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold its 49th annual Massachusetts Girls State at Mount Holyoke in June. Angela Rose Parisi, daughter of Bruce and Georgine Butman, has been selected to attend, with Cohasset Rotary Club as her sponsor.

A junior at South Shore Vocational Technical High School, Angela will participate in establishing, operating and forming two political parties, nominating candidates for office, conducting campaigns and holding elections on the local and state government levels.

Speakers will be high state officials, government leaders and other professions. The girls will learn about the responsibilities of the various branches of government and the qualifications and benefits of many of the leading professions.

Girls State will be held in every state in the Union. At sessions in each state, two girls will be selected to represent their respective state at Girls Nation, to be held in Washington, D.C. in July.

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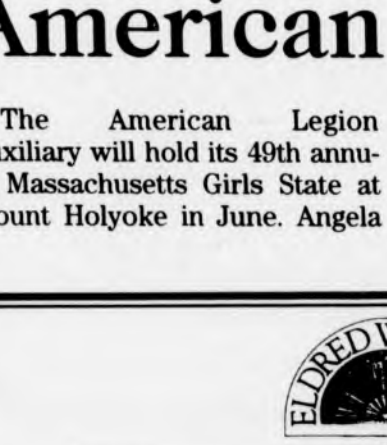

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School Notebook

Caitlin Connolly is top senior volunteer

Wednesday evening (May 9) at the Honors and Merit Awards ceremony at Cohasset Senior High School, senior Caitlin Connolly was presented with The Prudential Spirit of Community Award by Scituate resident and Prudential representative Charles Kropp.

The award is designed to recognize students in middle and high school grades who have demonstrated exemplary, self-initiated community service. The award program is sponsored by The Prudential Insurance Company of America and administered by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

As Massachusetts' top senior high community volunteer, Caitlin went to Washington to accept a $1,000 award and meet with students from each state for a weekend of sharing ideas and enjoying events in the nation's capital.

Caitlin is being recognized for establishing the Social Awareness Organization (SAO) during her sophomore year at Cohasset High. SAO exemplifies the self-initiated community service Prudential is seeking to promote.

The organization has involved students in a wide variety of community service activities, including yearly clothing drives for Pine Street Inn and walks to prevent cruelty to children, help battered women and combat AIDS. It has also started programs recycling papers in the high school, collecting soda cans to raise money for local and regional charities, and bringing issues of racism, sexism and homophobia into open discussion at the school.

When Kropp visited Caitlin's parents, Ed and Betsy Connolly, recently at their home in Cohasset, Betsy Connolly pointed out Caitlin's computer which had the calendar for next year on its screen. Caitlin is marking key follow-up dates for SAO, to assure a smooth passing of the baton as she leaves Cohasset for college, and the spirit of community initiative changes hands.

Charles Kropp, Prudential representative from Scituate, presents Caitlin Connolly, senior at Cohasset High School, with The Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

Megan Fahey wins AFL/CIO scholarship

At the 38th Annual Scholarship Awards Program of the Massachusetts AFL/CIO, Megan Fahey of Cohasset was the recipient of the Jimmy Dunn Scholarship Award. The annual reception was held at the IBEW Local 103 Union Hall, Dorchester, on May 1.

Megan is the daughter of Brian and Elaine Fahey of Cohasset. Brian is a member of Laborer's International Union of North America, Local #223. Megan is a senior at Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School and will attend Arizona State University in the fall.

Each year the Massachusetts AFL/CIO coordinates the scholarship program with local unions statewide. Scholarships are open to all high school seniors, awarded on the basis of the student's scores on a labor history exam and written essay. More than 2,000 high school seniors participated in the program during the past year by taking the exam, with the Massachusetts AFL./CIO contributing more than $300,000 in scholarships.

Active parenting series continues

Parents can learn how to raise cooperative, responsible children by watching "Active Parenting Today" on cable TV.

"Active Parenting in a Democratic Society" will show model family meetings, using five steps for active problem-solving, on May 27 at 9 p.m. and May 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The program will be broadcast on Channel 53, and is sponsored by the Health Education Department of Cohasset Public Schools.

Phone -A-Thon donors thanked

Thanks go to all those who pledged donations during last week's Phone-A-Thon. Pledges totaled more than $7,000, which will benefit Cohasset PSO activities.

Return envelopes are being mailed out this week, and checks should be made payable to the Cohasset PSO. Individuals who were not contacted by telephone but would like to made a donation are asked to mail their contribution to the Cohasset PSO, P.O. Box 30, Cohasset 02025.

Special thanks goes to all those who worked so hard on this year's Phone-A-Thon.

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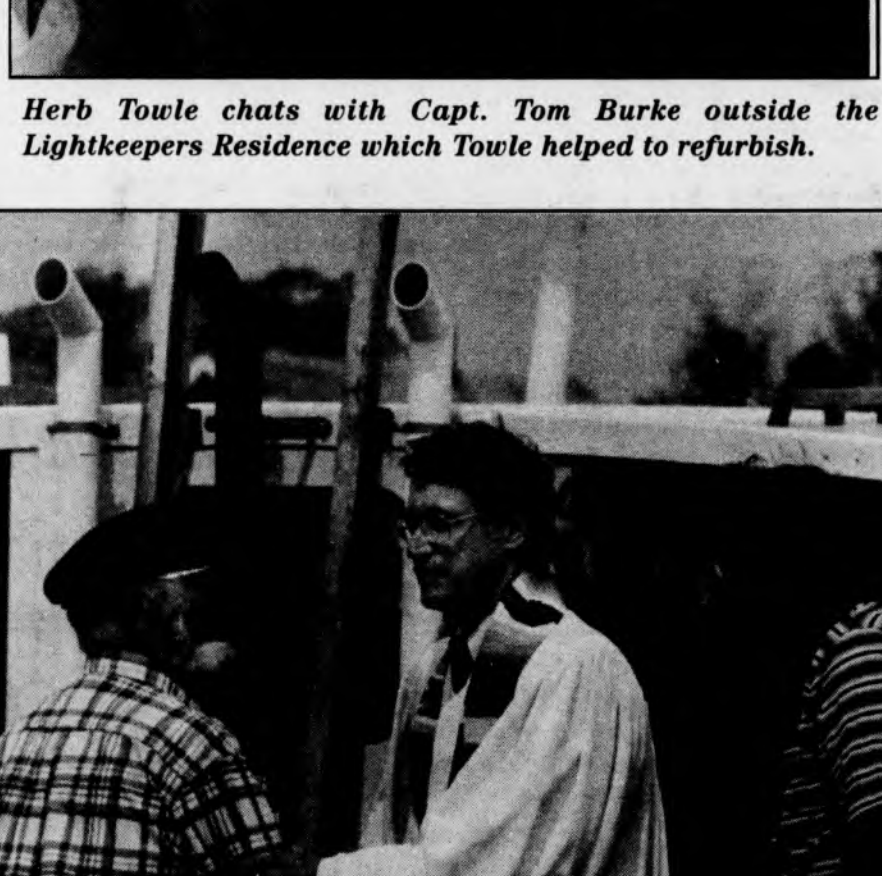
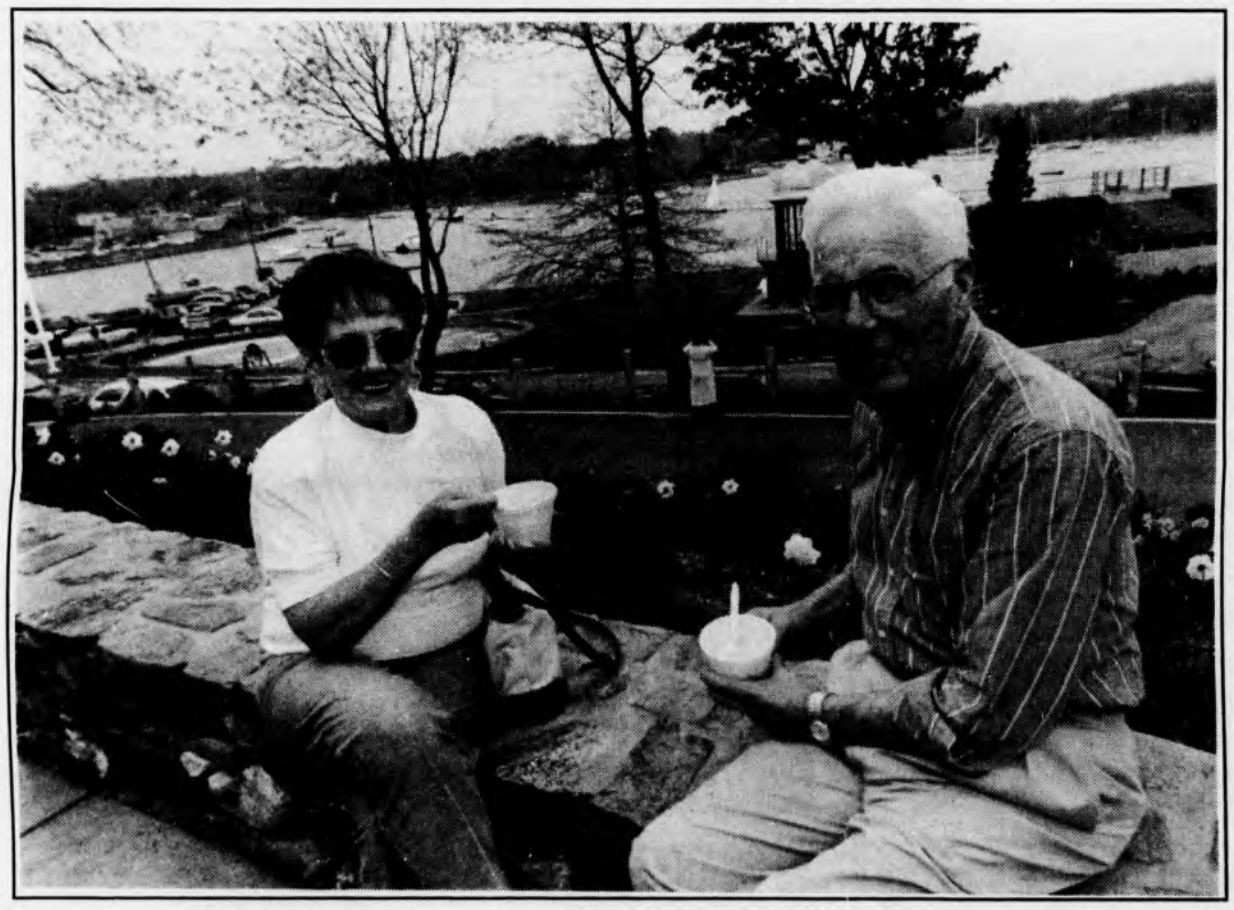
Two Herbs add spice to harbor park

Staff photos/J. Paul MacDonald

Cohasset's two Herbs, Herb Jason and Herb Towle, were honored Sunday for their tireless efforts in making Government Island the lovely town park it has become (see related story, page 28).



Herb Towle chats with Capt. Tom Burke outside the Lightkeepers Residence which Towle helped to refurbish.



Lorraine and Jack Curley enjoy the view from the Lightkeeper's House patio and the clam chowder at Herb Day.

Cohasset's Herb Jason gets a greeting from the Rev. Gary Ritts after Ritts blessed the fleet as Herb Day festivities got underway Sunday.

Hamilton and Shirley Tewksbury are served some hot chowder during the celebration that included proclamations and presentations honoring Cohasset's most famous "Herbs."

Mariner Sports

Down to the wire

Baseball team fights for tourney bid

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Cohasset Mariner

It has been 22 years, five presidents, countless losses and slightly more countable wins since the Cohasset High baseball team last qualified for the state tourney. When the Skippers last reached the Promised Land in 1974, current Cohasset High principal Curtis Collins was the head coach and current coach Ron Ford was finishing the first grade. None of this year's players had yet been born. Grand Funk Railroad's "Loco Motion" was at the top of the charts and bell bottoms were in. It has been a long drought.

But the Skippers' wait could be over as of this Wednesday when Cohasset takes on the Chatham Blue Devils at Milliken Field. Cohasset needs one more win to reach the tournament. It hasn't been an easy road. Cohasset lost an 8-1 decision to Carver last Wednesday and dropped another game to Norton, giving the Skippers an 8-10 record. A .500 record is needed to get a ticket to the postseason and Cohasset has just two games left.

Senior co-captains and pitcher Greg Stevens took the hill for the Skippers on Monday and handcuffed the Carver Crusaders in Carver. Stevens coasted by the home team, pulling down a 5-1 complete game victory. He fanned six and won his second consecutive start, giving up just one run in each of them. Stevens' stats since the 1994 season include 116 innings, a 9-6 record with four saves, 77 strikeouts and just 16 walks. Stevens' ERA is a sparkling 2.27 over the stretch. He was helped along against the Crusaders by freshman catcher Mike Rossi's two-run double in the fourth and Kevin McKenna's double.

Ford called Stevens' performance on the mound, "a typical Greg Stevens game. He's just the type of pitcher who gets the big outs when he needs to in the big games."

Cohasset needs another superb performance when Ford sends eighth-grader Joe Pergola to the mound on Wednesday. After whipping the Blue Devils last time, Cohasset expects a much better, fundamentally sound Chatham squad. With the pressure on, the Skippers need another notch in the win column.

Lacrosse season a huge success for girls

Cohasset's Kathleen Fitzsimmons (Right) blocks the progress of Duxbury's Jen Arthur in the Skippers' 8-5 win over the Green Dragons in the final game of the season.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Chances are nobody had more fun this spring than Cory Mundhenk in coaching Cohasset High's girls lacrosse team for the first season.

And with a final record of 6-3-1, Mundhenk is pleased with the improvements her squad of mainly underclassmen made with every game.

"They really started to get used to playing with each other," she said. "The girls set up the plays well and were more patient. They communicated well. At the beginning of the year we mainly had drives to the goal.

"This season was as fun for me as it was for them."

Nowhere was the first-year team's maturity more evident than in its 8-5 victory over Duxbury last Friday at the Deer Hill School. Cohasset had five different players score goals and got a tremendous performance from seventh-grade goalie Kelly Lordan in her debut between the posts.

Lordan posted nine saves, four of which came in rapid succession when Duxbury threatened to jam home a goal late in the game.

"She was being peppered by shots at one point," Mundhenk said. "She was very impressive for the first time in net."

Mundhenk said she was drawn

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Laxmen want total offense in tourney

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

It has become pretty obvious over the course of the spring that the Cohasset High lacrosse team has the players who can put the ball in the net on a consistent basis. When the 10-4 Skippers have possession and their offense is in full throttle, more often than not, the squad is going to wind up with a goal count in double digits.

But Cohasset is still having its problems getting the ball out of its own end. And when that happens, you have a team playing defense and it's not defense that scores the goals.

"If we end up with a proportional amount of time on offense we should do pretty well," said head coach Ken Ekberg, summing up the key to Cohasset's success. "We're working on getting the ball down the other end of the field. Collectively, we've got to get better at that. We are still not strong getting the ball out of our own end. We haven't been fundamentally sound at it. As a result, we wind up playing more defense."

Cohasset managed to squeeze its share of mental mistakes into Tuesday's storm-shortened 4-4 tie against Barnstable. The Skippers jumped out to a 4-1 lead, but Barnstable stole the ball back and cut the lead to 4-3 before tying the contest as the rains hit.

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Kondrat leads Skipper golfers

Cohasset's top-four golfers all finished within five strokes of each other to defeat Carver last Thursday, 5-1/2 — 3-1/2. Jamie Kondrat had the top score for the 9 holes with a 42. Kondrat was followed closely by Justin Buckley (45), Jordan Fiore (46) and Justin Golden (47).

Mariner Sports

The accessible AD

For athletic director Chatterton, people make his job worth doing

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Even beyond the sports aspect, Cohasset High Athletic Director Clark Chatterton enjoys dealing with all types of people his job brings him in contact with. Now in his 20th year in the AD position, Chatterton spoke with a custodian, bus driver, gymnastics coach and an official all within a span of 20 minutes last Friday morning, ironing out questions and returning phone calls.

It's that part of the job which Chatterton believes is absolutely essential in making his work run smoother and getting the best possible results for the school, sports programs and student/athletes.

"Just being able to get along with everyone is the most important thing," Chatterton said. "The kids come first and I think a lot of people can lose sight of that. If you can't get along with people, you can't do this job."

This is the time of year when Chatterton irons out the fall schedules with the rest of the AD's around the South Shore League and coordinating the use of the fields so there is no conflict between the field hockey and boys and girls soccer teams.

The spring was not an easy one for any AD's in the area this year. Snowstorms then torrential rains wreaked havoc on the scheduled games. Cancellations forced the contests to be moved back, leaving no choice but for several teams to play between 4-5 per week in a number of sports.

The weather was so bad, Cohasset got in just one girls tennis match from April 1 - May 6.

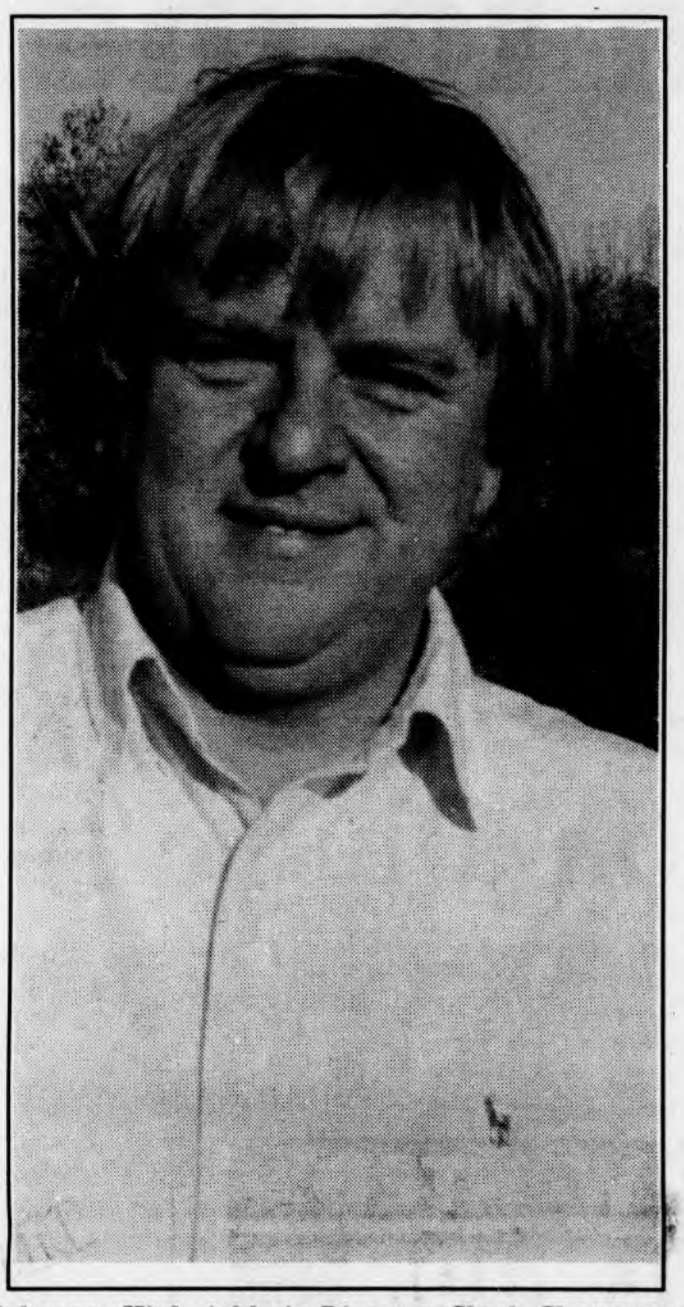
You wouldn't know it by the current staff of coaches, but Chatterton finds the absolute toughest part of his job is finding *quality* coaches who are available five days per week for 12 weeks. He realizes that Cohasset's proximity to major highways presents a problem to the potential coach who is considering a job offer.

"We are out of the mainstream in terms of geographic location," Chatterton said.

And despite its small enrollment in relation to the rest of the SSL, Cohasset High has as many, if not more, sports offered to its students. Since Chatterton became AD, gymnastics, three girls soccer teams, JV boys soccer, wrestling, skiing, swimming and boys and girls lacrosse teams have been added to the school's athletic program.

There are only 108 girls and 103 boys in grades 10-12, which is 2-1/2 times smaller than SSL opponent Scituate and nearly 3-1/2 times smaller than Marshfield, a familiar non-league opponent to several Skipper squads.

Obviously, with the school's small enrollment of 464 from grades 7-12, the numbers on some of the teams are somewhat low. Golf and sailing have the minimum amount of players and softball is down. Cohasset High, however, is a school of athletes. More than 70 percent of its students are involved in at least one sport.



Cohasset High Athletic Director Clark Chatterton keeps athletics in perspectives while he runs the school's sports program with a door that's always open.

"We are extended," Chatterton said, "but we do have something for everyone."

Chatterton takes special pride in the coaching staff and said he'd stack it up against any other school in a second.

"Our athletic staff here is second to none when you factor in the coaches' knowledge and character as role models," he said. "We're very fortunate. These coaches don't always get enough credit."

The performance of the teams speak for themselves as far as Cohasset's success. The lacrosse team is a perennial tournament qualifier despite having the smallest enrollment of any squad in the postseason in the state. The varsity basketball team has won two of the past three Division 3 South Sectional championships and the gymnastics squad has taken the last three SSL titles.

"People really marvel at what we do with our size," Chatterton said.

One of the biggest changes Chatterton has witnessed over the past 10-15 years is the amount of outside activities the student/athletes are involved in addition to being on a team. Consequently, coaches can't always schedule practices when they want to have them.

"The days are gone when a coach says here's my practice schedule," Chatterton said.

Chatterton, though, is a firm believer that academics are the No. 1 priority and athletics are just another part of the high school experience.

"Athletics is great but it's a piece of the whole pie," he said.

Chatterton has been particularly busy with his duties over the past two years. He estimated attending games, meetings and varied events have filled 155 nights in two years. This winter alone he was out 60 nights.

Much of Chatterton's time has revolved around the enormous athletic fields "excavation." The massive project includes the construction of a new baseball field, the addition of four tennis courts and renovations to two others, a new football field closer to the high school, complete with stands, an electronic scoreboard, floodlights, a press box and additional parking.

The football field also paves the way for soccer and field hockey night games in the fall. The evening games enable more parents to attend who otherwise would be working during the time of a scheduled afternoon contest.

The project also includes an all-weather track, which should go a long way in attracting more athletes to the track program. Cohasset currently holds its "home" meets at Scituate High, but has been able to practice on the track.

Chatterton is known for the fund-raising he has done for the school and community. He believes in giving back to Cohasset, a town where he is well-known, having attended the high school as a youngster.

Chatterton's community work goes back to 1954 when, as a 13-year-old, he helped build the Barnes Field, the current home of Cohasset Little League.

The people and events he has been a part of over the years are displayed in more than 100 photographs he has pinned on a massive bulletin board in his office.

"It's fun seeing three generations," Chatterton said. "The guys I played with are grandfathers now and their kids are playing now."

From 1951-1996, there are few athletes who have worn the colors of Cohasset High Chatterton doesn't know. That goes hand-in-hand with being a people person.

Laxmen want total offense in tourney

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Cohasset had no such problems versus Marshfield in its surprisingly easy 16-6 win last Friday. The Skippers put together a tight, offensive rush and controlled the play for the first half. Ekberg was pleased with Cohasset's overall ball control and passing in the Rams' zone. The Skippers' offense also did backed up its plays well, giving Marshfield very little opportunity to mount any serious attacks as Cohasset whipped off 35 shots.

Ken Leahy pumped in five goals and added three assists and Chris McKenna found the back of the net four times. Jamie Buick had a pair of goals and four assists while Dave Noble netted two.

The Skippers' 15-7 victory over Brookline last Wednesday didn't serve as much of a barometer as to how prepared Cohasset is for the upcoming tournament.

Cohasset controlled the offense the entire game and Ekberg was able to get 20 different players into the contest. Goaltender Ely Kahn played three periods and finished with nine, mainly routine saves.

Kahn should play a big part in the tournament for Cohasset. He rarely lets in a soft goal while his anticipation, quickness and ability to read where a shot is going to go is gives the Skippers a solid entity between the posts.

"Ely's one of the best in-goal goalies around," Ekberg said.

Leahy had another one of his strong games with four goals and two assists against Brookline. Buick was the Skippers' top point-getter, firing four goals and assisting on three others. Andy Collins finished with a pair of goals and an assist, while John Lax struck for one tally to go along with two assists.

Ekberg praised the play of Matt Belson, the Skippers' aggressive defenseman. Belson is currently playing his best lacrosse of the season and should be instrumental in Cohasset's success in the tourney.

The goal and assist he picked up in the Brookline game gave Belson a goal, assist or both in his four previous games heading into the Brookline victory.

"He's our most solid defenseman," Ekberg said.

Belson is unique because he is fast enough to run with the midfielders and strong enough to play with any opposing player on the field. Belson rarely gets beaten on faceoffs and is one of the Skippers' top players in moving the ball down the field and setting up the offensive players.

The Skippers play Brookline today to close out the regular season and begin the opening round of tournament play on Tuesday.

Season a huge success for girls

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to the natural skills Lordan already seems to have at such a young age, particularly the way she uses her body and stick to stop shots.

"Kelly has plenty of time to develop and she's already good now," Mundhenk said. "She's going to be a great goalie."

Cohasset was able to slow down the Green Dragons' offense and apply the offensive pressure for nearly the entire game. Meghan Connolly, Katie Devine and Kathleen Fitzsimmons all had two goals apiece in leading the Skippers' attack. Defenseman Maggie O'Connor and Jackie Kahn had a goal while Sarah Motley assisted on a tally.

Unfortunately, the Skippers had to cancel Tuesday's game against Martha's Vineyard because of the hard-hitting storm and Mundhenk's attempt to schedule a game against Falmouth Academy appeared doubtful as of Tuesday evening.

Although the season looks to be over, Mundhenk said many of the girls on the team expressed an interest in attending lacrosse camp and playing pick-up games during the summer.

At their age, the girls have nothing but time in front of them in improving their skills on the field.

Mariner Sports

Youth summer hockey

All South Shore Mites, Squirts and Pee Wee's in A, B and C levels are invited to sign up and register for the summer hockey program at the Pembroke Community Center on Sunday, May 26, from noon to 2 p.m. Cost is $125 per child payable during registration. Program starts June 2 and includes jersey, 11 games plus playoffs and finals. Also includes skill competition with trophies awarded. All games at Hobomock Arena on Sundays from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Space is limited. First come, first serve. For further information, call David Sarafinas at 826-7226.

Baseball camp

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for a weeklong baseball camp for youngsters ages 5 through 12 years at the recreation office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall.

The South Shore Baseball Club has been contracted again this year to provide baseball camp, which will be held the week of June 24 at Miliken Field.

Two camps are available to youngsters as follows: Full day, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. camp for ages 7 and over; and a half-day 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. camp is available for 5- and 6-year-old.s

The week long camp cost is $140 per child for the full-day program, and $75 per child for the half-day program. Camp ends Friday, June 28.

The South Shore Baseball Club, located at the South Shore Sports Center, Hingham, operates year-round baseball instruction.

Non-Cohasset residents will be accepted for baseball camp on a space available basis and registration forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Department Office, first floor of Cohasset Town Hall.

'Boys Night' set for June 7

Upcoming events at the center include "Boys Night Out" on Friday, June 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for boys ages 5-10 years old. Come join Ruthann, George and others for a fun-filled evening of sports, bowling, obstacle courses, and make your own pizza. Everyone receives something for participation. You must be preregistered. Call the center for more information.

Jade Forest offers introduction to Tai Chi

Visiting guest, Tai Chi & Chi Kung master, Wei Lun Huang, will teach an Introduction to Tai Chi, Monday evening, June 3, from 6 to 9 p.m. Master Huang is widely respected in the tai chi community and has been featured in many tai chi chuan publications. His Introduction to Tai Chi workshop is ideal for those without any previous experience in tai chi and is open to the public.

Tai Chi has been practiced in China for many generations and is actually an important component of Chinese medicine. Tai Chi Chuan invigorates the body while it relaxes the mind and calms the spirit.

The fee for the workshop will be $60 ($50 if preregistered). For further information, call John Loupos at Jade Forest, 383-6822.

Sports Camp schedule

The Cohasset Recreation Department will offer a variety of sports camps during the summer of 1996, for both boys and girls, ages 3 through 18 years.

Camps include: traditional summer playground, tennis lessons, baseball, basketball, lacrosse and soccer.

Registrations will be ongoing throughout spring for all specific sports camps. Monday, June 17, through Thursday, June 20, the Recreation Department will be accepting registrations for the 1996 summer playground and tennis lessons, also camp applications will be accepted. Please call the recreation office at 383-6791 for information to register.

Baseball Camp: Monday, June 24 - Friday, June 28, ages 5-12, boys and girls.

8:30 to 11:30 a.m., 1/2 day camp for ages 5-7 years, $75; 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., full day camp for ages 7-12 years, $140. Directed by South Shore Baseball Club.

1996 Summer Playground: Monday, July 1 - Saturday, Aug. 17, ages 3-12, boys and girls.

Pre-school, ages 3-5, 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., $125; 5-12 years, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., $150.

Registration is June 17 through June 20. There is a $35 per child, non-refundable activity/registration fee, which includes T-shirt.

1996 Tennis Lessons: Monday, July 1 - Friday, Aug. 16, ages 6 and up boys and girls. Miliken Field tennis courts, $44. Registration June 17 to June 20.

Basketball: Tuesday, July 9 - Friday, July 12, mini-camp grade 4-6, $120. Monday, July 15 - Friday, July 19, grades 6-9, $150.

Both weeks are optional to grade 6 boys and girls. Cohasset High School Gym. Directed by Ron Ford, Head CHS Coach.

Soccer Camps: VIP Soccer – Monday, July 22 - Friday, July 26.

Soccer ABC's, ages 4-5 boys and girls, 8 to 9:30 a.m. Half day camp, ages 6 and 7 boys and girls, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Soccer ABC's, $50; Half day camp, $80. Cohasset High School front field.

South Shore Soccer Camp*: *Both weeks are optional for both boys and girls.

Monday, July 29 - Friday, Aug. 2, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175.

Monday, Aug. 5 - Friday, Aug. 9, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175.

Lacrosse Non-Contact Clinic: Tuesday evening, 6:30 to 8 p.m., grades 4-6 (entering fall, 1996), Deer Hill School (side field, Sohier St.), July 9 - Aug. 6, $26.

*Most camps/programs fee rates reflect family discounts for multiple children registering for the same service.

Soccer camp registration

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for VIP Soccer Camp for children ages 4 to 7 years.

VIP Soccer Camp offers two programs for boys and girls. ABC Soccer is especially designed for 4 and 5 year olds and meets from 8 to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26. The cost is $50 for the week.

Also offered by VIP is a three-hour per day program, meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26, for 6 and 7 year olds. The cost is $80 for the week.

Both VIP programs will be held this year at the front field of Cohasset High School.

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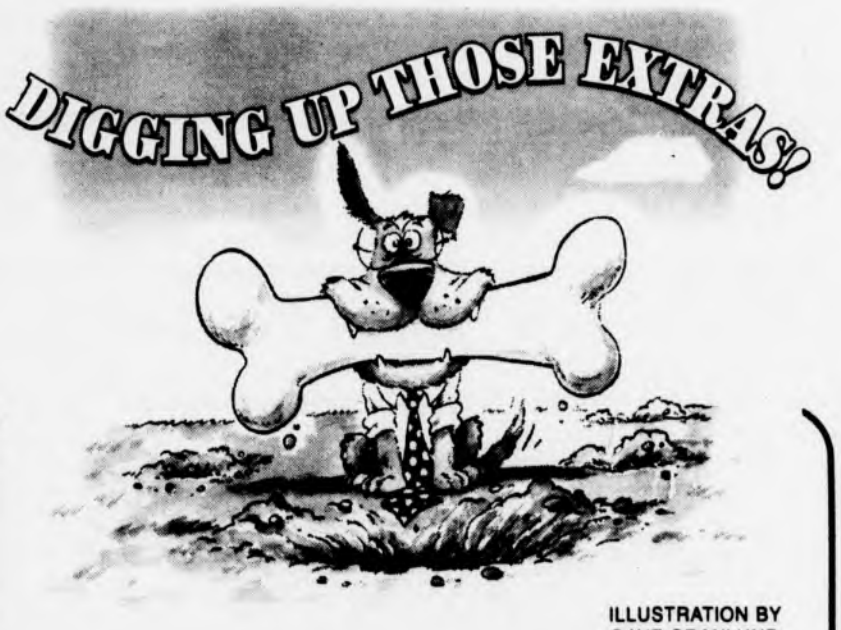

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Mariner Sports

Tai Chi offered

The South Shore Community Center is offering Tai Chi for beginners and advanced students. It is a form class which promotes health, balance, relaxation, and flexibility through slow, fluid movements. Please call 383-0088.

Girls basketball clinic at Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy is sponsoring a Basketball Clinic for girls in grades 6-8 on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, 1073 Main St. The fee is $75.

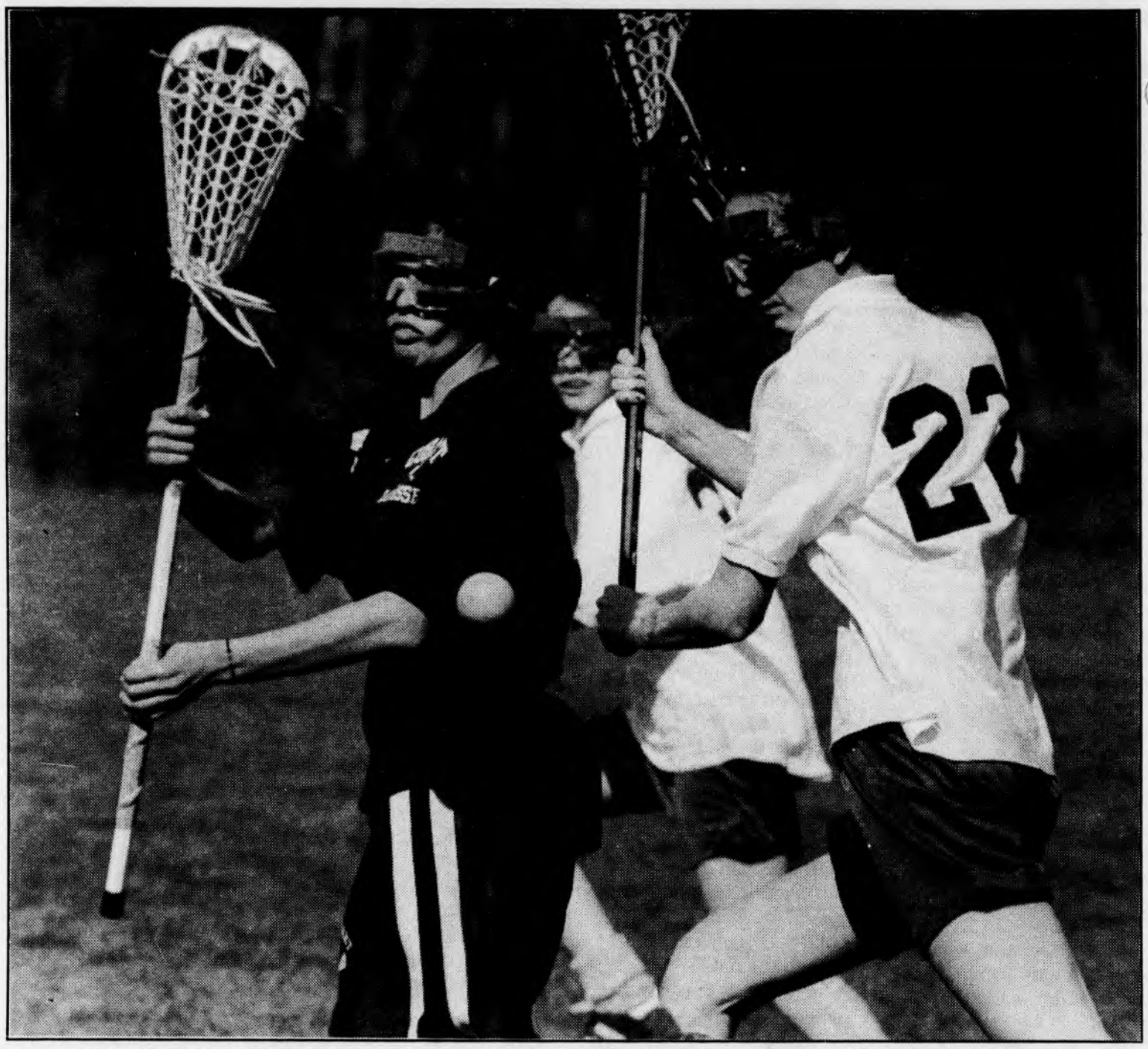
The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ballhandling, passing, shooting and team play.

For an application or more details, call (508) 238-0372.

SSH hosts golf tournament

The seventh annual South Shore Hospital golf tournament will be held Monday, June 3, at Hatherly Country Club, North Scituate. Proceeds will support hospital programs and services that are available free of charge to the community. In 1995, SSH provided $7.3 million in care to those unable to pay for services.

Last year's tournament raised $46,000 to help support the hospital's new cardiac catheterization laboratory. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Jill McDonough at South Shore Health and Educational Foundation at 340-8848 for more information or to register. Hingham resident Dick Dempsey is chairman of the tournament.



Jackie Kahn (Left) fights for possession of the ball against Duxbury's Marjorie Pye (22) in Cohasset's victory last Friday.

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Notre Dame to hold hoop clinic

Notre Dame Academy will hold a basketball clinic for girls, grades 6, 7 and 8.

The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ballhandling, passing, shooting and team play Monday through Thursday, July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location is Notre Dame Academy gymnasium, 1073 Main St., Hingham. Free is $75.

For application and more details call (508) 238-0372.

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Cohasset Maritime Museum to open for summer season

The Cohasset Historical Society's Maritime Museum, located on Elm Street in Cohasset Center, will open for the summer season, which runs from June 1 through September. The museum will be open every day except Monday, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. There is no charge for admission, and donations are welcome.

The Maritime Museum, a mid-18th-century ship chandlery built by Samuel Bates for his fishing fleet, today holds exhibits relating to the maritime history of this small New England seafaring town. From Cohasset's first settlement before 1700 to the close of the "Age of Sail" in the latter 1800s, the town's eyes were turned toward the sea, and its fortunes depended on its maritime endeavors. Fishing, shipbuilding and ownership of, or crewing aboard, large sailing merchant ships provided much of the town's wealth and gave employment to the majority of its young men.

Cohasset-based schooners, many of them built in town and owned by a number of the town's most prominent seafaring families, sustained a sizable cod and mackerel fishing fleet at Cohasset Harbor throughout the 19th century. The mackerel fleets reached their peak years just before the Civil War, with more than 50 large, two-masted schooners sailing from Cohasset each summer. Large vessels, including clipper ships, sailing out of Boston provided the opportunity for a number of Cohasset men to become shipmasters or captains of some of the nation's largest and fastest merchant vessels. The Maritime Museum recalls the days when the town's destiny was tied to the ocean, and to foreign ports in distant parts of the world.

Among the museum's exhibits are collections relating to the 19th-century fishing fleets: wood carving, foreign voyages, local volunteer lifesaving, shipwrecks and Minot's Ledge Lighthouse. Ship models show a number of types of 19th-century sailing vessels, from an early "pinkie" fishing schooner to a Donald McKay clipper in East Boston. Artifacts from the local mackerel fleets, memorabilia from voyages to distant ports, lifesaving awards and pieces from some of the many local shipwrecks may be seen. The story of the ill-fated first, and successful second Minot's Ledge Lighthouse is illustrated in the Maritime Museum.

The museum's second floor holds a group of collections of a general historical nature. Stone tools of early Native American tribes area on view, as well as early carpenters' and shoemakers' tools. The wares of a fisherman's general store, once located at Cohasset Harbor, may also be seen. Many unique artifacts and illustrations of local history are to be found at the Historical Society's Maritime Museum.

Pesky mosquitos will make a big comeback this year

The record snowfall this past winter assures an abundant supply of moisture for the present spring season. Unless the summer of 1996 is unusually dry, we can expect a huge mosquito population in our region.

It is of utmost importance that residents take measures to minimize the numbers of these insects. Although fortunately Eastern Equine Encephalitis, a serious disease carried by certain types of mosquitoes, is a rare visitor to our specific South Shore area, it nevertheless is always treated by the Commonwealth as a possibility, and its presence from time to time is a reality recognized by authorities of the Plymouth Mosquito Control Project (of which Cohasset is a member).

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee strongly urges citizens to initiate surveys of the area surrounding each house. Particular attention should be paid to objects such as old tires, bird baths, toy pails, gutters, etc., and surface areas where stagnant water may collect. It takes only a few days of such stagnation to permit hatching of adult mosquitoes from previously deposited eggs. Water in bird baths and wading pools should be changed at least once a week. If your area has a sizable expanse of stagnant water (e.g., a small pond) or even a depression in the ground which repeatedly retains small quantities of water for three days to a week, it is essential either to drain such areas or to apply a biological inhibitor, such as a preparation containing the bacterium Bacillus thuringiensis (Bti), which is harmless to humans and pets but which prevents development of adult mosquitoes. These inhibitors are available as powders, "dunks," or sprays in most garden supply or hardware stores.

Current information about mosquito control provided by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Audubon Society, and general medical media is available to Cohasset residents in a hang-pocket located in the entry area of Town Hall. For further information, you may call the Cohasset Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121, leaving your name and telephone number so that a member of the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee can call you personally.

Finally, there is the matter of pesticide usage. It is important to be aware that the majority of safety standards for pesticide use set by the U.S. Government are primarily based on tolerance levels for adults. Young children and aged seniors are often harmed at such dosage levels. We respectfully request that citizens intending to spray their yards with a pesticide or requesting such spraying by the Plymouth District, please notify neighbors sufficiently in advance so that proper precautions can be taken to protect families from the impact of spray drift. Plymouth District staff usually spray in the very early morning at 4 to 8 a.m. If neighbors know that spraying is to occur, windows maybe closed and pets kept indoors.

Kindergartners Leonard Brown, Robert Troy and Patrick Bornikoel play together during recess at the Osgood School. For more school news, see pages 14 & 15.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Coffee with the authors

Buttonwood Books & Toys will hold its spring Coffee with the Authors, Tuesday, June 4, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Chart House, Cohasset. Authors William Martin and Robert Perkins and Houghton Mifflin's gardening editor, Frances Tenenbaum, will speak and sign copies of their books.

Martin's book is a multigenerational family saga, "Annapolis"; Perkins, a PBS Arctic filmmaker, writes of journeys involving both body and spirit in "Talking to Angels."

Tanenbaum has edited several of the popular Taylor's guides for gardeners, including the new "Taylor's Guide to Seashore Gardening," and will talk of the challenges of both seaside gardening and collecting advice from gardening experts.

The cost of the event is $8 per person. To reserve a space, call 383-2665.

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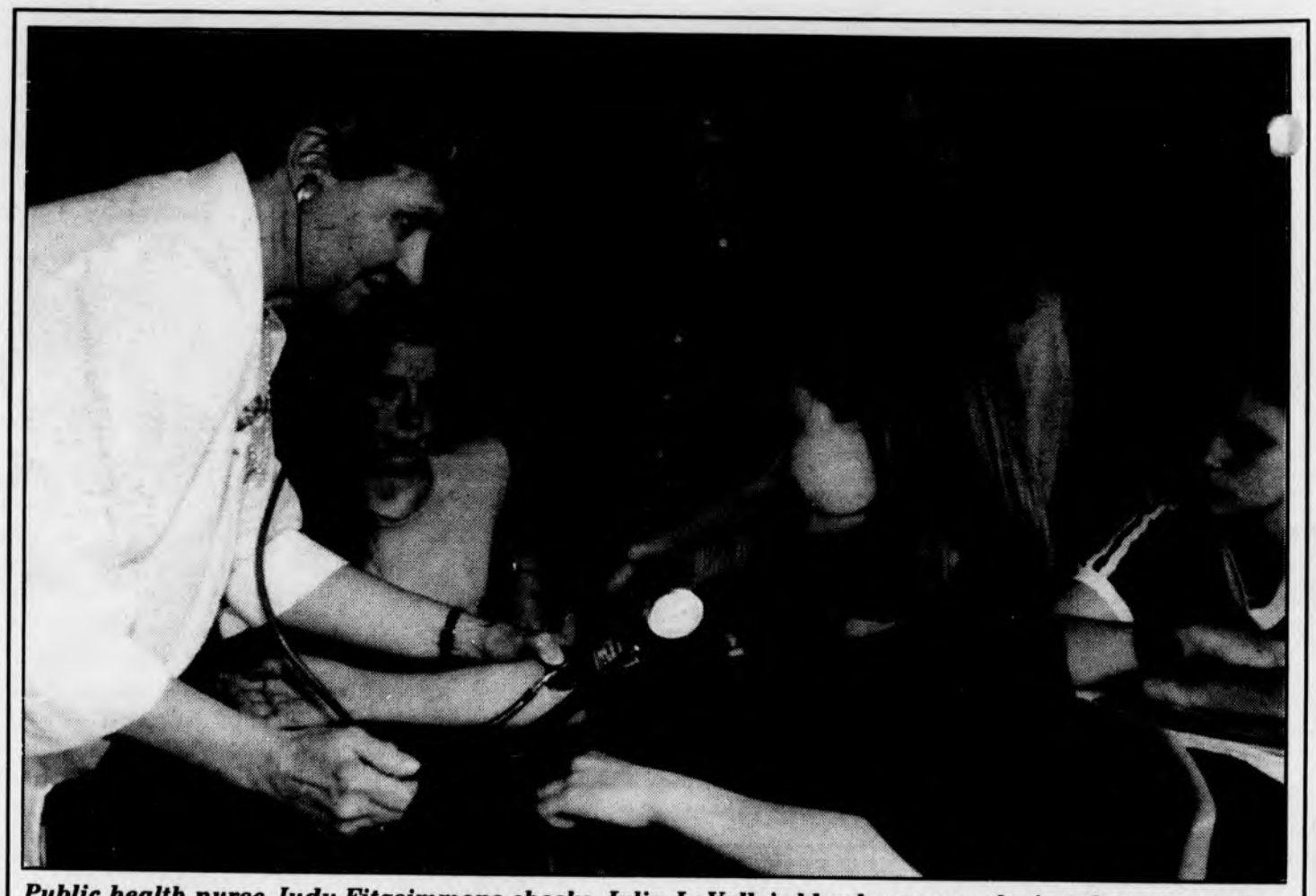
It's Happening

Mammography screening set

The Cohasset Social Service League is sponsoring the Mobile Diagnostic Services, Inc. mammography service on Saturday, June 1. Mammograms are performed by fully licensed female mammography technologists in a comfortable, private mobile coach. The films are read by board-certified radiologists, and results are provided to each woman and the physician of her choice.

To make an appointment, call the Cohasset Social Service League at 383-0771.



Public health nurse Judy Fitzsimmons checks Julia LoVallo's blood pressure during the recent townwide health fair sponsored by the Social Service League at Cohasset High School. The Social Service League is sponsoring the Mobile Diagnostic Services Inc. mammography service on June 1. Call the league at 383-0771 to make an appointment.

Lynne Layman photo

Social Service League names new officers

The Social Service League of Cohasset held it annual meeting and luncheon May 7 at Walton Rodgers' Hall, St. Stephen's Church. Outgoing president Annette Sawchuk announced the new officers and board of directors: president, Jane Russell; vice president, Regina Schultz; treasurer, Eleanor Smith; assistant treasurer, Denise Desmond; secretary, Carol Riley; personnel, Mary Hartwell.

Name to the board of directors were: Helen Hooper, Jeff Steele, Merle Graham (nursing chairman), Lynne Layman and Margie Steele (family service co-chairmen), Connie Noon, Peg Murphy, Beth Jordan, Motoko Deane, Barbara Donohue, Annette Sawchuk.

New members of the League are: Chris Camacho, Donna O'Donnell, Gail Stevens, Peg Schroeder, Leslie Lemaire and Annette Casey.

Mary Robinson presented a slide program on the "Winslow Homer Retrospective" currently on exhibit at Boston's Museum of Fine Art. She has been associated with the museum for 25 years. The presentation was followed by a buffet luncheon for about 90 SSL volunteers and members of the community.

Buy ASP 'stock'!

Cohasset residents are invited to take part in this year's Appalachia Service Project. A townwide mailing outlined "stock options" at $20 a share, with guaranteed returns of postcards, letters, newsletters, photos and the satisfaction of joining the effort. Proceeds from the sale of 'stock' will be used for construction materials, transportation and room and board.

Tax-deductible contributions may be sent, payable to SSC Youth Group, to Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025. For further information, call Gary Ritts (383-0345), Ami Argus (383-9325) or Pam DeLorenzo (383-6904).

ASP will wash your car

Appalachia Service Project volunteers are planning two car washes on Saturdays, May 25 and June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Leo Fiori's Exxon Station at the corner of Beechwood Street and Route 3A. A donation of $5 per car is requested.

All proceeds will benefit the group's service project planned for this summer, when 84 Cohasset High School students and adult advisers will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families.

Teen Center to host gym night at Cohasset High

On Friday, May 24, the Teen Center will hold an open gym night at Cohasset High School from 6 to 9 p.m. Any sixth- to ninth-graders interested in shooting hoops or playing volleyball and other indoor games are welcome to join in the fun.

The Teen Center will be open Saturday, May 25, from 7 to 10 p.m.

Get your Harborfest buttons at 3 N. Main St.

Harborfest buttons are on sale at Harborfest headquarters, 3 S. Main Street. The purchase of a button entitles the owner to $1 off the pancake breakfast, $2 off a Gospel program ticket and $1 discount at the Chowder Festival.

Those who buy buttons will also be entered in the Harborfest raffle. Prizes include a $500 savings bond, Red Sox and Bruins tickets, dinner for two at the Chart House, a Minot's Ledge sweatshirt and T-shirt and three mystery prizes. The drawing will take place June 3.

Join Harborfest parade!

The annual Harborfest Parade will take place on Sunday, June 16. The parade signifies the link between Cohasset Harbor and the Town Common as residents "Bless the Fleet" and parade to the Common for the annual Chowder Festival, which will culminate the Harborfest celebration.

The theme for this year's parade is "Cohasset's Maritime Heritage," and cash prizes for this year's floats are $250 for first place; $150, second place; and $75 for third place, with two special prizes of $50 each.

Jim Lagrotteria and Bob Martin of the Harborfest Committee have developed a float kit for anyone interested in using a pickup truck as a float vehicle. Through the generosity of Hingham Lumber Co., most framework materials will be provided.

Simple floats are the order of the day for the Norman Rockwell-style parade, and may be fabricated in one day with little or no expense and unlimited imagination. Harborfest celebrates the community, and the event is enhanced by the participation of the town's many organizations and neighborhood associations.

Anyone wishing to participate is asked to call Jim at 383-9385 or Bob at 383-0648.

Black Rock beach cleanup is this Saturday

There will be a clean-up day at Black Rock Beach on Saturday, May 25, from 9 a.m. to noon. Garbage bags and refreshments will be provided. Volunteers are asked to bring gloves.

All are welcome to participate in cleaning up the beach in preparation for the summer. For further information, call 383-0232.

Little League dance planned for June 1

The annual Little League Dance will be held Saturday, June 1, from 7 p.m. to midnight at Kimball's By The Sea. Music will be provided by the Grateful Dads, and there will be silent auction items and hourly drawings for sports tickets and donated items. Tickets will also be sold for a weekend on Nantucket.

This year marks Cohasset Little League's 44th anniversary.

Tickets are $50 per couple and may be obtained by calling Linda Bolster at 383-6148. Anyone interested in making a donation to the silent auction is asked to call Ginger Byrne at 383-2705.

Call for crew members

Former crew members of the USS Longbeach (CGN-9, AK-9, PF-34, all pre comm. crew members and all Marine detachments personnel are being sought for a 1996 reunion to be held Sept. 11-15 in the Boston area.

For information, contact Don Shade, P.O. Box 69, Clymer, N.Y. 14724-0069; telephone: (716) 355-6661.

Stress management support

Cohasset Community Church, a new evangelical church, is hosting a Stress Management Support Group on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room. The study will be led by the church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Hurlbut. All are welcome.

The group is involved in a six-week practical study of "Stress Management: Finding the Balance." The study will allow participants to learn about stress and its effects and how to deal with stressful situations.

For further information, call the church at 383-9761.

Hingham Farmers Market is open on Saturdays

Hingham Farmers Market is open for its 19th season. The hours of the market, located on Station Street between North and Water streets, are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays through June 15. From that time, the market will also be open Wednesdays until the last Saturday in October,

The market features locally grown produce from gardeners and growers from the area and will accept Farmers Market coupons as they become available. The opening will feature plants, including bedding, herbs, perennials, tomato and other vegetables. There will also be a limited amount of rhubarb, asparagus and lettuce, as well as homemade jams, baked goods and honey.

Growers may call Dave Sturgis at 749-4643 for selling information.

Artistry aids homeless animals

Renowned South Shore portrait painter Laurie M. Borden and Dominick Micarelli, owner of Artist's Son Gallery of Cohasset, are a husband and wife team that shares a love of art and a willingness to share their talents to help others.

Borden, who specializes in portraying the joys of childhood and the wonder of animals, has donated to All Paws Rescue one of her original oil on canvas paintings, "Young Friends," and Micarelli has created framing for the work of art.

The painting, which captures the sweetness of a child and her kitten, and is valued at $1,200, will be the prize in a benefit drawing on Sunday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. at Artist's Son Gallery, Jonathan Livingston Square, Cohasset.

Coupons for the drawing cost $2 each or three for $5 and may be purchased during business hours at Artist's Son Gallery, where the painting is on display; at the All Paws Rescue booth at the Hingham Rotary Arts & Craft show at Hingham Harbor, Saturday, June 1 (raindate is June 2); or by calling All Paws Rescue at 749-0968.

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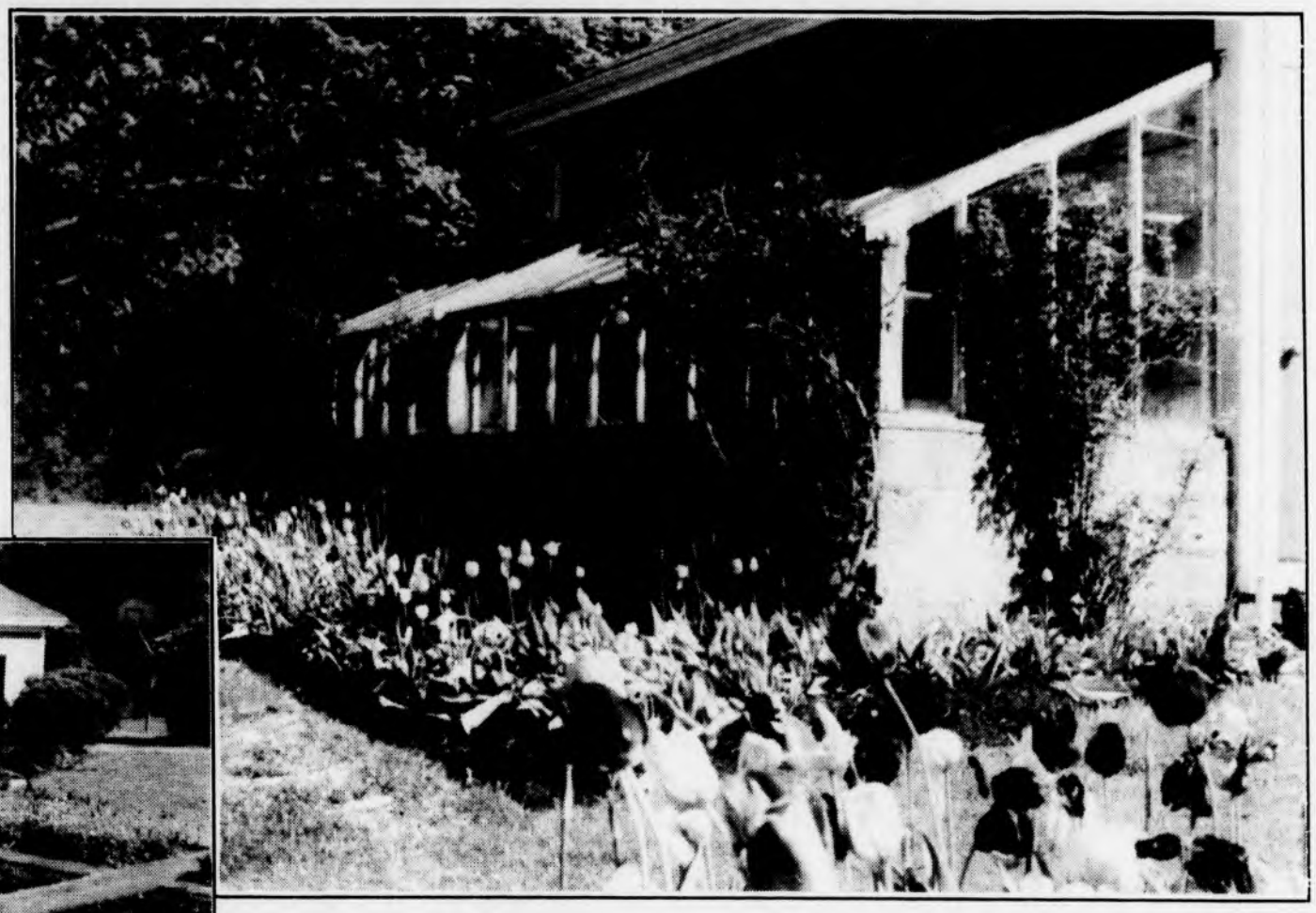

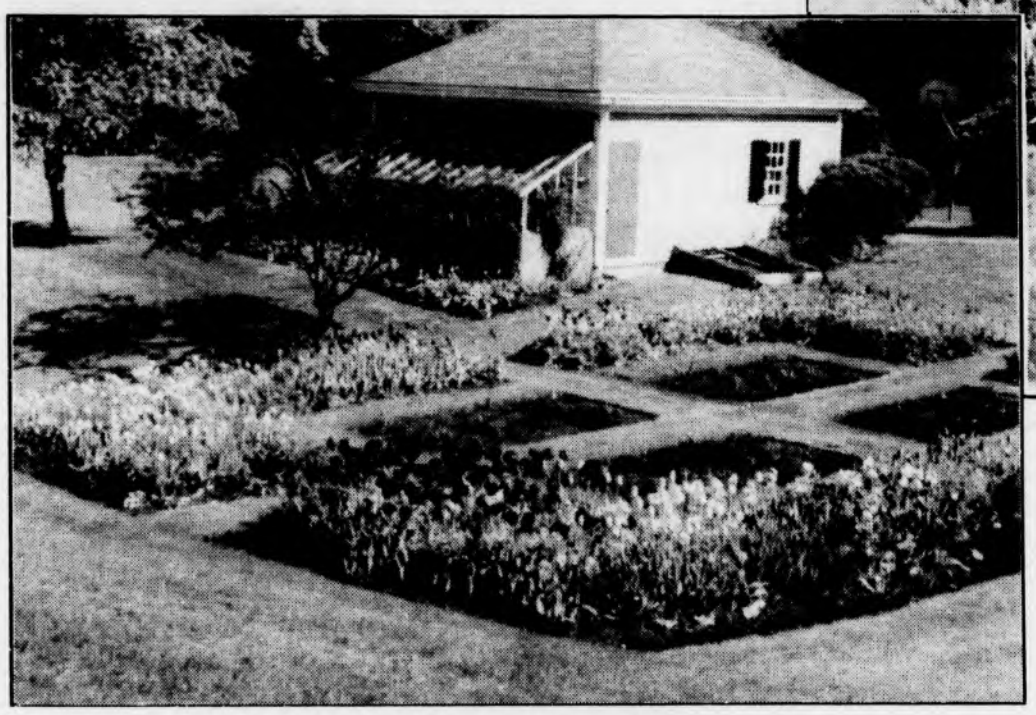

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Thursday, May 9

6:12 a.m., noise complaint, Pleasant St., area search negative.

7:39 a.m., vandalism, Woodside Cemetery, HQ, investigated.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 50

8:07 a.m., vandalism, Hull St., investigated.

12:09 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

11:55 a.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., services rendered.

2:23 p.m., assist citizen, services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 58

9:01 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jams Ln., HQ, departmental action.

9:39 p.m., medical, Kimballs by the Sea, services rendered.

9:49 p.m., assist citizen, King St. by Sunoco Station, services rendered.

9:58 p.m., noise complaint, Pleasant St., peace restored.

10:05 p.m., suspicious activity, Osgood School, services rendered,.

11:36 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

11:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Way by Browns Auto, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 54

Friday, May 10

12:52 a.m., assist other PDs, Cedar St., departmental action.

6:42 a.m., missing property (lost & found), Square, departmental action.

7:08 a.m., medical, Pond St., removed to hospital.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 50

9:49 a.m., missing persons, Beechwood St., departmental action.

10:45 a.m., general services, Doane St., referred to other agency.

1:47 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., accidental/defective alarm.

3:14 p.m., emergency services, Elm St., accidental defective alarm.

4:00 p.m., Cloudy, 55

4:39 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Beechwood St., services rendered.

6:02 p.m., disturbance (general), Cohasset Harbor, departmental action.

6:33 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Town Parking Lot, dispersed gathering.

6:59 p.m., assist citizen, Holly Ln., services rendered.

8:46 p.m., disturbance (gathering), S. Main St. (Square), dispersed gathering.

11:18 p.m., disturbance (general), James Ln., investigated.

11:41 p.m., Officer Laugelle in with 68-year-old Weymouth male in protective custody.

Saturday, May 11

4:37 a.m., assist citizen, Rte. 3A, Mary Lou's News, services rendered.

6:36 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A Cushing Plaza, departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 64

8:50 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Ripley Rd., removed to hospital.

10:41 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy., investigated.

3:03 p.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., investigated.

5:13 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Pond St. HQ, departmental action.

7:02 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Common Area, area search negative.

8:06 p.m., building check, Pond St., departmental action.

8:24 p.m., officer wanted, Square, unfounded.

8:30 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

8:48 p.m., noise complaint, Church St., verbal warning.

10:28 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

10:42 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 50

Sunday, May 12

1:13 a.m., general services, S. Main St., unfounded.

1:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave./Black Rock Beach, verbal warning.

1:57 a.m., suspicious activity, Hull St., no police service necessary.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 54

10:27 a.m., officer field investigation, Parker Ave., false call.

11:13 a.m., burglary (B&E), King St., investigated.

11:14 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), East St., Hingham, services rendered.

11:58 a.m., escort, BayBank, services rendered.

1:32 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. by Lamberts Ln., traffic warning issued.

2:50 p.m., fire alarm, Oak St., referred to other agency.

2:14 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. at Common, traffic warning issued.

4:32 p.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Lane, returned to home or family.

4:37 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., departmental action.

4:57 p.m., vandalism, Elm St., departmental action.

5:59 p.m., building check, Depot Court, secured building.

8:45 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

10:09 p.m., officer wanted, Ripley Rd., protective custody.

10:15 p.m., Ptl. Laugelle in with 51-year-old Scituate male in protective custody.

10:31 p.m., disturbance (general), Lamberts Lane, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 50

Monday, May 13

12:44 a.m., officer field investigation, S. Main St., investigated.

12:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St.

3:20 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., accidental/defective alarm.

5:56 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Dwyers), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

7:18 a.m., assist municipal agencies, HQ, investigated.

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9:44 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

10:58 a.m., officer wanted, Kings St., departmental action.

12:10 p.m., traffic control, Black Horse Ln., services rendered.

2:38 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 65

4:21 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hillside Dr., investigated.

4:48 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

5:03 p.m., animal complaint, HQ Highland Ct., departmental action.

6:19 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., verbal warning.

7:05 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., verbal warning.

9:43 p.m., S. Main St./Beechwood St., verbal warning.

9:59 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St., verbal warning.

10:59 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 40

Tuesday, May 14

12:45 a.m., Hull St. (West Corner), verbal warning.

1:28 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. (West Corner), verbal warning.

2:56 a.m., suspicious activity, King St., secured building.

7:12 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Border St. (Parker Ave.), traffic warning issued.

7:20 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Cedar St.).

7:31 a.m., speeding complaint, Parker Ave., departmental action.

7:39 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (Norman Todd).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 50

9:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St.

9:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., verbal warning.

10:59 a.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd. (HDQTS)., departmental action.

10:18 a.m., aggravated assault, Old Salt House, arrest. Ptl.Matos into Cohasset police headquarters with Richard Figueiredo, 41 Hobart St., Hingham, DOB: 6/1/50, Assault & battery D/W.

10:34 a.m., aggravated assault, Cohasset Police HQ, transport.

11:45 a.m., fire alarm, Pond St., accidental/defective alarm.

11:47 a.m., officer wanted, Ptl. Jones transporting to Quincy Court., clear.

1:13 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

1:58 p.m., suspicious activity, Mendal Rd., investigated.

2:24 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St., investigated.

2:40 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 75

5:17 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., investigated.

7:19 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), CJC Hwy (Stop & Shop), investigated.

7:01 p.m., larceny, HQ Summer St., departmental action.

6:01 p.m., vandalism, HQ Cohasset Harbor, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 50

Wednesday, May 15

1:20 a.m., recovered stolen MV, Doane St., (Wompatuck St. Park), departmental action.

1:47 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy (Mendal Rd.).

6:40 a.m., medial, Elm St., removed to hospital.

7:16 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. (Dolan Ln.).

7:27 a.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy., investigated.

7:17 a.m., arrest, Louis G. Dimitri, Jr., 91a S. Main St., Cohasset, DOB: 4/3/59, WMS warrant.

Sunny, 60

8:36 a.m., medial, Out of town, services rendered.

10:27 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. by Red Gate Ln., traffic warning issued.

10:39 a.m., medical Gov. Island, removed to hospital.

12:23 p.m., traffic/MV, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

12:36 p.m., general services, Depot Ct., services rendered.

12:37 p.m., annoying phone calls, Todd Rd. HQ, departmental action.

1:50 p.m., assist municipal agencies, Beach St., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 74

7:41 p.m., animal complaint, Pleasant St., unfounded.

8:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St, verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 55

Thursday, May 16

12:38 a.m., disturbance (general), CJC Hwy (KoKo Island), no police service necessary.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 60

1:11 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St., area search negative.

1:16 p.m., emergency services, Sohier St., departmental action.

1:38 p.m., officer wanted, Smith Place, departmental action.

2:01 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), King St., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 60

10:27 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Howes Ln., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Rain, 50

Friday, May 17

12:16 a.m., general services, HQ, Edison notified of power surge.

7:43 a.m., officer wanted, Parker Ave., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 54

9:31 a.m., fire alarm, S. Main St., services rendered.

11:23 a.m. traffic/MV complaint, Oak St., HQ, departmental action.

1:21 p.m., emergency services, Linden Dr., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 60

8:45 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd./Howe Rd., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

9:33 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Smith Place, dispersed gathering.

10:46 p.m., disturbance (gathering), S. Main St. (Square), dispersed gathering.

11:48 p.m., disturbance (gathering), Beechwood St., departmental action.

Saturday, May 18

12:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave., verbal warning.

1:13 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main, Square, verbal warning.

2:25 a.m., building check, N. Main St., investigated.

2:58 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Summer St., verbal warning.

6:22 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Depot Ct.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 65

8:57 a.m., larceny, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

8:59 a.m., larceny, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

9:54 a.m., officer field investigation, CJC Hwy., investigated.,

11:28 a.m., officer field investigation, N. Main St., investigated.

11:30 a.m., officer field investigation, Elm St., investigated.

12:56 p.m.., vandalism, Beechwood St., investigated.

1:42 p.m., suspicious activity, Howard Gleason Rd., investigated.

2:13 p.m., medical, CJC Hwy. (Stop & Shop), removed to hospital.

2:37 p.m., officer field investigation, Bancroft Rd., investigated.

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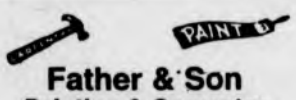

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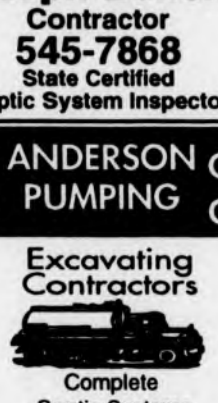

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Cohasset residents celebrate Herb Day

By THOMAS De SANTES
Special to the Mariner

On May 19, Cohasset celebrated "Herb Day" at Government Island (for photos see page 18).

Under warm, sunny skies, several hundred people gathered along Cohasset Harbor at Bancroft Hall in the Lightkeepers Residence to honor two of the town's prominent men responsible for the preservation of Cohasset Harbor and its rich heritage — Herb Jason and Herb Towle.

History echoes through every corner of Cohasset so preserving traditions has become the crusade of men like the two "Herbs" being honored.

Herb Jason has been an active voice in keeping Cohasset's maritime heritage alive. He has represented the commercial fisherman on the Harbor Study Committee and been the strong and skilled right arm of the Cohasset Historical Commission in the restoration of the Minot Light replica.

Herb Towle has also been instrumental in maintaining the sailing traditions of the town by founding the Sailing Club. He is also a founder of the Cohasset Lightkeepers' Corporation, which has preserved the Minot Ledge Lighthouse Keepers' Residence and has made Bancroft Hall available free of charge as a meeting place for community service organizations.

An antique auto exhibit, including classic Fords, Oldsmobiles and Chevrolets from all eras, was part of the festivities, along with Dan Anderson's famous New England Clam Chowder.

Highlighting the day, State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray presented Herb Jason and Herb Towle each with three honorary proclamations: one from the Massachusetts State Senate, one from the Governor on behalf of the state, and another from the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Each man was recognized for his selfless dedication to Cohasset Harbor and the town.

Murray, a personal friend of Herb Towle, recalled stories of pumping gas at Towle's gas station when she was younger.

She also cited Jason's work with Toys for Tots and other charitable fundraisers in which he has been involved.

Family and friends of Jason, including his daughter, son-in-law and brother, addressed the crowd, attesting to his remarkable accomplishments over his 82 years. In addition, he was presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the Lobsterman's Fishermen Association for his work in the industry.

Memorial Day exercises are Monday

Former POW Raymond Buckley will be the keynote speaker for Cohasset Memorial Day exercises Monday (May 27).

The annual Memorial Day parade steps of from the South Shore Music Circus parking lot at 10:30 a m. and will proceed down Sohier Street to North Main Street to Central Cemetery, then to Cohasset Common and then to Veterans Memorial Park in the harbor.

The parade and exercises are sponsored by the George H. Mealy American Legion Post #118 and the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9163.

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Oversight may not stop override

Vote clears the first hurdle

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

The House Committee on Local Affairs recommended favorable action on a bill validating the school override vote taken at the April 6 town election.

At the election, residents voted 1574 to 1494 in favor of a Prop. 2-1/2 debt exclusion override that will allow Cohasset to build a new $9.8 million elementary school.

The committee decided at a State House hearing Wednesday that despite Cohasset's oversight in posting the ballot question on the town warrant, voters were adequately informed about the school ballot question prior to the election through advertisements, mailings and fliers from both supporters and opponents of the project, as well as extensive coverage of the issue in local newspapers.

The posting oversight came to light less than two weeks ago, when the town's bond counsel notified selectmen that legislation validating the recent school vote before $9.8 million in bonds for the project could be issued.

According to Roger P. Vacco of Palmer & Dodge LLP, while the ballot question was reported in local newspapers and included on a specimen ballot posted in the town clerk's office and at the polling place, there was no mention of the Prop. 2-1/2 exemption ballot question in the election warrant as required by law. Vacco said his firm could not approve the bonds

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Soldiers won't be forgotten

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The flags of the 50 states fluttered in the cool spring breeze, as Raymond Buckley, a former prisoner of war, made his remarks at Cohasset's Memorial Day observances Monday.

He reminded the hundreds of local citizens who joined the veterans, scouting groups, and Deer Hill School band at Veterans Memorial Park in the harbor that those being honored said 'yes' when their country called.

'To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.'

— John McCrae,
'In Flanders Fields,' 1915.

"They ended up paying a terrible price for their patriotism," Buckley said. "Because they fought, we are free. They purchased for us the freedom that we all enjoy today."

Buckley, a veteran of World War II, recalled seeing veterans of the Civil War at Memorial Day observances when he was a boy.

"But do not forget that with freedom comes responsibility and accountability to those who paid the

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Megan Richardson hails Monday's parade from her perch atop her dad's shoulders. For more photos, see page 14.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Hart suspends Deer Hill school principal

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

In what School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder described as an "extremely harsh" penalty, the Deer Hill School principal has been suspended for 10 days without pay for allegedly striking a student at the school two weeks ago.

Following an investigation during which School Supt. Stephen Hart talked with school staff and children who witnessed the incident — Hart decided to suspend school principal Donna Hartlage until June 10 when she will resume her duties, Hart said.

When questioned by Det. Rick Grassie, who investigated the incident following a report from a friend of the alleged victim, a fourth-grader, who came to the station after school — Hartlage denied hitting anyone.

The incident occurred during a picture-taking session May 16 in front of the school.

Grassie said this week police do not intend to pursue the matter at this time.

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Cohasset's Week

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Boards have openings

There is a vacancy on the mosquito control committee, the personnel committee and the zoning board of appeals needs an associate member. Interested citizens should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Compost bins available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, a shipment of 65 composting containers have arrived at the Cohasset Transfer Station and are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. The large unit is $30 and the other is priced at $20.

These are similar to the composting containers which were made available to the town some years ago which have worked very well.

The new containers will be on sale at the transfer station. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

Brush chipping is slated

The D.P.W. will sponsor a 'Household Brush Chipping Weekend" at the Recycling Transfer Facility from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., June 8 & 9, Supt. Harold W. Litchfield said.

No commercial brush or hedge trimmings will be accepted. Brush can be any length but pieces only up to 12 inches in diameter will be accepted.

A familiar sight

A sure sign that spring is here was the annual tent raising at the South Shore Music Circus last week. It takes two days and work crew o 18 to complete the undertaking of raising the tent over the 2,300 seat theater. Ushering in its 48th season, the Music Circus is one of only a few remaining summer tent theaters in the country.

Students will do odd jobs

The Social Service League of Cohasset has compiled a list of Cohasset High School students who will do odd jobs around residents' homes including yard clean up, pet sitting, plant watering, weeding, babysitting, car care, and window washing. Many of the students can drive. The rates are reasonable. For names and phone numbers of students, call The Job Bank at 383-0771.

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Sun. 2	——	——	6:09	12:21	10.4	6:22
Mon. 3	12:32	12.0	6:58	1:11	10.6	7:12
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Occupation: Dining facilities manager at the Red Lion Inn.

Goal: To create a thriving, restored, historic inn of which we will all be proud.

Best vacation: The three years we lived in Belgium; it was like a continual vacation.

Best day of your life: The day I was married and the days my children were born.

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Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Spring & fall.

Favorite TV show: 'The Nanny,' 'The Equalizer,' and Masterpiece Theatre.

Favorite movie: 'Sense and Sensibility' and 'Persuasion.'

Favorite book: I have eclectic tastes and read all the time, so I can't name just one.

Favorite junk-food: Frozen yogurt.

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Revitalization of Cohasset Village is topic at forum

Decorative lights suggested

By DONNA J. FITZGERALD
Special to the Mariner

"We need to come up with a master plan," explained Dean Rizzo, vice chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, at the May 22 village forum at the Lightkeeper's House to further explore the revitalization of Cohasset Village.

About 17 interested merchants, residents and town officials brainstormed during the meeting to discuss short-term, mid-range and long-range goals.

"The merchants have to get to know one another," said Rizzo. "There is a lack of spirit, but not as bad as three months ago.

"We have to be a place where stores want to remain; and when a business leaves, be able to fill it right away," he explained. "We have to advertise the uniqueness of the village and make it a place where people will want to come and spend the day."

"We want to be ready for them when these things start happening," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown. "There are things we can do on a smaller scale to create a different atmosphere.

"The focus should be on sidewalks, parking, and lighting. This can be done with the cooperation between landlords and businesses."

"With the new train coming to town, we should concentrate on attracting people to the shopping area. More traffic signs on Route 3A are needed. Decorative lights that can be subsidized by private citizens and donations from garden supply places on Route 3A should be obtained," Brown said.

Selectman Mike Sullivan said, "We need to look at this as a major project and whether we should introduce it at town meeting in October. It will be difficult to do piecemeal."

The need for granite or asphalt curbing was also discussed. Adding some brick work to the store fronts would improve the outward appearance and attract more shoppers. Creating additional parking that would not interfere with the traffic flow is essential in enticing visitors to the village. It was suggested to seek the help of Jim Sandell, local architect, with this project.

"We need to provide handicap accessibility and a path for bicyclists," Sullivan said. "We should have a plan to bring these things before town meeting."

Joe McElroy, president of the Cohasset Lightkeeper's Corporation, said, "We have to know what type of a village do we want; what type of town do we want to live in? I think it will be negative in terms of funding in the fall," McElroy explained. "We have to give them a good idea of what we want this community to look like and provide them with a detailed master plan."

"We are trying to re-energize it, not necessarily change it," Sullivan said. "We can't just have speciality shops, and if people can't park in front of the stores, then they won't bother to shop."

"We should take a square at a time and just do sidewalks and lighting."

For instance, Hingham has installed decorative lighting which has enhanced the esthetic value of the town and made it a busy place at night, he said.

"Maybe we can get a common theme so stores will stay open at night," Rizzo said. "We have to be creative in fund-raising for investing in Cohasset Village and generate interest and excitement."

"It has been my observation since living here more than 12 years, that we need to pick some theme to work around to develop some ambiance," said Connie Afshar, an interested resident. "We need the support of the taxpayer and should be asking them what they want their town to look like," she said. "The more the people are interested and involved, the more they will offer their opinions."

Jackie Dormitzer, chairman of the Village Renaissance Committee, expressed the importance of creating an attractive appearance that would invite people to the village. She stressed the fact that decorative lighting and adequate parking were crucial. For instance, the Town of Hingham dramatically improved the esthetic value when they installed decorative lighting giving them a unique and quaint look. Jackie explained further how the beautification process can be done gradually and economically feasible with the help and cooperation of all the townspeople and businesses.

"What retailer would choose Cohasset Village over going to Route 3A? The village is evolving, but not toward retail," Sullivan said. "We should have an upscale type of gift shop and offer a bed and breakfast stop for a Boston or Cape run on the new train."

Domenic Micarelli, president of the Chamber of Commerce, said, "The fact that the town government is collaborating with the Chamber of Commerce can make a huge difference. We need a game plan to keep the momentum going and keep the townspeople interested."

"It still comes down to the fact that we need to start off with a master plan," confirmed Dean Rizzo. "We need to find available funds; how the E.O.C.D. can help with the planning; talk to the Design Review Committee, and discuss the plans with other involved committees such as the Greenbush Committee and the Planning Board," he stated.

The June issue of the Mariner will feature a questionnaire where all residents, merchants and landlords will have their input on suggestions they feel will achieve the beautification of Cohasset Village. Questions asking what people think is the most important areas of focus; how to initiate better marketing tools; how to involve Route 3A businesses in cooperating with advertising, downtown traffic flow, sidewalks, parking, street lighting, etc., will hope to be answered for the next meeting on Wednesday, June 26, at the Lightkeeper's House on Governor's Island.

Hingham Farmers Market is open on Saturdays

Hingham Farmers Market is open for its 19th season. The hours of the market, located on Station Street between North and Water streets, are 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays through June 15. From that time, the market will also be open Wednesdays until the last Saturday in October,

The market features locally grown produce from gardeners and growers from the area and will accept Farmers Market coupons as they become available. The opening will feature plants, including bedding, herbs, perennials, tomato and other vegetables. There will also be a limited amount of rhubarb, asparagus and lettuce, as well as homemade jams, baked goods and honey.

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Marching band to form again

The Cohasset Harborfest Marching Band is forming to perform in the Harborfest Parade Sunday, June 16. The formula remains the same: simple music, two rehearsals, a uniform of khaki pants or shorts with T-shirts, provided by the Harborfest Committee. Fun is guaranteed!

We can use all marching band instruments. We will rehearse at First Parish in Cohasset (Trueblood Hall) Tuesday, June 4 and 11, at 7 p.m. Music will be provided ahead of time. Please call Sandy Bailey (or leave a message) at the office at First Parish (383-1100) to join us!

Walk around historic Hingham

A summer series of historic and architectural walking tours of Hingham will begin Sunday, June 2, at 3 p.m. The first tour will cover the Lincoln National Register Historic District (Hingham Square). Featured on the tour will be Old Ship Church and the Memorial Bell Tower, Hingham Cemetery, Old Ordinary, Benjamin Lincoln's House, the Community Center, Old Derby Academy and Loring Hall.

The tours will last about 1-1/2 hours and will include many historic sites and buildings of architectural significance within Hingham.

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Don't forget the **Cohasset Community Blood Drive,** Wednesday, June 5, from 2 to 7 p.m. at First Unitarian Parish House, 23 North Main St. For more information or to schedule an appointment, call **Kevin O'Connor** at 383-1290.

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What a week the **Nussdorfers** and the **Froios** had recently! On May 15, **Ginni** and **John** celebrated their third wedding anniversary. On May 17, John became a commissioned officer in the Navy, a ceremony that took place on the Constitution. John graduated from Boston University Medical School May 19, and Ginni graduated May 26 from Suffolk University, where she earned her master's degree in marketing.

On June 1, Ginni and John will be moving to Bethesda, Md., where John will start his medical residency at National Naval Hospital. We certainly do applaud you two, and wish you God speed on your latest ventures. You both are wished continued luck and success. Keep in touch and let us know your news!

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Congratulations go to **Jen McAuliffe,** who is now a home health aide, certified through the Red Cross. Jen graduated last week — we cannot imagine anyone better to take care of an ailing person. When Jen smiles, it makes you feel better! Best of luck in your new occupation, Jen!

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If you had your car washed at **Leo Fiori's** Exxon station last Saturday, you know what a good job **Appalachia Service Project** volunteers did. If you didn't, then this Saturday is your lucky day. On June 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Leo Fiori's, located at the corner of Beechwood Street and Route 3A, another car wash will be held. A donation of $5 per car is requested. All proceeds will benefit the 1996 ASP this summer, when 84 CHS students and adult advisers will travel to Appalachia to repair homes for needy families.

ASP is offering a "stocks" program, at $20 a share, with guaranteed returns of postcards, letters, newsletters, photos and, above all, the satisfaction of joining its community effort. Proceeds from the sale of "stock" will be used for construction materials, transportation and room and board.

If you are interested in becoming an "investor," call **Gary Ritts** (383-0345), **Ami Argus** (383-9325) or **Pam DeLorenzo** (383-6904) for further information.

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We hope **Millard MacNeill** is feeling better and that he will be home from South Shore Hospital by the time he reads this!

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Do you have your **Harborfest** button yet? For only $2, your ticket will entitle you to participate in a raffle ($500 savings bond, two Red Sox tickets, two Bruins tickets, dinner for two at Chart House, Minot's Ledge sweatshirt and T-shirt, and three mystery surprises, and receive a $1 discount off the pancake breakfast, $2 off the Gospel program and a $1 discount off the Chowder Festival. The drawing will take place June 3. Buttons are on sale at Harborfest Headquarters, 3 South Main St.

Dawn D'Alelio has her blood pressure read by Red Cross technician Nazara Armas before she gave blood during the Cohasset blood drive last winter. The next blood drive is June 5.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

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Congrats to the **CHS baseball team,** who are in the Division III South Sectionals for the first time in 22 years. They are a young team with are a really good future, and we applaud them for all their baseball prowess. Keep an eye on them and go to their games if you can. They would appreciate your support!

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Don't forget this Saturday is the **Little League dance,** to be held at Kimballs By-the-Sea from 7 p.m. to midnight. There will be a silent auction and hourly drawings for sports tickets and donated items. Tickets will also be sold for a weekend on Nantucket. The cost of the event is $50 per couple. Call **Linda Bolster** at 383-6148 to obtain yours! Have fun!

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That's the news for this week. Hopefully you'll be in touch with me with your news real soon! There is lots to report, right?!

— Sallyann 383-0560

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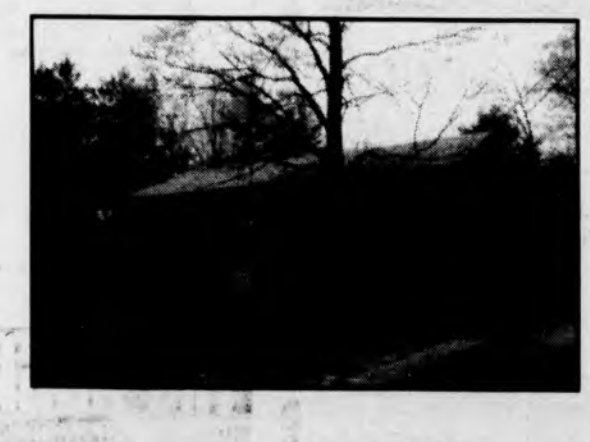

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Weddings/Engagements

Maureen Crowley McCormack

McCormack-Donahue

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas P. McCormack of Mattapoisett announce the engagement of their daughter, Maureen Crowley McCormack, to Timothy Donahue Chamberlain of Boston, the son of Thomas and Lesley Chamberlain of Cohasset.

A July wedding is planned.

Coffee with the authors, June 4

Buttonwood Books & Toys will hold its spring Coffee with the Authors, Tuesday, June 4, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Chart House, Cohasset. Authors William Martin and Robert Perkins and Houghton Mifflin's gardening editor, Frances Tenenbaum, will speak and sign copies of their books.

Martin's book is a multigenerational family saga, "Annapolis"; Perkins, a PBS Arctic filmmaker, writes of journeys involving both body and spirit in "Talking to Angels."

Tanenbaum has edited several of the popular Taylor's guides for gardeners, including the new "Taylor's Guide to Seashore Gardening," and will talk of the challenges of both seaside gardening and collecting advice from gardening experts.

The cost of the event is $8 per person. To reserve a space, call 383-2665.

Send your wedding announcement to the Mariner Newspapers 165 Enterprise Drive, Marshfield, Mass. 02050.

The Weigh Down Workshop

A 12 week weight loss seminar at the **South Shore Community Center**

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For more information, call

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383-9761

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EDITORIAL

Don't cut PE

Local physical education teachers are rightly concerned that a plan to eliminate state requirements that all children take PE could eventually spell the end of the valuable subject.

Yes, it is a subject — like math, history or English.

It may not be as academically oriented as those are — although it certainly could and does have in some cases an academic component — but it is every bit as important.

When physical education is well taught with a structured curriculum, it can provide the invaluable lesson that the mind and body are not separate.

Anyone who's ever had a health problem of any kind knows that.

We all like to think that the body is just along for the ride. We like to take our bodies for granted — and so we use and abuse them.

But a good bout with the flu — as was the case with Gov. Weld recently — can serve as a reminder that our bodies and how we feel are critical. And luckily for most, feeling bad is just a passing thing.

However, without sound physical education and the life skills that can be learned there — too many of our children will be doomed to poor health that will affect every aspect of their lives.

Unfortunately, with too many stressed-out parents and fast-food dinners, our kids may not be learning good health practices at home.

On the surface, state Board of Education Commissioner Robert V. Antonucci's plan sounds innocuous enough: remove the state requirement and let the individual school districts decide how much, if any, physical education should be taught. The reason behind the plan is the state's three-year-old Education Reform Law which requires schools to spend more time on academics.

We agree with local educators, that what can be cut often is. Making PE an option could spell its demise the next time budget cuts come to town.

Unfortunately there is no S.A.T. for student physical fitness that school districts can hold up to show that their student body is above the state or national averages, but there ought to be.

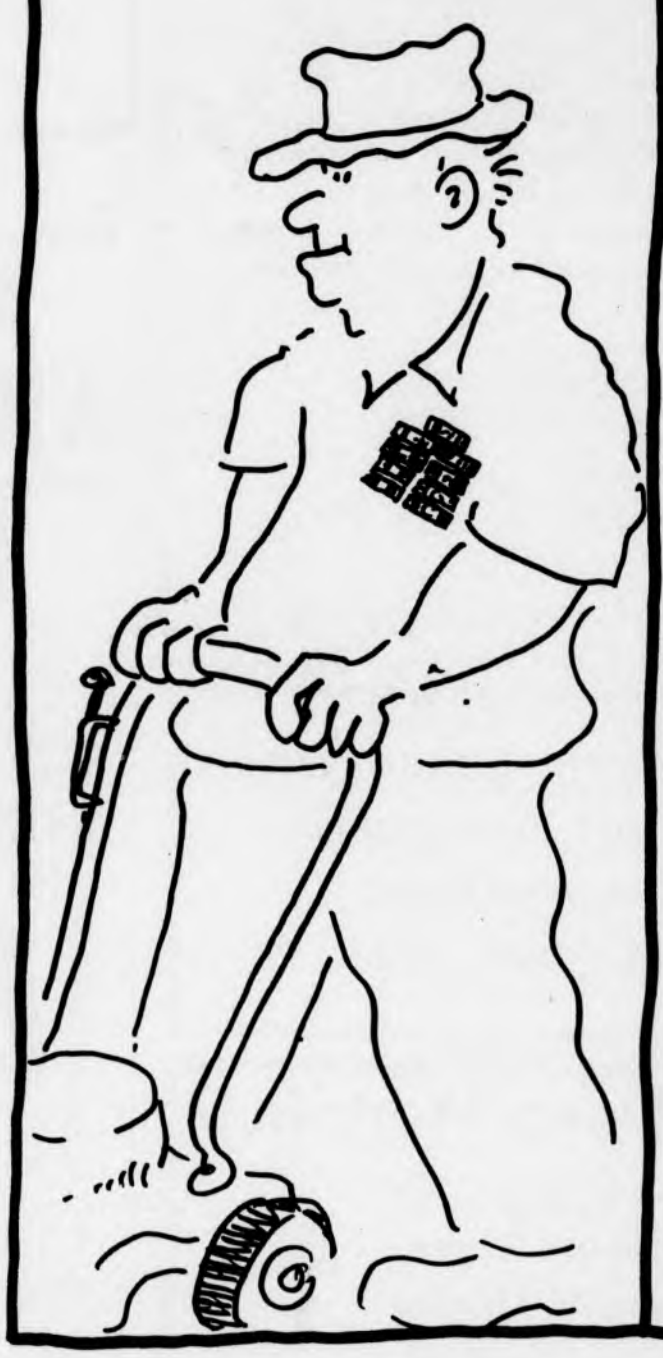
"We need to do a better job of emphasizing fitness and help students form good fitness habits for the rest of their lives," says Michael Gill, Cohasset school health education director.

Eliminating state mandates for physical education is a strike against our children's future.

Please join us in telling state Sen. Robert Hedlund and state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray to send a message to Mr. Antonucci that cutting PE is a bad idea.

— Mary Ford
Editor

If Cohasset citizens could display medals and decorations...



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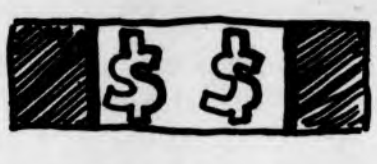

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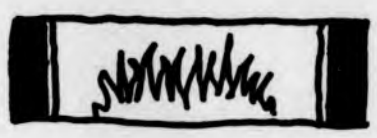
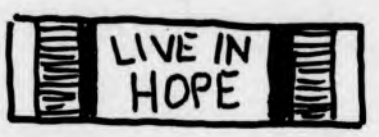
Paid retail price for four years of private college education



Lawn Service Recognition
Able to keep up with rapidly growing lawn in spite of mechanical failures of lawn mower

Good Neighbor Award
Able to enjoy neighbors without erecting fence to keep them on their side of property line

Weymouth Campaign Medal
Able to drive through during Blizzard of '78, in spite of Route 3A being closed



Meritorious Patience Award
Continuous renewal of name on town mooring wait list

Green Thumb Ribbon
Survived several onslaughts of gypsy moths and canker worms

Scortched Earth Award
Maintained salad garden while observing various town water bans

Extraordinary Parent Citation
Drove carload of pubescent teens to and from Centrum for Who concert

HAMILTON

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Heartfelt thanks to all who helped

To the Editor:

It was an impressive network of people in this Cohasset community who looked out for our son, when he was injured last Wednesday near the Barnes Field. We want to thank Hugh and Marcia Morgan for taking care to secure medical attention for Ben when he cut his head and for calling us to let us know.

A sincere thank you also to veteran Cohasset fireman and EMT, Matt Marr, who responded to the call even though off duty and EMT and call fireman Jeff Pratt. And finally our thanks to the Cohasset firemen, ambulance and police crew, who also responded so quickly.

It is comforting to know that such a caring and responsive network exists and works to protect our children. After four stitches, Ben's doing fine and promises never to play in the sand pits again. Thank you.

Diana and Jim Kinch
77 Forest St.

Hedlund goes online with Internet

Sen. Robert L. Hedlund (R-Weymouth) has entered the age of the Internet, establishing his own web site, which will allow his constituents to take a look at what is going on in the state Senate and throughout the South Shore via their personal computers.

People who log onto HTTP://www.gls.net/-hedlund will learn what bills are before the committees that Hedlund serves. There will also be a link which updates legislation sponsored by the senator. Information on frequently asked questions will be available for interested constituents as well as a link outlining upcoming events both at the State House and in the district.

"This web site will broaden access to my office and open up an entirely new medium for me to communicate with South Shore constituents," Hedlund stated.

Besides the information on the web site, constituents will be able to E-Mail Hedlund with their questions and concerns.

For those wishing to contact Sen. Hedlund via computer, the E-Mail address is Hedlund@gis.net.

"I am still available by telephone (722-1646), which I still believe is an easier means of access!" Hedlund said.

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Recreation department summer happenings

Summer playground information

Dates are:
Monday, July 1 to Friday, Aug. 16 (excluding Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5).
Playground Director is Kristin Wrye.

Programs

5-12-year-olds, full day programs; Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Born: 8/31/83 through 12/31/90 to qualify. 5-7-year-old program - Joseph Osgood School. 8-12-year-old program - Deer Hill School.

Pre-school, 3-5-year-old, 1/2 day program; Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Born: 1/1/91 through 3/1/93 to qualify. Deer Hill School.

Registrations

Monday, June 17 through Thursday, June 20; 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m.; Thursday evening, June 20, 5 to 7 p.m.

Costs

5-12-year-olds: $150 for first child ($275 non-resident).
3-5-year-olds: $125 for first child.
$25 discount for each additional child.
Activity Fee:
$35 mandatory, non-refundable activity fee separate from program fee to be paid at registration, which will cover most special events and a T-shirt. A separate check will be necessary.

– Limited enrollment has been set for each program.
– Non-residents are taken on a space available basis and there are no discounts available for multiple children.
– All children must be toilet trained.

Playground Application

It is very important for you to fill out the application completely (two sides). Please give us as many phone numbers as possible. All 3-, 4-, and 5-year-olds will need a birth certificate at the time of registration. It is essential that we are aware of any particular needs of or counseling your child receives during the school year. It is important for us to know the special needs of each individual child, so we may provide reinforcement and continuity throughout the summer. Forms will be available at the time of registration.

Summer sports camps & programs

The Cohasset Recreation Department will offer a variety of sports camps during the summer of 1996, for boys and girls, ages 4 through 18 years.

Baseball camp: Monday, June 24 through Friday, June 28; ages 7-12, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., price-$140. Ages 5-7, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m., price-$75. Price includes a camp shirt. Directed by South Shore Baseball Club.

Basketball camp: Tuesday, July 9 through Friday, July 12, grades 4-6, price-$120. Monday, July 15 through Friday, July 19, grades 6-9, price-$150. Price includes a camp shirt, Cohasset High School. Directed by CHS Coach Ron Ford and staff.

V.I.P. Soccer camps: Monday, July 22 through Friday, July 26; front field CHS. Soccer ABCs: ages 4 and 5, 8 to 9:30 a.m., price-$50. 1/2 day program: ages 6 and 7, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., price-$80. Price includes a camp shirt. Directed by V.I.P. Soccer, Dave Pike and Ross Irwin.

South Shore Soccer camps: Both weeks are optional for boys and girls. Monday, July 29, through Friday, Aug. 2, ages 8-18. Monday, Aug. 5, through Friday, Aug. 9, ages 8-18. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., price-$175, Cohasset High School. Price includes camp shirt and ball. Directed by SSSC, Jon Anderson and Larry Shultz.

Lacrosse - non-contact clinic: Tuesday evenings, 6:30 to 8 p.m., grades 4-6, Deer Hill School, July 9 through Aug. 6, price-$26.

All camps have individual application forms, should you want to register for any of these camps. Please call the recreation office at 383-6791, or stop by the office, first floor, Town Hall.

Camps are limited in size. To insure acceptance into a camp, register as soon as possible. Family discounts are available for all camps.

Music Circus Registrations:

The Music Circus registrations will be open to children in the playground programs. Children in all the programs will go to the 10:30 a.m. show. We will be attending the performances Thursdays at a group rate. Registrations must be made two weeks prior to the show date as indicated below. No late registrations can be accepted. Payments must be made at the recreation office, Thursdays, between 9 a.m. and noon, or between 5 and 7 p.m., the evening of the dates indicated below. *Snow White registrations will be conducted Wednesday, July 3, 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m., only.

Show Date	Performance	Cost	Date of Payment
July 11	Aladdin	$5	Thurs., June 27
July 18	Snow White	$5	*Wed., July 3
July 25	Mother Goose	$5	Thurs., July 11
Aug. 1	Pocahontas	$5	Thurs., July 18
Aug. 8	Beauty and the Beast	$5	Thurs., July 25
Aug. 15	Cinderella	$5	Thurs., Aug. 1

The Music Circus is optional - regular playground activities will continue for those who do not attend. Please see Kristin regarding pick-up and drop-off routine for rain days. Programs are subject to change by S.S.M.C.

Band Concerts:

During the past five seasons, concert funding has been provided through the generosity of the South Shore Playhouse Associates Inc. Each June, the Board of Directors of the South Shore Music Circus takes under consideration the request of the recreation commission for concert funding, hence, certainty of concerts are not absolute until mid-June, each season. The SSMC donation is matched by a grant from the American Federation of Musicians, N.Y.C.

Saturday, June 15, 2 p.m. – Frank's Big Band.
*Tuesday, July 23, 7:30 p.m.
*Tuesday, Aug. 6, 7:30 p.m.
*Performing will be the 30-piece South Shore Concert Band under the direction of Mr. Richard P. Whitmarsh.

Concerts are held on the Cohasset Common, are free of charge and the public is cordially invited. It is a good idea to bring either lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, and from time to time, insect repellent is a good item to have available.

Outdoor Golf Lessons

The Cohasset and Scituate Recreation Departments will co-sponsor outdoor golf lessons for beginner and intermediate levels, throughout the spring and summer months. The lessons will be taught by Cohasset Golf Club's assistant pro, Mr. Rich Altham.

Sessions will begin at various times throughout May, June and July and are five weeks in duration, meeting one hour weekly from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. and again from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. Also, morning classes are available Wednesdays at 10 and 11 a.m. during May through August. The fee for this program is $65 per person for the five-week session.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791, or the Scituate Recreation Department at 545-8738. Should you need to borrow clubs to participate in lessons, please indicate this at the time of registration. All classes will be held at the Jenkins School Field, Scituate.

Dog Obedience Classes:

The Cohasset Recreation Department will offer continuously, throughout the summer, dog obedience classes taught by Mrs. Laurie Cleveland. Classes will be held Tuesday evenings, on the Town Common, Cohasset.

For both the beginner class and the intermediate/advanced class, dog owners are required to have their dogs equipped with a humane choke chain. The proper size is determined by measuring the dog's neck and adding 4". Absolutely no spike collars.

The beginner class will teach basic obedience and responsible ownership to novice pet owners. Helpful hints on ownership, voice directions, basic commands and exercises beneficial to those thinking about eventually showing their dog will be included. The intermediate/advanced class is designed for dogs that have completed the recreation department beginner class. For all classes the fee is $48 for the eight-week, one-hour per week program.

To register for the next available session, please call the recreation office at 383-6791. A new session will begin approximately every eight weeks. Classes are limited in size, and participants will be accepted on a first call, first enrolled basis. Classes meet on a year-round basis, indoors during the fall and winter months.

Youth Tennis:

Youth tennis will begin Monday, July 1, and continue for seven weeks, through Aug. 16. Youth tennis registrations will be held, starting Monday, June 17, and continue throughout that week, as follows: Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon and again 1 to 3 p.m.; and Thursday evening, from 5 to 7 p.m. The program is offered for children age 7 through 18 years of age. The program is designed on a Monday/Wednesday or Tuesday/Thursday schedule. The fee for the one seven-week session of instruction, two days per week, is $44. $10-discounts are available for additional children in a family.

Lessons for beginners, intermediates and advanced players are offered. Fridays are special clinic or tournament days.

Rain days: If it rains before 9 a.m., all tennis classes will be cancelled for that day.

Nelta Tournament

The Nelta Tournament will be held Friday, Aug. 2. More information will be forthcoming through the tennis classes. Registration for this event will be done through the youth tennis classes.

If interested, please register through the recreation department office the week of June 17 at the designated times and dates listed above. Classes will begin Monday, July 1.

Adult Tennis

The recreation department will offer tennis classes for beginner and intermediate tennis players, continuously throughout the summer on various evenings. The classes are one hour long and a session is five weeks in duration. New sessions will begin approximately every five weeks.

Beginner classes meet various evenings from 6 to 7 p.m., and the intermediate classes will meet from 7 to 8 p.m. Advanced (tournament level instruction) classes meet Thursday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m., and advanced beginner will meet from 7 to 8 p.m., Thursdays. Classes will be limited in size. Additional classes will be formed should demand dictate. All classes will meet at the recreation commission tennis courts at the top of Norfolk Road, next to Miliken Field.

To register, please call the recreation department office at 383-6791. The fee for the five-week program is $45 per person. Payable by check to the "Town of Cohasset." Each participant will need a racquet. Classes do not meet if weather is inclement, and should you be in doubt, due to weather conditions, please call the recreation office prior to class time.

Oversight may not stop school override

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without further legislative action.

With a June 3 deadline to apply for a 60 percent state reimbursement of the school project, town officials acted quickly asking both state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, and state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, to request that the governor file legislation on behalf of Cohasset.

About 50 Cohasset residents and town officials turned out for the three-hour hearing and more than a dozen testified.

Several proponents brought along signs that were posted and fliers sent out to residents prior to the election. Town counsel Paul DeRensis supplied the committee with a packet of several local newspaper articles on the school issue and override vote.

Selectman Michael Sullivan explained a possible reason for the omission of the question on the warrant was an effort made by the board to include the school vote on the general election ballot in order to avoid the expense of a separate override election. But Sullivan also noted that at 62 percent, the election had the highest voter turn out of any town election in 10 years.

The school committee too, stressed the belief that the election was well publicized and voters well informed.

"People came out and voted in good faith in favor of the new school. I'd hate to see the democratic process overturned at this point," said School Committee member Maureen Jerz.

Opponents of the school building project took advantage of the posting snafu seizing an opportunity to air some of their concerns about the project and push for another referendum on the issue.

"We urge you to return this question to the taxpayers," said Alexander Koines, a member of Cohasset's Concerned Taxpayers group. Koines brought with him a petition signed by 512 residents over Memorial Day weekend seeking another chance to vote on the school issue. Koines said with only five days between the town meeting vote on the school article and the election for the override, there was not sufficient time for voters to be informed on the issue.

Fellow member Leonora Jenkins agreed and said the override voted should not be validated because it was illegal, unfair and improper. Jenkins said voters were confused on the issue and maintained that while the school override vote was reported in local papers, that Cohasset residents do not have time to read those papers and subscribe instead to newspapers like the Boston Globe and the New York Times.

When questioned by committee member Rep. Paul Demakis, D-Boston, Jenkins said she did not know about the posting oversight until selectmen heard it from the bond counsel.

When the Committee Chairman Marie Parente polled the assembled group, only two said they knew about the posting problem prior to the election.

Demakis acknowledged that the margin of votes was narrow in the election but with a 62 percent turn-out and only two people in the room aware that there was no posting concluded that the outcome of the election was not affected in any significant way.

Committee Vice Chairman Janet O'Brien agreed.

"While this is a very heated issue, regardless of the defect of notice people had information prior to the election. When they entered the ballot booth, if they didn't vote on the question, they didn't want to," she said, adding "the defect of notice did not materially affect the knowledge of the voters of the town."

And while the vote was unanimous, other committee members cautioned Cohasset officials to make sure this does not occur again.

Murray also criticized town officials for the oversight.

With a favorable vote from the committee on local affairs a good part of that legislative action is underway. Committee Chairman Marie Parente noted however that there are still several steps in this legislative process before the bill is passed.

"Picture this bill on a conveyer belt, moving toward enactment," said Parente noting that the legislation must go through three readings in both the house and senate and pass by a 2/3 vote before it is enacted. Whether that can be done in time for the town to meet the state reimbursement application deadline remains to be seen.

"We're doing everything we can here to get this through," Murray said.

Hart suspends principal

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Police have not heard from the alleged victim's parents and there has been no complaint filed, he said.

Hartlage, who has been on leave since the incident, could not be reached for comment.

Hart sent a brief letter home to school parents Friday saying Hartlage would be suspended but did not elaborate on the incident.

"Obviously there was an incident," Hart said this week.

Because of possible litigation, Hart said he'd been advised by counsel not to comment any further on the matter.

"To protect the privacy of everyone involved, I can't get into a description (of what occurred)," he said.

But when asked if Hartlage did strike the child, Kidder said,

"Yes, she did."

Kidder explained that the decision on how to handle this matter was completely up to Hart.

Under the state Education Reform Law, superintendents, not school committees have authority over principals.

"This matter falls squarely on the shoulders of the superintendent," Kidder said.

However, Kidder said he supports Hart's handling of the situation.

"Steve (Hart) did an exhaustive investigation and arrived at the conclusion that this was serious enough to merit a 10-day suspension without pay.

"That's an extremely harsh penalty," Kidder said.

Hartlage, a Plymouth resident, was hired last June to replace long-time principal Kenneth Ekberg, who took an early retirement.

She holds a bachelor's degree from North Adams State and a master's from Bridgewater state and was an administrator with the Chelsea Public Schools where she headed the Title I program from preschool through grade 12 before coming to Cohasset.

She was picked from a pool of about 40 applicants. Hart narrowed the field down to about 18-to-20 individuals whom he interviewed himself. He sent the names of six semi-finalists to a screening committee consisting of school administrators, teachers, parents, school council members, school board member, and a resident at large. The screening committee came up with a list of two or three finalists from which Hart made his choice.

Soldiers won't be forgotten

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supreme sacrifice; and to the disabled veterans, their widows and orphans."

For local veterans, Monday's exercises began early as the group visited veterans' graves and memorials at the town cemeteries.

The parade stepped off from the Music Circus parking lot, proceeding down Sohier Street to North Main Street to Central Cemetery, then to Cohasset Common with its final destination at the harbor.

A deeply moving part of the ceremonies at the harbor occurred when Buckley read the 52 names of those missing in action and World War II Army veteran Robert J. Hall saluted and said "missing in action, sir" after each name was announced.

Gerard Keating, who lost his son Allen F. Keating in Vietnam, placed a wreath at the memorial at the harbor.

And in keeping with tradition, Commander Bill Malone read the poem "In Flanders Field," written during World War I in France in 1915 by John McCrae who served as a medical officer.

The day's events were organized by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #9163 and George F. Mealy American Legion Post #118.

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Counsels, officials meet over CHL legal matters

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Board of Selectmen, in a special Thursday session last week, met with Town Counsel Paul DeRensis and special counsel Michael Leon of Warner & Stackpole.

The meeting, held entirely in executive session, was for the purpose of trying to resolve the interpretation of counsel relevant to the Cohasset Heights Landfill issue.

Over the objection of Selectman Peter Pratt, who felt any discussion on the management structure of attorneys representing the town should be held in open session, the board voted 4-1 to conduct talks in private.

Newly elected Selectman Nan Roth, while agreeing with Pratt that general management structure procedures should be open to the public, felt specific concerns over pending Cohasset Heights litigation necessitated executive session.

Michael Sullivan, echoing Roth, made a motion that the board hold open discussion on the management structure question at its next meeting on June 3, stating he expected more residents than the one attending this meeting would want to be present. The motion passed unanimously.

Prior to adjuring, DeRensis took another step in clarifying remarks attributed to him over the Cohasset Heights issue.

At the urging of Pratt, DeRensis explained that his comment that the Cohasset Heights decision had several "fatal defects" concerned only his predictions on what he projected would be likely financial costs to the town, not whether the superior court would or would not affirm the Board of Health's refusal to allow expansion.

• In other business, the board unanimously approved a bond issue for upcoming water and sewer projects. The $2,935,000 will be underwritten by State Street Bank and Trust Company at a rate of 3.54 percent.

•A transient vendor license was granted to Brian Capen for the purpose of selling ice cream, spring water and soda from his truck at beach and neighborhood locations.

• Finally, the board appointed Melissa Browne and Patrick Plante to the Osgood School Reuse Committee.

Charter school reimbursements sought

Cohasset could recoup part of tuition costs

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

For a second year in a row, a senate budget bill calls for the state to pick up the tab for public schools that lose students to the new regional charter schools.

The original funding formula for the experimental public charter schools which began via the 1993 Education Reform Act, called for the tuition dollars to follow the student; meaning that in addition to losing pupils, public schools stood to lose money through a reduction in state education aid.

According to state Senator Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, while the house version of the bill calls for a 50 percent reimbursement, the senate version seeks a full reimbursement for less affluent communities like Hull, whose per pupil cost runs below Education Reform Act requirements. With 175 Hull students slated to attend the South Shore Charter School in the fall, without reimbursement that town stands to lose as much as $900,000 this year in state aid.

"That's a significant jolt to a system for what is an experimental program," said Hedlund, who noted that the communities to be fully reimbursed have been struggling to bring their per pupil expenditures up to the Education Reform Act foundation level.

"We need to give communities a transition period and allow them time to plan for the costs in their budgets," Hedlund added.

Communities like Hingham and Cohasset, whose per pupil expenditure's exceed the state requirement are also eligible for reimbursement through legislation enacted last year.

Town's above that foundation were reimbursed 50 percent in the first year the charter school was opened, they will receive 40 percent this year and 30 percent next year, according to Hedlund's press secretary Jeff Granatino. After the third year, no state reimbursement is planned. Once a community's per pupil expenditures meet or exceed the foundation level, Granatino said they too will be weaned from the reimbursements over three years.

In Cohasset, where a total of 16 students are currently enrolled at the South Shore Charter School and the per pupil cost is about $5,000 — the town could lose upwards of $80,000. Last year, the town picked up what the state did not cover.

Supt. Stephen Hart said the state should fully subsidize charter schools.

"It's not fair. If the state wants to provide charter schools, it ought to pay for it and not take money from students attending (the regular) public schools."

Hedlund said he expects additional efforts to be made through the budget to include more extensive reimbursement for communities who exceed per pupil expenditure requirements and maintained that he will support those efforts.

Hedlund said he is relatively sure the senate version of the bill will prevail again this year, but cautions all communities to start planning for charter school costs.

"I don't think it's realistic to believe that the state will fund this ad infinitum, but we want to give towns a chance to plan for this," he said.

Little League dance planned for June 1

The annual Little League Dance will be held Saturday, June 1, from 7 p.m. to midnight at Kimball's By The Sea. Music will be provided by the Grateful Dads, and there will be silent auction items and hourly drawings for sports tickets and donated items. Tickets will also be sold for a weekend on Nantucket.

This year marks Cohasset Little League's 44th anniversary.

Tickets are $50 per couple and may be obtained by calling Linda Bolster at 383-6148. Anyone inter-

Invest in Appalachia Service Project 'stock'!

Cohasset residents are invited to take part in this year's Appalachia Service Project. A townwide mailing outlined "stock options" at $20 a share, with guaranteed returns of postcards, letters, newsletters, photos and the satisfaction of joining the effort. Proceeds from the sale of 'stock' will be used for construction materials, transportation and room and board.

Tax-deductible contributions may be sent, payable to SSC Youth Group, to Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025. For further information, call Gary Ritts (383-0345), Ami Argus (383-9325) or Pam DeLorenzo (383-6904).

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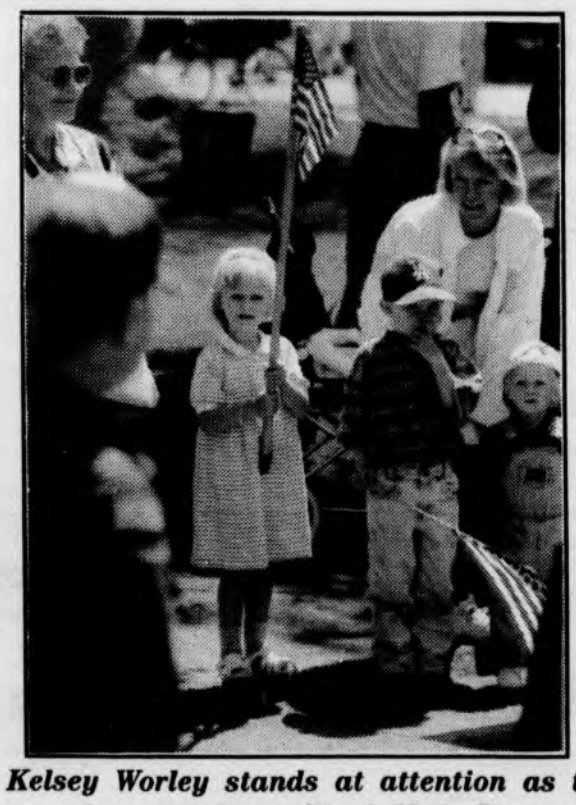
Steve Wigmore, commander of the George H. Mealy American Legion Post # 118 leads the parade to Veterans Memorial Park in the harbor.

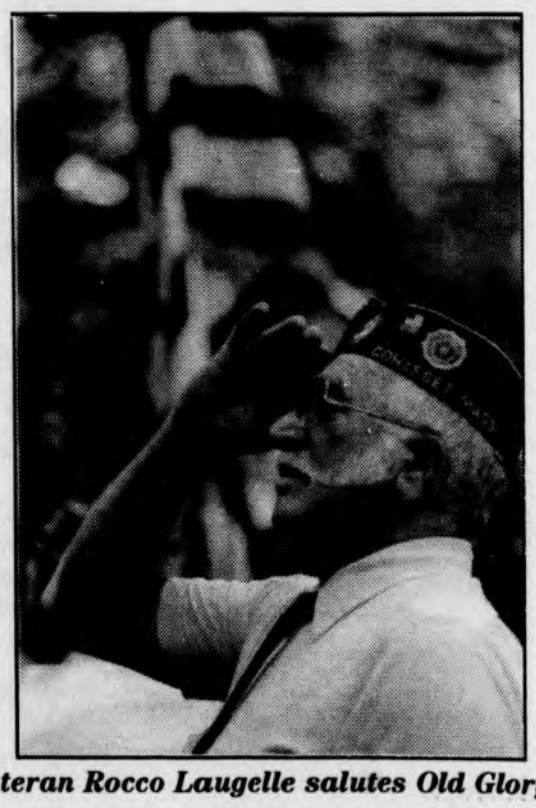
Commander of V.F.W. Post #9146, Ralph Perroncello, honors the war dead during the Memorial Day exercises on Monday.

Christopher Brennock marches in the parade alongside veterans and his father.

Cohasset Girl Scout Troop 4776 was a familiar site at the Memorial Day observances again this year.



Kelsey Worley stands at attention as the parade passes by on North Main Street.



Veteran Rocco Laugelle salutes Old Glory.

School Notebook

Cohasset kids graduate from Thayer Academy

Marisa Verrochi, daughter of Paul and June Verrochi, N. Main Street, will attend Boston University College of Arts and Sciences. She was also accepted at Boston College and Wheaton.

At school, Marisa was a class officer, achieved honor roll status and was a member of the Community Service Club and the basketball, field hockey and lacrosse teams. She was also a tour guide and on the staff of the Retina poetry journal.

Michael Lennon, son of John and Joanne Lennon, Surrey Drive, plans to attend Trinity College in Connecticut.

At Thayer, Michael was a class officer, on the Retina poetry journal and TA Week newspaper staffs, a member of Thayer Athletic Association and captain of the football, lacrosse and wrestling teams.

Melissa Weier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Weier, S. Main Street, will attend the University of Vermont. She was also accepted at Ithaca, St. Lawrence, University of Rhode Island and Hartwick.

While at Thayer, Melissa was on the Black & Orange yearbook staff, a member of the Community Service Club and Head Start, and on the cross country and golf teams.

Marisa Verrochi

Melissa Weier

Prom preview is tonight at the Lightkeepers' residence

Cohasset High School senior class parents have organized festive year-end activities for the Class of 1996. Each year the PSO, with the help of a large group of parent volunteers, traditionally hosts a reception before the senior prom and a breakfast afterwards.

Family and friends are welcome to great prom-goers at a reception tonight (Thursday, May 30), from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Lightkeepers' Residence. Students will travel by boat to the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel. A breakfast will follow at midnight at Second Congregational Church.

A new parent initiative this year is the creation of an A-V show, "The Way We Were," to be shown at Class Night June 6. Judy Ritts and Heidi Maitland have asked all senior class parents to collect memorable photos or videos from kindergarten to senior year, identify them and deliver them to Second Congregational Church (mail slot delivery available at any hour) by Monday, April 22. Individuals who would like to help with the video or accompanying audio are asked to call either Maitland or Ritts. All items will be returned at Class Night.

Another new idea this year is a "Class Gift" from the senior parents to CHS. Parents plan to donate a bench near the new athletic fields in memory of Rosemarie Mercurio, the mother of class president Andrea Mercurio. To join in the gesture, send a check payable to Kyle Lubitz and mail to: Kyle Lubitz, 54 Red Gate Lane, Cohasset.

Senior parents who would like to help with the senior class reception are asked to call Carol Riley or Annette Sawchuk. To assist with the breakfast, call Gail Stevens or Regina Shultz.

PSO names new executive board

At the PSO annual spring meeting, the membership elected a new executive board. The following people will serve for the 1996-97 school year:

Kathy Ofsthun, president; Sarah Markert, vice president; Kate Brady, corr. secretary; Jane Pescatore, recording secretary; Bob Anton, treasurer; Margie Masotta, Jean Muir, Osgood School representatives; Judy Flint, Mary Sullivan, Deer Hill School representatives; Linda Bolster, Allision Ulmer, junior high school representatives; Paula Buick, Katherine Gray, senior high school representatives; Julia DeWaal, Joan Jensen, curriculum enrichment; Tomi Bukowski, Lesley Faber, Patty Smith, Jane Wasel, fundraising; Connie Afshar, Jean Hajjar, Metco; Darillynn Evans, Elaine Smoot, PSO activities; Grace Evans, publicity; Lyn Previte, Michele Sacks, special needs; Georgia Carroll, comm. relations; Susan Etkind, diversity committee.

Additionally, the newly elected school council members were announced. For each school, the parent representatives are: Betts Murray (newly elected), Linda Nash, Lynne Sheridan, Joseph Osgood School. Marie Kelly (newly elected), Ann Musto (newly elected), Susan Turgiss, Dear Hill School. Pat Baird (newly elected), Betsy Connolly (re-elected), Jo-Ann Grew, Victoira Hurley, Jr./Sr. High.

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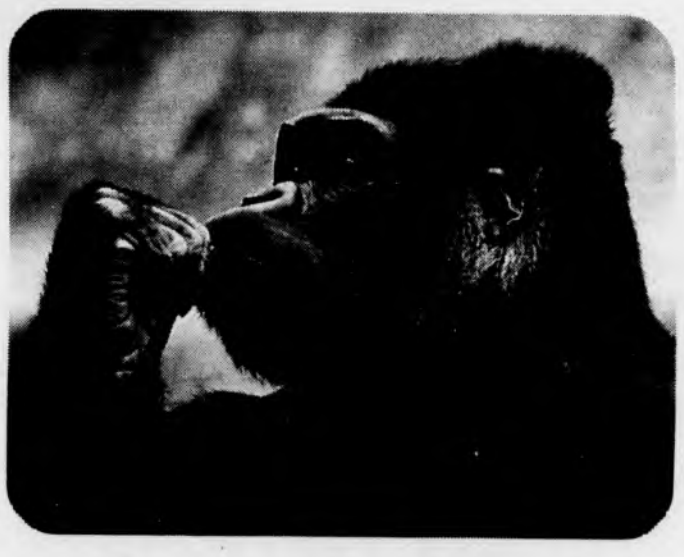

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Elder Affairs events noted

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Rosecliff-Newport, Saturday, July 13. Visit Rosecliff and relive the Gilded Age of elegance. Full course lunch at LaForge, one of Newport's finest restaurants, and tour Marble House afterward. Fully escorted. $55 per person.

Ongoing programs: Step program, Mon., Weds., Fri., 7:30 - 8:15 a.m. with Mary Jane Butera.

Stretch and strengthen, Tues. and Thurs., 7:45 - 8:30 a.m. with Marian Archer.

Easy does it, Tues., 11 a.m.-noon, Ginny Waterman.

Bowling for seniors, Thurs, 9:30 a.m., with Bill O'Connell.

Chi cong, Fri., 9-10 a.m., with Barbara Alger.

Knitting, Fri., 1-3 p.m., Edna Finegan.

Transportation is provided the first Monday of each month to Braintree Mall, and the second Wednesday of each month to Hanover Mall.

Community blood drive

The Red Cross has scheduled the next Cohasset Community Blood Drive for Wednesday, June 5. The Red Cross bloodmobile will be at Unitarian Parish House, 23 N. Main St., from 2 to 7 p.m. Babysitting assistance will be provided after 3 p.m.

New donors are welcome and needed. To register or make an appointment for donating at a specific time, or for further information, call Kevin or Ann O'Connor at 383-1290.

Classes at community ctr.

The South Shore Community Center is offering classes and activities for adults and children.

Free Play will meet Friday, June 14, from 10:30 a.m. to noon for children ages 14 months to three years. The cost is $5 ($1 for sibling).

A Nature Camp for children ages 3-5 will be held June 3-21, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and will include waterplay, nature activities and art projects.

A "Little Red Riding Hood" puppet show is set for Friday, June 7, at 10:30 a.m. The cost is $2 at the door.

A CPR class is being offered Friday, June 14, from 7 to 10:30 p.m. The cost is $25 for members, $35 for non-members.

The SSCC Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament is scheduled for June 22, with the finals set for June 23. The cost is $50 per person.

A Senior Tournament for those ages 60 and over is $35 per person. Registration closes June 19. Forms may be picked up at the Center or by calling to request that one be mailed.

Computers, Bowling and Cooking with Cathy Carlson will meet July 1-3 and July 9-11 from 9 a.m. to noon. The cost per session is $60. The class is designed for children ages 5-7.

Church to hold potluck suppers

The Beechwood Congregational Church will host potluck suppers during the next several months. Following each supper, a segment of the "Life on the Edge" video series by Dr. James Dobson of Focus on the Family will be presented.

The series offers a powerful presentation that equips teens and those who associate with them with the necessary skills for successfully dealing with the challenges of adulthood.

The suppers will begin at 6 p.m. in Merritt Hall at the church, followed by a video showing at 7 p.m.

The following programs will be offered:

July 18—"When God Doesn't Make Sense"; Aug. 15—"Pornography: Addictive, Progressive and Deadly."

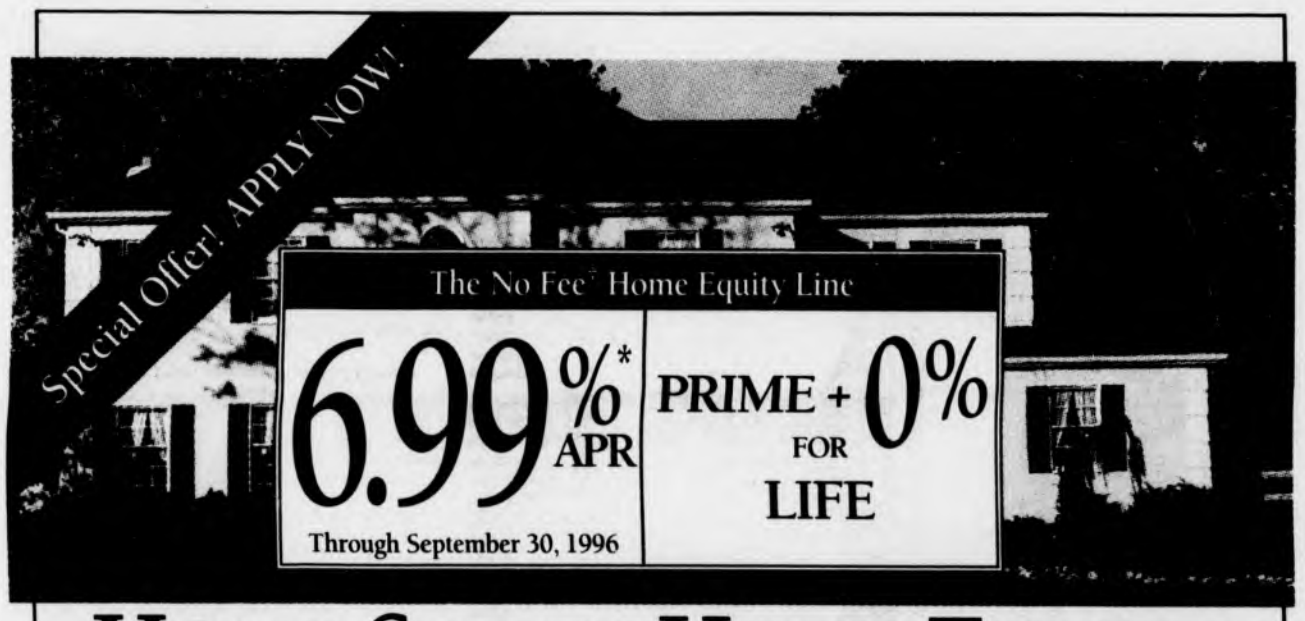
For further information, call Steve at 545-6162.

Stress management support

Cohasset Community Church, a new evangelical church, is hosting a Stress Management Support Group on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room. The study will be led by the church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Hurlbut. All are welcome.

The group is involved in a six-week practical study of "Stress Management: Finding the Balance." The study will allow participants to learn about stress and its effects and how to deal with stressful situations.

For further information, call the church at 383-9761.



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It's Happening

Summer playground program open house

The Cohasset Recreation Commissioners will conduct an open house at town hall on Tuesday evening, June 11, at 8 p.m. Parents of playground program participants are cordially invited to attend this informative, pre-registration meeting.

The commissioners, recreation director and playground director will be on hand to answer questions, discuss comments and outline the 1996 program. Registration for summer playground for children ages 3 1/2 to 12 years and youth tennis lessons for youngsters age 7 to 18, will be held during the week of Monday, June 17 through Thursday, June 20, at town hall.

Sports camp registrations are on-going throughout May and June, at the Cohasset Recreation Office, first floor, town hall. Summer fliers will be going home via school during late May or early June.

Author signings at Buttonwood

Quincy High School senior Leanne Vaughn and Hingham illustrator Valerie Mine will sign copies of their new book, "The Doll House," Saturday, June 1, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Buttonwood for Kids, Hingham.

The story is of a doll who comes to life when humans aren't watching and is Vaughn's first published book.

Call 749-2665 for further information or to order a signed copies.

Scituate artist Joan Paley and Boston author Philemon Sturges will sign copies of "What's That Sound, Woolly Bear?," their new book, on Friday, June 7, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Buttonwood Books & Toys, Cohasset.

Included in the book are stories Sturges delighted in sharing with his daughters when they were young. Paley's bright collage-like illustrations highlight the simple text of a lovable bear looking for a place to spin her bed so she can turn into a tiger moth. Call 383-2665 for details or to order a signed copy.

Musical theater workshop

When South Shore Conservatory Drama Director Ellen Kelly runs her summer Musical Theatre Workshop, she calls on her favorite theater professional, Earl Wentz of New York.

Now in his fifth year with the Conservatory's intensive summer performing arts day camp, Wentz runs his own New York performing arts studio during the rest of the year, where he is voice teacher, coach-accompanist, director and arranger. He is a veteran character actor and accomplished director who worked many years in stock and regional theater.

The MTW is open to pre-teens and young adult students, ages 8-16. The workshop runs from Aug. 5-16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's MTW students will be among the first to perform in the Conservatory's new 300-seat outdoor performance facility, the Jane C. Carr Amphitheater.

Registrations are now being accepted. For further information, call 749-7565, Ext. 10.

The Conservatory's summer Flute Symphony program begins Wednesday, June 26, and runs for eight consecutive Wednesday nights. The program provides the unique opportunity for flutists to sharpen their musical skills and meet others with the same enthusiasm for music.

Flute Symphony is under the direction of SSC flute instructor Donald Zook, who expects about 100 participants in this year's program. This year's Flute Symphony will perform music ranging from the whimsical "Alexander's Ragtime Band" to more serious pieces like "Clair de Lune." The solo piece for the final concert on Wednesday, Aug. 14, is "Andante in C" by Mozart.

For registration information, call 749-7565.

Wildlife summer day camp for kids

The New England Wildlife Center (NEWC) in Hingham is continuing to accept registrations for its summer day camp for children. Wildlife Camp will feature outdoor nature exploration, close-up encounters with live owls, hawks, and other wild animals, arts and crafts projects and a wide variety of other activities. The day camp will be held at the center's facilities in the former naval depot on Fort Hill Street in Hingham.

Wildlife camp is structured to help children from grades 1-6 develop an awareness and respect for wildlife and nature and will be under the direction of Dr. Gregory Mertz, our executive director and Ms. Mandy Cannistraro, our environmental educator.

Session 1: Grades 1, 2 and 3, Monday July 8 to Friday, July 12, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Session 2: Grades 4, 5 and 6, Monday, July 15 to Friday, July 19, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Session 3: Grades 1, 2, and 3, Monday, July 22 to Friday, July 26, 9 a.m to 1:30 p.m.

Session 4: Grades 4, 5 and 6, Monday, July 29 to Friday, Aug. 2, 9 a.m to 1:30 p.m.

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Cohasset Business

PETER MAICH
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Peter Maich honored as humanitarian of the year

Peter Maich of Cohasset was named Humanitarian of the Year by Cardinal Cushing School and Training Center, Hanover. Maich, who is executive vice president of merchandising for T.J. Maxx/Marshalls, was honored for his efforts to enhance the mission of the special need school to provide the best educational program for its students.

A plaque was permanently installed in a living area of Sharon Hall, one of the school's dormitories.

Computer service center opens on Route 3A

Dream Communications, Inc., with their new logo DreamCom, has announced the opening of an office in Old Forge Professional Building, 231 Route 3A, Cohasset. DreamCom is an innovative company offering complete computer services, including hardware, software, Internet access, World Wide Web page design and hosting, computer consulting and The Internet School.

Subscribers can use the company's DreamCatcher software browser package to connect to the Internet. DreamCatcher services include E-mail, newsgroups, file transfer and World Wide Web access. The Internet School offers various courses and seminars on the Internet, including a pre-installation seminar and an in-depth course on how to use the World Wide Web and Internet.

Dream Com is one of the first Internet service companies to combine all aspects of Internet utilization in one location. For more information about DreamCom, call 383-9200.

Appleseed's Day declared

Gov. William Weld declared May 15 "Appleseed's Day" in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Appleseed's, a Cohasset women's classic apparel retailer, is celebrating its golden anniversary. At an afternoon reception, company employees were joined by elected officials, business associates and valued customers for festivities which included a fashion show and an employee recognition program.

President Clinton recognized the anniversary with greetings from the White House: "America's economic strength always has depended on the commitment and determination of those who work hard for a living. In an increasingly competitive marketplace, you can take great pride in your longevity."

Appleseed's began as an eclectic New England Country Store by mail in 1946 at the end of World War II. Eventually, the company's focus became classic women's clothing.

To celebrate its 50th anniversary, Appleseed's is donation a tree to each town in which they have a retail location. A dwarf flowering crab tree will be planted in the grassy area surrounding Cohasset Plaza this month.

SEND IN YOUR BUSINESS NEWS

Red Lion Inn names dining facilities manager

Rosemary Golden of Marshfield has accepted the position of dining facilities manager at the Red Lion Inn. Golden will be responsible for overseeing general dining room operations at the inn. In addition to her daily management responsibilities, Golden will oversee the restoration of the quaint dining room at the historic Cohasset restaurant-tavern. The Red Lion Inn, built in 1704, recently has been taken over by local entrepreneurs who have begun some very significant restoration projects in which Golden will play an important role.

Golden holds a bachelor's degree from Stonehill College, and a master's degree from Bridgewater State College.

The Red Lion Inn has been in continuous operation since 1720, and is open for lunch and dinner daily.

Business partnership to hold meeting, June 14

The South Shore Business Partnership for Health will host a breakfast forum, Friday, June 14, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Lombardo's, Randolph.

Carol Cormier, vice president of Group Benefit Strategies of Worcester, will address the pros and cons of self-funding a business' employee health insurance.

The cost is $15 per person or $150 for a table of 10. Call 340-8564 to reserve a seat.

O'Donnell wins grant

Eric Swain, headmaster at Thayer Academy in Braintree, has announced that Sonya O'Donnell has won a Grace LeBaron Osgood Fellowship for innovative and creative work.

O'Donnell, a foreign language teacher, will create multi-media templates and curriculum guides for multi-media projects. She will also develop a Digital Language Lab for use in Thayer's new Macintosh lab. The projects will enable students to customize their learning environments in conjunction with the resources of the Internet.

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Mariner Sports

Tourney Bound!

CHS baseball team heads into postseason after 22-year drought

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

They did it!

After 22 years of following the tournament in the papers, Cohasset High baseball fans can now watch with excitement as the Skippers make history, participating in the Division 3 South Sectional tourney for the first time since 1974.

The Skippers finished their regular-season schedule at 10-10 to reach the magical .500 tourney-qualification mark in one of the toughest leagues in the state.

Cohasset was one of six South Shore League squads which qualified for the postseason. That the Skippers, with a miniscule talent pool to choose from, could even come close to making the tournament is incredible. Competing against schools sometimes three times as large, the varsity squad battled its way to the Promised Land.

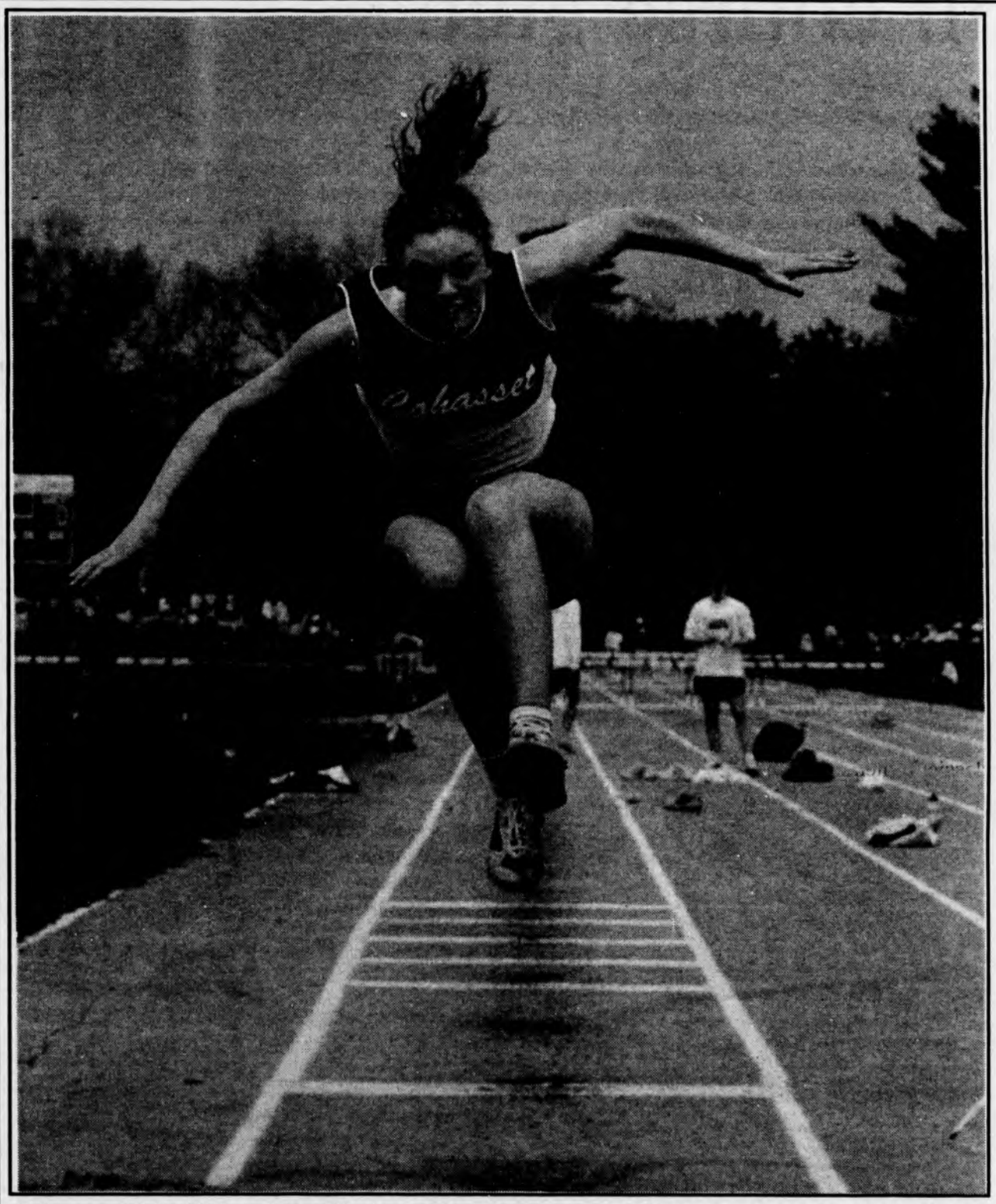
Heading into last Wednesday's game against the Chatham Blue Devils, Cohasset was facing a do-or-die situation. With only one game remaining, the Skippers needed to pick up a win. With eighth-grade hurler Joe Pergola on the mound, Cohasset was confident it could beat the Blue Devils, whom they had thrashed 21-10 earlier in the year.

Pergola painted a masterpiece, allowing just four hits and one run. Catcher Mike Rossi did a bang-up job behind the plate and helped the rookie hurler set down 10 Chatham batters on strikes. However, Cohasset's defense was not the only thing working in full motion.

First baseman Kevin McKenna and shortstop Greg Taylor drilled home runs. Senior Mike Dunphy tripled to left center and Grant Emde doubled. Designated hitter Rob Buckley took an 0-2 pitch the opposite way to pick up an RBI and Pat Hurley roped a fastball over the shortstop for an RBI. Mark Kupsc singled to right and Joe Magner and Eric Henry each picked up two hits. The expression "everybody hits" certainly applied here as the Skippers romped 13-1.

As of Tuesday evening, it was undecided who, where, and when the Skippers would be playing. The game will most likely be held on Friday night or Saturday.

The Skipper bench erupted when McKenna made the final out and, led by head coach Ron Ford, mobbed Pegola on the mound. The curse has been lifted and now it's time for Cohasset baseball to set



Cohasset High All-Star Faye Menis strains to get as much distance as possible in the South Shore Principals Meet. Menis won the event with a leap of 15' 6."

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Menis chases final high school record

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Records are nothing new to All-Star trackster Faye Menis. Since the seventh grade, standards have been falling and Menis' name has replaced previous record-holders'.

The all-time point-scorer in Cohasset High track history (775 points), though, has one more shot to add a new mark to her spring resume. Menis will be gunning for Allison James' six-year-old mark of 15.1 seconds in the 100-meter hurdles in Saturday's All-State meet at Bridgewater State College. Menis missed the mark by a scant two-tenths of a second with her 15.3, fourth-place finish in last Saturday's State Class D meet at Wayland High.

She will also be gunning for a top-six finish, a goal head coach Ron Emmons believes is well within her reach.

"It's doable that she could place in the top six," Emmons said.

Menis' time in the Class D meet was a breakthrough for the senior. She had never broken 16 seconds in the hurdles, but had worked on her start by changing her footing in the blocks. The change gave Menis a quicker start, getting her to the first hurdle quicker than she had in past performances.

The Class D meet was just one of a series of outstanding recent competitions for Menis. She captured the long jump in the Principals Meet with a leap of 15' 6", took the hurdles and was named the meet's Outstanding Athlete.

Ninth-grader Allison McNamara had an outstanding performance in the javelin with a toss of 91' which qualified her for the Class D meet.

Menis bypassed the 100 hurdles at the league meet and took second in the long jump (15' 6") and nipped Hanover's first-year trackster Amanda Ganong in the 200-meter dash. Both sprinters had identical times of 26.8.

Seventh-grader Kathleen McCarthy showed she'll be an athlete to watch on the track in the coming years after taking sixth in the 100 hurdles at 18.6. The 400 relay team of Menis, Tamara DeVaughn, Kerri McCarthy and Megan O'Sullivan also placed by sprinting to sixth.

In the meet's three freshman events, DeVaughn took fourth in the 100 (14.5), seventh-grader Cathryn Flaherty kicked to a 77.5 finish in the 400 and eighth-grader Maura Duffy paced her way to a 6:37, sixth-place showing in the mile.

Kahn's heroics (22 saves) can't save laxmen

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

As well as Cohasset High lacrosse goaltender Ely Kahn played, the series of sensational point-blank saves he was making proved to be an ominous sign for the Skippers in their East Division 1 tourney matchup against 19th-seeded Weymouth (10-8).

"Ely was spectacular," said head coach Ken Ekberg. "He wasn't making the run of the mill stops, this was point-blank stuff. But to have many shots point-blank isn't good."

Cohasset (No. 14, 11-5) once again had its defensive problems and the Wildcats were there to capitalize, eliminating the Skippers from postseason play with a 12-6 decision, Tuesday at Weymouth.

"It was a big, big factor," Ekberg said of the blanketing defense Weymouth used against the Skippers. "We did not respond well to the pressure defense."

The two teams battled evenly in the opening period, scoring two goals apiece, but Weymouth overwhelmed Cohasset with five straight tallies in the second for a 7-2 lead at the half. The Skippers responded in the opening minutes of the third period by climbing back into striking distance with two more goals.

Trailing 7-4, Cohasset could do nothing but watch as Weymouth put the game out of reach to take a six-goal lead (10-4). The Skippers fired home two more tallies, but the Wildcats offset them with two of their own to end Cohasset's season.

The loss was especially frustrating for

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Mariner Sports

Girls basketball clinic at Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy is sponsoring a Basketball Clinic for girls in grades 6-8 on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, 1073 Main St. The fee is $75.

The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ballhandling, passing, shooting and team play.

For an application or more details, call (508) 238-0372.

SSH hosts golf tournament

The seventh annual South Shore Hospital golf tournament will be held Monday, June 3, at Hatherly Country Club, North Scituate. Proceeds will support hospital programs and services that are available free of charge to the community. In 1995, SSH provided $7.3 million in care to those unable to pay for services.

Last year's tournament raised $46,000 to help support the hospital's new cardiac catheterization laboratory. Corporate sponsorship opportunities are available. Call Jill McDonough at South Shore Health and Educational Foundation at 340-8848 for more information or to register. Hingham resident Dick Dempsey is chairman of the tournament.

Baseball camp

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for a weeklong baseball camp for youngsters ages 5 through 12 years at the recreation office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall.

The South Shore Baseball Club has been contracted again this year to provide baseball camp, which will be held the week of June 24 at Miliken Field.

Two camps are available to youngsters as follows: Full day, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. camp for ages 7 and over; and a half-day 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. camp is available for 5- and 6-year-old.s

The week long camp cost is $140 per child for the full-day program, and $75 per child for the half-day program. Camp ends Friday, June 28.

The South Shore Baseball Club, located at the South Shore Sports Center, Hingham, operates year-round baseball instruction.

Non-Cohasset residents will be accepted for baseball camp on a space available basis and registration forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Department Office, first floor of Cohasset Town Hall.

Tickets available for Little League dance

The annual Little League dance wil be held Sat. June 1, at Kimbals By The Sea from 7 p.m. to midnight. Entertainment will be provided by the Grateful Dads. There will be over 40 silent auction items, including a weekend in Nantucket. This is Cohasset Youth Baseball's largest fundraiser and we are hoping for a large turnout. Tickets are $50 per couple and can be obtained by calling Linda Bolster at 383-6148. Should you wish to donate items to the auction, call Ginger Bryne at 382-2705.

Ron Ford Basketball Camps set

Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford will conduct two basketball camps this summer for boys and girls, ages 8-15. The 8-11 camp costs $120 and runs from Tuesday, July 9-12. The five-day camp for boys and girls from 12-15, will run from Monday, July 15-19. The cost is $150. There is a $25 family discount. Bosth camp progrmas meet at Cohasset High School from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants in both camps will receive a camp T-shirt and a discount coupon for Converse basketball shoes at The Good Sport. Camp brochures and application forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Office in the town hall.

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Most challenging hole: Par four, 401-yard, third. Pond in the fairway and bunker on left makes for tough shot-making.

North Hill Country Club

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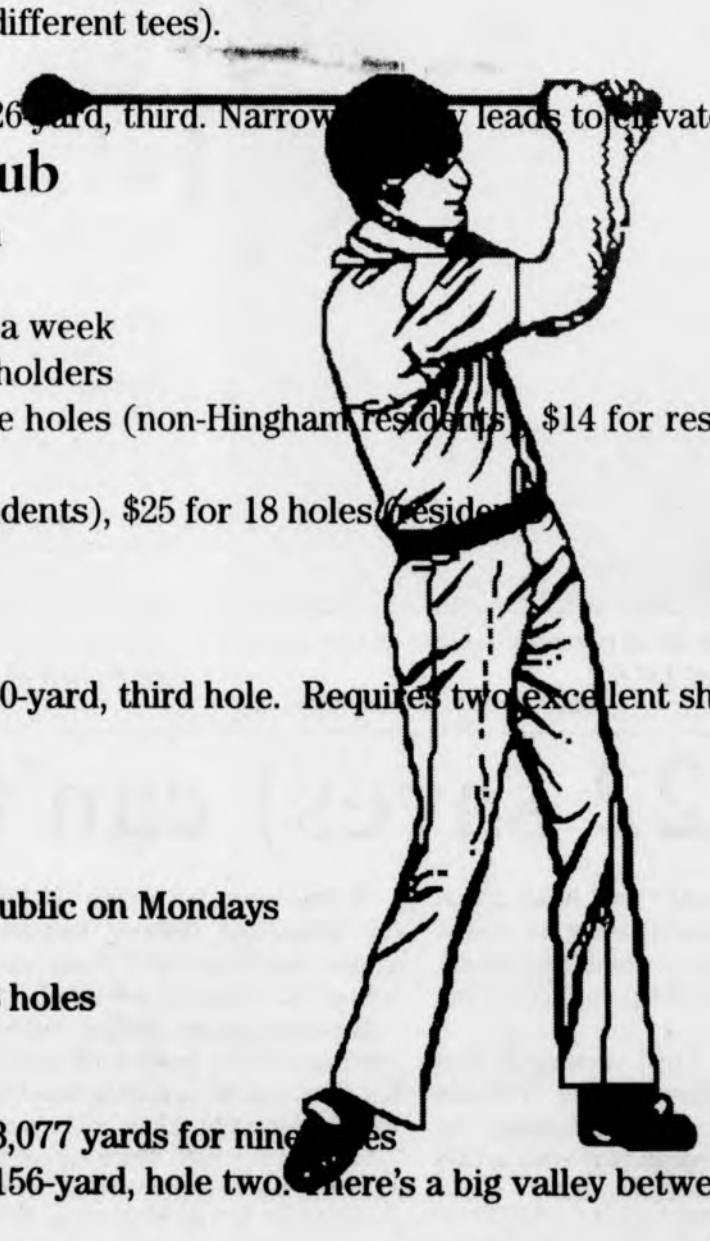
Access: Public welcome seven days a week
Tee times: Three days in advance
Rates: Weekdays, $11 for nine holes, $18 for 18 holes. Weekends, $13 for nine holes, $21 for 18 holes.
Head pro: Jeff Stewart
Par: 73 (Nine hole course with two different tees).
Distance: 7002 yards from blues
Most challenging hole: Par four, 426-yard, third. Narrow [illegible]y leads to elevated green.



South Shore Country Club

Address: 274 South Street, Hingham
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Access: Public welcome seven days a week
Tee times: 24 hours for non-permit holders
Rates: During the week, $18 for nine holes (non-Hingham residents), $14 for residents. $29 for 18 holes (non-residents), $22 for residents.
Weekends, $33 for 18 holes (non-residents), $25 for 18 holes (resid[illegible]
Head pro: Joe Keefe
Par: 72
Distance: 6,444 yards
Most challenging hole: Par five, 550-yard, third hole. Requires two excellent shots towards uphill green.

Scituate Country Club

Address: 91 Old Driftway, Scituate
Telephone: 617-545-9768
Access: Semi-private club open to public on Mondays
Tee times: Call in advance
Rates: $16 for nine holes, $24 for 18 holes
Head pro: John Kan
Par: 70
Distance: 6,057 yards for 18 holes, 3,077 yards for nine [illegible]es
Most challenging hole: Par three, 156-yard, hole two. There's a big valley between the tee and green with a sharp slope to make this hole tough to reach.

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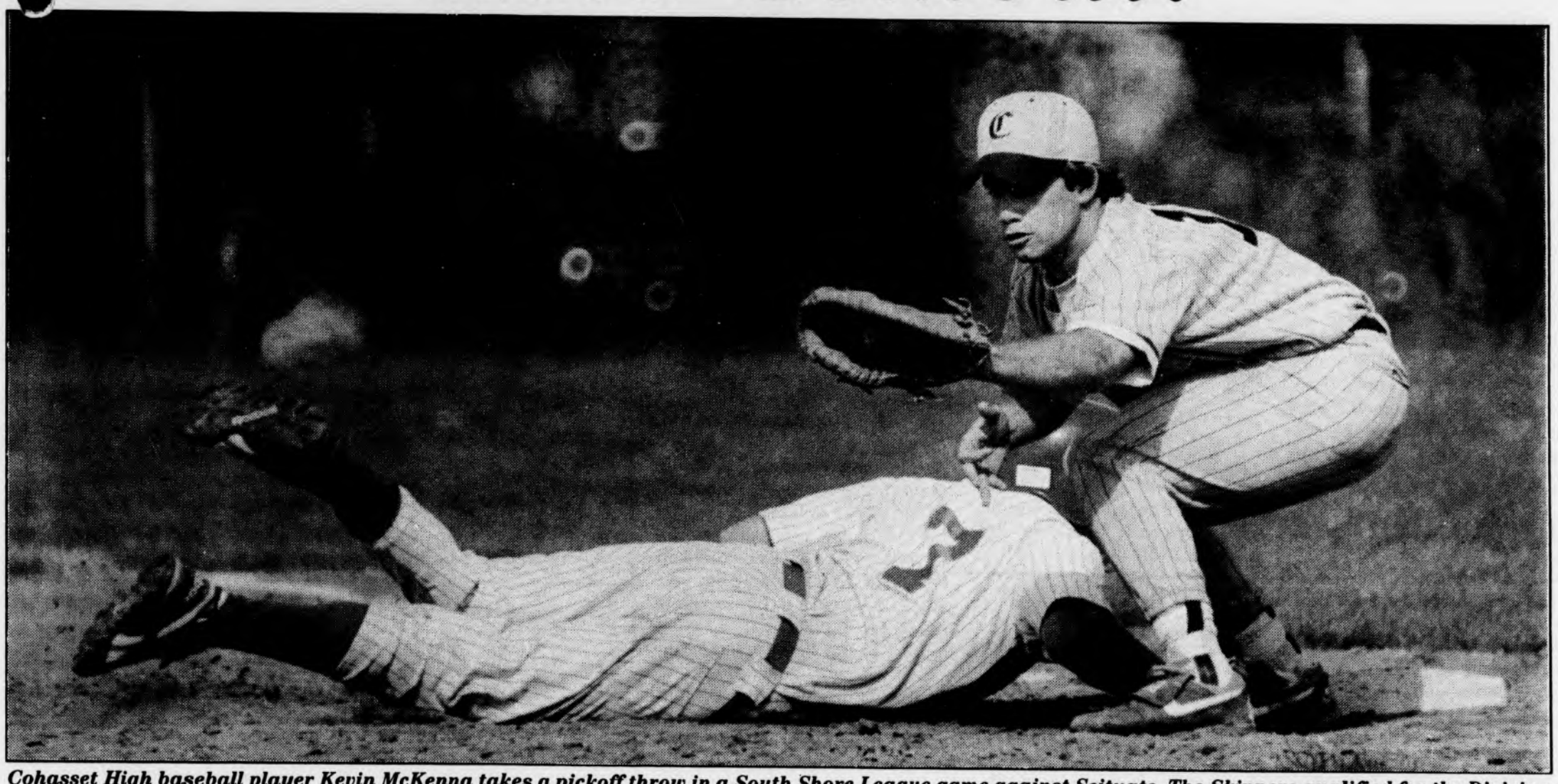

Cohasset High baseball player Kevin McKenna takes a pickoff throw in a South Shore League game against Scituate. The Skippers qualified for the Division 3 South Sectional tourney for the first time in 22 years with their recent win over Chatham.

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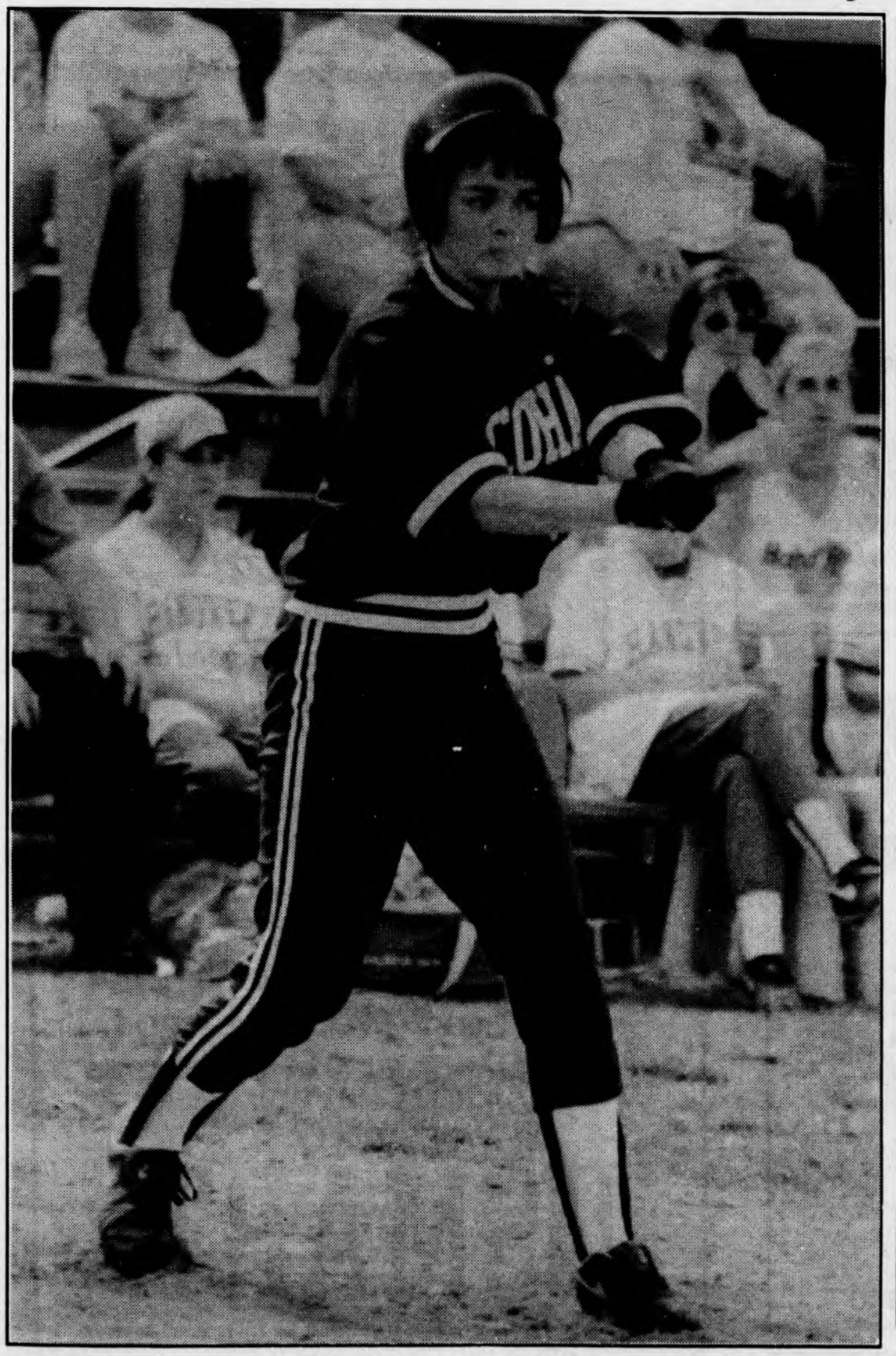
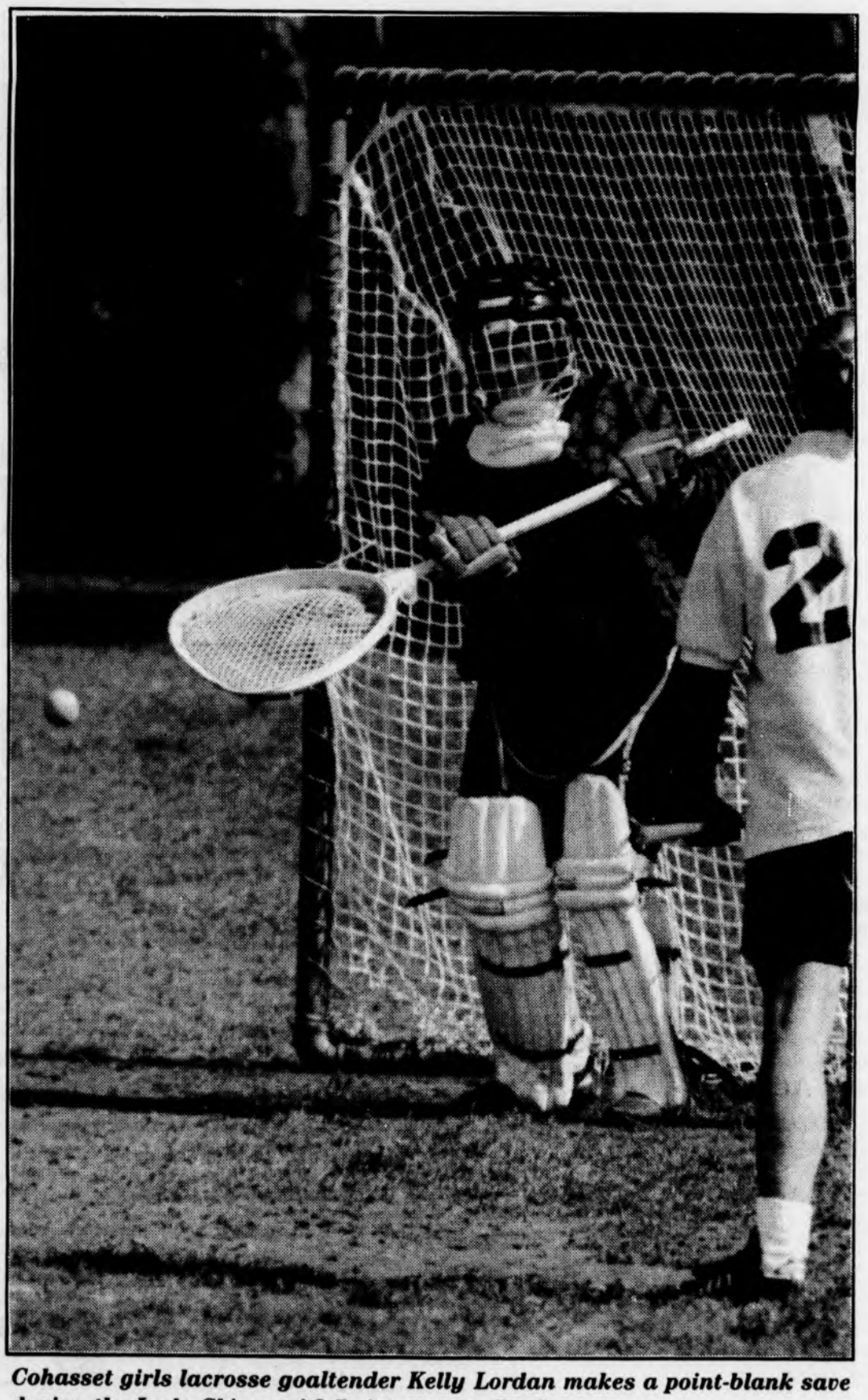


Liz Mahoney drills a base hit in Cohasset's softball game against Hanover.



Cohasset girls lacrosse goaltender Kelly Lordan makes a point-blank save during the Lady Skippers' 8-5 victory over Duxbury.

Kahn's heroics (22 saves) can't save laxmen

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Ekberg because the Skippers had waged closer contests against Weymouth in past games.

However, Cohasset had its problems cornering the ball and that allowed Weymouth to reel off quick shots on Kahn near the crease.

The Wildcats' Chris McDonald gave the Skippers all afternoon and finished with four goals.

"He's the kind of kid who, when he gets his hand on the ball, things are going to happen," Ekberg said.

Chris McKenna and Ken Leahy each had a pair of goals. Leahy fed Jon Lax with his lone tally and Kevin Smith assisted on McKenna's second goal. Leahy then scored, unassisted, and Jamie Buick fed Andy Collins with a scoring-pass.

Ekberg praised his players after the game, particularly his co-captains, McKenna and Leahy.

"The season was great," Ekberg said. "We had as good or better leadership as we've ever had with Ken and Chris. They were both great captains."

Kahn, Lax and Matt Belson were voted captains for the '97 squad. With so many sports at the high school, Ekberg said the athletic talent is spread out, but did say he is confident the Skippers will field another strong team.

"We've got a good group of juniors," he said. "We'll need a lot of kids, but we'll be there."

'Boys Night' set for June 7

Upcoming events at the center include "Boys Night Out" on Friday, June 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for boys ages 5-10 years old. Come join Ruthann, George and others for a fun-filled evening of sports, bowling, obstacle courses, and make your own pizza. Everyone receives something for participation. You must be preregistered. Call the center for more information.

Soccer camp registration

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for VIP Soccer Camp for children ages 4 to 7 years.

VIP Soccer Camp offers two programs for boys and girls. ABC Soccer is especially designed for 4 and 5 year olds and meets from 8 to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26. The cost is $50 for the week.

Also offered by VIP is a three-hour per day program, meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26, for 6 and 7 year olds. The cost is $80 for the week.

Both VIP programs will be held this year at the front field of Cohasset High School.

Sports camp schedule

The Cohasset Recreation Department will offer a variety of sports camps during the summer of 1996, for both boys and girls, ages 3 through 18 years.

Camps include: traditional summer playground, tennis lessons, baseball, basketball, lacrosse and soccer.

Registrations will be ongoing throughout spring for all specific sports camps. Monday, June 17, through Thursday, June 20, the Recreation Department will be accepting registrations for the 1996 summer playground and tennis lessons, also camp applications will be accepted. Please call the recreation office at 383-6791 for information to register.

Baseball Camp: Monday, June 24 - Friday, June 28, ages 5-12, boys and girls.

8:30 to 11:30 a.m., 1/2 day camp for ages 5-7 years, $75; 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., full day camp for ages 7-12 years, $140. Directed by South Shore Baseball Club.

1996 Summer Playground: Monday, July 1 - Saturday, Aug. 17, ages 3-12, boys and girls.

Pre-school, ages 3-5, 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., $125; 5-12 years, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., $150.

Registration is June 17 through June 20. There is a $35 per child, non-refundable activity/registration fee, which includes T-shirt.

1996 Tennis Lessons: Monday, July 1 - Friday, Aug. 16, ages 6 and up boys and girls. Miliken Field tennis courts, $44. Registration June 17 to June 20.

Basketball: Tuesday, July 9 - Friday, July 12, mini-camp grade 4-6, $120. Monday, July 15 - Friday, July 19, grades 6-9, $150.

Both weeks are optional to grade 6 boys and girls. Cohasset High School Gym. Directed by Ron Ford, Head CHS Coach.

Soccer Camps: VIP Soccer – Monday, July 22 - Friday, July 26.

Soccer ABC's, ages 4-5 boys and girls, 8 to 9:30 a.m. Half day camp, ages 6 and 7 boys and girls, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Soccer ABC's, $50; Half day camp, $80. Cohasset High School front field.

South Shore Soccer Camp*: *Both weeks are optional for both boys and girls.

Monday, July 29 - Friday, Aug. 2, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175. Monday, Aug. 5 - Friday, Aug. 9, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175.

Lacrosse Non-Contact Clinic: Tuesday evening, 6:30 to 8 p.m., grades 4-6 (entering fall, 1996), Deer Hill School (side field, Sohier St.), July 9 - Aug. 6, $26.

*Most camps/programs fee rates reflect family discounts for multiple children registering for the same service.

Jade Forest offers introduction to Tai Chi

Visiting guest, Tai Chi & Chi Kung master, Wei Lun Huang, will teach an Introduction to Tai Chi, Monday evening, June 3, from 6 to 9 p.m. Master Huang is widely respected in the tai chi community and has been featured in many tai chi chuan publications. His Introduction to Tai Chi workshop is ideal for those without any previous experience in tai chi and is open to the public.

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Nothnagle plays heavy at state qualifier

By TAFFY NOTHNAGLE
Special to the Mariner

Jay Nothnagle continued his strong peformance in Special Olympic Powerlifting when he won first place in the lightweight division (under 132 pounds) of the state qualifier meet at the Wrentham Developmental Center.

Nothnagle bench pressed 155 pounds and dead lifted 245 pounds in this, his third year of competition. In July 1995, Nothnagle won a gold medal while representing Massachusetts in powerlifting at the World Special Olympic Games. In the past, he has also competed in bowling, track and field, speed skating and aquatics.

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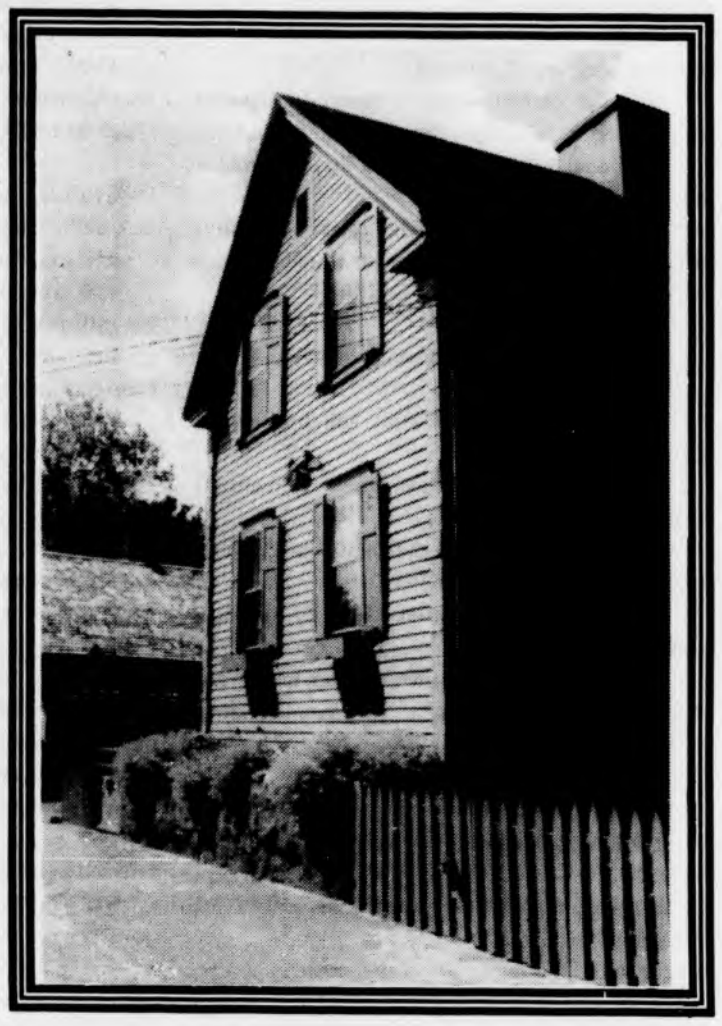

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Police Log

Saturday, May 18

6:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Pond St., traffic warning issued.

8:55 p.m., suspicious activity, Margin St., investigation.

11:13 p.m., drug law violations., S. Main St., services rendered.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Sunday, May 19

12:09 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St./Brook St., verbal warning.

12:42 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main/Rectory, verbal warning.

2:15 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Upper King St., investigated.

2:31 a.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., removed to hospital.

3:11 a.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Atlantic Ave./Meadow Ln., returned to home or family.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 67

9:01 a.m., general services, Beechwood St., services rendered.

3:50 p.m., burglary (attempt), Spindrift, departmental action.

3:51 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), S. Main St., departmental action.

5:34 p.m., officer wanted, Sandy Beach, investigated.

6:33 p.m., officer wanted, Cedar St., services rendered.

6:45 p.m., officer field investigation, Linden Dr., no police service necessary.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Monday, May 20

12:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, West Corner.

1:38 a.m., assist other PDs, Hull, HQ, departmental action.

1:46 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Jerusalem Rd. (Wadleigh Park).

2:07 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St. (ball park), arrest.

2:08 a.m., arrest, Beechwood St. (ball park), departmental action, trans. to Hull PD.

2:08 a.m., arrest (warrant) David Rodriques, 10 Summer St., Scituate, DOB: 7/22/56, transported to Hull PD.

4:04 a.m., medical, CJC Hwy. (Cohasset Knoll), removed to hospital.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 72

11:04 a.m., animal complaint, area of Beechwood St., referred to other agency.

12:03 p.m., stolen property, Sandy Beach, investigated.

1:00 p.m., violation of liquor laws, the Jr./Sr. High School, investigated.

3:30 p.m., embezzlement, Bow St., departmental action.

3:49 p.m., animal complaint, Ledgewood Dr., departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 92

4:31 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Ave., departmental action.

4:54 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Forest Ave., investigated.

4:58 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Beechwood St., verbal warning.

8:26 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

8:51 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy/Sohier St., traffic warning issued.

9:03 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., services rendered.

9:57 p.m., assist citizen, Hull St./Lamberts Ln., departmental action.

11:02 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy./Hingham Line, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Clear, 76

Tuesday, May 21

7:15 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy. (Sohier St.), traffic citation issued (or ticket).

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 78

9:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Sohier St. at Ripley Rd., no police service necessary.

10:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. by Lamberts Ln., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

10:50 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Hull St. by Lamberts Ln., vehicle stored/impounded/recovered.

11:25 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd., services rendered.

3:47 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Border St., departmental action.

11:45 a.m., suspicious activity, CJC Hwy., investigated.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 92

4:17 p.m., officer wanted, Woodland Dr., departmental action.

4:37 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., investigated.

4:39 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., investigated.

4:53 p.m., emergency services, Church St., referred to other agency.

5:18 p.m., fire alarm, N. Main St., investigated.

5:35 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., investigated.

5:51 p.m., assist citizen, 3A Tow CJC Hwy., departmental action.

6:27 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave., investigated.

7:15 p.m. officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd., departmental action.

7:34 p.m., officer wanted, Joy Place, departmental action.

7:52 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St., departmental action.

8:17 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave., services rendered.

11:22 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St., verbal warning.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 70

Wednesday, May 22

5:56 a.m., animal complaint, Holly Ln., services rendered.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 70

9:26 a.m., assist citizen, Cedar St., services rendered.

9:42 a.m., officer field investigation, Border St., false call.

10:51 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd., investigated.

12:23 p.m., animal complaint, Hdqts., services rendered.

2:24 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Clay Spring Rd., no such person can be found.

2:39 p.m., suspicious activity, Bound Brook Rd., no police service necessary.

3:39 p.m., missing property (lost & found), Dunkin Donuts (Cushing Plaza, HQ, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 72

6:19 p.m., general services, Beechwood St., investigated.

6:41 p.m., animal complaint, HQ, CJC Hwy., departmental action.

6:56 p.m., fire alarm, Lamberts Ln., services rendered.

7:19 p.m., suspicious activity, Fairoaks Ln., investigated.

7:22 p.m., medical, N. main St., services rendered.

8:20 p.m., missing persons, HQ, Pond St., returned to home or family.

9:44 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:00 a.m., Clear, 64

Thursday, May 23

1:00 a.m., officer wanted, Summer St., services rendered.

7:13 a.m., assist municipal agencies, Forest Ave., referred to other agency.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 68

8:01 a.m., non-aggravated assault, Pond St., investigated.

9:47 a.m., officer field investigation, Bates Lane, false call.

1:53 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Beechwood St.

2:41 p.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd., referred to other agency.

3:06 p.m., fire alarm, Highland St., services rendered.

3:40 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Windy Hill Rd., services rendered.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 78

4:17 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., services rendered.

4:58 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Elm St., investigated.

6:28 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, HQ, N. Main St., departmental action.

9:03 p.m., general services, Ripley Rd., services rendered.

9:04 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., verbal warning.

9:43 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., investigated.

9:34 p.m., incapacitated person, Elm St., protective custody.

9:34 p.m., Ptl. DaSilva in with 78-year-old Cohasset male in protective custody.

11:12 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd. Dr., investigated.

11:21 p.m., disturbance (general), Highland Ave., investigated.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 68

Friday, May 24

12:18 a.m., assist other PDs, HQ, departmental action.

12:24 a.m., suspicious activity, Government Island, investigation.

7:11 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave., accidental/defective alarm.

8:00 a.m., Rain, 64

8:09 a.m., animal complaint area of Hillside Dr., referred to other agency.

9:12 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St. by Cedar St., area search negative.

8:29 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St., traffic warning issued.

10:00 a.m., medical, Jerusalem Rd., removed to hospital.

10:04 a.m., vehicle accident (property damage), Depot Ct., investigated.

3:26 p.m., fire alarm, Ripley Rd. (Osgood School), services rendered.

Public Notice

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NO. 96-1083

To RICHARD W. FARWELL AND GERALDINE F. FARWELL and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended

Greeting:

Pilgrim Cooperative Bank claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property situated in 393 BEECHWOOD STREET, COHASSET, COUNTY OF NORFOLK, MASSACHUSETTS given by Richard W. Farwell and Geraldine F. Farwell to Pilgrim Cooperative Bank dated November 12, 1992 and recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in book 9612, page 159 has filed with said court a bill in equity for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry to foreclose and by exercise of power of sale set forth in said mortgage.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure, you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Dedham on or before July 8, 1996 or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, ROBERT A. MULLIGAN, Esquire, Chief Justice of our Superior Court, the 21st day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety six.

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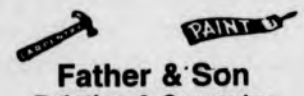

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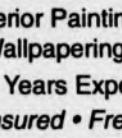

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On Saturday, June 8, you can take a nice long 10K stroll on the low tide Nantasket Beach and help out Wellspring, as well. Wellspring is a multiservice center that works in collaboration with many social service agencies on the South Shore, to provide goods and services to individuals and families in need.

Wellspring began in 1985 as the Hull Interfaith Thrift Shop and Fellowship Center. Its name comes from the Book of Proverbs: "Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life." Since 1985, Wellspring has grown from a drop-in center for people experiencing the stress of poverty, transition or isolation, to a Multi-Service Center with diverse and helpful programs. These include:

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'Wellspring is well loved, but cannot run on love alone. It has to come up with money to support the management of the thrift shop, the administrative costs of the Adult Learning Center, the rent and phones and all the things in life that take a bit more than love.'

The newest program of this project is a Support Group for Abused Women, run in collaboration with the Social Service League of Cohasset.

Wellspring is well loved, but cannot run on love alone. It has to come up with money to support the management of the thrift shop, the administrative costs of the Adult Learning Center, the rent and phones and all the things in life that take a bit more than love. The Walkfest is one way to raise such money, and you, while out for a long thoughtfu[illegible] on the beach, can help raise this money. He[illegible] it's done:

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The Walkfest begins at the MDC Pavilion on Nantasket Beach at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 8. Just look for the crowd. You'll see old people, young people, the fit and the rest of us, all turning out for the event. Dogs make the walk. One year, a cat joined us. And for three years, we had the company of Pablo the Liama, who, having passed on, won't be there this year. Walkers will head up the beach to "S" Street. There, staffing a table with cold drinks, smiling, encouraging people will tell you you are half way, and turn you around so you can walk back to the pavilion.

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Museum to open soon

The Cohasset Historical Society's Maritime Museum, located on Elm Street in Cohasset Center, will open for the summer season, which runs from June 1 through September. The museum will be open every day except Monday, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. There is no charge for admission, and donations are welcome.

The Maritime Museum, a mid-18th-century ship chandlery built by Samuel Bates for his fishing fleet, today holds exhibits relating to the maritime history of this small New England seafaring town. From Cohasset's first settlement before 1700 to the close of the "Age of Sail" in the latter 1800s, the town's eyes were turned toward the sea, and its fortunes depended on its maritime endeavors. Fishing, shipbuilding and ownership of, or crewing aboard, large sailing merchant ships provided much of the town's wealth and gave employment to the majority of its young men.

Cohasset-based schooners, many of them built in town and owned by a number of the town's most prominent seafaring families, sustained a sizable cod and mackerel fishing fleet at Cohasset Harbor throughout the 19th century. The mackerel fleets reached their peak years just before the Civil War, with more than 50 large, two-masted schooners sailing from Cohasset each summer. Large vessels, including clipper ships, sailing out of Boston provided the opportunity for a number of Cohasset men to become shipmasters or captains of some of the nation's largest and fastest merchant vessels. The Maritime Museum recalls the days when the town's destiny was tied to the ocean, and to foreign ports in distant parts of the world.

Among the museum's exhibits are collections relating to the 19th-century fishing fleets: wood carving, foreign voyages, local volunteer lifesaving, shipwrecks and Minot's Ledge Lighthouse.

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Picture perfect

Amber Hopeman and Dave Marr are among the prom goers at a special pre-prom preview at the Lightkeepers Residence on Government Island last week. For more photos, see pages 14 & 15.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Water rate hike allowed

North Cohasset soaked by 155 percent increase

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

The decision is in on the Massachusetts American Water Company rate case.

Town attorneys are still wading through the 200-page decision, but according to officials with the state Department of Public Utilities — all but about 10 percent of the water company's proposed 164 percent rate hike request has been approved.

"The increase will amount to a 155 percent water rate increase for customers," said DPU chairman John Howe, who noted that while some parts of the proposal were denied, "the majority of the request was granted."

Mass-American officials proposed the higher rates to cover the expense of building and operating a $39.5 million water treatment facility in Hingham. Water company officials say the facility, which has a capacity of 7.7 million gallons per day, will provide better water quality and flow and will bring the company into compliance with federal Safe Drinking Water Act regulations which require surface water to be filtered. About 600 residents in North Cohasset are tied into the Hingham water system.

Mass-American filed its rate case with the DPU in November and with the 155 percent increase, the average water company customer will see his annual bill go from $257 to about $640.

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Checklist proposed to prevent ballot problems

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Friday, the governor validated Cohasset's April 6 school override vote by signing a special bill approved by both houses in the state legislature at the 11th hour.

And while the lack of proper posting of the ballot question may now seem like a bad dream — it's a nightmare that selectmen don't want repeated.

This week selectmen had their first go at a draft checklist of election posting procedural steps to be followed before town meetings and elections to ensure there are no more lack-of-posting problems in the future.

The checklist will lay out every single step for the town meeting warrant and election, and include places for different town boards, departments, and officials to sign off indicating they are aware of all deadlines and target dates for submission of warrant articles.

Although the town election has traditionally been held just a week after the annual town meeting, selectmen will also look at increasing the time between town meetings and elections. The Saturday town election this year followed on the heels of the previous Monday session of the annual town meeting. The school warrant article was reconsidered at the Monday session and was contingent on a successful over-

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Cohasset High to graduate 78

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Under the familiar canopy of the South Shore Music Circus, the 78 members of Cohasset High School's class of 1996 will receive their diplomas, rain or shine, at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Principal Curtis Collins describes this year's crop of graduates as "a group of good people" who are very "laid back." This characteristic has served them well, he said, since the class has had to adjust to numerous changes that occurred during their school lives.

The implementation of state education reform kept them in school one week longer than past senior classes, he said. And Collins himself is a change, arriving at the Cohasset High School principal's post from Dennis-Yarmouth High School at the beginning of the academic year.

But the "laid back" demeanor of the class is not to suggest a lack of involvement, and certainly there is no lack of talent, Collins said.

Two class members, Ryan Sawchuk and Caitlin Connolly, started the school's social awareness programs through which the school has been involved with recycling, homeless shelters, and food pantries.

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Cohasset's Week

Railroad meeting slated

The Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line has scheduled the first of two public meetings on Thursday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall. The meeting will focus on the issues facing Cohasset with the restoration of the railroad.

The committee wishes to solicit comments from the public relative to mitigation measures. All interested Cohasset residents are urged to attend.

For more information or to contact the committee, call or write the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line, Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Lightkeepers Corporation elects board of directors

The non-profit Cohasset Lightkeepers' Corporation, which leases the lightkeepers residence on Government Island from the town, held its annual meeting May 14.

The nominating committee's proposed slate of of officers was unanimously elected: R.M. Campbell, president; Joe McElroy, clerk; Billy Higgins, treasurer; Pat Plante, chair, buildings/grounds; and Glenn Pratt, chair, operating committee.

Members of the executive committee are: R.M. Campbell, Barbara Christensen, Billy Higgins, Joe McElroy, Paul Pattison, Pat Plante, Glenn Pratt and Ira Stoughton.

Richard Avery, Barbara Christensen, Jane Goedecke, Ruth Nedrow and Sam Wakeman were elected to the board.

Kit Bryant's resignation was accepted with regret.

Compost bins available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, a shipment of 65 composting containers have arrived at the Cohasset Transfer Station and are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. The large unit is $30 and the other is priced at $20.

These are similar to the composting containers which were made available to the town some years ago which have worked very well.

The new containers will be on sale at the transfer station. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

Brush chipping is slated

The D.P.W. will sponsor a 'Household Brush Chipping Weekend" at the Recycling Transfer Facility from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., June 8 & 9, Supt. Harold W. Litchfield said.

No commercial brush or hedge trimmings will be accepted. Brush can be any length but pieces only up to 12 inches in diameter will be accepted.

Students will do odd jobs

The Social Service League of Cohasset has compiled a list of Cohasset High School students who will do odd jobs around residents' homes including yard clean up, pet sitting, plant watering, weeding, babysitting, car care, and window washing. Many of the students can drive. The rates are reasonable. For names and phone numbers of students, call The Job Bank at 383-0771.

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Deli to be open Sundays

Selectmen this week approved a request from the Village Butcher and Deli on Brook Street to be open from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sundays pending approval from the sewer department.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

June 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 6	3:11	11.6	9:34	3:53	10.6	9:56
Fri. 7	4:09	11.1	10:30	4:51	10.5	10:56
Sat. 8	5:10	10.6	11:27	5:51	10.4	11:58
Sun. 9	6:13	10.1	——	6:51	10.4	12:26
Mon.10	7:17	9.8	1:02	7:50	10.4	1:25
Tues. 11	8:20	9.5	2:04	8:46	10.5	2:22
Wed. 12	9:19	9.4	3:04	9:38	10.5	3:16
Thurs. 13	10:13	9.4	3:59	10:27	10.6	4:07

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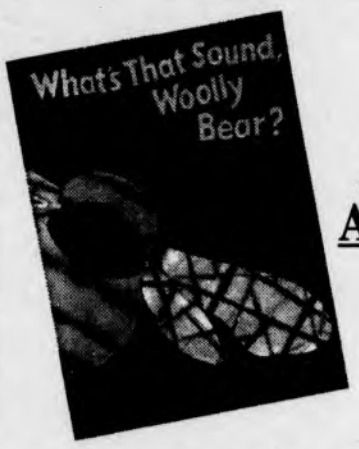
Virginia Anderson displays one of this year's Harborfest buttons on sale for $2 at the senior center, 3 N. Main St.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Harborfest buttons at 3 N. Main St.

Harborfest buttons are on sale for $2 at Harborfest headquarters, 3 S. Main Street. The purchase of a button entitles the owner to $1 off the pancake breakfast, $2 off a Gospel program ticket and $1 discount at the Chowder Festival.

Those who buy buttons will also be entered in the Harborfest raffle. Prizes include a $500 savings bond, Red Sox and Bruins tickets, dinner for two at the Chart House, a Minot's Ledge sweatshirt and T-shirt and three mystery prizes. The drawing will take place June 3.



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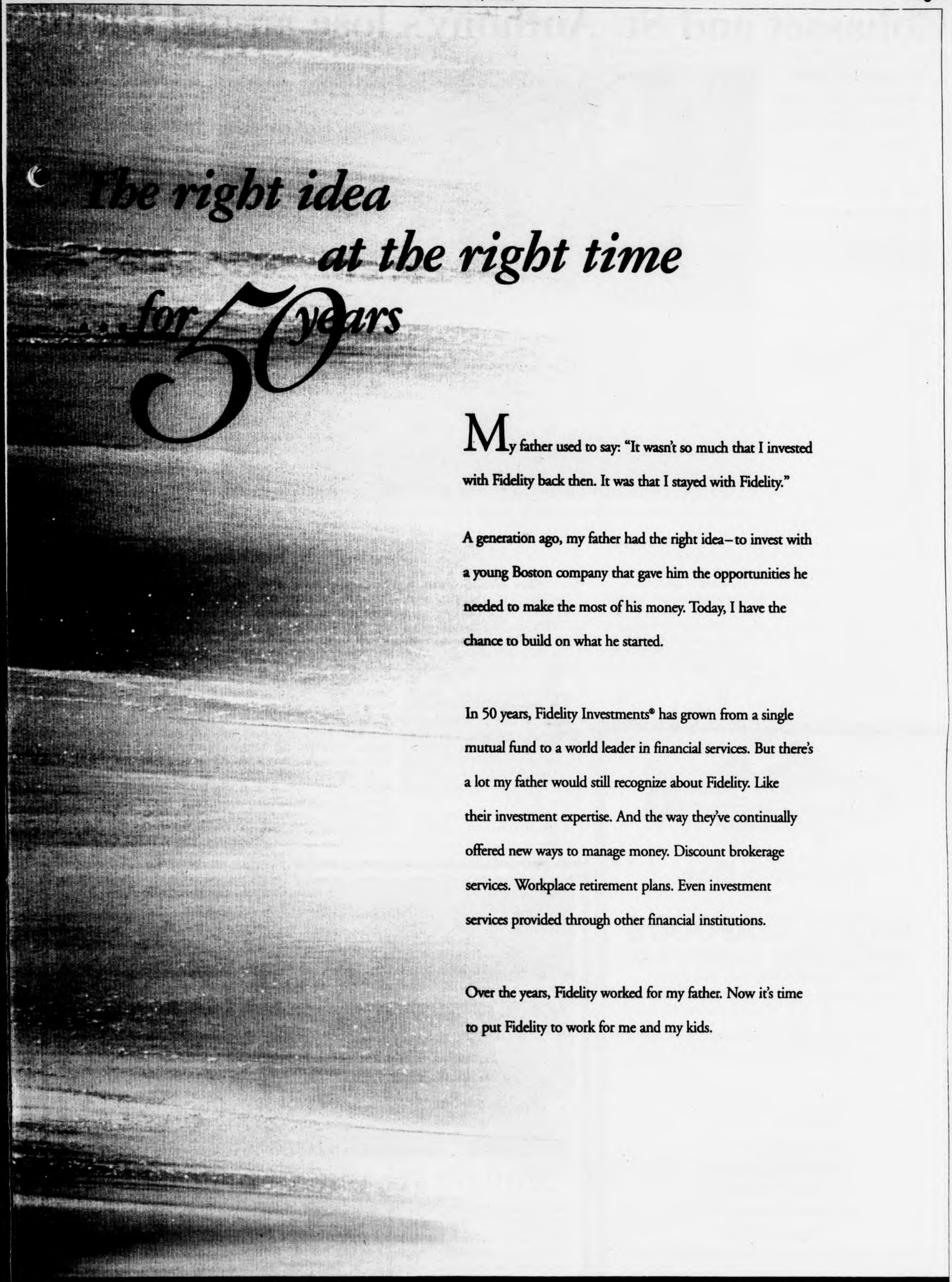

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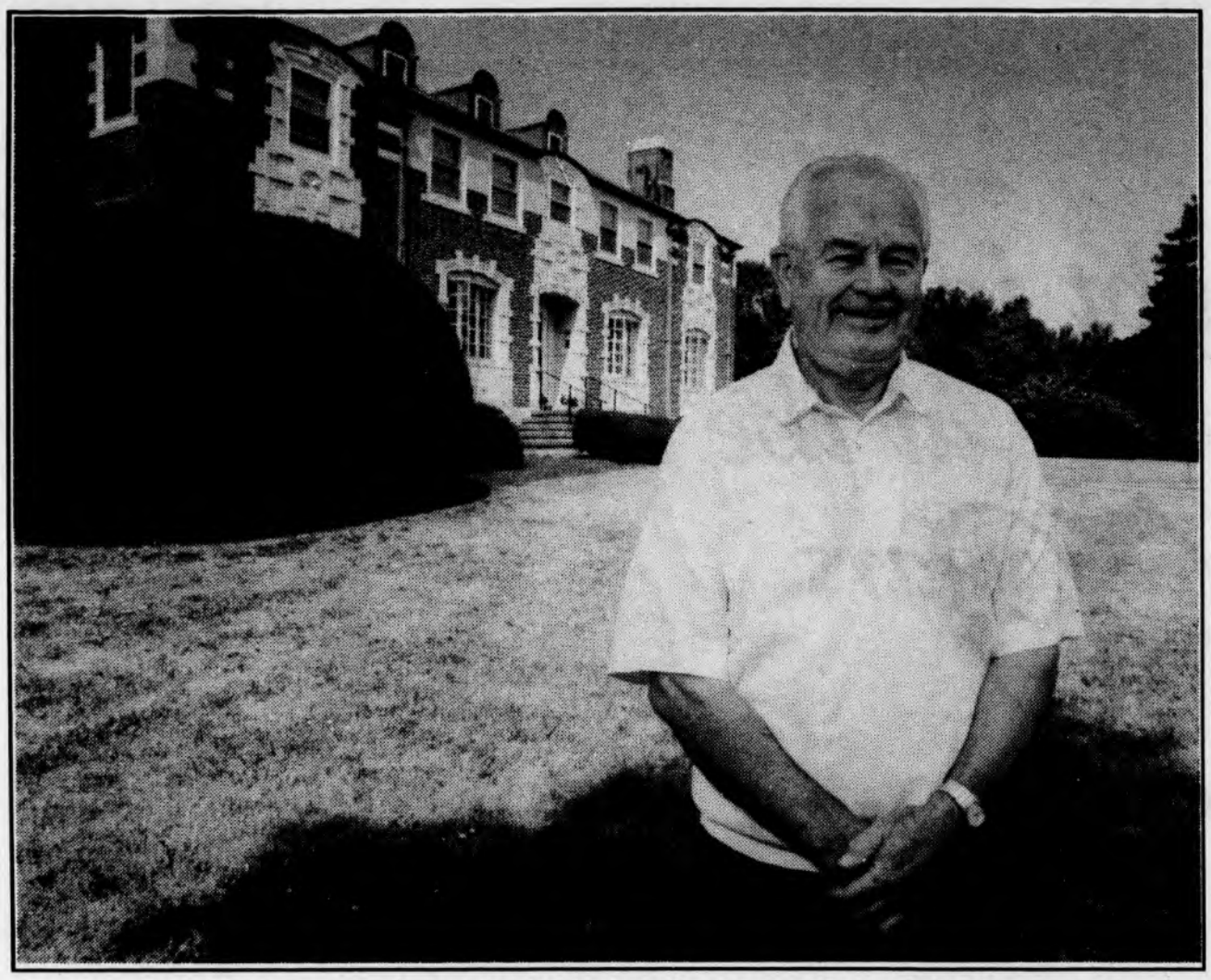
Cohasset and St. Anthony's lose an old friend

Just a year after celebrating his 75th birthday and 50th anniversary as a priest, the Rev. John Keohane, who served as St. Anthony's pastor before retiring last summer, has died.

Keohane was stricken with a heart attack while practicing his golf shots at Seabury Golf Course in Mashpee on May 31.

'Nothing could dampen his enthusiasm, he had a word of encouragement for everybody.'

— Tony Finegan, parishioner.



The Rev. John Keohane stands outside St. Anthony's rectory after retiring last summer.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Cardinal Bernard Law celebrated a funeral mass yesterday (Wednesday, June 5 after the Mariner went to press) at St. Anthony's Church where Keohane served 18 years as pastor. Three bishops, 25 priests and hundreds of friends and parishioners were expected to attend.

The priest was remembered this week with love.

"He was a kind and gentle friend," said Linden Drive resident Joseph Buckley, a eucharistic minister at St. Anthony's.

Although Keohane retired to Cape Cod, he returned to Cohasset every Wednesday and stayed over until Thursday to conduct masses for the Rev. John Mulvehill, who replaced Keohane as pastor of St. Anthony's last July.

Mulvehill recalled that Keohane used to visit him at St. Francis Xavier Church in Weymouth where he was pastor before coming to Cohasset.

Keohane was in Weymouth to visit parishioners at South Shore Hospital, he said.

"He had great loyalty and caring for the sickly and elderly," Mulvehill said of Keohane.

Tony Finegan of Doane Street described Keohane as "one of the greatest people in the history of our church.

"He was our friend, he was always there," Finegan said. "He had a quiet sense of humor that could melt any (difficult) situation.

"Nothing could dampen his enthusiasm, he had a word of encouragement for everybody," said Finegan, who is a eucharistic minister at St. Anthony's and served with Keohane on the Council on Aging for six years.

In an interview last July, Keohane told the Mariner that serving nearly two decades as pastor of St. Anthony's was like the biblical wedding feast at Cana.

"They saved the best wine until the end of the celebration, just as my best years have been in Cohasset," he said.

Keohane also said he was looking forward to perfecting his golf game which he had enjoyed for 60 years.

Rev. John J. Keohane

The Rev. John J. Keohane, 76, died May 31 of an apparent heart attack.

The Rev. Keohane retired to Cape Cod from St. Anthony's last July after serving 18 years as a pastor and 50 years as a priest.

Born in South Boston, he graduated from Boston English High School in 1937 and Boston College in 1941.

Following studies at St. John Seminary in Brighton, he was ordained by Archbishop Richard J. Cushing at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross in Boston on June 29, 1945.

After serving for three years at St. Agnes Church in Arlington, the Rev. Keohane volunteered for home missions and spent three years in Tallahassee, Fla. He was later assigned to St. Joseph Church in Malden and Immaculate Conception Church in Stoughton.

He volunteered for military duty in 1956, serving as an Air Force chaplain for 20 years. He retired with the rank of colonel. The Rev. Keohane served in Alaska, Germany and Vietnam during the height of hostilities.

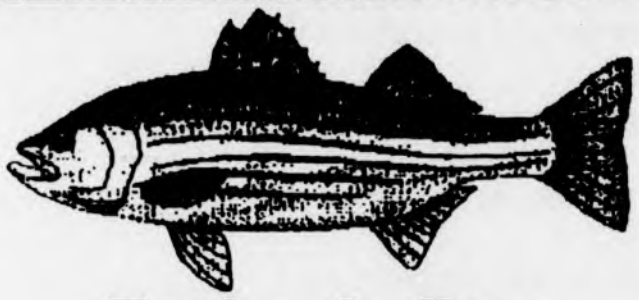
He was appointed parochial vicar at St. Gerard Majella Church, Canton, in 1976 and was named pastor of St. Anthony's in Cohasset shortly thereafter, where he remained until his retirement.

The Rev. Keohane leaves a sister, Margaret L. Norton of Dorchester, and many nieces and nephews.

Cardinal Bernard Law celebrated a funeral Mass June 5 in St. Anthony's Church. Burial was in Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Parish Center, St. Anthony's Church, 129 S. Main St. 02025.

Arrangements were made by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.



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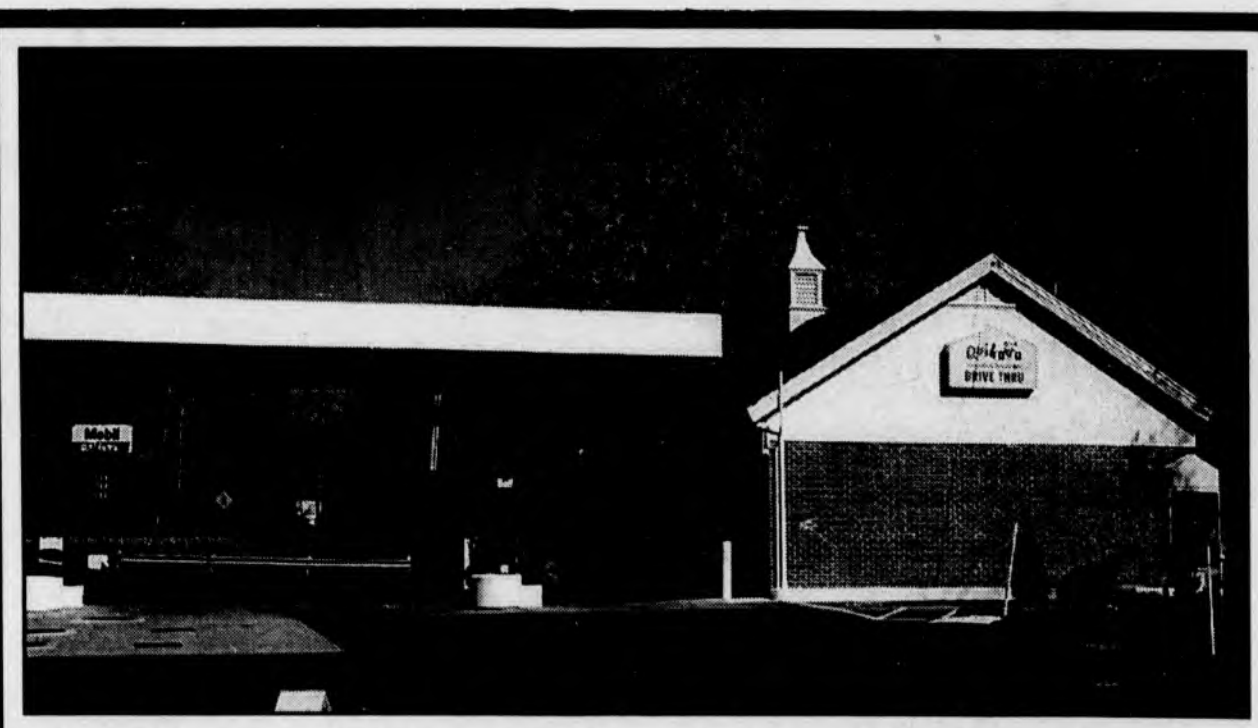

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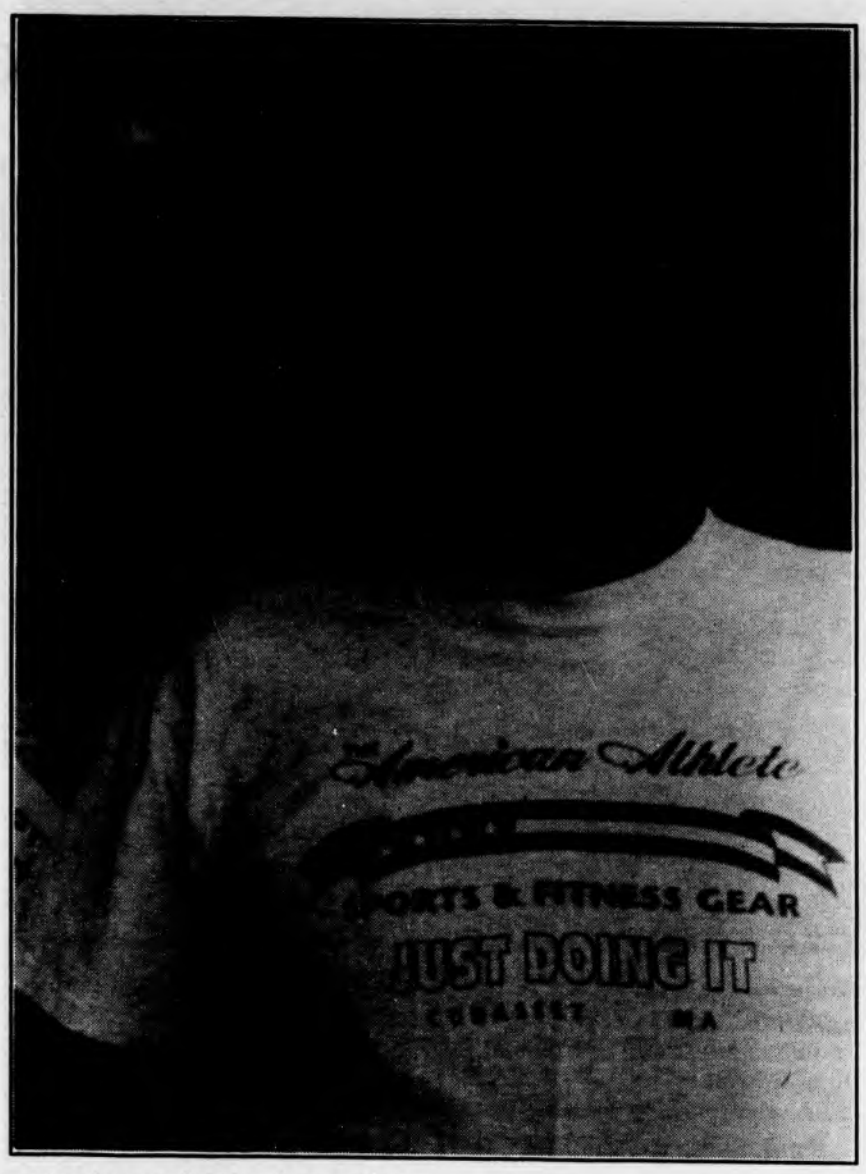

Name: Paul Stankus

Occupation: Co-owner of The American Athlete, 130 King St., and president of Stankus Co., a home repair business.

Goal: Enjoying everyday!

Best vacation: A 12,000 mile ride around the USA.

Best day of your life: The day I met my wife.

Biggest worry: None!

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: All four! They are all great and wonderful!

Favorite TV show: I'm a Discovery Channel fan.

Favorite movie: 'Mind Walk,' with Liv Ullman and Sam Waterson.

Favorite book: 'Tao de Ching.'

Favorite junk food: Vanilla ice cream.

Most embarrassing moment: All dressed up and going to a concert at Symphony Hall, I slipped on some ice and did a four-point landing in a deep puddle.

Person you'd most like to meet: Thomas Jefferson.

Pet peeve: I have two: people who say they can't find anything to do and tailgaters.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Joyce Hoffman

Hope you had a chance to wish **"Mimi" Chatterton** a very happy birthday this week. We are happy and proud to report that she is 83 years young! Here's to the new year, Mimi. May it bring you health, happiness and lots of joy.

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As many of you may have heard by now, **Joyce Hoffman** suffered a stroke. The good news is that Joyce is in Braintree Rehab and, from all reports, is making remarkable progress. We always wonder what we can do to help in a situation like this. Here is the best answer — send a cheerful card to let Joyce know you are thinking of her. Not only will it make your day, it will brighten hers as well!

❑

We saw the best thing last week in Stop and Shop parking lot — there was a car illegally parked in a handicapped parking spot, and there was a policeman standing there writing a ticket to the violator! Sure made our day — what about yours? Let it also be a warning to all to reserve the handicapped spots for those they are intended for!

❑

Happy birthday greetings to **Coley Cook,** who will be six-years-old tomorrow, June 7. Have a great day and a super celebration!

❑

Hats off to **Mike Riley,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Edward Riley,** Jerusalem Road. Mike made dean's list with distinction at Duke University for the 1995-'96 academic year. Great job!

❑

Belmont Hill student and Cohasset resident, Ian L. Simons, son of Robert L. and Judith F. Simons, recites "I Wandered Lonely" by Wordsworth at the recent PoetryFest at Belmont Hill School.

From Holderness School, Plymouth, N.H., comes word that **Cornelia "Neely" Wakeman** was selected to participate in the girls Prep-Private Lacrosse "All-Star" Tournament at Tilton School. Neely, a ninth-grader at Holderness, has played three varsity sports this year — field hockey, ice hockey and lacrosse. Neely, the daughter of **Sam** and **Linda Wakeman,** graduated last year from Derby Academy. Congratulations to you, Neely!

❑

Notre Dame Academy tells us that new members were inducted into the Julienda Chapter of the National Honor Society, French Honor Society, Latin Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society April 19. Cohasset residents **Julie Catalano** and **Jennifer Cellucci** were among the new members, and we want them to know we are proud of them and their efforts!

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South Shore Community Center has asked us to remind tennis players of the **tennis tournament** to be held Saturday and Sunday, June 22 and 23, rain or shine. Mixed doubles and mixed seniors are invited to play. Call SSCC at 383-0088 for an application and information.

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Dominic and Pauline Emanuello are certainly happy these days — they are great-grandparents! **Kaitlyn Elizabeth Galbreath,** the daughter of **Kerri (Emanuello)** and **Kevin Galbreath** of Plymouth, was born April 27. Her grandparents are **Michael** and **Margaret Emanuello** and **Judith Robertson,** all of Carver, and **David Galbreath** of Holbrook. Congrats to all of you. Enjoy your precious bundle of joy!

❑

Here's some more news from Notre Dame Academy. **Sr. Anne Monica Ruane,** principal of the school, announced the honor roll for the third quarter. From Cohasset are: principal's list— **Julie Catalano;** second honors—**Lauren Campbell, Stephanie Canton, Jennifer Cellucci, Kelleen Dwyer** and **Sally Hamill.** Nice to see that studying hard pays off — right, girls?!

❑

First, mark your calendars. Now plan a diet for the next week! Why? the now-famous **Strawberry Festival** is coming. June 14, 15 and 16 are the dates to circle and look forward to! The festival is held at Second Congregational Church, and people line up to get their yummy shortcake. Homemade shortcake, tons of strawberries and oodles of whipped cream to top it off — it is truly outstanding! We know people who went all three days last year — need we say more?!

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Pamela J. Maynard, the daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. John R. Maynard Jr.** of Locust Road, received wonderful news from Suffolk University recently. She was offered a dean's merit scholarship in recognition of her consistently strong academic performance and her essay.

Pam will be majoring in criminal justice, and we have a strong feeling this is the first of many articles that will be written about her throughout her years at Suffolk! We wish you every success, Pam.

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Ryan Staszko, son of **Mr. Donald Staszko** and **Dr. Barbara O'Pray** of Cohasset, has been named to the honors list at Tabor Academy for the first semester of the 1995-'96 school year. Honors status is conferred on students with an average of 80, allowing one grade between 75 and 79. Tabor Academy is located in Marion.

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Hats off to sophomore **Elizabeth M. Hills,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. David W. Hills,** who made high honors (90 to 100 GPA) at Mercersburg Academy for the winter 1996 term.

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Finally, we congratulate all of the Cohasset High graduates! Why not go to graduation this year. It is such a nice event. This year it will be held Saturday, June 8, at South Shore Music Circus. See you there!

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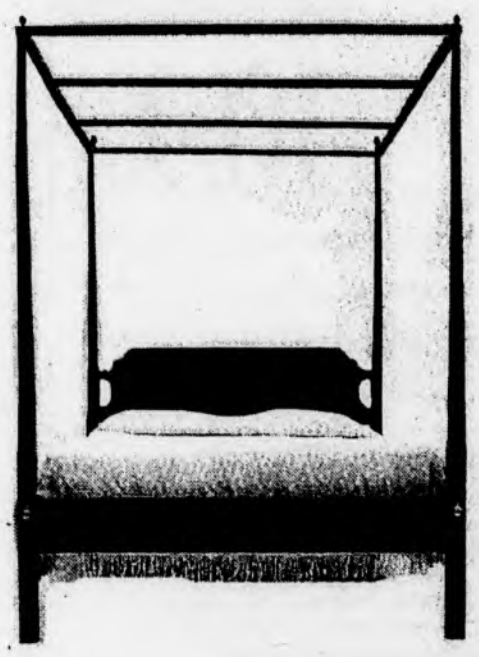

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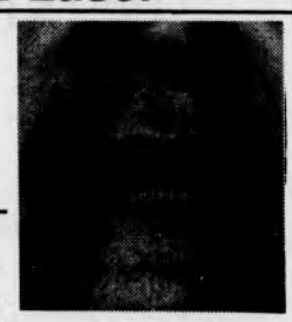

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Weddings

Fleming/ Brown

Marcy Brown, the daughter of Merle and Joan Brown of Cohasset, married Donald P. Fleming, the son of Donald J. and Nancy Fleming of Mattapoisett, March 23 at St. Anthony's Church, Cohasset.

Father Gabriel Healy officiated at the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her father, Merle Brown.

Matron of Honor was Joan Brown. Merle Brown and Nancy Fleming also witnessed the event.

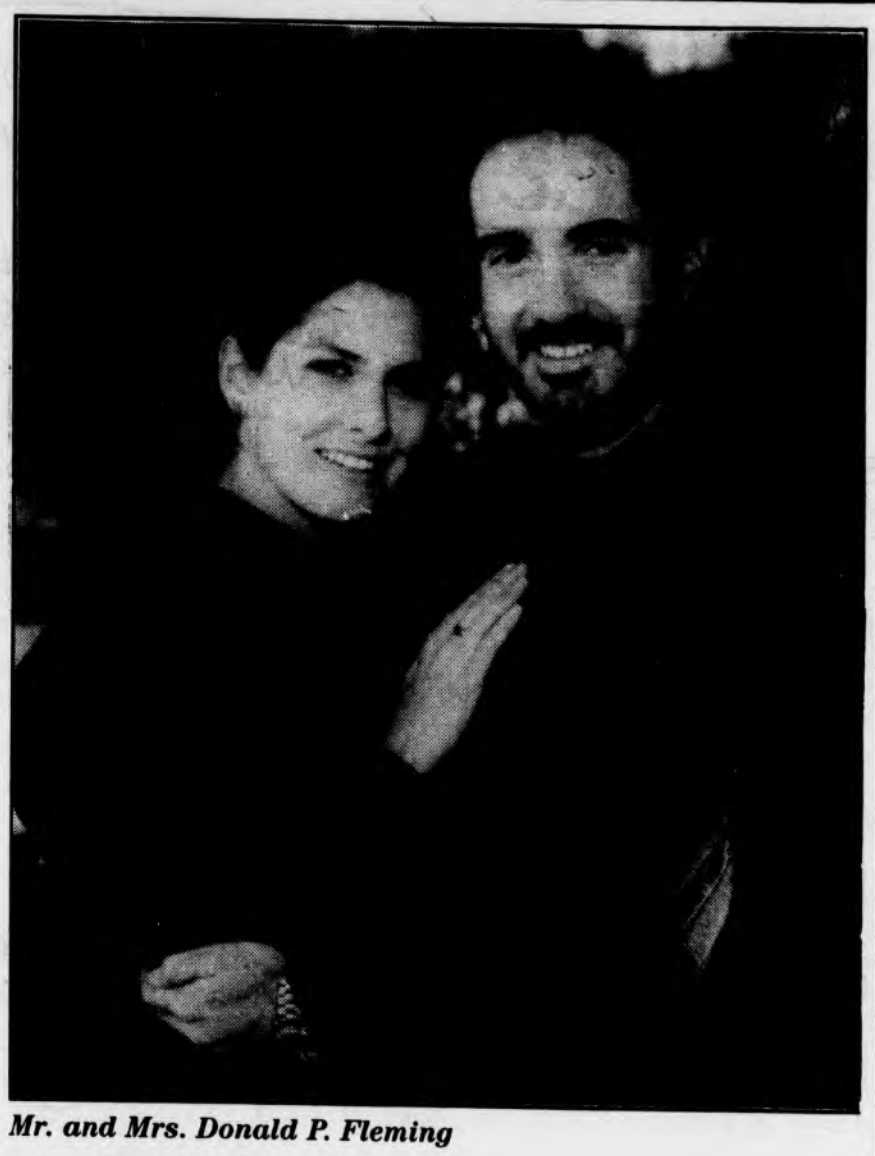
Donald J. Fleming of Mattapoisett served as Best Man. Ushers were Jeffrey Brown of Hyannis, Ben Kennedy of Coral Gables, Fl., and Lee Estes of Mattapoisett.

The bride is a graduate of Cohasset High School and Bryant College, Smithfield, R.I. She is employed at NSA-Hitachi in Westwood.

Her husband is a graduate of Bishop Connolly in Fall River and the University of Notre Dame in Indiana and is employed at Revere Copper Products in New Bedford.

Following a reception at the Barker Tavern, Scituate, the couple took a wedding trip to Kauai, Hawaii.

They are residing in Plympton.



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EDITORIAL

Support bike patrols

We urge local businesses and individuals to support the police bike patrol unit by donating money to get the valuable, new program off the ground.

The Cohasset Police Department plans to follow in the bike tracks of its counterparts in Hingham, Scituate and Hull by establishing a bicycle patrol.

Police on bikes will be able to provide better service to areas of town such as the village, Government Island, Sandy Beach and business areas.

"This program has the advantages of a walking beat with the added mobility of being on a bicycle to allow the officer to cover more area and respond more rapidly to problems," Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

Chief Noonan explained that due to budget constraints, the police department not been able to establish a budget specifically for the bike patrol unit.

Cohasset is not alone. Hingham asked for help to obtain the bicycles needed for its program which was enacted last year. Merchants, businesses and a local competitive bicyclist paid for the needed bikes and the patrol unit took off.

Police officers in the patrol are certified through a course called COB WEB (Cops On Bikes With Education About Bicycling). They learn about safety, maintenance and patrol principles adapted for use on a bike patrol. They ride across different types of terrain and pass a rigid test involving all types of situations, Chief Noonan explained.

We can't think of a town more suited to a bike patrol than Cohasset. Not only will the town get better service in the warmer months but police officers will have more visibility and be more accessible to the public. We consider providing efficient, friendly police service to be a priority for any town.

So call Chief Noonan at 383-1055 today if you can help get this program rolling before summer gets underway.

— Mary Ford
Editor

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

McElroy's effort appreciated

To the Editor:

As the incoming president of the Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation, and a board member since its inception in 1991, I know how much my predecessor and founding President Joe McElroy, deserves our admiration. It was his vision to rescue the decrepit Lightkeepers Residence and convert it to the magnificent facility that we can enjoy today. He collected a dedicated group of directors, inspired them with determination to make it work, conceived numerous ways to obtain funds, co-ordinated the manifold activities of money management, publicity, design, deconstruction, construction, furnishing, operation etc. Not to mention chairing innumerable long meetings to deal with the never ending details, and enduring the welter of opinion that kept things lively.

About half of the bookings for Bancroft Hall in the Lightkeepers Residence are for worthy non-profit groups, so that our capital and operating expenses must be made up from fees charged to others, and from apartment rents and donations. Near term capital expenditure is almost completed, and except that we have yet to put money in reserve accounts for long term capital replacement costs, we are close to operating in the black. Joe deserves much credit for the financial achievement which accompanies the aesthetic achievement. The community has been generous with financial and other support, but in the future the Lightkeepers Corporation will have to rely more on its fee income to enable provision of no-cost or nominal cost function room space.

Of course Joe was helped by many people, such as Pat Plante who contributed the fine craftsmanship on cabinets, compass rose and other detail that makes the ambiance. But it was Joe who sparked it all and kept us tied together. Thanks from all of us!

R. M. Campbell, President

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Train meeting attendance urged

To the Editor:

A Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Line has been established by the Cohasset Board of Selectmen. The committee's charge is to solicit comments from the public relative to mitigation measures for the restoration of the railroad.

Two public meetings will be held. The first of which is scheduled for Thursday, June 20, at Cohasset Town Hall at 7:30 p.m. All interested Cohasset residents are urged to attend. You may contact the committee by calling or writing the Cohasset Town Hall.

The Committee wishes to thank the Board of Selectmen for its foresight. The MBTA at the direction of Governor Weld is proceeding with the restoration of the railroad. Construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1997. As residents we need to focus our attention on the impact to our town and the mitigation measures we can take so that the project reflects as much as feasible the perspectives and needs of Cohasset.

We on the committee urge all residents to become involved and look forward to hearing from you on these issues.

Edward F. Woods, D.D.S.
Nancy J. Butler
John Rafferty
James A. Mullen
Peter H. Pearce
Mary A. Foley

More information on school incident needed

To the Editor:

The Cohasset school system, and the Deer Hill School specifically, are currently involved in an unfortunate situation that threatens to divide the parents of that school unnecessarily.

It is divisive because people are forming opinions without facts. Since the superintendent and school committee have not notified parents of their exact findings, people have been left with assumptions and innuendoes that have only fueled many rumors.

Several weeks ago the principal of the Deer Hill School was accused of allegedly hitting a fourth-grade student. The superintendent was notified and conducted an investigation. His decision was to suspend the principal without pay for two weeks. However, questions remain for the simple reason that parents do not know why the principal was suspended.

What was the conclusion of the investigation?

Many parents would like the answers to these questions for one reason only. They can not voice an opinion on whether or not they agree with the suspension if they do not know what it is for. As advocates for their children and as the taxpayers who pay the administration's salaries, they have a right to know.

Parents need this information to bring this issue to a truthful closure for both themselves and their children. Any other discussion regarding this matter is useless until we know the facts.

Rhonda Corey Myers
30 Cedar Lane

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Helmets needed with rolling wheels

To the Editor:

We live in a time when image is everything! Adults and children alike are pressured to be "in" by the conspicuous consumption and display of the latest in transportation, fashion, and behavior. Unfortunately, safety is rarely elevated by the forces which establish our stylistic pecking order.

This past month, I have observed a disturbing trend in the sacrifice of safety for image. On an average spring weekend, good weather accommodates many cyclists and in-line skaters throughout Cohasset. On more and more occasions, those who enjoy their rolling wheels are not only doing so without benefit of helmets and other protective gear, but find it necessary to gain maximum momentum. Utilizing hills, bicycles, and yes even an automobile (from Highland Ave. onto North Main Street) — to increase speed over the ground.

A community which places a premium on safety precautions within its buildings, should also be concerned with reducing the possibility of serious and unnecessary injury on its streets and lanes. Parents, friends, and neighbors — please take the time to educate and enforce good safety practices. Image has little to offer in the emergency room or the cemetery.

Dan Walsh
254 Beechwood St.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thoughts shared on school incident

To the Editor:

The controversy surrounding Deer Hill Principal Donna Hartlage has now been widely reported in the press. However, the information made available by the school and by Principal Hartlage to the community is next to nil. The notice sent home with the students to address the issue was impenetrable. The community has been left with little to go on.

Based only on what I have read in the papers and the very general description of the situation my child gave me, here is what I think.

I think that a significant number of the Deer Hill children were out of control during the incident in question. I think that Principal Hartlage, in attempting to control the children, suffered from a brief episode of poor judgment — the same kind of episode we all have suffered from on occasion while driving, socializing, working and parenting. Thankfully, our episodes of poor judgment do not have significant consequences, but that was not the case with Principal Hartlage on this occasion.

It appears that Principal Hartlage struck a child. I consider that impermissible under any circumstances, except perhaps in a genuine life-threatening situation. No such situation existed at the time of the incident.

Superintendent Hart acted with commendable speed in investigating the allegation against Principal Hartlage, making a decision, and imposing a penalty. I would have preferred that the circumstances involved a principal who had the opportunity and longevity in the community to have established a good reputation so that the Superintendent and parents might have felt that the incident was an aberration and therefore not worthy of the extraordinary- attention it has received. I agree that the incident was serious and warranted a response. In my opinion, the suspension was harsh but reasonable.

Unfortunately, there has been a virtual information blackout. This has led to widespread speculation, second-guessing and anxiety, all to the detriment of the school and the community. Why has there been such an information blackout? Experience tells me that the school administration and Ms. Hartlage are heeding the advice of risk-averse lawyers who are telling their clients to play it safe and not make any statements because a statement might constitute an admission of liability. This could be significant later, if the school decides not to renew Ms. Hartlage's contract, or Ms. Hartlage sues the school for breach of contract, or the parents of the child who was struck sue the school or the principal or both.

As a lawyer, I know that the "no comment" advice frequently is justified. However, it also is my experience and belief that many incidents are put into perspective and potential law suits are avoided when the responsible person eschews the advice of the lawyer, candidly admits to an error in judgment, and sincerely apologizes. This approach would be particularly appropriate in this cage. Ms. Hartlage's action did not cause any significant physical harm to the child, nor was the child at any point in serious jeopardy. She made a mistake and she suffered a penalty.

In my opinion, Ms. Hartlage's error in judgment does not warrant any further penalty, and certainly would not justify hiring another principal. The school should take this position publicly so that Ms. Hartlage can rely on it. At the same time, Ms. Hartlage should acknowledge that the penalty was within the bounds of reasonable and should publicly accept the penalty and waive any appeal rights she may have. Finally, the parents of the child in question should acknowledge to the school and to Ms. Hartlage that the child did not suffer any serious harm, and that there is no justification for a law suit on behalf of the child.

With that groundwork in place, Ms. Hartlage should apologize to the child and to the family. Ms. Hartlage also should have a candid conversation with the Deer Hill students so that they, and the community, can see an example of how a decent person can acknowledge and make amends for an error. The school administration should fully participate in this to bring this incident to closure and to restore to Ms. Hartlage, and the office of principal? authority over the students and faculty at Deer Hill. Then, everyone can and should bury the hatchet.

This proposed solution may be too optimistic, but I feel that someone should try to suggest common ground to get the parties back together.

Having addressed the incident as it relates to Ms. Hartlage and the child in question? I would like to address another aspect of this incident that seems to have been overlooked. That is what provoked Ms. Hartlage in the first place.

The students were being asked to pose for a school photograph. As is too often the case in the schools and elsewhere, a significant number of students were rude, unruly and unresponsive to the adults in charge. (I have no idea if the child in question was one of them or not.) Principal Hartlage attempted to exercise some authority and discipline. Although the principal has paid the price, the children are off the hook. Again.

Leaving aside a single episode of poor judgment, I think everyone would agree that it is essential that school personnel are delegated the authority, with the express support of the parents, to discipline students and enforce reasonable rules to allow the business of the school to proceed. In my opinion, there are far too many students who far too often impede learning and social interaction with unacceptable behavior. We should not foster or even tolerate a climate in which school personnel are so circumspect if not fearful that they feel that they need to call in the police for any discipline problem.

Principal Hartlage is keenly aware of the discipline problem at Deer Hill, and showed imagination and dedication recently by calling a meeting of parents concerned about the lack of discipline to explore those concerns, solicit ideas, and announce her intent to change the school for the better. I could not be more pleased to see that happen, and I hope it becomes a priority in all schools and with all parents.

The school has imposed a punishment for one incident of excessive action. I hope that Ms. Hartlage has the courage to ignore her advisers and offer a sincere apology, and that the child and the parents have the heart to accept a late apology. I also hope that the community can get past this incident, and that the school and the community accord school personnel, including Principal Hartlage, the authority to take such actions as are reasonably required to restore and thereafter maintain a healthy, disciplined environment dedicated to effective education.

Ken Ingber
5 Woodland Drive

Thanks to all for prom help

To the Editor:

By all accounts, the 1996 Cohasset High School senior prom was a brilliant success, a delightful evening for students and parents alike. Parents worked hard to create safe and festive activities both before and after the prom. Before the prom, the reception at the Lightkeepers' Residence gave everyone a chance to gather for sentimental greetings and multiple photo-ops. The students looked fabulous, and the parents of boys were especially grateful for the chance to see all the beautiful girls!

Thanks to Carol Riley, Annette Sawchuk, and their committee. Carol Riley also organized the sale of graduation invitations, which supports the cost of the reception and breakfast.

After the boat trip home from the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel, students were treated to a bountiful breakfast at the Second Congregational Church. Thanks are due to Gail Stevens, Regina Schultz, and committee, also to Gary and Judy Ritts for hosting the event at the church hall.

Special thanks to Deer Hill teacher Betty Cisneros, Woody Chittick, Parent, and CHS student Tony Bramlett, who videotaped all the action. Students plan to edit all the tapes and create a single prom video which will be sold to benefit the class.

An A-V show, "The Way We Were," with photos and music from Grades K-12, will be shown at Class Night June 6, following the presentation of awards. Thanks for the memories go to Gary and Judy Ritts and Heidi and Tammy Maitland.

A new initiative this year is a "Class Gift" from the senior class parents to Cohasset High School. Parents and students have donated two granite benches near the front athletic field, in memory of Rosemarie Mercurio, the mother of Class President Andrea Mercurio. If you wish to join us in this gesture, please send a check payable to Kyle Lubitz, 54 Red Gate Lane, Cohasset.

The parents and students of the Cohasset High School Class of 1996 would like to invite the community to graduation, Saturday, June 8, at 1:30 p.m. at the Music Circus. A reception for students, parents, teachers, and friends immediately follows the ceremony, hosted by the parents of the junior class.

Sue McNamara, PSO Senior Class Parent Advisor
Kyle Lubitz, PSO Senior High Rep

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COUNCIL CORNER/Kathie O'Neil

The following is a summary of the past month's School Council meetings.

Jr./Sr. High School—Pat Baird, the newest member of the council, was introduced. Areas of discussion under communications were National Honor Society and procedures used in selection as well as discussion regarding the science curricula for grades 7, 8 and 9.

The final review of the Student Handbook took place. Topics included policies of local and state regulations; school dress; the fact that under "General Information," beepers are prohibited; MIAA rules as they apply to home schooling; and the Code of Conduct with regard to in-school suspension versus Saturday school. School attendance and tardiness policies must be reviewed, and a study group will be formed for this task next year. The final meeting of the school year will be held June 12, with Ron Ford and Tom O'Neil attending as the new faculty representatives.

Deer Hill—The topics of this month's council meeting were many. The 6th-grade dance was discussed, with positive reports. The only change if there was to be another dance was to possibly make the length of the dance about an hour shorter. The Harborfest Parade was talked about, with Deer Hill putting together an entry of some sort, possibly a kazoo marching band. The School Improvement Plan was reviewed once again. Newly elected members were Anne Musto and Marie Walsh. The next meeting will be held in early June.

Joseph Osgood—The school facilities group reported they met with Supt. Hart and Mr. Flansburgh to discuss many aspects of the new school plan. The Improvement Plan was talked about, along with new goals for next year. There was also discussion on the Professional Development Days held recently, and retaining the schedule for them. The newest member of the council is Betz Murray, who was elected for a two-year term.

North Cohasset soaked by 155 percent increase

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Although the new rate went into effect June 1, Howe said, before issuing any new bills, Mass-American will have to do some recalculations and submit a compliance filing in accord with the DPU decision.

Howe said that in his tenure as chairman, the Mass-American rate case has been one of the more hotly contested ones with Hingham, Hull and Cohasset opposing it.

On the decision, Mass-American Director of Rates and Revenues Rod Nevirauskas said despite opposition to the rate hike and both the close scrutiny of and extensive publicity about the proposal, the DPU's findings show that the company's investment in the water treatment plant was warranted.

"The company put forth its best case and substantiated its data. While not receiving all that the company feels is needed, the final order shows that the company's investment in the plant was prudent, justified and necessary to provide quality water service to its customers," Nevirauskas said.

The decision was bad news for North Cohasset residents who strongly oppose the rate hike.

"I think this is outrageous," said Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante, who helped lead the charge. "This is an exorbitant amount of money and I think the DPU has a moral obligation to look into why these costs are so high."

Selectman Peter Pratt, a former Cohasset water commissioner, was equally critical of the DPU. "This is clearly an outrage. No public utility should be able to get a 155 percent increase overnight. It's astronomical," said Pratt. "I think it's tragic that the DPU only shielded 10 percent from our rate payers."

Pratt said it will be the duty of the board of selectmen to look at the possibility of an appeal and its cost ramifications.

Cohasset Town Counsel Paul DeRensis said Tuesday that he is hard at work reviewing the hefty document.

"We're still analyzing it," said DeRensis, who noted that the decision calls for the water company to submit a new rate schedule complying with the DPU findings.

While the rate hike approved still amounts to a more than doubling of customer's water bills, DeRensis pointed to a number of controls put in place by the DPU that will benefit ratepayers including mandatory cleaning and flushing of the system to be completed by November 1997.

Another benefit, especially to those who conserve water, is a breakdown in the surcharge rate - the amount the water company hopes to recover for the cost of building the treatment plant. Only 2/3 of that part of the rate hike will be a fixed surcharge with the other 1/3 based on a customer's consumption — meaning ratepayers, who use less water, will pay less.

The DPU also denied Mass-American's proposal for an automatic 1.4 percent annual increase in the lease payments it makes to the "special purpose" corporation that actually owns the new treatment facility.

Another sizable exclusion from the original proposal was $820,000 in design and siting fees for the facility's original Free Street location, Howe said. The plant, which went on line last month is located off Main Street, behind the House of Prayer Lutheran Church in Hingham.

The decision also called for a 1 percent reduction in the return the water company was seeking on its capital investment — lowering the profit it will earn from 15 to 14 percent.

"All of these things made it worthwhile to oppose the rate hike. Clearly the ratepayers are better off today then when the rate was filed," Howe said.

DeRensis said it's too early to comment on whether or not the decision will be appealed but he plans to confer with town counsels in both Hingham and Hull, which are also served by Mass-American.

Plante and other residents in North Cohasset will seek the town's help in dealing with the increase. These same residents will bear the entire cost of a Cohasset sewer project that will connect that part of town to Hull's sewer treatment plant.

"I feel in my heart the town of Cohasset should help us out," said Plante. "It's not our doing that we're on the Hingham water company line."

Along with the rest of the town, Plante said her tax dollars and those of her neighbors helped support the Cohasset's water treatment plant and the reservoir even though they do not get their water from the Cohasset system.

"I think the town has an obligation to North Cohasset to give us some relief from this burden," she said.

Plante raised the possibility of laying water pipes along with sewer pipes and tying North Cohasset into the town's water company. The rate relief clearly would not come overnight, but the possibility of connecting to town water offers Plant and her neighbors hope for future cost savings.

Plante said she will urge selectmen to work with the water and sewer commissions and give them guidelines on how to help residents.

Pratt, who seemed open to the concept, said it is something the town "will have to dig into and look at closely."

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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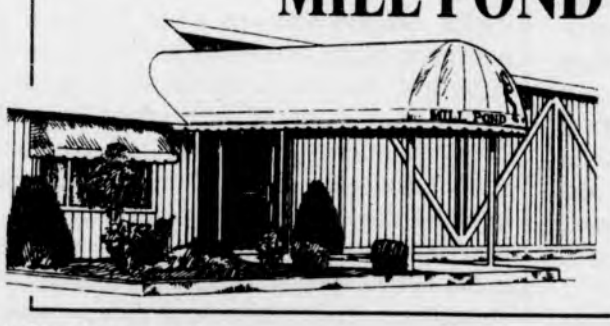

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Checklist proposed to prevent ballot problems

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Override elections must be held within 45 days of a contingency vote at town meeting.

"Did we collapse the time too close?" Selectman Peter Pratt asked this week.

"Two weeks makes a lot more sense," Selectman Michael Sullivan added about the gap between elections and town meetings.

Selectmen and school officials were on the edge of their seats last week as the clocked ticked toward the June 3 filing deadline to get on the list for state reimbursement. The town can recoup about 60 percent of the cost of constructing the $9.8 million elementary school from the state school building assistance program, but had to file in time to get on the list.

About 50 residents and officials attended a hearing May 29 before the Joint Committee on Local Affairs. In spite of opposing testimony at the hearing, the committee was persuaded that voters were adequately informed of the ballot question through the local media, flyers, and word of mouth. The school override passed with a margin of 80 votes at the April 6 town election.

Due to an oversight, there was no mention of the Prop. 2-1/2 ballot question in the election warrant which was posted in five places around town as required by law. Bond counsel discovered the ballot question was not posted and alerted town officials. Bonds to pay for the new school could not be approved until the matter was resolved and the school department could not file its plan with the state without financial assurances in place.

Selectmen hope a checklist will prevent this from happening again. They were positive about the draft copy they saw this week but want it simplified.

"It's a great idea but the format needs to be clearer," Selectman Nan Roth said.

Q: What is the difference between a Schooner and a Ketch?

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Boards have openings

There are vacancies on the mosquito control committee, the personnel committee, drug & alcohol committee, and the zoning board of appeals which needs an associate member. Interested citizens should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Canney on rail committee

Selectmen appointed Barbara Hedges Canney, 353 S. Main St., to the citizens railroad mitigation committee this week.

"She came to the first meeting and was very interested (in joining)," said Selectman Michael H. Sullivan. The citizens committee is charged with soliciting concerns and ideas from residents relating to mitigation issues regarding the proposed train restoration.

Eleanor Waal steps down

Selectmen learned this week that Eleanor M. Waal, 36 Old Pasture Rd., has resigned from the drug and alcohol committee.

"I wish the committee well and hope that they will find the direction and motivation to continue bringing substance abuse issues to the attention of the public," Waal wrote in her letter of resignation.

Summer police officers appointed by selectmen

On the recommendation of Police Chief Brian Noonan, selectmen appointed James P. McLean of Norwood and Christy J. Tarantino Jr. of Scituate as seasonal police officers. McLean has five years experience as a special police officer in Boston and Tarantino worked four years as a special police officer in Hull.

"I highly recommend both of these individuals and feel very confident of their ability to fulfill their assignments," Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

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Cohasset High prom preview is picture perfect

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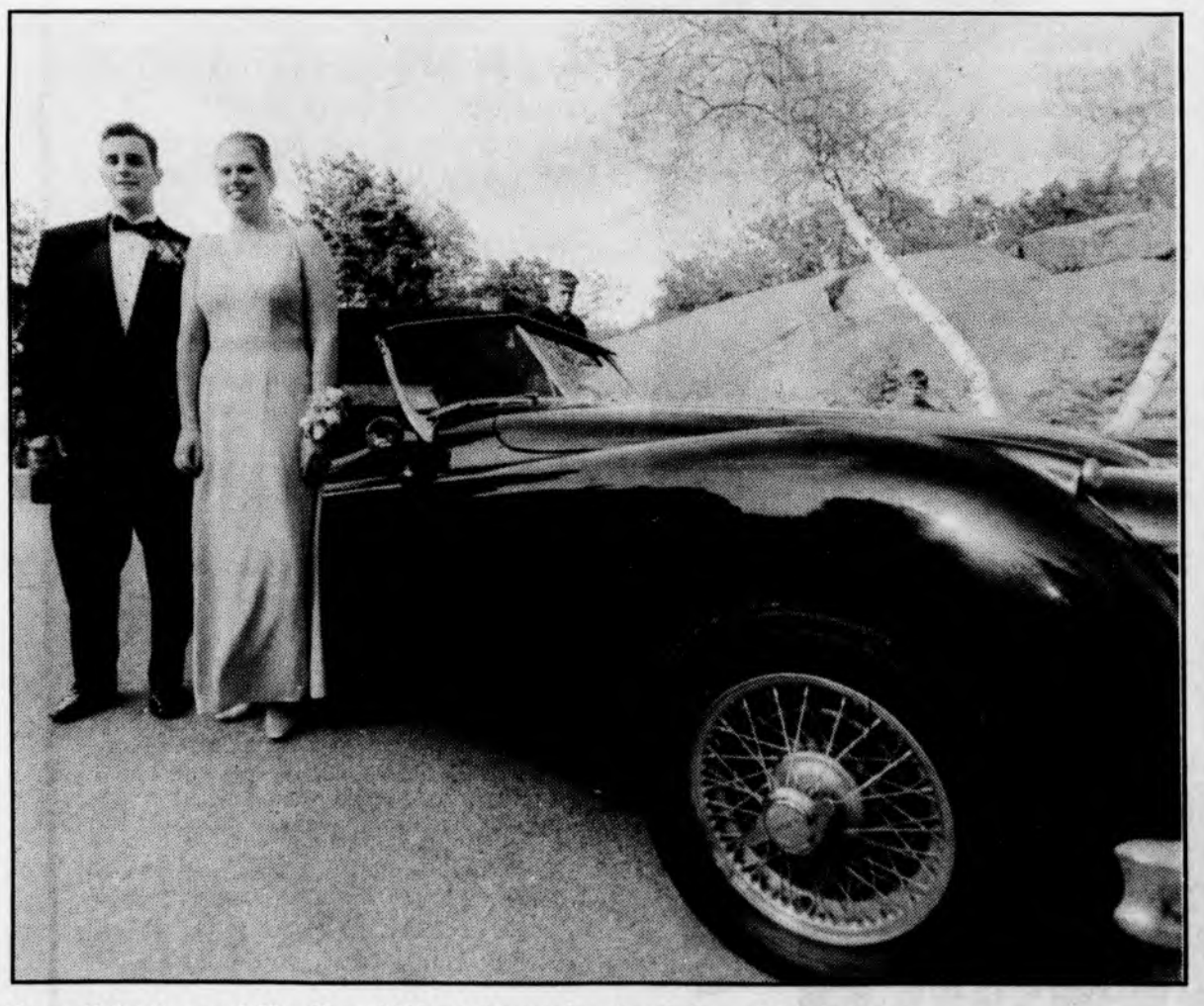
Heather Conte attaches a corsage to Jerome Marion's lapel. Following the prom preview, the students travelled to Boston by boat to the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel.

Ken Leahy, Jo Hurley, Cameron Hynes and Megan Pratt prepare to leave the reception for the prom at the Boston Harbor Hotel.

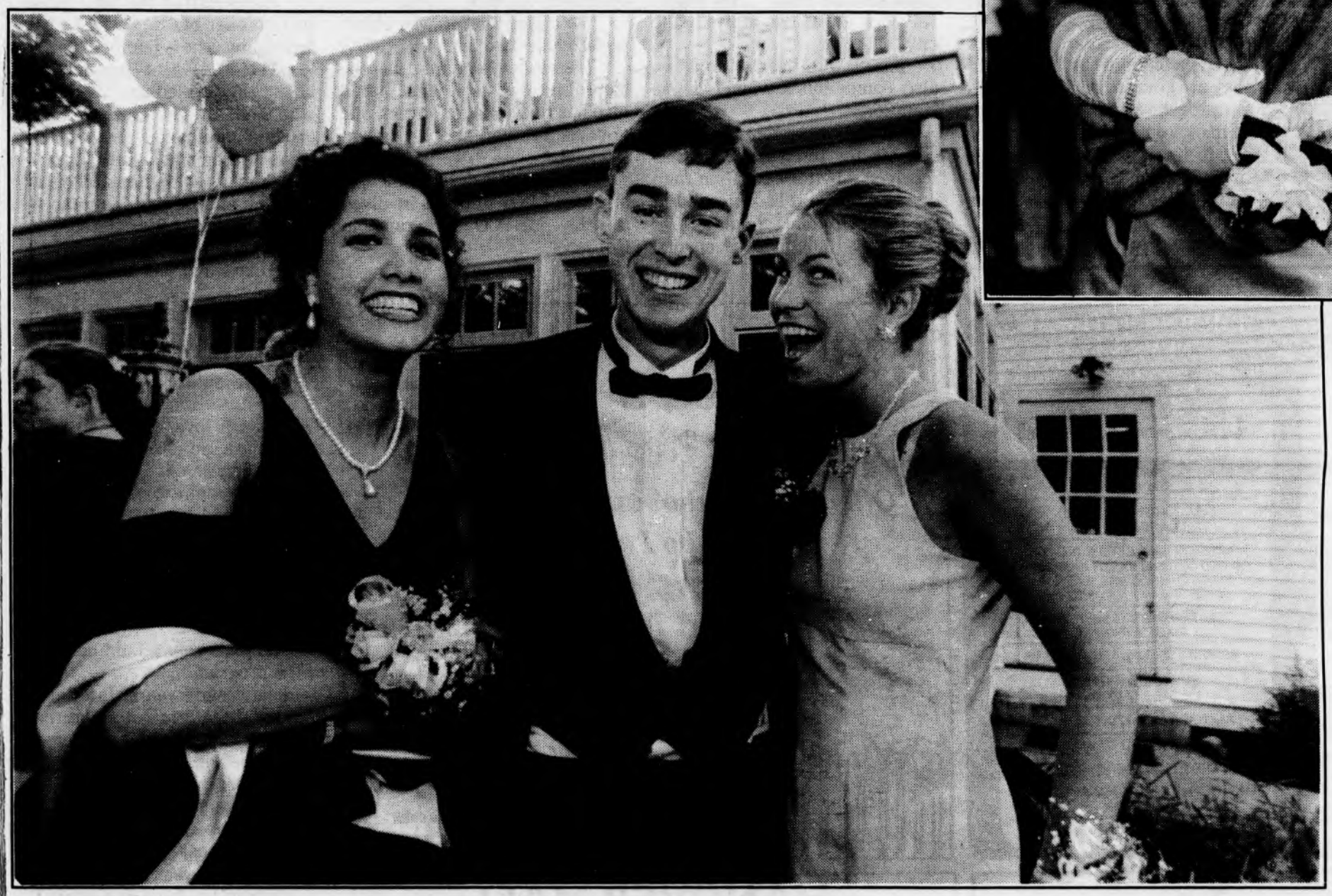


Greg Schultz and Heather Littlehale arrive in style — in a jaguar.

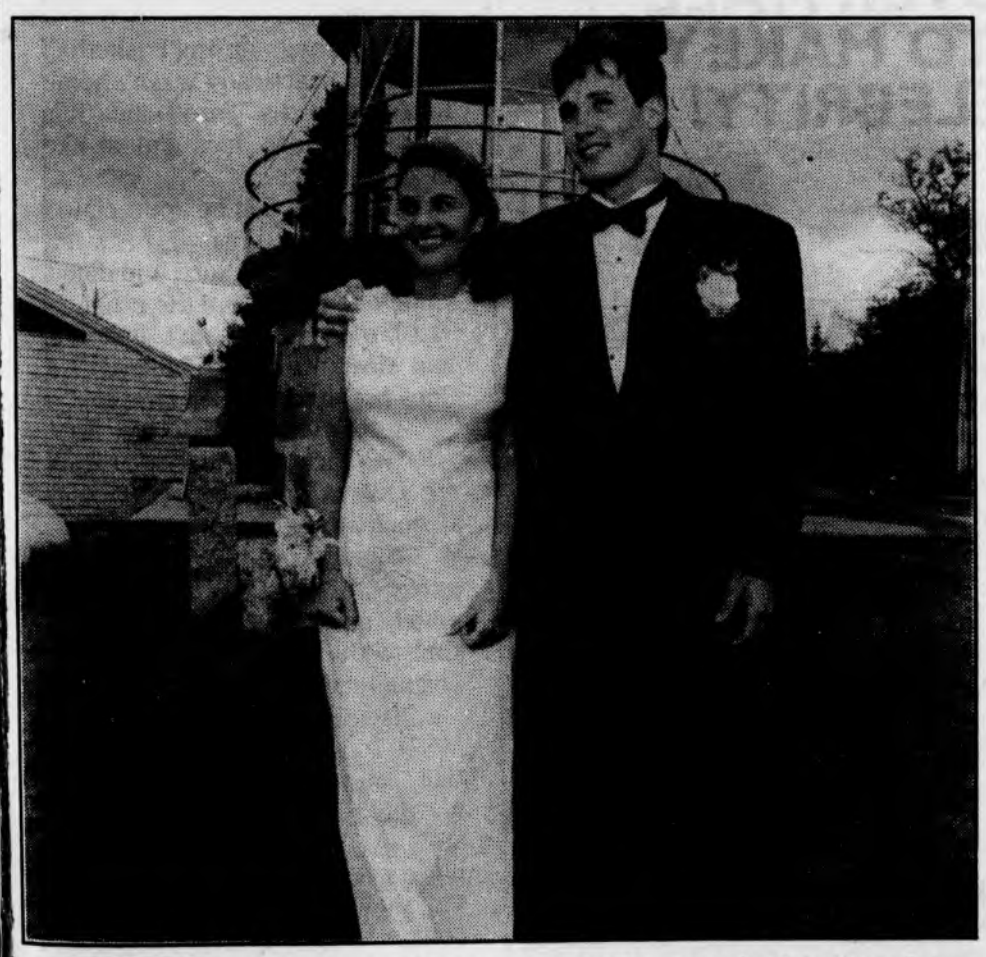
Lauren DeVito, Matt O'Connor, Nicole Peterson and Bobby Stansell look stunning as they get ready to head to Boston for the prom.

Andrea Grew and Nevin Bunstein arrive at the pre-prom gala on Government Island.

Dave Stone and Katie Anderson make a sharp-looking couple.



Nicole Santoro, Kevin Smith and Megan McNamara share a laugh at the prom preview and reception at the Lightkeepers Residence on Government Island last week.



Cloe Chittick and Eric Henry enjoy the scenic harbor from Government Island. The prom preview provided family and friends with an opportunity to take pictures.

The lightkeepers house provides a scenic backdrop as Rob Vanderpool and Kelly Tufts keep each other warm.

Cohasset connection is strong for METCO student

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Jared Hardwick, a METCO student in Cohasset for 10 years, with his Cohasset family Gerald, Greg and Regina Schultz. Not shown is Courtney Schultz.

Greg Schultz and Jared Hardwick are all decked out for the CHS prom last week.

Gerald and Regina Schultz have already sent out the invitations for their sons' senior graduation party, and the cake says, "Congratulations Greg and Jared."

As guests mill through the house that day they'll be able to see pictures of the boys, usually dressed alike, growing up, and the athletic and academic awards they have won recently.

In many respects, Greg and Jared have been typical brothers over the years.

"Jared is as much of a younger brother as Greg," said Courtney Schultz, 20. "When they were little they were like 'Double Trouble.' They were annoying little brothers."

Now that they are older things are different, she said. They appreciate each other more.

Jared Hardwick is more than a brother and a son though.

Hardwick, and his host family the Schultzes, are part of the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunities, Incorporated (METCO), which is a state-funded program that places urban, minority children in suburban public schools.

"METCO is extremely valuable because it provides much needed racial diversity within the Cohasset school system," said Connie Afshar, the Parent Student Organization representative who, with Cliff Chase, heads up Cohasset's program.

She added that when students go out into the "real world" they are going to be working with people who come from a variety of backgrounds.

It was important they have the opportunity to spend time with people who have had different life experiences.

Getting to know people is the best way to dispel stereotypes, Afshar said.

Jared agreed.

"People got to learn a lot from me," he said. "They got to see what it was like to live in the city."

Jared, who lives in Roxbury, also comes out a winner in the situation.

He has attended Cohasset schools for ten years, and has received a better education than he would have if he remained in the Boston public schools.

He also has had the chance to do things that might not have been possible if he didn't know the Schultzes.

"I have been able to do more traveling," he said.

He added that it was also a plus to have two families.

His mom, Stephanie, has the same birthday as Regina. Jared also has two younger sisters, one younger brother, and his father, Michael.

One of his sisters, Jessica, is also one of 50 students involved in the METCO program in Cohasset.

Jared's uncle, Floyd, was also a Cohasset METCO student, and Jared wanted to follow in his footsteps.

Jared started the third grade in Cohasset before METCO had found him a host family.

The METCO representative at the time called the Schultzes, who had always supported the program, and asked them if they wanted to be a host family.

Greg was in the kitchen at the time and he told his mom to accept, and to request Jared.

Greg and Jared were in the same class and had become fast friends.

Not much has changed in ten years. They are still very close.

"They have the same temperament and the same tastes. It is very interesting," said Regina. "They both love rap. They both wore dark sunglasses in their prom pictures."

"It is almost like having twins," added Gerald.

Greg said that Jared was a combination of a brother and a friend — the best of both worlds.

Through Jared, Greg also gained insight.

"It opens your mind," he said, of the program.

In the early years, Jared did not spend that much time at the Schultz house, but as he entered high school he became a permanent fixture, mainly because of his involvement in basketball.

Because of his talent, he is involved in basketball programs in Cohasset all year long.

He said his mom has missed him a bit.

"It is tough during basketball season. I practically wasn't home for four months," Jared said. "It is kind of strange. It is almost like I've moved."

He added that he appreciated the differences between Cohasset and Roxbury, and didn't value one more than the other.

Jared just doesn't just eat and sleep at the Schultzes. He does his share of the chores.

Yard work in particular.

"We are delighted because we have a very big yard," said Regina with a smile.

When he graduates Jared will leave the METCO program, which serves children from the first to the twelfth grade, but he certainly won't leave the family.

"He is more than just a METCO kid who plays basketball," said Gerald. "We know it is not the last of him."

Afshar said METCO is always looking for host families. For more information, call 383-6006.

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Teen Center events slated

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On Tuesday, June 11, Rahul Roy will visit the center from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Roy, a musician, teacher and leader of his own band, will conduct a workshop and demonstrate various types of music, including jazz, blues and rock 'n roll. Following the workshop, students will be able to jam with Rahul. All students in grades 6-9 are welcome to attend. There is no charge. Bring your instrument and crank out some tunes with a professional!

Volunteers needed for pool cleanup

Cohasset Swim Center is seeking volunteers for its annual pool cleanup, scheduled for Sunday, June 9, from noon to 3 p.m.

Bring a friend and garden tool. Refreshments will be provided. A free one-day pool pass will be issued to all those who help with the cleanup.

Playground program

The Cohasset Recreation Commissioners will conduct an open house at town hall on Tuesday evening, June 11, at 8 p.m. Parents of playground program participants are cordially invited to attend this informative, pre-registration meeting.

The commissioners, recreation director and playground director will be on hand to answer questions, discuss comments and outline the 1996 program. Registration for summer playground for children ages 3 1/2 to 12 years and youth tennis lessons for youngsters age 7 to 18, will be held during the week of Monday, June 17 through Thursday, June 20, at town hall.

Sports camp registrations are on-going throughout May and June, at the Cohasset Recreation Office, first floor, town hall. Summer fliers will be going home via school during late May or early June.

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Cohasset residents are invited to take part in this year's Appalachia Service Project. A townwide mailing outlined "stock options" at $20 a share, with guaranteed returns of postcards, letters, newsletters, photos and the satisfaction of joining the effort. Proceeds from the sale of 'stock' will be used for construction materials, transportation and room and board.

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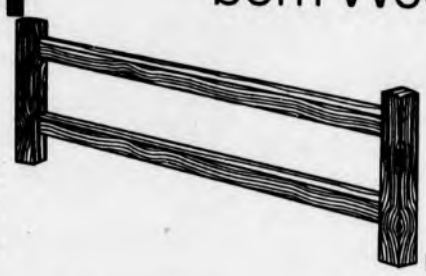

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Cohasset High to graduate 78 on Saturday

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In addition, the Class of 1996 will be remembered for strength in the arts. Members of the class dedicated themselves last year to writing and producing a dramatic program entitled "Through Our Eyes," a series of vignettes that was presented last September after a summer of work.

Other members of the class have left their marks as musicians, vocalists, and visual artists.

"There is some real talent here," he said. "This class will be known for this."

Eighty percent of the graduates will be attending four-year colleges. This percentage is down slightly from previous years, he said, explaining that some graduates are delaying college by a year to travel or to work.

Valedictorian Ryan Sawchuk will be attending Princeton University; Salutatorian Tafana Fiore will attend Wake Forest University.

Other members of the Class of 1996 have been accepted at Bowdoin College, Syracuse University, Boston College, Colgate University. Thirteen members of the class have been admitted to the National Honor Society.

Edward Hamilton has enlisted in the United States Marine Corps; and Amber Hopeman will be going to Annapolis, Maryland to the United States Naval Academy. She is one of the top 15 students in the class.

> *'There is some real talent here. This class will be known for this.'*
>
> **— Curtis Collins, CHS principal.**

"They'll have quite a summer," Collins said, noting that Hopeman and Hamilton will begin their military training within weeks.

PSO names new executive board at spring meeting

At the PSO annual spring meeting, the membership elected a new executive board. The following people will serve for the 1996-97 school year:

Kathy Ofsthun, president; Sarah Markert, vice president; Kate Brady, corr. secretary; Jane Pescatore, recording secretary; Bob Anton, treasurer; Margie Masotta, Jean Muir, Osgood School representatives; Judy Flint, Mary Sullivan, Deer Hill School representatives; Linda Bolster, Allision Ulmer, junior high school representatives; Paula Buick, Katherine Gray, senior high school representatives; Julia DeWaal, Joan Jensen, curriculum enrichment; Tomi Bukowski, Lesley Faber, Patty Smith, Jane Wasel, fundraising; Connie Afshar, Jean Hajjar, Metco; Darillynn Evans, Elaine Smoot, PSO activities; Grace Evans, publicity; Lyn Previte, Michele Sacks, special needs; Georgia Carroll, comm. relations; Susan Etkind, diversity committee.

Additionally, the newly elected school council members were announced. For each school, the parent representatives are: Betts Murray (newly elected), Linda Nash, Lynne Sheridan, Joseph Osgood School. Marie Kelly (newly elected), Ann Musto (newly elected), Susan Turgiss, Dear Hill School. Pat Baird (newly elected), Betsy Connolly (re-elected), Jo-Ann Grew, Victoira Hurley, Jr./Sr. High.

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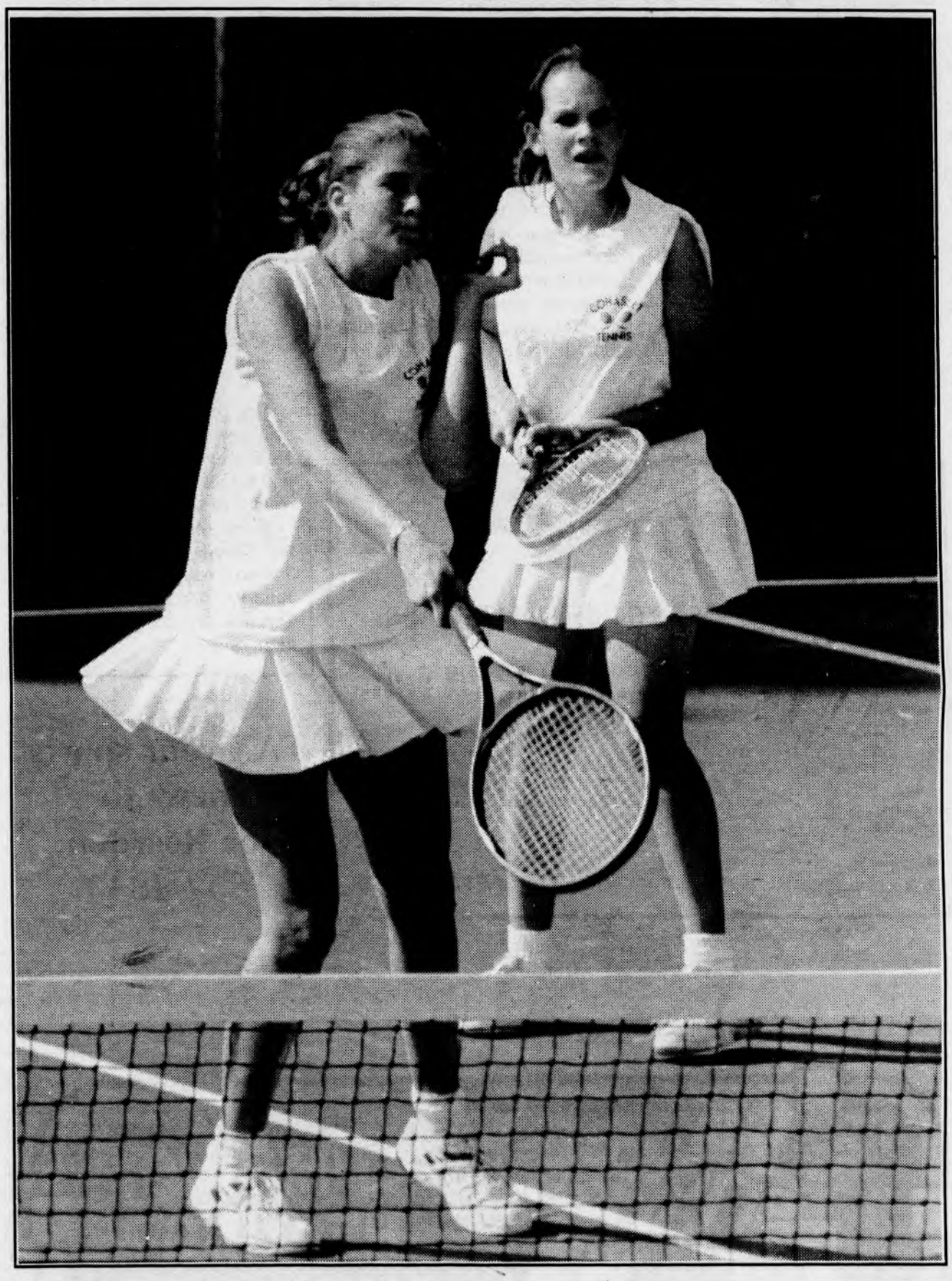

Karen Niessink slams an overhead return as teammate Kristen O'Connell concentrates on the game during Cohasset High's No. 1 doubles win in last Friday's first-round victory over Sharon in the Division 2 South Sectional tourney.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Court Queens face mystery opponent after first-round win

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Tri Valley League team was an unknown entity. Save for its fourth seed, just in front of her Cohasset High squad's fifth position, Lady Skippers' head girls tennis coach Sarah Mann regarded Millis as a big question mark heading into Wednesday's quarterfinal round of the Division 2 South Sectional tourney.

"I don't know much about them," Mann said. "I tried to find out, but I didn't learn too much. It'll be a surprise."

The Lady Skippers have had plenty of time to prepare for the match after opening the tourney with a solid performance.

Cohasset got two quick victories from its No. 1 and 2 singles players and then held off a Sharon comeback to take a first-round win over the 12th-seeded (10-6) squad, 3-2, last Friday at home.

Laura Slotnick and eighth-grader Kate Stone took less than an hour combined to give the Lady Skippers a 2-0 lead at first and second singles. Slotnick took her match 6-0, 6-3 while Stone won 6-0, 6-2.

Cohasset's strong start gave Mann the confidence the Lady Skippers would take the match, but she didn't know Sharon would give Cohasset as stiff a time of it as it did. Sharon pushed the Lady Skippers to three sets in their remaining matches, including a third-set tie-breaker at first doubles.

"I thought we had it won right off the bat," said Mann, "but Sharon came back with a vengeance. It was a very competitive match. The hung in there when they had to."

The first-doubles squad of Karen Niessink and Kristin O'Connell took the big win, going 6-1, 3-6 and 7-6, and finally 7-4 in the tie-breaking match.

Mann, too, was pleased with the way her girls played in the pair of Sharon wins. Freshman Katie Brister won the second set of her match, 6-1, but ultimately was defeated in the two others, 6-7 and 2-6.

"She stepped into a sport she didn't think she was going to be in at the beginning of the season," Mann said.

Ashley Brister and eighth-grader Meagan Leahy won a tie-breaking set at No. 2 doubles, but wound up on the short end of a 4-6, 7-5 and 3-6 decision.

Skippers make most of baseball tourney

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

After a dramatic season and an exciting tournament win, the Cohasset High baseball team called it a season after a hard-fought loss to West Bridgewater. Cohasset qualified for the tournament against Chatham, two weeks ago, then faced the Blue Devils in the first round, a miraculous draw which also gave the Skippers the home-field advantage.

Cohasset took advantage of it, pouncing all over Chatham's Mike Beaton. A 7-2 victory sent the Skippers into the next round. Eighth-grader Joe Pergola threw 4-1/3 innings and freshman Greg Taylor finished off without allowing a hit in 2-2/3 innings. The Pergola-Taylor combination left Chatham batters shaking their heads in frustration. However, the pitchers were not alone in their heroics. First baseman Kevin McKenna made a reflexive, diving stab of a line drive into right, which would have gone for extra bases. Left fielder Eric Henry made a fabulous diving grab of a sinking liner, also robbing a Blue Devil of extra bases. Third baseman Mike Dunphy started a double play at third by forcing a runner, then pivoted and fired to Pat Hurley at second. Hurley nearly made it a triple play with a quick turn, but the Chatham runner barely beat the throw to first. Catcher Mike Rossi called a magnificent game behind the plate and pounded a triple into right field. In the final three games of the year, Rossi did not allow a

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Hurdle slip thwarts Menis' record bid

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

It's hard to say for sure, but it is quite possible Cohasset High track sensation Faye Menis' goal at last Saturday's All-State meet was three hurdles and a clean finish away.

Menis, the school's all-time leading point scorer, hit the seventh hurdle in the semifinals of the 100-meter hurdlers and nearly fell. She recovered well and wound up running 16.1, exactly one second shy of Allison James' 15.1 she ran during the 1990 season. Menis had already run 15.3 this season and had her sights firmly set on the record.

Head coach Ron Emmons believes Menis would have been close to the record, and possibly could have broken it, but speculating the outcome of a hurdle race is tough.

"It's hard to say," Emmons said. "You never really want to predict that. I still think she has a sub-15 in her. Faye loves the challenge in the hurdles."

Much of the reason Menis gets a rush from the hurdles' challenge is the risk it involves. A slow start, a foot clipping a hurdle or a change of stride can make the difference between winning and being an also-ran.

When Menis hit the hurdle she was in third place and heading to a spot in the finals. Emmons may not have been sure

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Skippers make most of baseball tourney

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passed ball or a wild pitch.

Designated hitter Rob Buckley came up with a key hit and infielder Joe Magner also provided firepower for the Skippers. Center fielder Grant Emde roped two hits, one of them a double.

However, the second game was not as successful. In front of a heckling West Bridgewater crowd, the Skippers stood tall against the No. 1 seed in the Division 3 South Sectionals.

The home team sent out Sean Stockman to the mound, while Cohasset threw Greg Stevens. Both pitched masterfully, Stevens only allowing six hits and two earned runs in seven innings. Stockman was in trouble all day long as Emde slammed two more hits. Cohasset held the lead into the fifth when West Bridgewater tied it up, then went ahead in the bottom of the sixth.

The Skippers started a gallant rally in the seventh. Taylor led off, reaching safely against a tiring Stockman. Dunphy laid down a perfect bunt, beating it out for an infield hit. However, the Skippers could not capitalize and the the game, along with the season, was over.

Head coach Ron Ford was glowing with pride about his team's effort.

"I am incredibly pleased with the way we played, that game and all season long," he said. "I don't know if I've ever been prouder of any team I've ever coached."

The game was the last for seniors Stevens, Henry and Mike Dunphy. All three played exceptionally well and their efforts and the tournament charge they led, the first in 24 years for Cohasset, will hopefully be duplicated, or even surpassed, in the coming seasons.

Hurdle slip thwarts Menis' bid

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whether she could have nailed down the school record, but he was convinced Menis was a solid bet to qualify for the final race.

"She was well on her way," Emmons said.

Menis and Emmons had both discussed whether or not to run the 200-meters or the hurdles, prior to the meet. They decided on the hurdles. Menis was properly trained and prepared for the race, but it left little room for error.

"The hurdles are more of a high-risk event," Emmons said.

Cohasset swim center opens June 15

The opening day for the Cohasset Swim Center is June 15. Swimming lesson signups will be held Saturday, June 22, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Swim team tryouts are set for Tuesday, June 18, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, June 19, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tryouts are for new swimmers only.

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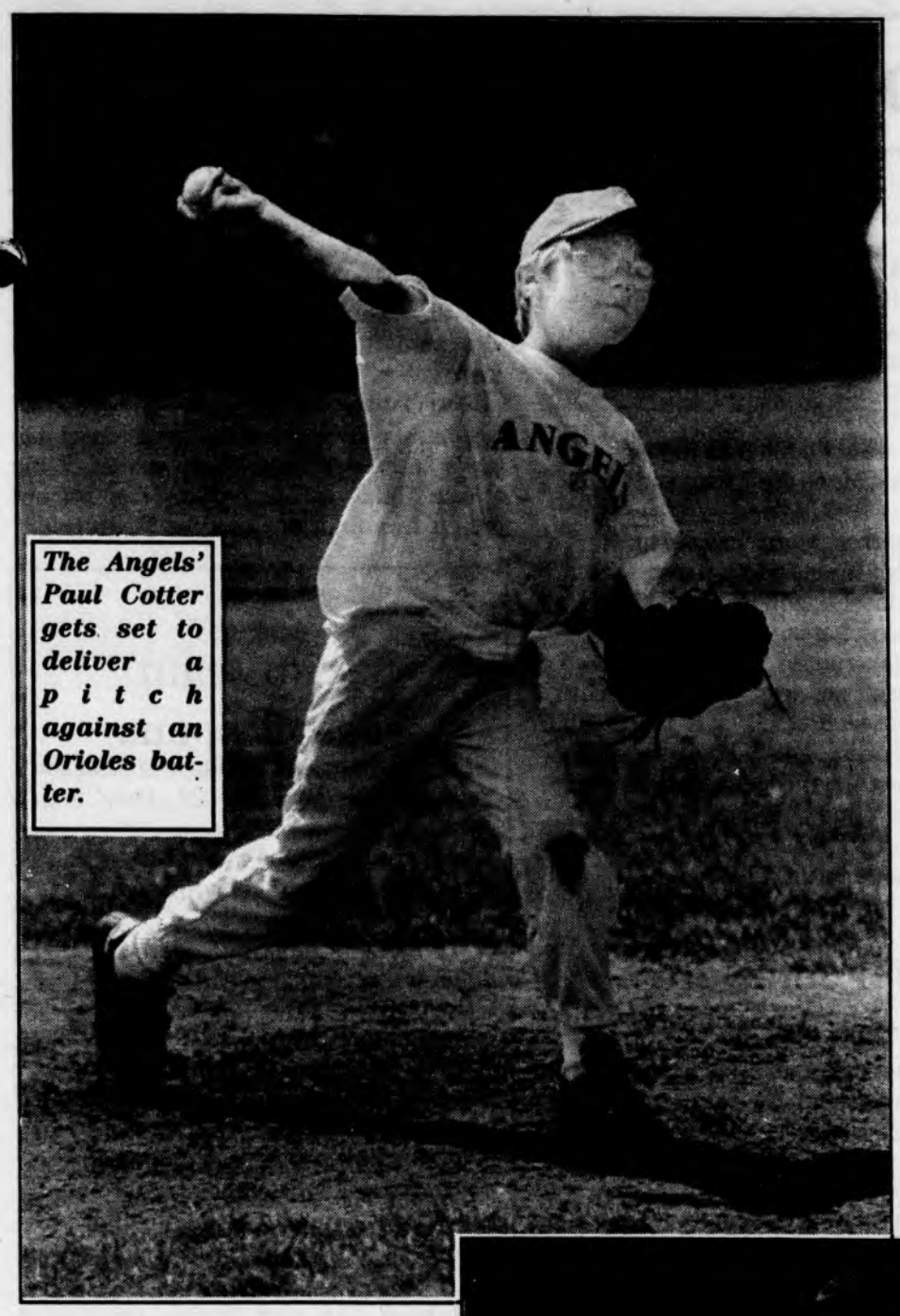

The Angels' Paul Cotter gets set to deliver a pitch against an Orioles batter.

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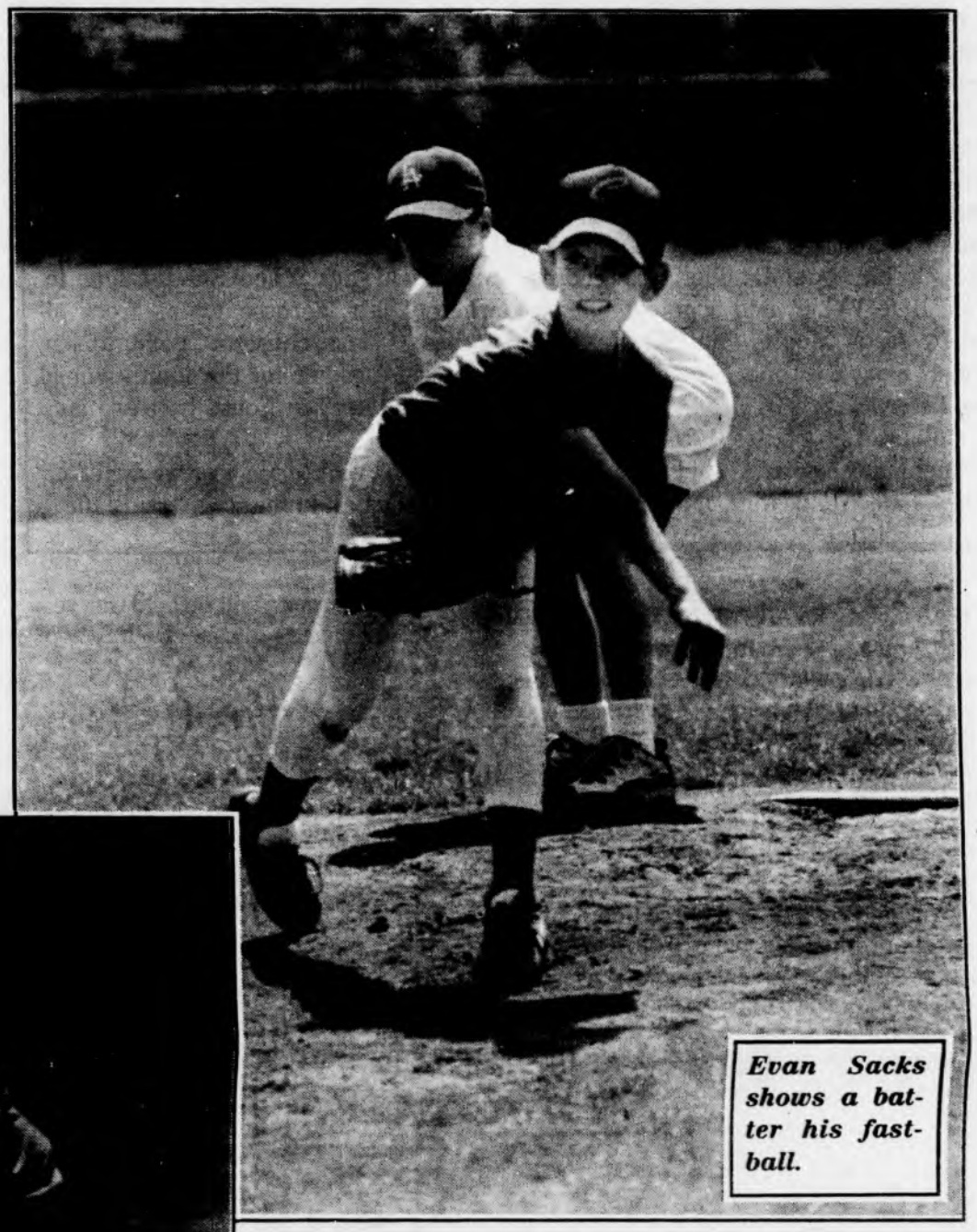
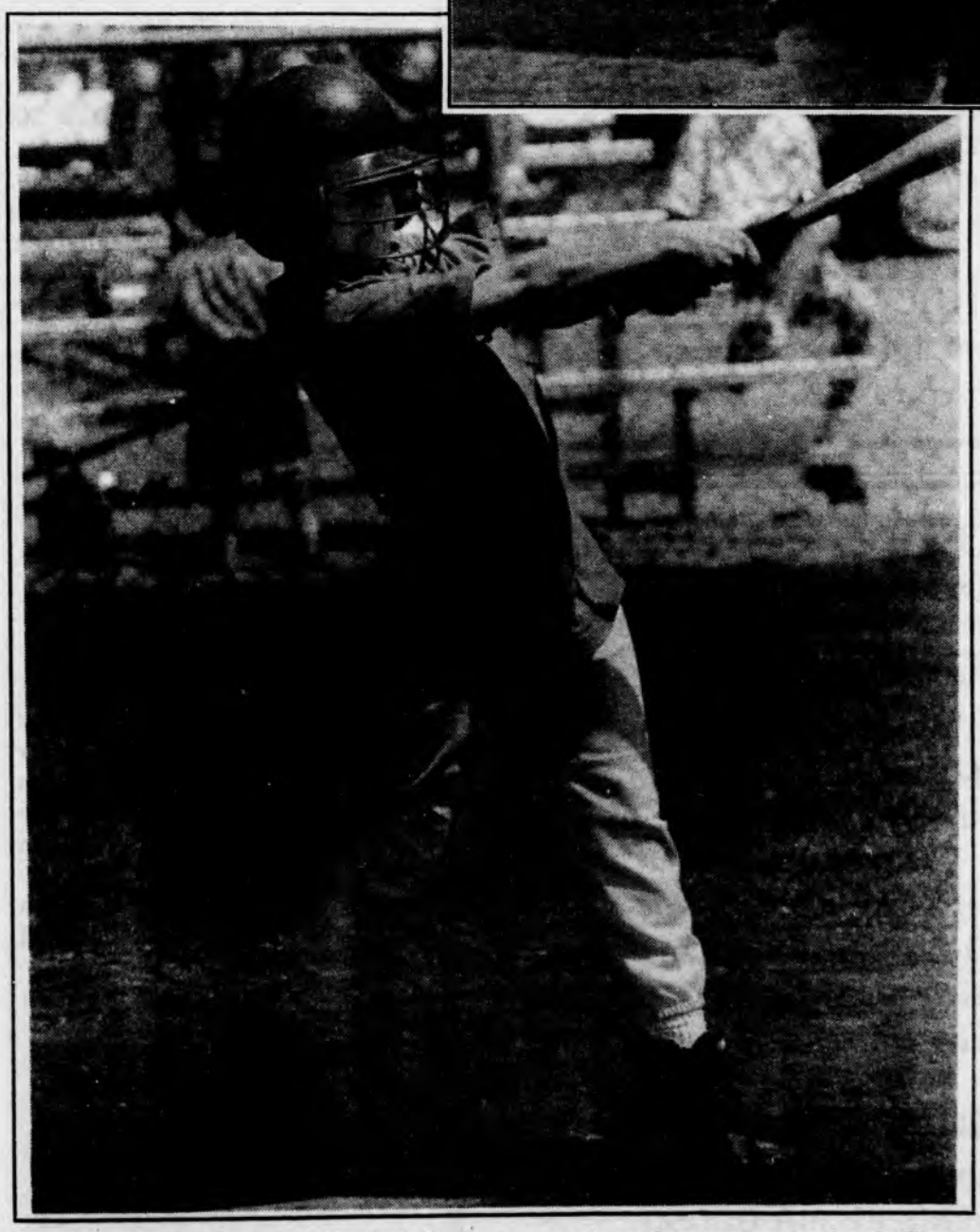
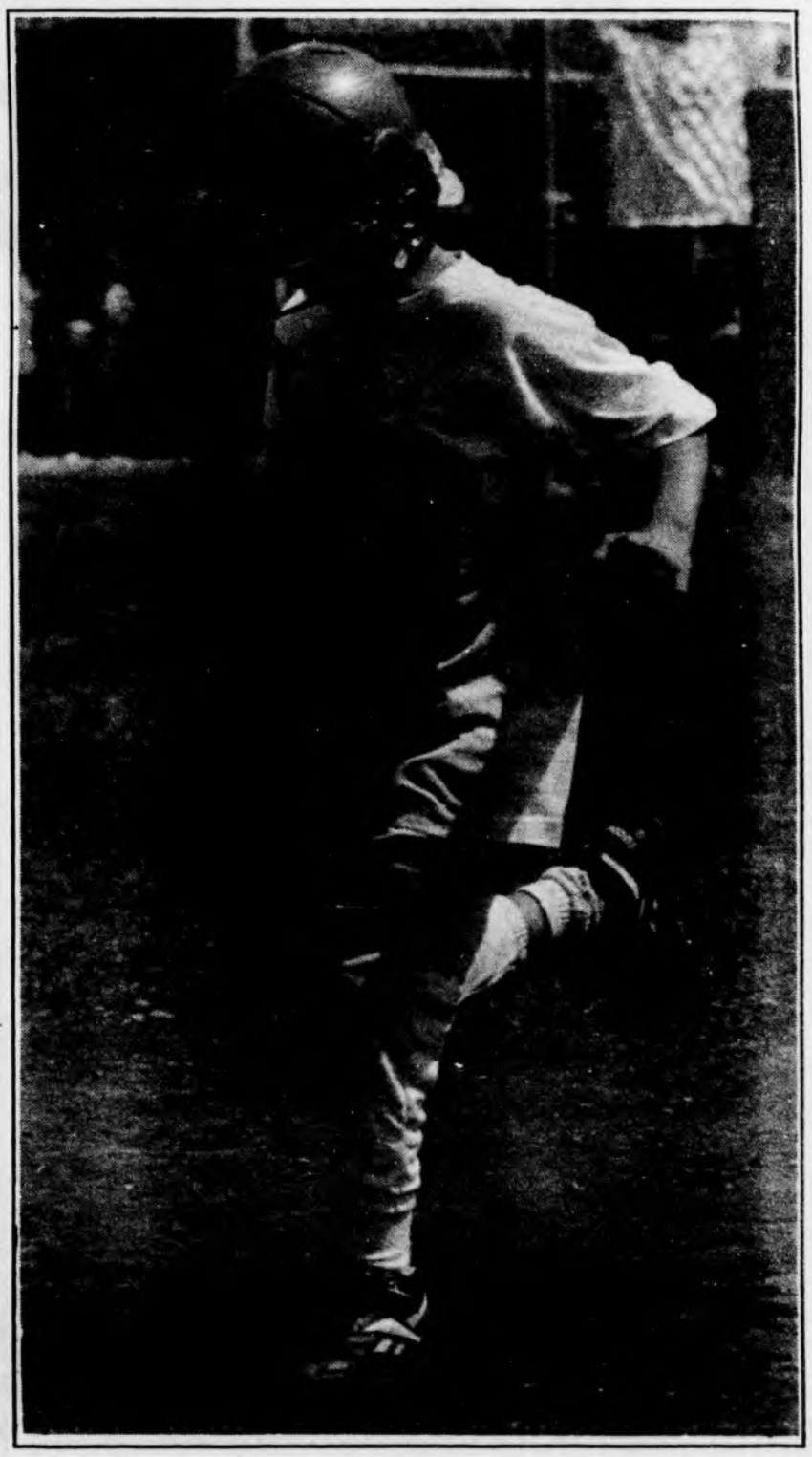


Evan Sacks shows a batter his fastball.

Crandon Leahy reacts to a groundball hit in his direction.



The Orioles' Andrew O'Keefe follows through on his swing as he drills a base hit.



Mike Geddes brings in a run for the Angels during Cohasset Little League action.

Mariner Sports

Youth lacrosse blazes into jamboree

BY TERRY KAHN
Special to the Mariner

Cohasset Youth Lacrosse, in its inaugural season, has posted an impressive 6-2 record heading into the season finale with Hingham June 9, and the statewide youth lacrosse jamboree June 16.

The fifth- and sixth-grade squad, coached by Chuck Jaffe, has earned victories over Milton, Hanover, Duxbury twice, and Norwell. Last Sunday, the Junior Skippers knocked off Falmouth, 11-9, behind outstanding goaltending from Kyle Weber, and a potent offense led by Jason Moore, Paul Previte, Curt Kahn, Evan Pestone, Greg Harrington and Peter Kovach.

"Cohasset's defense has been solid throughout the spring," said Jaffe. "Katie Hines, Paul Trendowicz, John Dwyer and Chris Caron have made big contributions there."

Other standouts for the Junior Skippers have been attackmen Dave DeVito and Tom Digan, midfielders Pete Whoriskey, Henry Roth, Mike Snowdale, Nick Spirito, D.J. Lanzillotti, Dan Kinchla, Greg Ernst, Joel Carpenter and Ben Nash, and defensemen Ross Lieb-Lappen, John Friedman, Kris Peters, Dave Kreuger and Matt Miekleham.

Cohasset closes its season at Marshfield High School Sunday, June 16, when youth lacrosse teams from all across Massachusetts and New Hampshire gather for the fourth annual Massachusetts Bay Youth Lacrosse jamboree.

"We can't wait to see how we match up against the best in the state," said Jaffe.

Soccer camp

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for VIP Soccer Camp for children ages 4 to 7 years.

VIP Soccer Camp offers two programs for boys and girls. ABC Soccer is especially designed for 4 and 5 year olds and meets from 8 to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26. The cost is $50 for the week.

Also offered by VIP is a three-hour per day program, meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26, for 6 and 7 year olds. The cost is $80 for the week.

Both VIP programs will be held this year at the front field of Cohasset High School.

'Boys Night' set for June 7

Upcoming events at the center include "Boys Night Out" on Friday, June 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for boys ages 5-10 years old. Come join Ruthann, George and others for a fun-filled evening of sports, bowling, obstacle courses, and make your own pizza. Everyone receives something for participation. You must be pre-registered. Call the center for more information.

Adult evening tennis lessons

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept ongoing telephone registrations for adult evening tennis classes for all levels of instruction by phone at 383-6791.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

Beginners: Mon., 6to 7 p.m. and Weds., 7 to 8 p.m.

Intermediates: Mon., 7 to 8 p.m.

Advanced: Weds., 6 to 7 p.m.

Other classes will be scheduled as demand necessitates.

All sessions run for four weeks and cost $35 per person per session. John McGrory of the Cohasset Rec. Dept.'s tennis staff will teach. Participants who do not own or have access to a racquet should indicate this at registration.

Non-residents will be accepted on a space-available basis.

Baseball camp registrations

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for a weeklong baseball camp for youngsters ages 5 through 12 years at the recreation office, first floor, Cohasset Town Hall.

The South Shore Baseball Club has been contracted again this year to provide baseball camp, which will be held the week of June 24 at Miliken Field.

Two camps are available to youngsters as follows: Full day, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. camp for ages 7 and over; and a half-day 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. camp is available for 5- and 6-year-old.s

The week long camp cost is $140 per child for the full-day program, and $75 per child for the half-day program. Camp ends Friday, June 28.

The South Shore Baseball Club, located at the South Shore Sports Center, Hingham, operates year-round baseball instruction.

Non-Cohasset residents will be accepted for baseball camp on a space available basis and registration forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Department Office, first floor of Cohasset Town Hall.

Swim team season opens

The Varsity Swim Shop will be at the pool Wednesday, June 26, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Please note this is a different date from the one mistakenly printed in the registration packet.

Swim suits must be ordered at this time so the team logo can be printed on them.

Swim team tryouts for new members only of all ages will be held Tuesday, June 18, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, June 19, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Swim Center.

Diving team tryouts for new members only will be Thursday, June 20, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. at the swim center. Please plan to spend the full hour and meet the new diving coaches, Dawn Meeehan and Amy Wojtasinski.

Please call Susan Etkind at 383-6602 or Miki Berg at 383-1193 with any questions.

Mixed doubles tennis slated for June 22

South Shore Community Center in Cohasset will sponsor a mixed doubles tennis tournament and mixed senior tournament Saturday, June 22, with finals to be played Sunday, June 23, rain or shine.

Entry fee is $50 per player; $35 for players 60 and older. Registration closes June 19. Participants will be contacted June 20 after 5 p.m. with their starting time and court location.

To register and for more information, call Chris Horne at 545-1184 or Stephanie Church at 383-0088.

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Jade Forest offers Chi Kung class

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For more information including cost, call Jade Forest at 383-6822. Jade Forest is located on Route 3A in Cohasset.

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Ron Ford Basketball Camps set

Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford will conduct two basketball camps this summer for boys and girls, ages 8-15. The 8-11 camp costs $120 and runs from Tuesday, July 9-12. The five-day camp for boys and girls from 12-15, will run from Monday, July 15-19. The cost is $150. There is a $25 family discount. Bosth camp progrmas meet at Cohasset High School from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants in both camps will receive a camp T-shirt and a discount coupon for Converse basketball shoes at The Good Sport. Camp brochures and application forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Office in the town hall.

Sports Camp schedule

The Cohasset Recreation Department will offer a variety of sports camps during the summer of 1996, for both boys and girls, ages 3 through 18 years.

Camps include: traditional summer playground, tennis lessons, baseball, basketball, lacrosse and soccer.

Registrations will be ongoing throughout spring for all specific sports camps. Monday, June 17, through Thursday, June 20, the Recreation Department will be accepting registrations for the 1996 summer playground and tennis lessons, also camp applications will be accepted. Please call the recreation office at 383-6791 for information to register.

Baseball Camp: Monday, June 24 - Friday, June 28, ages 5-12, boys and girls.

8:30 to 11:30 a.m., 1/2 day camp for ages 5-7 years, $75; 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., full day camp for ages 7-12 years, $140. Directed by South Shore Baseball Club.

1996 Summer Playground: Monday, July 1 - Saturday, Aug. 17, ages 3-12, boys and girls.

Pre-school, ages 3-5, 9:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., $125; 5-12 years, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., $150.

Registration is June 17 through June 20. There is a $35 per child, non-refundable activity/registration fee, which includes T-shirt.

1996 Tennis Lessons: Monday, July 1 - Friday, Aug. 16, ages 6 and up boys and girls. Miliken Field tennis courts, $44. Registration June 17 to June 20.

Basketball: Tuesday, July 9 - Friday, July 12, mini-camp grade 4-6, $120. Monday, July 15 - Friday, July 19, grades 6-9, $150.

Both weeks are optional to grade 6 boys and girls. Cohasset High School Gym. Directed by Ron Ford, Head CHS Coach.

Soccer Camps: VIP Soccer – Monday, July 22 - Friday, July 26.

Soccer ABC's, ages 4-5 boys and girls, 8 to 9:30 a.m. Half day camp, ages 6 and 7 boys and girls, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Soccer ABC's, $50; Half day camp, $80. Cohasset High School front field.

South Shore Soccer Camp*: *Both weeks are optional for both boys and girls.

Monday, July 29 - Friday, Aug. 2, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175. Monday, Aug. 5 - Friday, Aug. 9, ages 8-18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., $175.

Lacrosse Non-Contact Clinic: Tuesday evening, 6:30 to 8 p.m., grades 4-6 (entering fall, 1996), Deer Hill School (side field, Sohier St.), July 9 - Aug. 6, $26.

*Most camps/programs fee rates reflect family discounts for multiple children registering for the same service.

Girls basketball clinic at Notre Dame Academy

Notre Dame Academy is sponsoring a Basketball Clinic for girls in grades 6-8 on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the school's gymnasium, 1073 Main St. The fee is $75.

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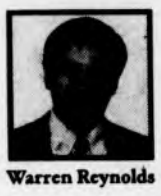
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The historic buildings include the Old Ordinary, Old Derby, Old Ship Meeting House and the Hingham Community Center. Light refreshments will be served in the afternoon. No cameras or spike heels will be allowed on the tour.

The 1996 exhibit is very special this year. "And So To Bed" will display with detailed accuracy the beds, bed clothes and customs of early New England. Items have been selected from the Old Ordinary's extensive collection and specially woven textiles reproducing the early coverings have been researched and purchased. Hand sewing has been ongoing for many months by volunteers. The exhibit will continue through Sept. 14, and may be seen Tuesdays through Saturdays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 on tour day. They are available at Bowl and Board in Hingham Square and at the Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt Street. Tickets on tour day will be sold only at the Old Ordinary, 21 Lincoln Street after 10 a.m. At that time tickets may also be exchanged for tour books.

To order tickets by mail, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope and your check to the Hingham Historical Society, P.O. Box 434, Hingham 02043. Mark the envelope "House Tour."

For further information, call 749-4219 or 749-1851.

Wellspring walk-fest June 8

Saturday, June 8, a 10K pledge walk for the Wellspring Community Service Agency will be held on Nantasket Beach. The tide will be out, and chances are the day will be glorious.

Start at 9:30 a.m. opposite the Carousel, walk to "S" Street and back, have a wonderful time getting tan and fit, and support Wellspring's programs, including adult learning, food pantry, Victims of Domestic Violence group, counseling and referral, and the thrift shop.

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Cold salads and desserts appreciated. Grill provided. All members welcomed.

Come to BAYDAY at the Abbey

South Shore ARC will hold BAYDAY at Glastonbury Abbey in Hingham Sunday, June 23, from noon to 5 p.m. BAYDAY is a family day and open to the public, featuring entertainment, food, performances by Boston Children's Theatre, Flying Pie circus clowns, a 19-piece alumni band, magic shows, wildlife from Trailside Museum and a DJ.

Admission is $5 for children. Adults over age 18 will be admitted free.

Tickets will be sold for pony cart rides, a "Hug-a-Bunny" petting zoo, face painting, balloon sculptures, bake tables and a children's novelty table. There will be a day-long silent auction for adults as well as a food court.

Proceeds from the event will benefit ARC's community recreation programs.

Mystery night at Buttonwood

Buttonwood Books & Toys, Cohasset, will hold its spring Mystery Night Wednesday, June 12, from 7 to 9 p.m. Boston and Cape Cod mystery authors Janice Weber, Paul Kemprecos and Rosemary Herbert will read from, and talk about, their books.

Weber is the author of three highly acclaimed mystery novels, including "Frost the Fiddler," a New York Times notable book.

Kemprecos is a Shamus Award winner who spent more than 20 years as a reporter and editor for Cape Cod newspapers before trying his hand at mystery novels.

Herbert, a feature writer for the Boston Herald, has co-edited "The Oxford Book of American Detective Stories" with author Tony Hillerman.

There is no admission charge, but reservations are requested. Call 383-2665 for further information.

Leavitt family reunion is June 22

The National Association of Leavitt Families will hold its annual reunion Saturday, June 22, in Lexington. Registration is at 8:30 a.m., followed by a full day of activities.

The meeting, which is open to all descendants of John and Thomas Leavitt, will be held at The Museum of Our National Heritage, 33 Marrett Road. Reservations must be made by June 15 with Tom Leavitt at (617) 861-6559. The cost is $16 for adults, $10 for children.

St. Stephen's to celebrate its centennial

The Rt. Rev. Barbara C. Harris, Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts, will celebrate a festival Eucharist on the occasion of the parish centennial at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church, 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset, on Saturday, June 8, at 4 p.m. A procession to the church will organize at the Osgood School at 3:30 p.m.

The first worshipers met at the old Central Schoolhouse on Bourne's Rock where the church itself now stands.

The centennial worship will include music composed especially for the occasion: an anthem entitled, "Holy This Temple;" and a communion anthem entitled, "Dreamers of the Dream."

In addition to the bishop, former clergy, The Revs F. Lee Richards and Roy F. Cederholm Jr. will be present at the celebration. Following the worship there will be a champagne reception in the church courtyard and a banquet in the church hall.

A centennial flower festival will be held inviting parishioners and friends to create arrangements for the church and hall. The flowers may be seen at worship and at a harpsichord recital open to the public the next day. Mark Kroll, harpsichordist from Boston University, will perform in recital at Saint Stephen's Sunday, June 9, at 3 p.m. Works by Couperin, Rameau, Bach and Scarlatti will be featured in a beautiful program. Donations toward the performance will be by free will offering.

Saint Stephen's was organized as a church on June 8, 1896 by 21 persons who adopted a constitution and by-laws and unanimously voted to name the church after Saint Stephen, the first follower of Jesus to die for his faith. Since that first meeting more than 1,600 people have been baptized into the Christian faith at Saint Stephen's.

In addition, the church started a social service organization (the Village Guild), and a hospital for children (Bonnie Bairns).

From September 1924, the church has been home to the seventh carillon to be built in the United States. In 1925, President and Mrs. Calvin Coolidge visited to listen to the carillon.

Renovated in 1989, the carillon today is the largest in New England by number of bells, 57.

In the 1940s the church was active in the Sunlight Hospital and Camp for crippled children and the blind. After the riots in Roxbury in 1967, Saint Stephen's helped sponsor a summer day camp for Roxbury and Cohasset children, and played a leading role in introducing the METCO program to Cohasset. The church has a long history of caring for others.

At the same time, former Rector, Dr. Richard D. Muir, sums it all up saying: "Through all of this, babies were born, celebrated, and baptized. Loves were discovered, consecrated, cherished, lost and grieved. Wonderful friends, brothers and sisters in Christ were made and enjoyed.

"Great and grand churchmen and churchwomen supported St. Stephen's with their devotion, energy and substance. Best of all, by and large, we supported one another in all of this: sharing our joys, our hurts, and our sorrows. We had fun!"

The Centennial celebration on June 8 honors all of that and looks to a new century of worship, believing and compassion atop Bourne's Rock at the center of Cohasset.

Gospel concert is June 15

Tickets for the fourth annual Gospel Concert at 8 p.m., Saturday June 15 are $7 (only $5 with a Harborfest button, available through June 10). Tickets and buttons are available at the First Parish Church office, open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Call 383-1100 for information. The New Temple Singers under the direction of David Coleman will present their repertoire of contemporary and original gospel music.

Court advocates needed

South Shore Women's Center, Plymouth, is looking for volunteers to train as court advocates and hotline volunteers to help victims of domestic violence. Court advocates work in Hingham, Wareham and Plymouth courts, helping victims with the restraining order process, and hotline volunteers answer calls to the hotline from their own home a couple of nights a month.

Call Roberta Brooks, volunteer coordinator, at (508) 746-2664 for more information.

SSWC is also seeking volunteers to help launch a program in Plymouth-area schools teaching children from elementary age to high school age about violence prevention. Individuals with teaching, social work or counseling backgrounds are particularly needed.

All Paws to meet June 18

The All Paws Rescue Fund-Raising Committee will meet Tuesday, June 18, at 7:30 p.m. at Days Inn, Rockland. Members and friends are invited to attend and be part of the "Fun of Fund-raising" event, which will benefit lost, strayed and abandoned animals, enabling them to have shelter, receive veterinary care and find loving homes.

Stress management support

Cohasset Community Church, a new evangelical church, is hosting a Stress Management Support Group on Fridays from 7 to 8 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall's small meeting room. The study will be led by the church's pastor, the Rev. Robert Hurlbut. All are welcome.

The group is involved in a six-week practical study of "Stress Management: Finding the Balance." The study will allow participants to learn about stress and its effects and how to deal with stressful situations.

For further information, call the church at 383-9761.

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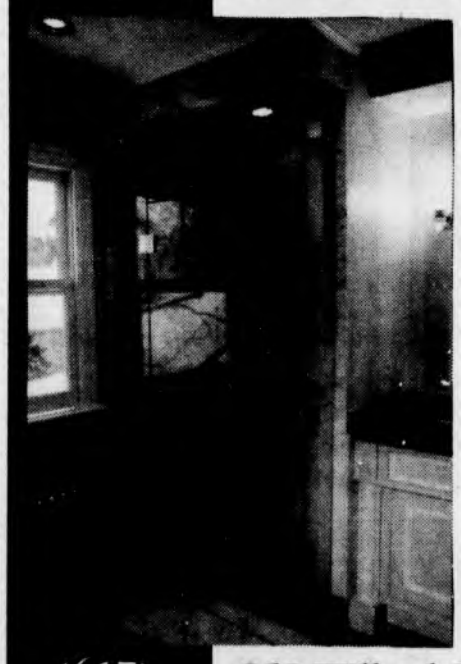
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Braintree Cooperative	617-843-1370	7.85	8.22	6.64
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Community Bank	508-587-3210	7.83	8.21	8.68
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Ugly tie contest sponsored by dry cleaners

The first annual South Shore Ugly Neck Tie Contest is being sponsored by Via Valet, Dwyer's Cleaning Spot and The Cleanist. No purchase is required, and categories include: Better in the Dark; Goofy; Clown King; and Unique but Unattractive.

Ugly ties may be dropped off at Dwyer's Clean Spot locations in Cohasset and Hingham or may be picked up in the Hingham area by Via Valet.

Winners will receive dinner for two at South Shore restaurants, and all entrants will receive a coupon good for a free tie cleaning. The ugly tie deadline is June 30. For details, call 1-800-79-VALET.

At left, Bob Dwyer, president of Dwyer's Cleaning Spot and Via Valet and at right, Paul Ceccarelli, CEO of The Cleanist and Via Valet, stick their necks out to kick off The First Annual South Shore Ugly Neck Tie Contest. Ugly ties can be dropped off at Dwyer's Cleaning Spot on Rte. 3A.

Citizens Energy Group on African tour

More than 20 American business representatives and Kennedy family members led by Citizens Energy Corporation Chairman Michael Kennedy of Cohasset left Wednesday, May 29, for an eight-day tour of Angola and South Africa. The trip will combine the start-up of new commercial and charitable initiatives for the non-profit energy company in Africa with the celebration of the 30th Anniversary of Robert F. Kennedy's powerful "Ripple of Hope" speech, made at the University of Cape Town in June, 1966.

The journey, sponsored by Citizens Energy in cooperation with the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial, will include stops at Luanda, Johannesburg and Soweto and will conclude in Cape Town with a forum at the university and a memorial mass.

Citizens Energy, a marketer of Angolan crude oil and products through a subsidiary since the 1980s, will provide $1.5 million for the establishment of a university in Luanda, capital of that war-torn nation, in conjunction with the Angolan Catholic Church. In addition, the group, which includes Mrs. Robert F. Kennedy, is scheduled to meet with the Angolan President Eduardo dos Santos and will travel to the Citizens Energy-supported Children's Town orphanage in nearby Huambo.

While in Cape Town, the group will meet with South African President Nelson Mandela as well as with students at the university where a forum will be held. Michael Kennedy is scheduled to address the gathering.

Citizens Energy is a non-profit company based in Boston started by Joseph P. Kennedy II to provide low-cost oil for low-income and elderly families. Citizens Energy uses the profits from commercial enterprise to fund energy and technical assistance programs for needy families here and abroad and has since 1989 generated more than $47 million in program funding.

Business partnership to hold meeting

The South Shore Business Partnership for Health will host a breakfast forum, Friday, June 14, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Lombardo's, Randolph.

Carol Cormier, vice president of Group Benefit Strategies of Worcester, will address the pros and cons of self-funding a business' employee health insurance.

The cost is $15 per person or $150 for a table of 10. Call 340-8564 to reserve a seat.

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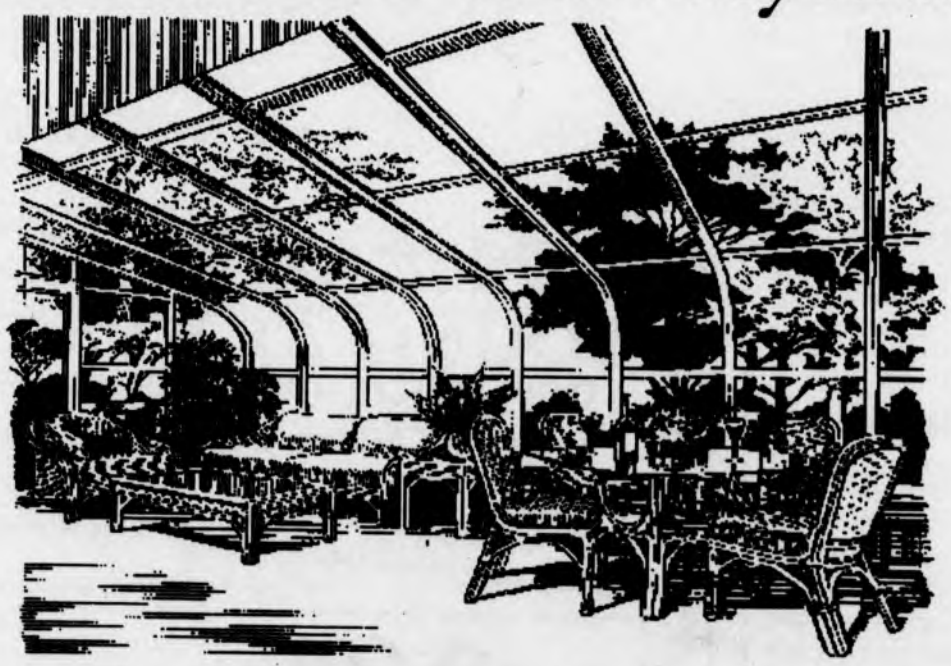

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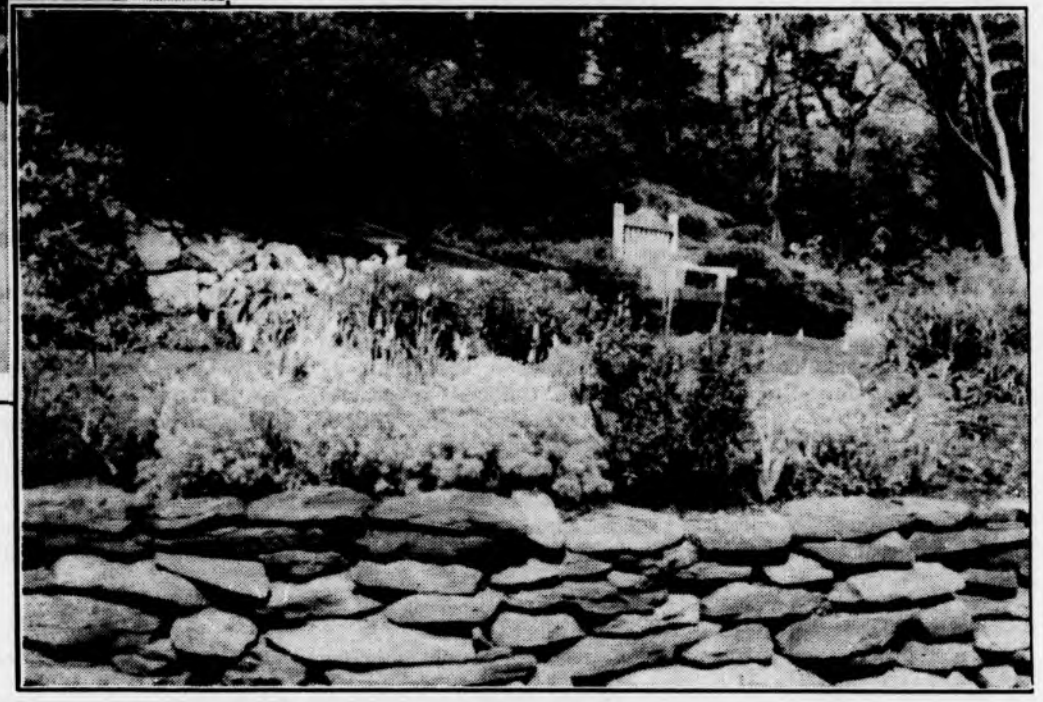

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Police Log

Friday, May 24

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 72

4:19 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave., investigated.

4:21 p.m., animal complaint, HQ, Ash St., departmental action.

4:53 p.m., animal complaint, Tupelo Rd., departmental action.

6:33 p.m., disturbance (general), S. Main St., departmental action.

9:09 p.m., suspicious activity, HQ, N. Main St., departmental action.

9:19 p.m., general services, Church St., departmental action.

Saturday, May 25

12:19 a.m., suspicious activity, S.S. Chevy Rte. 3A, no police service necessary.

1:18 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A Hassan Signs, verbal warning.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 60

8:49 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main /Square, traffic warning issued.

9:11 a.m., offenses against family and children (CHINS), Sohier St., departmental action.

9:45 a.m., motor vehicle theft, S. Main St., investigated.

9:54 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, S. Main St./Summer St., traffic warning issued.

11:08 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main St./Rocky Lane, traffic citation issued (or ticket).

12:10 a.m., animal complaint, Gammons Rd., referred to other agency.

12:42 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, 3A/Pond St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:01 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, King St., traffic citation issued (or ticket).

1:29 p.m., officer field investigation, Lamberts Lane.

2:28 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St., services rendered.

2:35 p.m., vehicle accident (property damage), N. Main St./King, investigated.

3:15 p.m., officer field investigation, Bancroft Rd., false call.

3:28 p.m., vehicle accident (personal injury), Summer St.

3:45 p.m., officer wanted, Bound Brook, unfounded.

4:36 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St., no police service necessary.

4:57 p.m.., traffic/MV complaint, CJC Hwy., unfounded.

8:59 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy., services rendered.

9:34 p.m., animal complaint, Hull St., services rendered.

10:29 p.m., missing persons, HQ, departmental action.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Sunday, May 26

12:55 a.m., suspicious activity, Beechwood St., investigated.

1:14 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main/Dolan Lane, verbal warning.

1:33 a.m., suspicious activity, Pond St., verbal warning.

1:42 a.m., noise complaint, Elm St., advised to contact police if repeated or returned.

2:14 a.m., suspicious activity, S. Main St., services rendered.

2:23 a.m., noise complaint, Margin St., dispersed gathering.

2:24 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, N. Main/Common, verbal warning.

2:53 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Rte. 3A Hingham Line, traffic warning issued.

3:19 a.m., assist citizen, Mobile Mart Rte. 3A, services rendered.

3:35 a.m., noise complaint, Kimball's, Elm St., departmental action.

4:55 a.m., trespassing, Kimball's, Elm St., arrest.,

4:27 a.m., threats (bodily harm), Kimball's, Elm St., departmental action.

5:23 a.m., general services, Kimball's, Elm St., services rendered.

Officer Lennon in with Thomas J. Clark, DOB: 7/9/73, under arrest for trespassing.

8:00 a.m., Sunny, 63

10:45 a.m., suspicious activity, Kinder Dr., area search negative.

11:37 a.m., emergency services, area of Ledge Way, services rendered.

11:44 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Brewster Rd., investigated.

1:11 p.m., traffic/MV complaint, Wadleigh Park, departmental action.

2:50 p.m., medical, Government Island, removed to hospital.

4:00 p.m., Clear, 70

4:45 p.m., escort, Tedeschi's Food Shop, services rendered.

6:03 p.m., offenses against family and children (CHINS), Sohier St., departmental action.

6:30 p.m, disturbance (general), Summer St., departmental action.

6:43 p.m., medical, Forest Circle, services rendered.

6:48 p.m., burglary (B&E), Summer St., investigated.

7:21 p.m., fire alarm, Cushing Rd., services rendered.

8:58 p.m., suspicious activity, behind Cohasset News, area search negative.

9:05 p.m., violation of liquor laws, Howard Gleason Rd., arrest. Ptl. Quigley in with Scott Herzog, 37 Church St., Cohasset. DOB: 9/7/75, arrested for minor transporting alcohol.

9:39 p.m., disturbance (general), The Square, dispersed gathering.

12:00 a.m., Clear, 60

Monday, May 27

12:25 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, CHC Hwy. (Mary Lou's), verbal warning.

12:29 a.m., traffic accident (personal injury), N. Main St., removed to hospital.

1:20 a.m., missing property (lost & found), N. main St. (Little League Field), departmental action.

1:24 a.m., suspicious activity, Government Island, investigated.

1:57 a.m., traffic/MV complaint, Forest Ave. (Spindrift Ln.).

2:05 a.m., general services, Ripley Rd., services rendered.

2:13 a.m. general services, N. Main St., departmental action.

8:00 a.m., Cloudy, 60

8:36 a.m., officer field investigation, Hull St., false call.

2:21 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd., HQ, departmental action.

4:00 p.m., Sunny, 72

6:03 p.m., disturbance (general), Cedarledge Village, investigated.

6:19 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St., services rendered.

6:56 p.m., vandalism, Beechwood St., investigated.

8:13 p.m., general services, Hillside Dr., services rendered.

8:51 p.m., suspicious activity, HQ, Ash St., departmental action.

11:02 p.m., disturbance (general), Atlantic Ave., area search negative.

12:00 a.m., Cloudy, 58

Tuesday, May 28

12:30 a.m., suspicious auto, Atlantic Ave.

2:35 a.m., ambulance, Buttonwood Ln.

6:19 a.m., abandoned 911 call, Jerusalem Rd.

7:31 a.m., motor vehicle violations, S. Main St.

9:50 a.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main by Green St.

11:11 a.m., abandoned 911 call, Highland Ave.

12:30 p.m., missing person, Summer St.

3:11 p.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd.

4:17 p.m., suspicious person, HQ.

5:45 p.m., animal complaint, Cedar St.

7:21 p.m., property (found), HQ.

7:50 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

8:03 p.m., runaway, River Rd.

9:14 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

11:05 p.m., disturbance (family), Jerusalem Rd.

Wednesday, May 29

7:28 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Pleasant St.

9:55 a.m., fire inspections, S. Main St.

10:25 a.m., assist citizen, Brook St.

10:35 a.m., fire inspections, Wheelwright Farm.

11:04 a.m., fire inspections, Cedar St.

11:35 a.m., property (lost), CJC Hwy.

1:05 p.m., alarm (burglar), Nichols Rd.

1:57 p.m., assist motorist, Square.

5:07 p.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.

5:48 p.m., disabled auto, White Head Rd.

6:41 p.m., disturbance, Doane St.

7:35 p.m., disabled auto, S. Main St.

7:26 p.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.

Thursday, May 30

12:10 a.m., assist other PD, Elm St.

1:08 a.m., suspicious auto, S. Main St.

1:35 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.

7:23 a.m., animal complaint, Highland Ave.

7:42 a.m., motor vehicle stop, S. Main St.

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8:06 a.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.

10:02 a.m., fire inspections, S. Main St.

10:06 a.m., abandoned 911 call, CJC Hwy.

10:35 a.m., public service, CJC Hwy.

10:47 a.m., fire inspections, Jerusalem Rd.

12:29 p.m., fire, structure, Nichols Rd.

1:29 p.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy./Pond St.

1:32 p.m.,burglar alarm, Nichols Rd.

1:38 p.m., MV/accident, CJC Hwy.

3:38 p.m., MV/accident, CJC Hwy.

3:53 p.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

9:37 p.m., annoying phone calls, Cushing Rd.

Friday, May 31

12:42 a.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main St.

2:34 a.m., suspicious, CJC Hwy.

3:09 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.

6:23 a.m., burglar alarm, Crocker Ln.

6:36 a.m., assist other PD, Elm St.

6:39 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:19 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

7:35 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

8:51 a.m., Medical aid, Atlantic Ave.

9:00 a.m., missing person, Hillside Dr.

9:09 a.m., missing person, Jerusalem Rd.

9:22 a.m., info, general, Sohier St.

10:36 a.m., fire detail, Scituate Center Fire Station.

11:03 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy./Pond St.

11:20 a.m., fire detail, Summer St.

12:37 p.m., fir detail, Pond St.

1:27 p.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main St.

2:28 p.m., animal complaint, Oak St.

2:39 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

4:35 p.m., annoying phone calls, Tupelo Rd.

8:21 p.m., parking violation, Border St.

Police status report for May

During May, Cohasset police made 12 arrests including two for operating under the influence of alcohol, three for protective custody, two for outstanding warrants, and one each for larceny, assault & battery with a dangerous weapon, possession of a Class D controlled substance, trespassing, and minor transporting alcohol.

There was also one breaking and entering reported to the department last month, Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

In May, the emergency dispatch center received 97 emergency 911 calls.

Noonan said the department sent three officers to an intensive two-day bicycling training course last month.

"As I had previously indicated to you," Noonan wrote to selectmen. "One of my goals was to institute bicycle patrols."

He explained that the department is in the process of soliciting local businesses for money to support these patrols. Funds would be used to purchase bicycles and the special uniforms that would be required.

Noonan said PALS officer Lisa Matos taught more than 12 classes at the junior high last month.

"We were also very fortunate to receive two grant awards for our PALS program," he said.

The first was a $5,000 grant from the Copeland Family Foundation, Inc. and the second was a $1,000 grant from the Norfolk County Sheriff's department, Noonan said.

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A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that CHARLES G. FINK of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

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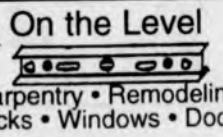

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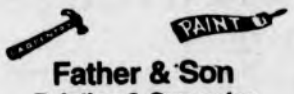

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Local state senate race hits a speed bump

Hedlund accuses Delahunt of 'ducking' debate

By JENNIFER R. HORAN
Cohasset Mariner

State senate candidate Robert M. Delahunt Jr. has rejected an opportunity to debate his opponent, Sen. Robert Hedlund, on Ilana Marks' upcoming cable television show, "On the Mark."

While Delahunt, D-Weymouth, insisted he never agreed to the debate, Hedlund accused Delahunt of "ducking" the debate after accepting Marks' invitation to appear on the June 26 show. Hedlund, R-Weymouth, accepted a second invitation to a debate rescheduled for July 17, while Delahunt declined, citing a packed campaign schedule.

"I'm frustrated that he's not going to join us after we set the whole thing up," said Hedlund. "Everything was done to accommodate his schedule and then he said he was too busy."

But Delahunt said the debate was not set in stone, despite what Boston Sunday Globe columnist Robert Preer wrote last weekend. In his June 2 column, Preer wrote, "Delahunt initially accepted an invitation for a debate on the show, then said he could not make it because of a scheduling conflict."

"I never agreed to do it," said Delahunt. "What Robert Preer wrote in his column is just plain wrong. It's not true. The reason I didn't agree was because of a scheduling conflict."

Delahunt, a 32-year-old Democrat, announced a debate schedule that includes two appearances in each of the eight towns in the district, which stretches from East Braintree to Duxbury. He plans to schedule one debate in each town before the primary and a repeat appearance in each town following the September primary.

"I find it ironic that he's too busy through June and July to do one debate," Hedlund said. "How can he do 16?"

"It's an ambitious schedule," Delahunt said. "The serious and responsible approach would be to agree to do a series of debates that focuses on the issues. We need to keep this campaign on the high road and keep it on the issues period."

Delahunt said he hopes to set up a debate with Hedlund as soon as his schedule allows. He seeks sponsorship from district-area organizations such as the South Shore Chamber of Commerce and the League of Women Voters and news entities such as WATD Radio and Mariner Community Newspapers.

"The sponsors I will be calling on will be fair to both candidates," he said. "I'm committed to discussing the issues and keeping the debate focused on the issues."

Host Ilana Marks defended her show, reiterating that her role in the debate would be an impartial one.

"I do not intend to take sides on any of the issues or with either of the candidates," she said. "I'm not endorsing anyone. I really, truly believe in an open debate where every issue is viewed f both sides. I would like to extend my tation to Delahunt to come and de. to Hedlund on my show."

Marks said she wants her show to follow a live call-in debate format that actively involves audience members who can telephone, e-mail or write in questions to the candidates.

"I envision a television show where people will be able to find out from week to week who's running, what the issues are, who the candidates are and what they're all about," Marks said. "I think people would like to see more interesting debates. I'd like it to be a lot more spontaneous, with the candidates answering on the air."

Marks said her experience running in the Scituate selectman-at-large race opened her eyes to the idea of providing an open forum for debate.

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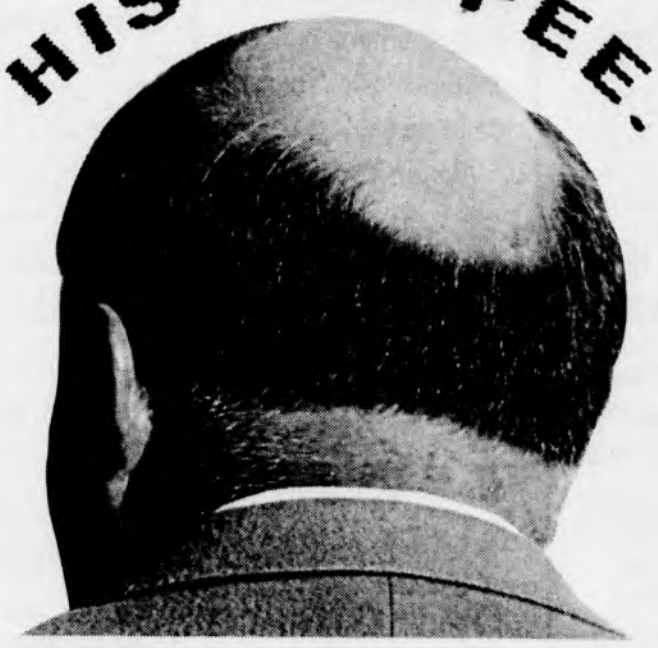

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Con(grad)ulations!

Class of '96 told to treasure past but look to future

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset High graduates were told to savor the moment and thank those who helped them along the way, during the Class of 1996 commencement exercises Saturday under the big top at the Music Circus.

Although the students' speeches varied in style and delivery, they shared common themes of gratitude for supportive families and fine teachers, and stressed that the future can be both challenging and satisfying for those who strive to reach their goals.

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder's remarks came from the vantage point of experience and contained a caution about the true tasks that lie ahead in a shrinking world.

Class president Andrea Mercurio talked about reaching for your dreams in her welcoming address.

Paraphrasing the late Robert Kennedy, she said, "Our parents opened up a door and passed on their ideals. Now it's our

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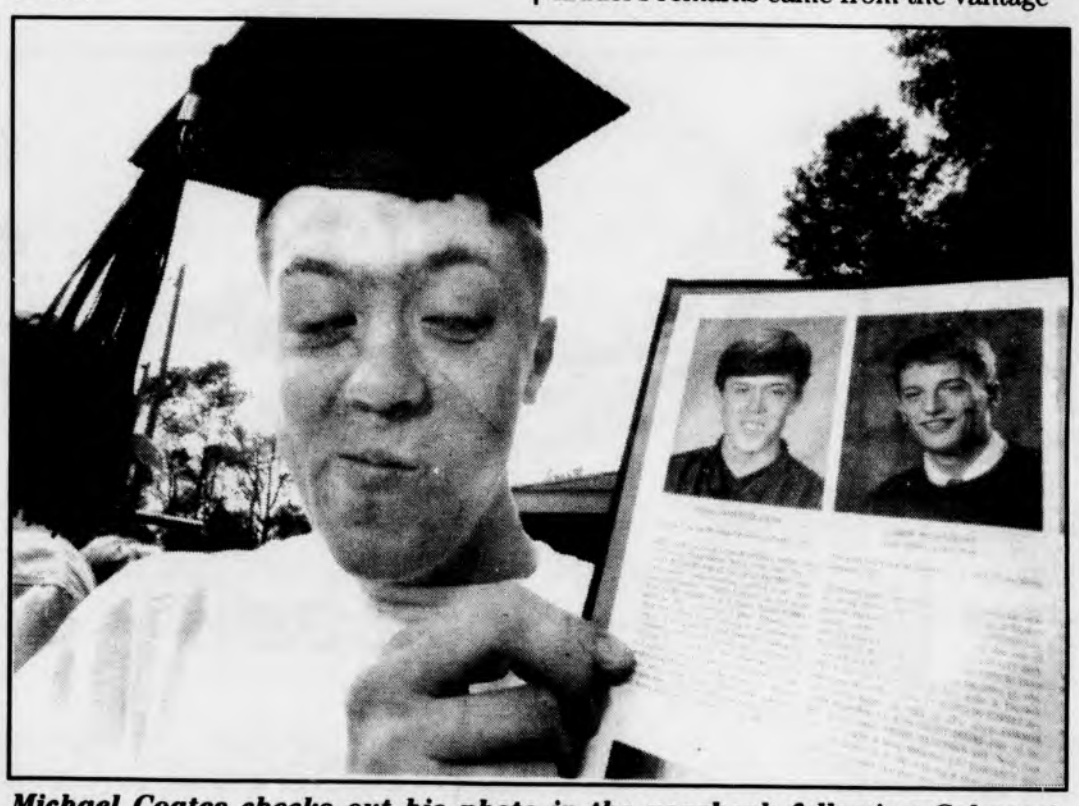

Michael Coates checks out his photo in the yearbook following Cohasset High's graduation exercises Saturday.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Patricia Pinto-Bull is all smiles as she and her fellow graduates march into the big top at the Music Circus.

Deer Hill School principal ousted from post

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Friday, school officials announced that Donna Hartlage won't be returning to Deer Hill School as principal after all.

Supt. Stephen Hart had suspended Hartlage, who is accused of striking a fourth-grader during a May 16 student picture-taking session, without pay until June 10.

It is not clear why Hart has taken the further step of removing the $60,000 per year administrator from her post.

Saying the matter was in the hands of attorneys, Hart would not elaborate this week.

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder said parents can be assured that the school department will send a letter home after the matter is resolved and explain the reasons behind the decision.

"What is important for people to know is what transpired following the incident of the child being struck and the final resolution (of this matter)," he said.

"Everyone in the school system deserves to know as much as we can tell them," Kidder said.

He asked that parents be patient.

"I believe people have the right to know and ought to know about the process, " Kidder said.

"Part of what we release may be contingent on final resolution of this. That's why we can't say too much right now."

In a letter sent home to parents of Deer Hill students Friday, the school committee wrote:

"On May 16, 1996 an incident occurred at the Deer Hill School involving the principal, Donna Hartlage, and a student. On completion of an investigation into the incident, Supt. Hart determined that it was of a nature serious enough to warrant disciplinary action on his part.

"It was our hope at that time that the educational atmosphere at the school could have been restored to normalcy as the result of actions taken by the principal. Unfortunately, that has not occurred. We have concluded that Ms. Hartlage can no longer serve as an effective leader of the school community."

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Farmers' market may come to town

Fresh produce and plants could be in the village's future.

As part of an on-going village revitalization effort spearheaded by the Chamber of Commerce, plans are to host a weekly farmers' market from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursdays in the town parking lot starting Aug. 1.

Although the project is in the early stages, organizers said this week they are optimistic that town officials will give the go-ahead.

"The state department of agriculture has given us their blessing so the next step is to get the approval of selectmen and the police and fire departments," said Dean Rizzo of Aquarius Sunrooms.

Rizzo, who is vice-president of the chamber, said farmers will pay a one-time registration fee of $25 to cover the cost of advertising through posters and flyers. The market would run through September.

The market will also be listed in a newsletter the Dept. of Agriculture sends to farmers to let them know about markets.

Mary Jordan, state director of agricultural development, said there are 102 farmers' markets in Massachusetts. She explained that the Dept. of Agriculture is very supportive of new markets.

"We've grown from 60 to more than 100 in five years," she said.

"There's a good educational component," Jordan said. "Farmers' markets provide a good opportunity to educate the consumer on the fresh fruits and vegetables that are available in the state."

Anna Abbruzzese, who is on the village revitalization committee, came up with the concept of bringing a market to town.

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Cohasset's Week

Compost bins available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, composting containers are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. Prices range from $20 to $30.

The new containers are on sale at from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday and Wednesday through Saturday at Aquarius Sunrooms on Depot Court. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

Get your beach and recycling permits!

Beach and Recycling Transfer Facility Permits for 1996-97 will be available at Town Hall until Friday, June 28. Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Beach stickers are $7 per vehicle, and $3 per vehicle for seniors over age 60. RTF stickers are $65; $25 for a second vehicle if application is made at a different time; and $33 for a sole resident.

Vehicle registrations are required, or proof of residency (tax bill or rental lease) for those with vehicles that are not registered in Massachusetts.

Residents are encouraged to purchase both stickers through the mail by providing a copy of their registration and a self-addressed return envelope.

RTF stickers may be purchased at the RTF on weekends from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., by check only.

Railroad meeting slated

The Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line has scheduled the first of two public meetings on Thursday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall. The meeting will focus on the issues facing Cohasset with the restoration of the railroad.

The committee wishes to solicit comments from the public relative to mitigation measures. All interested Cohasset residents are urged to attend.

For more information or to contact the committee, call or write the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line, Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Tide chart

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Sat. 15	11:47	9.4	5:33	11:53	10.6	5:37
Sun. 16	--	--	6:14	12:29	9.4	6:20
Mon. 17	12:33	10.5	6:55	1:09	9.3	7:01
Tues. 18	1:13	10.4	7:34	1:49	9.3	7:43
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Name: Andrea Mercurio

Occupation: President of the CHS Class of '96 and incoming freshman at Boston University.

Goal: Being happy in whatever I do.

Best vacation: London with my Dad.

Best day of your life: Graduation.

Biggest worry: My biggest worry is that I worry too much.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: 'Friends.'

Favorite movie: 'Dead Poets Society.'

Favorite book: 'Catcher in the Rye,' by J.D. Salinger.,

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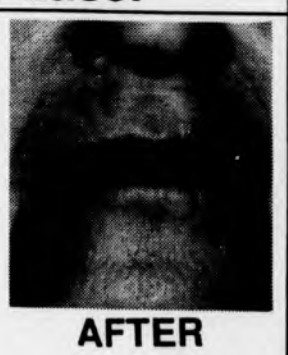
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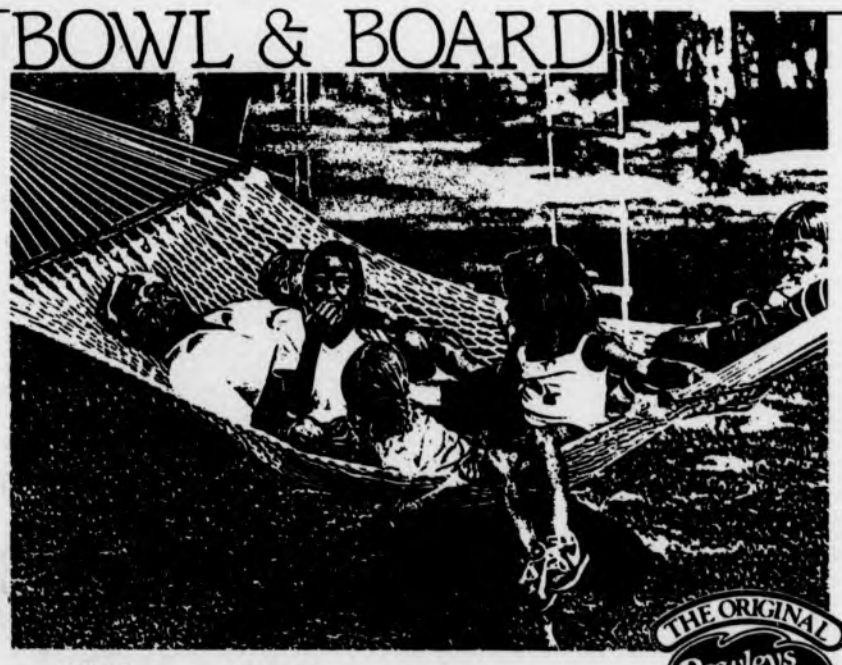
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Retiring Osgood School teacher looks back

By DOREEN LEGGETT
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Faith Bowker Maloney sits by the picture window in her first-grade classroom at Osgood, glancing around at 33 years of accumulated stuffed animals, games, and shelves upon shelves of children's books.

"What will I do with all my books?" she asks with a grin.

Maloney will retire in June after 24 years at the Osgood Elementary school. Before that she spent nine years teaching in Maryland.

She picks up a book , entitled "Miss Rumphius," off one of her numerous bookcases and flips it open.

Maloney and Miss Rumphius, a woman who loves books and visiting exotic places, have a lot in common.

"I want to travel a lot," Maloney explains. "And end up in a house by the sea."

Like her books, the setup of her room is also a mirror of Maloney's personality.

The room is comfortable, with areas for quiet time, and group learning, but, most telling, Maloney's room is the antithesis of boring.

"You have to be ham to be a teacher," she says. "The first day I realized I was alone and could be as silly as I wanted—and sing songs. I started singing the 'Warm and Gentle Fuzzy Song.' The kids think it is great. "

There are other reasons why Maloney doesn't have a structured classroom.

She says that children don't spend as much time at home as they did in the past. They are off pursuing a myriad of different activities.

It was important, she says, for children to have a classroom that the could feel comfortable in. A classroom they could call their own.

"They are like little barometers, you have to take the time and find out what is bothering them," she says. "That is why I don't like a formal classroom. If you overlook something important you have kind of lost them."

'I think computers are great, but nothing takes place of a snuggle and a book.'

— Faith Bowker Maloney.

Maloney adds that oftentimes students will come in from recess and someone's feelings will be hurt. She can tell right away.

Maloney says she'll let the two students talk over the problem in the corner. Before you know it everyone is all smiles again.

"I wish adults could do that," Maloney says.

Maloney, who went to Lesley College, says she always wanted to go into teaching, and from the start the job more than fulfilled her expectations.

Osgood teacher Faith Bowker Maloney is retiring this month after 24 years on the job.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

"Like Peter Pan I don't want to grow up. Teaching is like being in a time capsule," she says.

Maloney says she picked the perfect time to retire. She is still young enough at 55 to jaunt around the globe.

Osgood is closing in two years and it was time to move on, she says.

"I want to see a young girl have the same wonderful experiences I have had," Maloney says.

Another sign that it might be time to retire, was that this year Maloney had the child of one of her previous first-grade students in her class.

She doesn't think of retirement as leaving though.

"I say thank you. I don't say goodbye because I am an emotional person," she says.

Maloney says that is still hasn't hit her that she won't be returning in September; however, it may hit home on the last day of school.

"When the buses pull out the 21st I may have to excuse myself from the lineup," she says.

When she goes traveling to different countries, Maloney says she'll be tempted to bring posters or other items home to put up in her classroom. But she'll refrain.

Maloney also plans to spend some time organizing three decades of pictures. Picture packets will be sent out, she says.

Along with the pictures, she has numerous memories.

When she first started teaching, all the first-graders, numbering about 100, were taught

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together in one huge classroom.

The setup lasted for about six years, says Maloney, and students, as well as teachers, learned a lot about cooperation.

She also remembers the time her students came out to present her with pink and white balloons on her wedding day.

She got married eight years ago at St. Anthony's in Cohasset.

Maloney will also remember the furry members of her classroom.

She started off with a white rabbit, Marshmallow, and her present class has, Shaggy, the gerbil.

"He looks like a toupee running around," she says with a giggle.

Maloney says one of the biggest changes she noticed over the years was the use of technology in the classroom.

"I think computers are great, but nothing takes place of a snuggle and a book," she says.

There will always be children in Maloney's life. She says she will be able to spend more time with her grandchildren, she has two adult daughters, and countless nieces and nephews.

She says she always envisioned herself like the mother in the book, "Cheaper By the Dozen," with 12 children.

Although only a mother of two, Maloney considers herself luckier than the book's character.

"I've been piling close to 1,000 students in cars and buses, or (they have been) walking like little ducks behind me."

Boards have openings

There are vacancies on the mosquito control committee, the personnel committee, drug & alcohol committee, and the zoning board of appeals which needs an associate member. Interested citizens should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Fair Oaks homeowners have safety concerns

Members of the Fair Oaks Homeowners Association wrote to selectmen last week to ask for traffic signs and speed limits on their residential street.

"Over the past two years, residents noted a steady increase in speed and volume of automobile and truck traffic in our closed loop," wrote association president Steve Gaumer, vice president Mary Beth Carrier, and treasurer Paula Dickinson about the neighborhood.

The group wants "caution — children at play" signs installed at the beginning of the street and a 25 mile per hour speed limit established on the entirety of Fair Oaks Lane.

Selectmen will ask the safety officer to look into the matter.

ASP collecting books for Appalachian children

Appalachian Service Project volunteers are seeking donations of children's books to take to Appalachia this June. Used books in good condition should be dropped off at the main office of Cohasset High School before Thursday, June 20.

CHS students, college CITS and adult advisers will travel to West Virginia this summer, from June 22-30, to repair homes for needy families. Project participants would appreciate books donated by residents that they can read to children who have few books of their own during work breaks. The ASP will leave the books with needy families, a gift that will be well appreciated.

Invest in ASP 'stock'!

Cohasset residents are invited to take part in this year's Appalachia Service Project. Proceeds from the sale of 'stock' at $20 a share will be used for construction materials, transportation and room and board. Tax-deductible contributions may be sent, payable to SSC Youth Group, to Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025. For further information, call Gary Ritts (383-0345).

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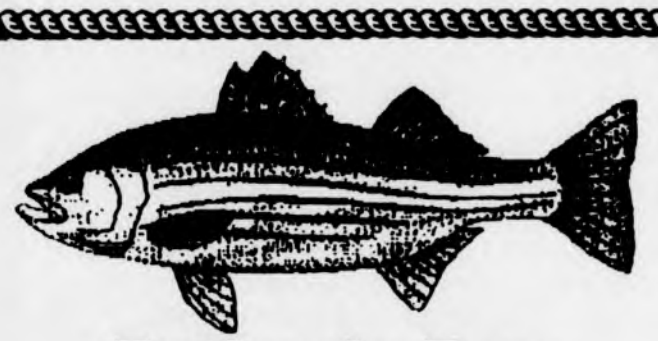

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Lots of new graduates to announce this week!

Had a nice chat with **Dave Lahive** last week. He and his wife, **Jan,** had just returned from Rutgers. The reason for the journey was a thrilling one indeed — their son, Mark, graduated from law school! With honors! He is working in New York City, and we certainly wish him the most successful career imaginable! Mark is a 1985 CHS grad.

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Penelope Prudden Redfield, mother of **Sophie, Allie** and **Benjamin Redfield** of Cohasset, received a master of arts degree in liberal studies from Simmons College May 20. She is currently employed at the college as assistant director of alumnae relations. She received an undergraduate degree from Simmons. Congrats go to you!

❑

Judy Carey was among 75 college students who attended the Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars' "Women as Leaders" seminar from May 13-24. Judy, the daughter of Lo Cheng Zhou of Cohasset, is a student at Suffolk University.

❑

Everyone remembers **Thomas Allen,** right? Well, he is still making his name known in the athletic world! Thomas was awarded a letter in varsity boys track at Suffield Academy's spring athletic awards assembly May 23. He is the son of **Zuline Gray Allen** of Jamaica Plain.

Thomas graduated from Suffield May 25. He was also inducted into the Torch Society. Each spring current members of this honorary society elect as new members those students who in some way have made a special contribution to the spirit, life or sense of community of the school. The Torch Society is the primary means by which students recognize each other's contributions.

❑

Speaking of athletics, here is the schedule for physicals the boys soccer team and football players are required to have if they plan to play fall sports. Football physicals will be held Thursday, Aug. 22, at 1:30 p.m. in the health room at CHS; boys soccer physicals are set for Friday, Aug. 23, at 9:15 a.m., also in the health room at CHS.

Dr. Robert T. Sceery, school physician, will be there only on those dates. Remember, no student will be allowed to begin practice until he or she has had a physical examination. Those who are unable to take advantage of these days must have their own doctor examine them and obtain a note stating they are in good physical condition and able to participate in athletics. Practices begin Monday, Aug. 26.

Elisha Yearwood happily accepts her diploma.

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We are happy to report that **John Drago** is home "mending" after his accident during his commute to work. It was a scary time for John and his family, but all will be fine with rest and tons of love from his wife, Ingrid, and their son, who was a year old last week! Here's to a speedy recovery, John!

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Phillips Academy has announced the school's honor roll for the winter term. To be named to the honor roll, students must maintain at least a 5-point grade average on a 6-point scale. We congratulate **Patrick Gaughen,** son of **Robert** and **Margaret Gaughen,** for making that grade. Patrick is a member of the Class of 1999.

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"Topher" Henderson was one of 469 graduates from Trinity College in Hartford, Conn. He worked hard to earn a BA in psychology, and plans on a year in the job market; then it will be on to law school from there. He is the son of **Richard** and **Linda Henderson.**

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Hats off to **Mike Figueiredo,** son of **Janet Figueiredo.** He has made the dean's list for the last three semesters at UMass, Dartmouth! He is now at Disney World in Orlando, Fl., at The Land, part of the Sun Season exhibit. He'll be working there for the summer and wants to extend an invitation to all of his friends to come and visit him there. It is a great place to work and is a greater place to visit. Give him a call (and be sure to congratulate him for all his hard work during the school year).

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There is so much going on this weekend, as has been reported in past editions. Don't forget to include a great idea for your children — at the kid's tent at the **Festival on the Common,** they can make their own puppet (Friday, from 3 to 5 p.m.; Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.), then head to South Shore Community Center for a puppet show by Pat Boylan in the gym. "Peter Rabbit" and the "Three Billy Goats Gruff" will be presented at noon; "Gingerbread Boy" and "Three Billy Goats Gruff" at 12:45 p.m.; "Three Little Pigs" and "Billy Goats Gruff" at 1:30 p.m.; and "City Mouse, Country Mouse" and "Billy Goats Gruff" at 2:15 p.m. Admission is $2, payable at the door.

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Mrs. Zimmer came to the United States in 1962 from Stockholm, Sweden. She was a Cohasset resident for three years before moving to Duxbury in 1988. She also maintained a residents in Chicago, Ill.

She was the wife of Warren R. Zimmer, to whom she was married 33 years, and leaves two daughters, Erika and Elke Zimmer, both of Denver, Co. She was the daughter of Anna Thimgren and the sister of Gunnar and Sture Thimgren, all of Stockholm.

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Her fiancé is a graduate of The University of Lowell. He is a senior software engineer at Cadence Design Systems in Chelmsford.

An Aug. 31 wedding is planned.

Church to hold potluck suppers

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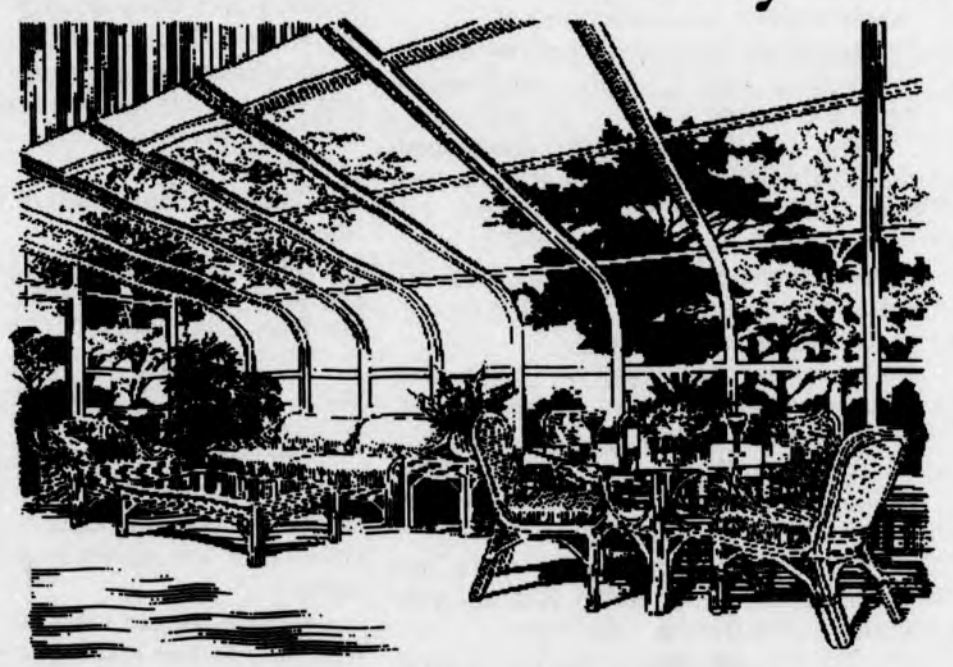
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You are the blizzard babies.

It's time to take the world by storm

EDITORIAL

Class of 1996, we salute you.

You are the blizzard babies. You blew into this world in the year of the great blizzard of '78.

We should have known you'd take the world by storm.

Mom and Dad took one look at you and loved you "Just the Way You Are," which happened to be the Grammy-winning song of the year by Billy Joel.

When you were coming home from the hospital, Jon Voight and Jane Fonda were winning Oscars for their own "Coming Home."

Congress voted against having firm quotas for affirmative action.

The House Committee on Assassinations concluded that there were conspiracies in the deaths of both JFK and Martin Luther King, Jr. but it had no hard evidence.

The Senate voted to give the Panama Canal back to Panama in the year 2000.

"The Deer Hunter" was the Oscar-winning Best Picture.

Everyone was suffering from "Saturday Night Fever," the best album ever released by the Bee Gees.

Boston's Jim Rice was the home run leader, the RBI king, and the MVP of the American League.

But the Red Sox did not win the World Series for the 60th year in a row. The Yankees did.

The Patriots were in the AFL playoffs, but slipped on the Oilers.

The Cowboys lassoed the Broncos in the Super Bowl.

Montreal beat out the Bruins for the Stanley Cup.

Leon Spinks defeated heavyweight champ Muhammad Ali, but Ali won the rematch, then retired in 1979.

Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Menachem Begin of Israel won the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1983, when you were saying "Beat It" to pre-school and entering kindergarten, Michael Jackson was winning a Grammy for a song with the same title. He also had the year's best album, "Thriller."

A national commission said that U.S. elementary and secondary schools were mediocre, declaring the need to put more emphasis on English, math, social studies, and computer science.

The Supreme Court held that the IRS could deny tax exemption to private schools that practiced racial discrimination.

The House and Senate voted to free $625 million for MX missiles after Congress received assurances from President Reagan that he would be more flexible in arms talks with the Soviet Union.

The United States invaded a tiny nation called Grenada.

The E.P.A. warned that the earth would heat up by 1990, due to the greenhouse effect.

Hot on the silver screen was "Terms of Endearment," which won the Best Picture Oscar.

Robert Duvall was Oscar's Best Actor for his "Tender Mercies."

But the Red Sox were not merciful to their fans. They did not win the World Series for the 65th year in a row. Baltimore did.

The Redskins beat the Dolphins in the Super Bowl.

The Islanders bested Edmonton for the Stanley Cup.

Lech Walesa of Poland won the Nobel Peace Prize.

In 1989, the year you slipped from grammar school to middle school, the largest oil spill in U.S. history occurred in Alaska when the Exxon Valdez spilled over 240,000 barrels of oil.

Unemployment was the lowest in over two decades.

Oliver North was the first person convicted by a jury in the Iran-contra scandal

A massive earthquake struck San Francisco, causing 59 deaths and millions of dollars in property damage.

We invaded Panama, overthrowing the government of Manuel Noriega and ultimately capturing him.

Meanwhile, a kind and gentle Morgan Freeman was "Driving Miss Daisy" in the Oscar-winning Best Picture.

Daniel Day-Lewis needed only his "Left Foot" to win the Best Actor award.

Bette Midler rode the "Wind Beneath My Wings" to top honors in the music world.

The 49ers beat the Bengals in the Super Bowl.

Calgary owned the Stanley Cup that year, beating Montreal.

The Dalai Lama won the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Red Sox didn't win the World Series for the 71st year in a row.

In 1993, you were on the last leg of your journey. Bill Clinton was inaugurated as America's 42nd president.

A terrorist bomb killed six people when it was exploded in the garage of the World Trade Center in New York City.

Four federal agents were killed during an unsuccessful raid of the Branch Davidian Compound in Waco, Texas.

Janet Reno became the first woman to serve as attorney general.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin removed restrictions on aerial combat roles by women in the armed forces.

President Clinton approved a "don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" policy regarding homosexuals in the military.

Vincent Foster, the deputy White House counsel, committed suicide.

The Brady Bill, which requires a five-day waiting period for the purchase of guns, was passed.

The secretary of energy announced that 204 underground nuclear tests had been performed in Nevada without the knowledge of the public from 1963 to 1990. Some 800 people had been exposed to radiation between 1943 and 1990 during government experiments.

Investigations began into the Whitewater development company and the activities of Hillary and Bill Clinton.

A magnificent movie on the Holocaust, "Schindler's List," was the Oscar-winning Best Picture.

Tom Hanks copped Best Actor for "Philadelphia" and Holly Hunter was named best actress in "The Piano."

"I Will Always Love You," sang Whitney Houston, who won the Grammy.

She also had the year's best album in "The Bodyguard."

The Cowboys beat the Bills in the Super Bowl.

Montreal topped Los Angeles for the Stanley Cup.

Frederik W. deKlerk and Nelson Mandela won the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Red Sox didn't win the World Series for the 75th year in a row.

In your sophomore year, you couldn't blame the Red Sox for not winning the World Series because no one did, due to the unprecedented baseball strike.

During your four years in high school, you have seen the first Democrat elected to the presidency in 18 years and the first Republican Congress in 40.

You have seen a Shield turn into a Storm on a desert in Kuwait as U.S. forces defeated Iraq.

You have seen the Berlin Wall fall and a boxing champion named Mike Tyson jailed for rape.

You have seen the Soviet Union disintegrate and Chinese students massacred in Beijing.

You have seen apartheid crumble and free elections in South Africa.

You have witnessed a video of five cops beating a black man named Rodney King and a jury's verdict inflame the worst riots in the history of the country.

You have seen 90 members of a religious cult burned to death in Waco, Texas.

You have seen floods in the mid-west and the snowiest winter in history.

You have seen the final curtain of Camelot with the death of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis and you watched her belongings auctioned off at preposterous prices.

You have relived D-Day in the memories of survivors 50 years later.

You have seen the Boston Garden close and the Fleet Center open. You have seen Reggie Lewis' fatal heart attack tainted with suspicions of drug abuse.

You've seen our beloved Larry Bird wave good-bye to the parquet floor and Michael Jordan's number retired, then re-hired.

You've watched in horror as a thug smashed skater Nancy Kerrigan's knee and a tale of treachery unfolded involving her teammate Tonya Harding. You watched in wonder as Miss Kerrigan gracefully skated in the Olympics, bested only by a tiny Ukranian orphan named Oksana Baiul. Now Nancy is expecting a tiny skater of her own.

You've seen a former football hero O.J. Simpson acquitted of a horrifying double murder in the trial of the century.

You've seem a federal building in Oklahoma bombed and 167 people killed in the worst act of terrorism the country has ever witnessed.

You have seen an all-out war against smoking and 100-year-old George Burns buried with his two favorite cigars.

You have seen our world tied together with dot.dot.com on the Internet. You have seen mail become E. You have seen reality become virtual.

Blizzard babies, each of you is as different as snowflakes.

It is time for you to find your individuality and put it to work for the good of humanity.

We need you. We need your intelligence, your talent, your compassion, and your honesty.

You must made life better in the 21st century. Perhaps in your class are the visionaries who will solve the problem of violence in the streets and strife among nations.

Perhaps in your class are the idealists who will conquer homelessness, illiteracy, and poverty.

Perhaps in your class is the doctor who will find the cure for AIDS, alcoholism, or mental illness.

We're handing you quite a mess.

Class of 1996, you've got a lot to fix.

— CATHY CONLEY

Cathy Conley is editor of Community Newspaper Company's Braintree Forum and the Holbrook Sun.

Faye Menis shows off her Cohasset High School T-shirt.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Cohasset High 1996 awards and scholarships

Awards and winners

Margaret Mary Hardy Scholarships — Allison DeLorenzo, Megan Fahey, Eric Henry, Conor Mangan, Kevin Smith, John Whitehouse.

Alice and Walter Shuebruk Scholarship — Katherine Anderson, Elizabeth Good, Nicole Peterson, Holly Russell.

Malcolm H. and Helen C. Stevens Scholarship — Grace Deveney, Tafana Fiore.

Oronde Khary Allie Memorial Scholarship — Ryan Sawchuk.

Oronde Allie Communications Technology Award — Michael Dunphy.

American Legion Auxiliary Awards — Andrew Collins, Tafana Fiore.

American Legion George H. Mealy Scholarships — Jessica Hurley, Tammy Maitland, Conor Mangan, Devon Noonan.

Sons of American Legion Scholarship — Jessica Hurley.

Cohasset Boosters Club, Nancy Sladen Award — Holly Pereira.

Hot Sullivan Award — Nevan Bunstein

Cohasset Firemen's Benefit Association Award — Eric Henry

Cohasset Permanent Firefighters Scholarship — David Marr.

Cohasset Gridiron Club Awards — Chloe Chittick, Brian Sasso.

Scott Sandblom Memorial Award — Kenneth Leahy

Award for Athletic Excellence in Track — Faye Menis.

Performing Arts Awards — Conor Mangan, Allison Ritts.

Student Council Scholarships — Chloe Chittick, Caitlin Connolly, Kenneth Leahy.

Cohasset Mariner Scholarship — Caitlin Connolly

Cohasset Policemen's Association Scholarship — Devon Noonan.

Cohasset Teachers Association Award — Allison Ritts.

Plymouth County Education Association Scholarship — John Whitehouse.

John Creamer Scholarship — Gina Rosano

Marion Atkinson Scholarship — Caitlin Connolly

Susan Bausch Scholarship — Elizabeth Good

Larry Shultz Scholarship — Eric Henry

Cohasset Veterans of Foreign Wars William T. Barnes Jr. Memorial Scholarship — Megan Fahey, Gregory Schultz

Community Garden Club of Cohasset — Andrew Collins, Allison Ritts, Gregory Schultz

Computer Science Award — Gina Rosano

DAR Good Citizen Award — Caitlin Connolly

John A. Lanata Jr. Memorial Scholarship — Kevin Gentile, Andrea Mercurio.

Maj. William Arthur Scholarship — Allison Ritts

Laura Rosano is congratulated by School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder.

William J. McKenna Memorial Scholarship — Faye Menis

Rosemarie Mercurio Memorial Scholarship — Caitlin Connolly

Catherine W. Mulcahy Scholarship — Gina Rosano

Nichols Fund — Ryan Sawchuk

Robert Pape Charitable Trust, $9,000 each — Andrew Collins, Amie Theriault

Burtram J. Pratt Memorial Award — Ryan Sawchuk

William Ripley Jr. Track and Field Awards — Faye Menis, Ryan Sawchuk

Rotary Club Awards, totaling $25,000 — Neven Bunstein, Andrew Collins, Caitlin Connolly, Erin Devine, Tafana Fiore (also Salutatorian Award), Kevin Gentile, Eric Henry, Allison Ritts, Ryan Sawchuk (also Valedictorian Award), Amie Theriault, John Whitehouse

Edward Sheehan Memorial Forensic Prize — Ryan Sawchuk

Social Service League Award — Amie Theriault

Stanton Family Scholarship — Devon Noonan, Ruth Winters

James M. Staunton Memorial Scholarship — Nathan Caldwell

U.S. Naval Academy Award and appointment — Amber Hopeman

Joseph F. Walsh Memorial Scholarship, Democratic Town Committee — Caitlin Connolly

Atlantic Bagel Company Scholarship — Lauren DeVito

Jennifer Wing Baird Citizenship Award — Kathryn Ross

Dorothea O. Casey Memorial Scholarship — Amie Theriault

Cohasset Dramatic Club Scholarship — Allison Ritts

National Merit Commended Students — Chloe Chittick, Megan McNamara, Ryan Sawchuk

Noel Ripley Scholarship — Daniel Collins (for graduate work)

Rockland Trust Co. Scholarship — Conor Mangan

Talbot's Scholarship — Kevin Smith

Awards to the junior class included:

Bausch & Lomb Science Award — Kathleen Fitzsimmons

Dartmouth Book Club Award — Jacqueline Hurley

Harvard Book Award — Kathleen Fitzsimmons

Holy Cross Book Award — Ely Kahn

Northeastern University Book Award — Burke Davis

Rensselaer Medal — Jacqueline Hurley

Smith Club Book Award — Monique DeVoe

Williams College Book Award — Rebecca Jenkins.

The Golden Apple Award, presented by students to an inspiring teacher — Jared Fitzgerald of the social studies department.

Town must continue to fight CHL

To the Editor:

Cohasset Heights Ltd. filed a civil suit in Superior Court against the Board of Health and the town of Cohasset May 31. CHL claims that the board and the town improperly denied the site assignment application for its landfill expansion. Cohasset has until June 20 to respond.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Now is the time for Cohasset to continue to aggressively oppose this expansion.

CHL's complaint is filled with ludicrous assertions and misstatements, but the two that truly stand out to the laymen who have tried to follow the legal shenanigans are CHL's claims that no offsite pollution has occurred in the past 20 years and that the current landfill has had no violations in its history! Anyone who attended or watched the hearings knows that these statements are simply false.

It is beyond comprehension, that CHL and its board of directors can't understand that the town of Cohasset wants to zealously protect its water supply, its natural beauty and the air its citizens breathe. Cohasset clearly followed the site assignment regulations and allowed extensive testimony from both the landfill operators and opponents. After countless hours of testimony and weeks of deliberations by the Board of Health, the town rightfully denied the expansion application.

I strongly urge the town to continue its opposition to the landfill expansion. Everyone is sick and tired of hearing about an issue that should have been dead years ago, but as soon as the citizens of Cohasset relax their guards, CHL will push its expansion through and we'll be living with the repercussions forever. Please support our town's efforts to oppose the landfill expansion — now is no time to back down!

Ansley W. Pearce
23 Forest Notch

Don't miss the parade!

To the Editor:

Tuesday, June 4, I attended a band practice; as an observer not a participant. If only Norman Rockwell could have been there! I am sure that the July or August cover of The Saturday Evening Post, if published, would feature Cohasset's marching band.

What a sight! On the snare drum, an owner of a plumbing business provided the counterpoint while in the flute section, a novelist whistled (?) away. The youngest member of the band in the trumpet section is a sixth-grader and the oldest, wielding the cymbals, is in his 70s. A minister tinkles the Glockenspiel. Another member of the flute section is a Deer Hill teacher and her husband, an architect, draws parabolas in the air as the conductor. The trombone section features an MD and an attorney.

Also in the trumpet section is a man who hasn't played in 35 years and a young lady in the 10th grade. One of the members of the saxophone section also hasn't played in a while, 32 years, and the other saxophone is in the hands of an eighth-grader. The clarinet section includes a member of the Hingham Symphony Orchestra and a retired electrical engineer. The beat is provided by the bass drum manned by a man who also is a tenor in the Unicorn Singers in his spare time.

Behind every organization is the guiding spirit who in this case is a member of the flute section, a mother with a law degree and an organizer. Her husband and two children joined me in the audience.

Even though this was the first practice, it went off without a hitch under the direction of Steve Biagini, the Deer Hill music teacher. The music was great.

A closer look at the members of the band shows the strong influence of the First Parish Church. Thanks for the idea, Ed.

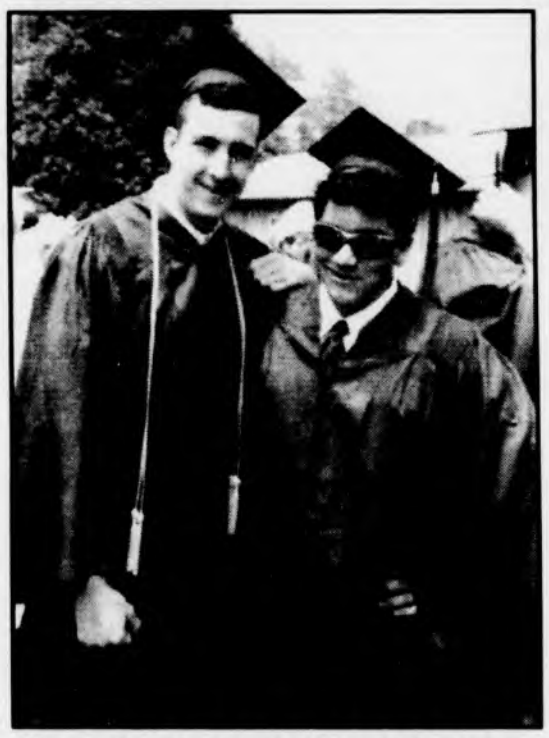
The Harborfest parade is billed as a "small town" parade, and this band is the epitome of what we had in mind. Don't miss the parade; you are in for a great time.

Bob Martin
Cohasset

Editor's note: The Harborfest parade steps off at 2:30 p.m. Sunday from Government Island.

Mariner on the Street

'What do you see yourself doing ten years from now?'

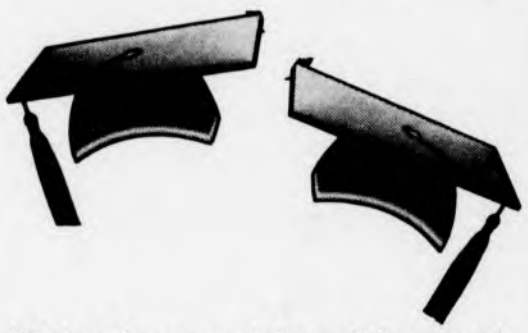


'Out of college with a good job.'

— John Whitehouse.

'Riding a lawn mower in my front yard.'

— Conor Mangan.



'Being happy, rich and famous.'

— Heather Proctor.

'Being healthy and happy and hopefully successful.'

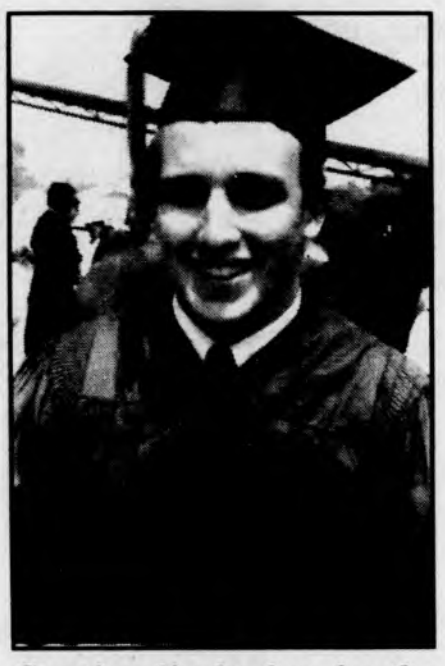
— Meredith Equi.

'Working in the White-house or somewhere in Washington, D.C.'

— Lena Roukounakis.

'Being rich and happy!'

— Christine Burns.



Starting linebacker for the Chicago Bears.'

— Brian Riley.

'I will be in the San Francisco Bay area farming my own food and making my own clothes..we'll be changing the world!'

— Laura Slotnick.

'I'll be directing movies.'

— Michael Dunphy.

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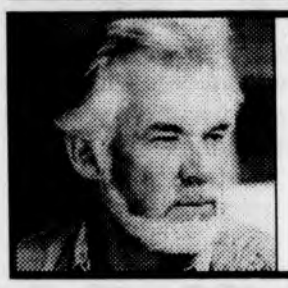

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Class told to treasure past but look to future

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turn to dream things that never were and say, why not."

Salutatorian Tafana Alma Fiore said after 12 long years, graduation day was one to treasure.

"Focus on today, today is a day to celebrate because we deserve it," she said. "Be proud of yourself and every person sitting around you — savor every moment of this day."

Then in a moving personal touch to her address, Fiore paid a special tribute to her mother, thanking her for being there to support her along the way.

Valedictorian Ryan Sawchuk thanked teachers for making him think and question authority. He singled out his Latin teacher, Thomas O'Neil, for special recognition as someone who made a difference in his life.

'Be proud of yourself and every person sitting around you — savor every moment of this day.'

— Tafana Fiore, salutatorian.

"If we were stumped by a word, he'd ask us to figure it out for ourselves," Sawchuk recalled. "He told us, think for yourself, trust yourself, and you'll be fine."

Sawchuk said O'Neil taught that "your mind is precious. Wealth, power, may come and go, but no one can take away your mind — your ability to think freely."

Kidder noted that there is no shooting war today that America is involved in and that the economy is working.

But he cautioned that the problems the world faces are complex and will need the graduates' full attention.

Kidder cited rapid population growth in undeveloped countries, the challenges of a global economy, ecological minefields in places such as the Brazilian rain forest and Eastern Europe, and the ethical and moral challenges in public and private life, as critical areas of concern for the future.

He also stressed the graduates should take pride in their accomplishments. Echoing his earlier comments about how this generation is expected to have to change careers several times, he wished graduates well.

"Enjoy great success with whatever you do next and whatever you do next after that," he said.

Deer Hill School principal ousted from post

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Asked to clarify how Hartlage could have taken actions to restore normalcy while suspended, Hart would only say "there were things she could have done."

In a previous interview, Kidder described Hartlage's suspension without pay as an "extremely harsh" penalty.

In expanding on those remarks this week, he said suspension for cause for a person in a job like a school principal is "likely to mean very difficult roads ahead with respect to their career."

Kidder backed Hart's decision to suspend Hartlage.

"At the time, Steve was convinced it was the right punishment."

Friday's letter announcing Hartlage's dismissal from her principal's post, was signed by all five members of the school committee and the superintendent.

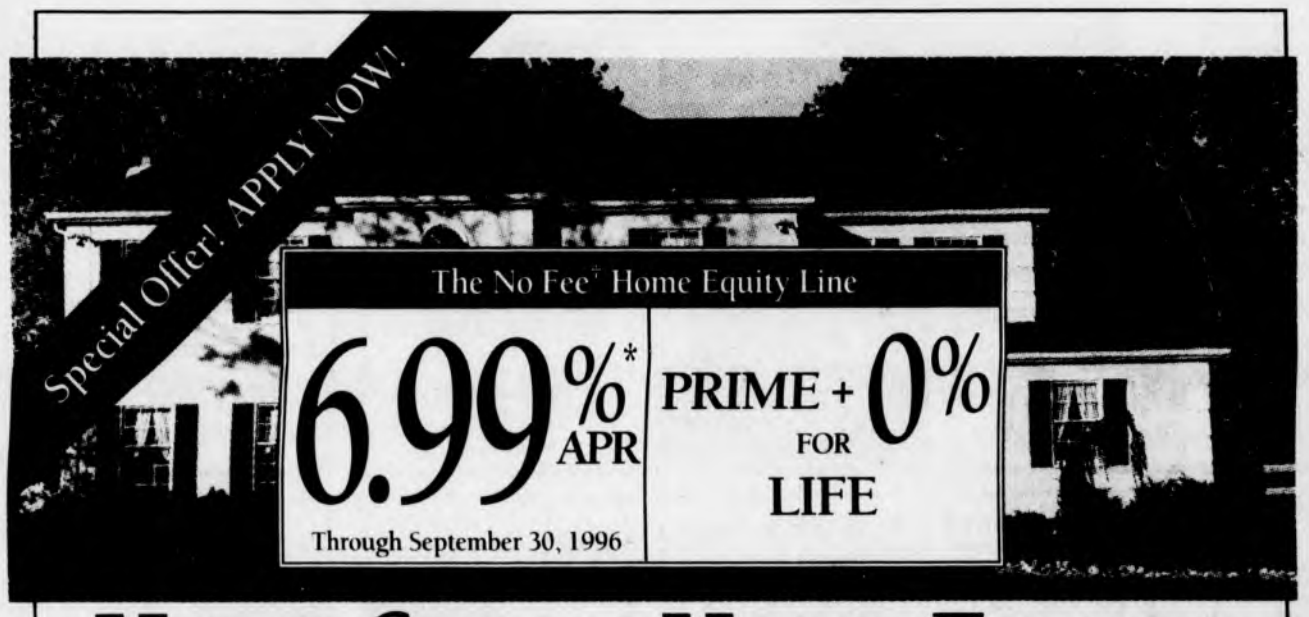
Under the three-year-old state education reform law, superintendents and not school committees have the power to hire and fire principals.

Kidder said Monday that the school committee signed the letter to show parents that the entire school department leadership is "on the same page" on this matter.

When questioned by Det. Rick Grassie, who investigated the incident following a report from a friend of the alleged victim, a fourth-grader, who came to the station — Hartlage denied hitting anyone but said she had verbally reprimanded a child.

Neither Hartlage, who has been on leave since the incident, nor her attorney could not be reached for comment.

Hartlage, a Plymouth resident, was hired last June to replace long-time principal Kenneth Ekberg, who took an early retirement.



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Farmers' market may come to town

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"I got the idea after driving seniors on the senior shuttle to the farmers' market in Hingham," Abbruzzese said.

Cohasset farmer David Bigley of White Cedar Farm is very enthusiastic. Bigley and his wife Alix White have already committed to participating.

"We're excited about it," Bigley said. "Anytime someone can get fresh produce directly from the people who grew it, it's terrific."

Bigley also noted that the Farmers' Market will be a great way to promote foot traffic in the village.

Farmers' tables and stands would be at the south end of the town parking lot so the market would be visible from South Main Street.

Rizzo said shop owners would be encouraged to stay open late on market evenings, which may also feature folk music.

Plans are to make the market an annual event.

"Hopefully next year farmers will be aware of our market and plant for it," Abbruzzese said. "And we might get some of the same farmers that do the Hingham one."

Rizzo said if the market is a hit "we'll definitely do it next year and start earlier (in the spring)."

— Mary Ford.

Hedlund goes online with Internet

Sen. Robert L. Hedlund (R-Weymouth) has entered the age of the Internet, establishing his own web site, which will allow his constituents to take a look at what is going on in the state Senate and throughout the South Shore via their personal computers.

People who log onto:

HTTP://www.gls.net/~hedlund

will learn what bills are before the committees that Hedlund serves. There will also be a link which updates legislation sponsored by the senator. Information on frequently asked questions will be available for interested constituents as well as a link outlining upcoming events both at the State House and in the district.

"This web site will broaden access to my office and open up an entirely new medium for me to communicate with South Shore constituents," Hedlund stated.

Besides the information on the web site, constituents will be able to E-Mail Hedlund with their questions and concerns.

For those wishing to contact Sen. Hedlund via computer, the E-Mail address is Hedlund@gis.net.

"I am still available by telephone (722-1646), which I still believe is an easier means of access!" Hedlund said.

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Greenbush means 'green' for Cohasset

To the Editor:

Concerns over re-vitalizing our downtown area and the ongoing railroad debate got me to thinking the other day. Then I hit on the solution to our town's problems. I was foolish to worry about train noise, pollution and safety issues when all that time the answer was right there. Greenbush means "green" for Cohasset!

We should urge our selectmen to lobby the MBTA for the Greenbush layover facility. Yes, think about it. With such a facility in our midst, it would help raise much-needed funds (from taxes and a cut of parking fees). Real estate values would skyrocket. Look at all that land for sale on Route 3A! We would need another supermarket, maybe a railyard pub, a whistlestop steak house and maybe even a Greenbush Plaza! I envision tasteful hotels tucked up above Little Harbor to take advantage of our natural beauty. Some abutters may protest, but this type of growth will improve our town. (We can't and shouldn't allow a few landowners to hold back growth! NIMBYism will not be tolerated!!) Such development will earn money for needy areas like schools, water pipes, sewerage, sidewalks and the fight against CHL. Think of the potential we are sitting on! The governor himself said the railroad was part of his plan to help develop our part of the state.

Forget the Coastal Coalition's warnings, let's look ahead. Let's not get hung up about "mitigation." Instead of arguing, like Hingham and Scituate about "impacts," we should reach out to the MBTA. After all, they know what they're doing. We should grab at this opportunity and embrace the future before it passes our town by.

Peter Robb
13 Beechwood St.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Johnston official Congressional candidate

It is now official. Phil Johnston is a Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District.

After an intensive month-long effort to gather nomination signatures for Johnston's candidacy, field workers and volunteers gathered more than 6,000 signatures — more than three times the number necessary to place Johnston's name on the September 17th ballot. The total included certified signatures from every city and town in the 10th district.

May 31, Johnston arrived at Secretary of State William Galvin's office with the certified nomination papers. The state office is prepared to handle a total of 4,000 signatures. At final count, the Johnston campaign submitted 4,100 certified signatures.

"We put together an all-out effort to gather signatures for my candidacy from every city and town within the district. It was important to me that our field of workers and volunteers were visible and out in every neighborhood of the district gathering support for the campaign. It was a successful effort on all fronts and obviously, I'm quite pleased with the outcome," Johnston said.

Johnston, the former New England Director of the United States Department of Health and Human Services, is running for the seat being vacated by the retirement of U.S. Congressman Gerry Studds.

'Greenbush is a bad choice'

To the Editor:

The People of Massachusetts should be greatly alarmed by the proposal to restore the Greenbush train on the South Shore corridor. This $300 million debt will negatively impact the bond ratings of all Massachusetts communities and add to the tax burden of all Massachusetts residents. The total benefiting population is seven small towns and about 800 riders.

In contrast. the city of Portland, Oregon, is spending the same amount of local money for the same 18 miles of track for a ridership of 22,500 people, benefiting the city itself as well as surrounding communities. The Portland project makes sense in terms of the magnitude of social benefit for the dollars spent. The Greenbush Line expenditure does not.

The Portland, Oregon, rail system appears much more financially, socially and environmentally reasonable:

According to the Portland Oregon Chamber of Commerce, Office of Community Affairs,

- The project is costing local taxpayers $250 million (plus Federal funding)
- It anticipates a ridership of 27,500 (or $11,000 per rider)

They are abiding by Federal and state environmental guidelines,

- It has nowhere near 42 grade crossings.
- The terminus is in a current bus parking lot (not in environmentally sensitive wetlands).
- It will be self-supporting by the year 2005.

By contrast, the Greenbush Train project is not a financially sound investment.

It will cost $300 million of Massachusetts taxpayer money to lay 18 miles of track.

- It has an estimated ridership of 800 people. ($350,000 per rider).
- It will never produce enough revenue to be self-sustaining, and will require massive subsidies.

At last review the state will not be taking any Federal money in order to avoid Federal environmental regulations.

- Safety issues: It will have 42 grade crossings at street level during this 18 miles.
- The terminus in Scituate is in the floodplain of an environmentally protected river. The river does flood and will carry away diesel fuel, pesticides and other residue from the trains in the terminus into this environmentally sensitive river.

The project is being actively and very emotionally fought by more than half the population who live in the seven towns.

When seeing this comparison, the Massachusetts decision to approve the Greenbush train line appears to be a breach of public trust. The social benefit does not justify the expenditure. This money could benefit hundreds of towns and thousands of people in projects which have a wider scope with social benefit of greater magnitude.

Massachusetts bond ratings are already low enough without our legislature willfully incurring another $300 million in debt which will never be paid down by the revenues from the project itself. The projected financial losses from subsidizing such a low ridership will be a burden on all Massachusetts municipalities raising money through bond issues in the future.

In addition to the finances, the environmental issues are in direct opposition to all we have done over the years to preserve our natural habitats and coastline. When I mentioned to the Portland Oregon Chamber of Commerce representatives that we the planned terminus in protected wetlands, I met with incredulous disbelief and, in fact, laughter (they thought I was joking). One person expressed great relief that they did not live in Massachusetts.

This Greenbush Line is a terrible business decision and an appalling use of taxpayer money. I urge you to research this misuse of public funds for yourselves.

Judith Kasameyer
17 Pond St.

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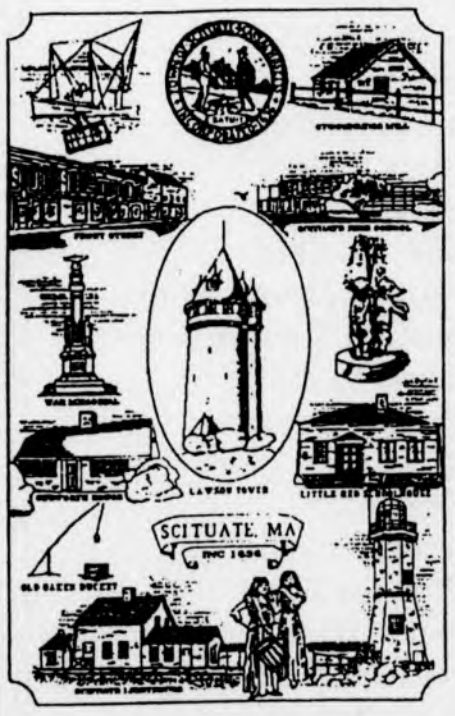

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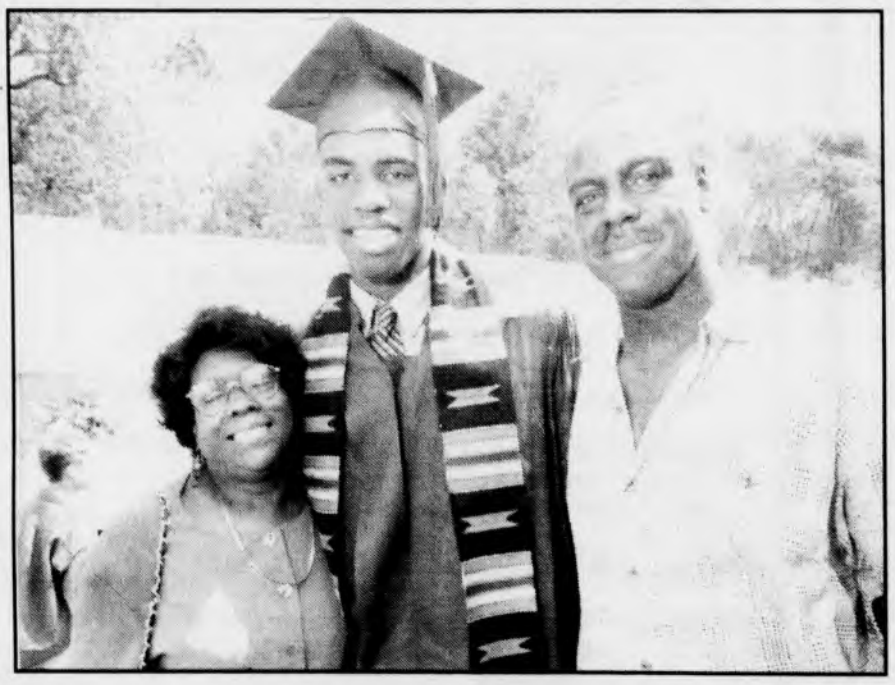
Jessica Hurley kids with Stephanie Lubitz.



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Katie Anderson shows off her diploma with her parents Gary and Debbie at her side.

Kaylen Medinger receives an award for being a member of the National Honor Society.

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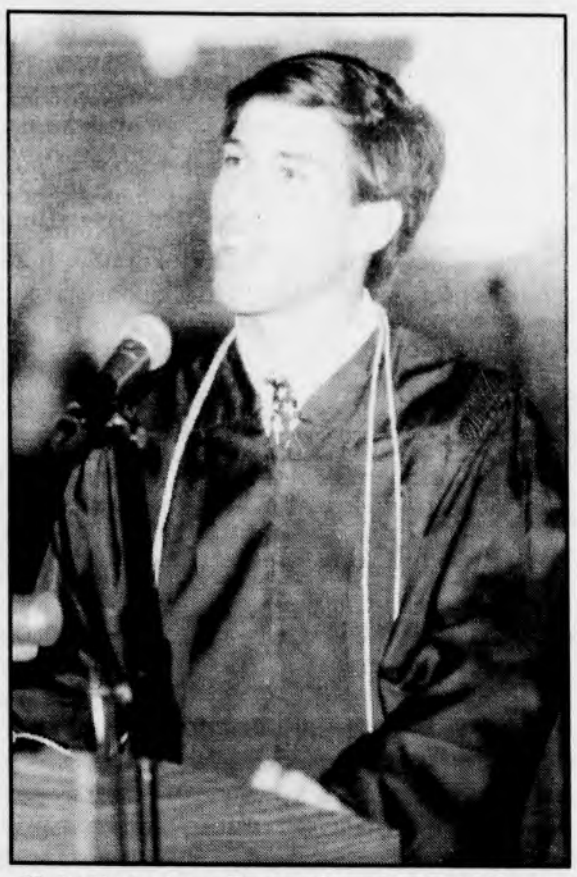

Valedictorian Ryan Sawchuk delivers his graduation address.

Graduate Jessica Hurley gets a kiss from her boyfriend David Dyckman.

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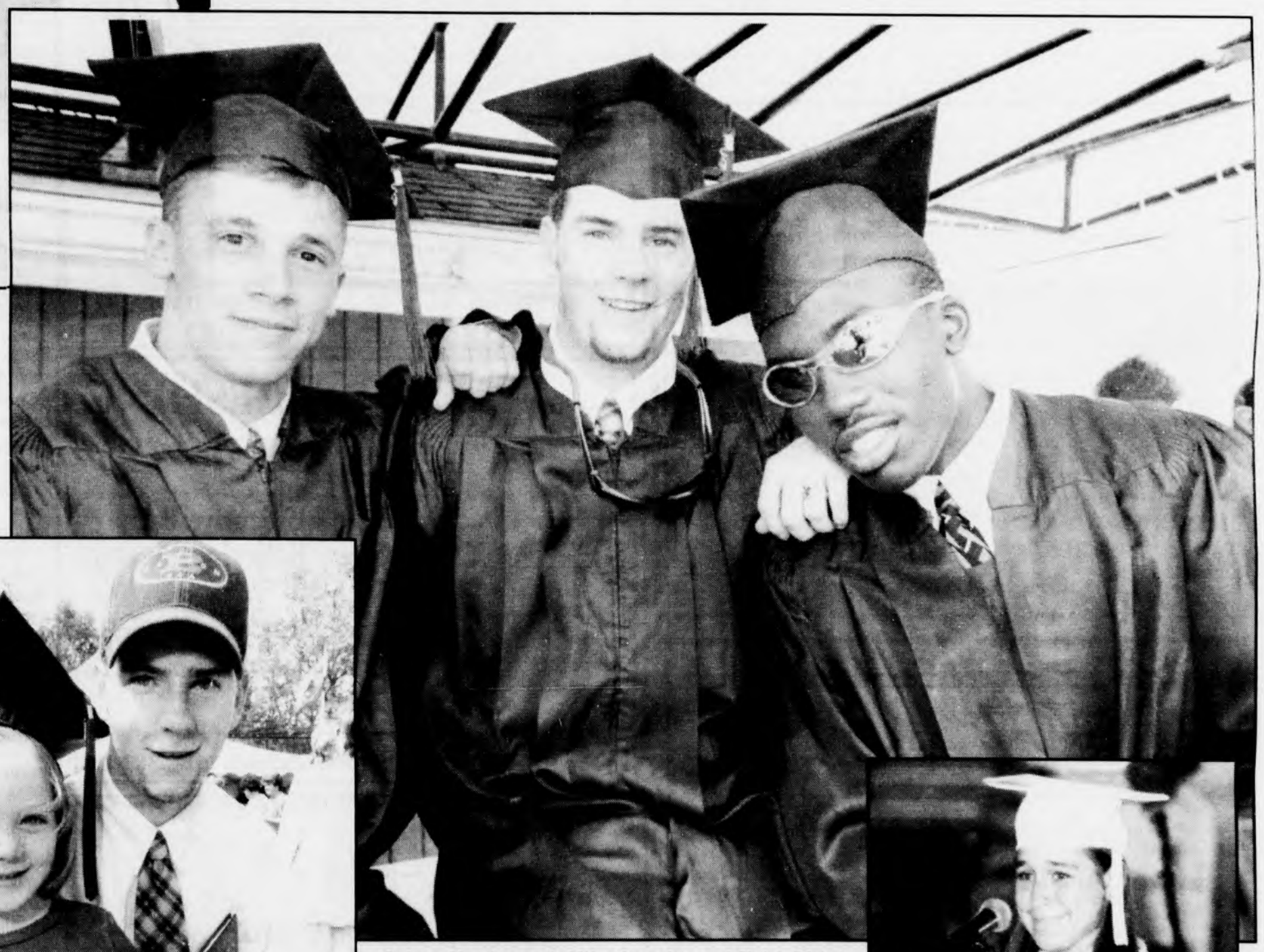

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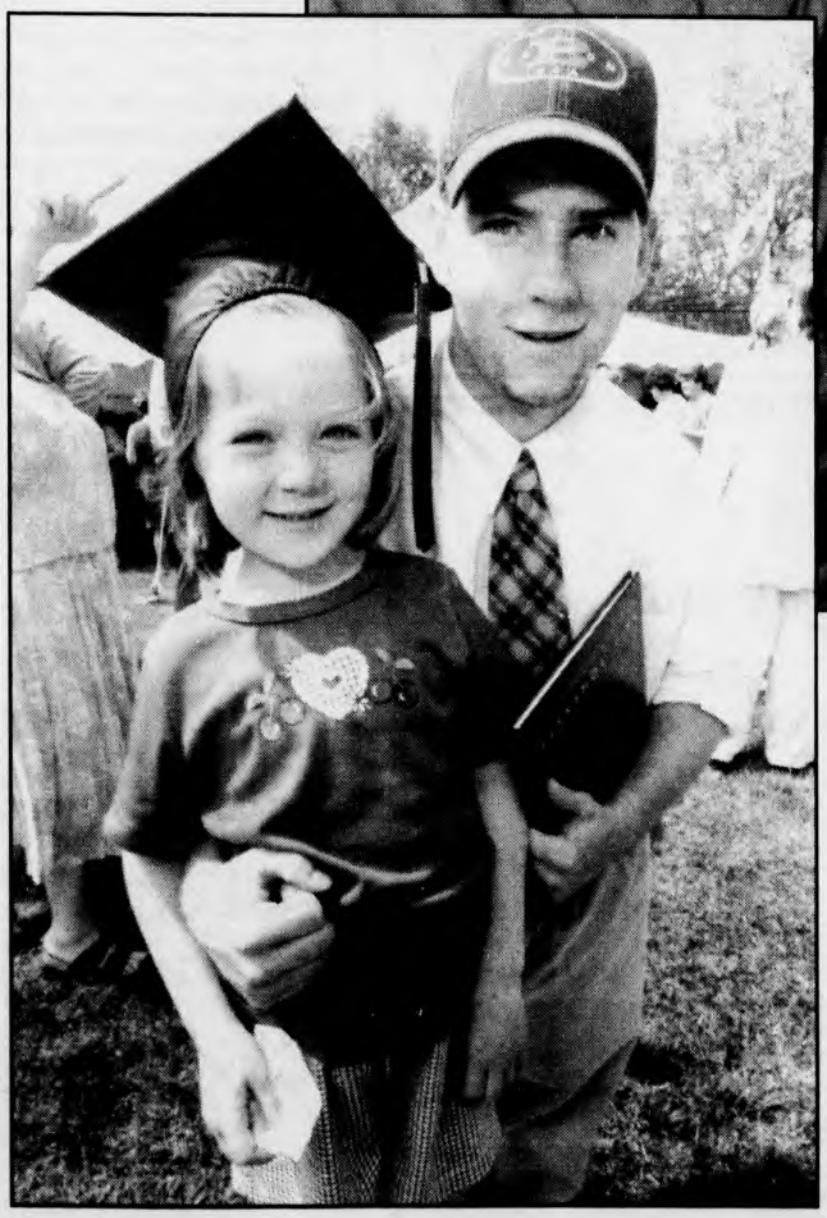

Robert Vanderpool, Mike Dunphy and Keith Wright reminisce before the ceremony.

Salutatorian Tafana Fiore holds back tears as she pays a special tribute to her mother for all the support over the years.

Mike Dunphy lets his little sister Jessica know what it feels like to wear a graduation cap.

Sunoco station on Rte. 3A to get a face-lift

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Planning Board last week granted conditional approval to a site plan for the refurbishment of the Sunoco service station located across from the Super Stop & Shop on Chief Justice Cushing Highway (Route 3A).

While the existing building will remain basically unchanged, its outside appearance will be upgraded. Likewise, the gasoline pump island, underground storage tanks and landscaping will all be modernized.

Shrubs and bushes will be planted along the sides of the service station bordering roadways. The purpose of the plantings is to control headlight glare to surrounding properties from vehicles entering and exiting the station.

A 14-foot-high canopy will be constructed over the station's single island (a 13'6" minimum is required for tanker trucks), and area lighting will be contained within the canopy structure, thereby eliminating excessive glare to motorists passing on the adjacent highway.

Sun Oil Company, which owns the property and leases the location, is undertaking the changes as part of a normal updating of its facilities.

"We're taking a 50-year-old building and cleaning it up," said Peter Williams, a spokesman for the project. Sun Oil would like construction to begin immediately, he said, with final completion taking about 60 days.

Planning Board Chairman Al Moore informed officials that final approval would be granted upon a favorable recommendation from the Design Review Board.

The board also approved the plans of Nichols Road resident Ronald Goldberg to construct an elevated walkway and dock behind his home on Little Harbor. The ramp would be three feet wide by approximately 40 feet long.

• In other business, board members passed on to the Zoning Board of Appeals their unanimous approval for the sale of the town-owned Victorian house, which is the former Cohasset Colonials' showroom on the Hagerty property site, to Cohasset Harbor Marina, Inc.

Marina owner Paul Trendowicz would like to move the building across the street from its present location and use it as a ship's chandlery and office.

Moore, who is also a member of the Hagerty Committee (the board established for the purpose of recommending a viable plan for the town-owned, two-acre site), abstained from voting. He did, however, thank fellow board members for their support of the sale.

• Additionally, the board passed on to the ZBA [illegible]r approval of a special permit for Jerusalem Road residents John and Doris Golden to operate a three-room bed and breakfast from their property.

Residents to push for appeal of water rate ruling

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

A week after the Department of Public Utilities approved a 155 percent rate increase for Massachusetts-American Water Company customers, residents in North Cohasset are mustering to push for an appeal of the decision.

"I want to do something to appeal this decision," said Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante. Plante, who plans to bring the matter up with selectmen at their next meeting (the board is meeting on a bi-weekly basis) has been on the phone all week contacting the governor, the chairman of the DPU and local legislators, state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, and state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth. Plante is encouraging her neighbors to do the same.

"I called the governor's office to find out if the DPU is really there to protect consumers, and to let the chairman know that we're not receiving high quality water," said Plante, who continues to buy bottled water and complains of discolored water and poor water pressure.

"Every time I turn on the tap, I never know if it's going to be brown or not, but it usually is," she said.

Invited to join Hingham selectmen who met in executive session Tuesday with town counsel to discuss a possible appeal, Cohasset selectmen were unable to attend due to a conflicting meeting, said Town Administrator Greg Doyon. Doyon said there has been no formal discussion by the board about an appeal.

The deadline to appeal the DPU's decision is June 20, said Mass-American Director of Rates and Revenues Rod Nevirauskas.

Nevirauskas said the water company has no plans to appeal the decision which allowed all but nine percent of the requested rate hike.

Any appeal would go directly before supreme judicial court, said Nevirauskas, who noted however that the courts give the DPU a great deal of latitude. It is not likely that the decision can be overturned simply based on concerns about the higher rates, Nevirauskas said.

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Sewer users may present case to special town meeting

North and central Cohasset may join forces

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

At a crowded meeting of the Sewer Commission Tuesday, North Cohasset homeowners heard there is still a chance they could receive help in offsetting the cost of sewer installation to the Straits Pond area.

Those residents are seeking relief from betterment charges amounting to about $870 per year. Coupled with the recent announcement by Massachusetts American Water Company of a 155 percent water rate increase, many of those in attendance were visibly agitated. (North Cohasset is on Hingham water).

The March 20 town meeting approved a loan for the sewer project, but a subsequent Prop. 2-1/2 special override election May 4, which would have reduced the users' extra costs by half, was narrowly defeated by 68 votes. Consequently, Cohasset's 345 affected residences must pick up the tab for the entire cost of connecting to the Hull sewage treatment plant over the next 20 years.

Commission Chairman Edward Guild said the topic of connection rates could be brought before the town at October's special town meeting. At that time voters will be asked to approve sewer expansion funding for the Hillside and central sections of Cohasset as well as the upgrading of the town's treatment facility.

"There is no reason we cannot submit both articles on one (ballot) question and have them pass," he said. "The bottom line is that the two districts (North & Central) are going to come out the same."

One resident said she felt many voters really didn't understand the ballot question, and the potential town-wide ramifications, when they rejected the override in May. Therefore, residents will have to do an even better job come October, she told Guild.

"People in all sections of town need to know that they will be treated equally when it comes to their turn," offered another.

And while Guild was sympathetic to the plight of North Cohasset homeowners, his observation that they will be charged the same rate as their Hull neighbors drew little satisfaction from anyone in the room.

Engineer Dan Coughlin estimated the North Cohasset costs to be $6.3 million and the Hillside/central Cohasset costs at $6.6 million.

He further stated that from the awarding of the contract for the construction of the pumping station, to be located at West Corner, connection time onto the Hull system would take 480 days. The installation of the Cohasset collection system would be completed within 660 days.

According to estimates, Coughlin stated that both projects are on schedule and final state legislative approval for the North Cohasset segment should be forthcoming by the end of this month.

In trying to explain the complicated formula of dollars and percentages of state subsidies, Coughlin and Guild finally reverted to stating the town is eligible for 75 percent grant-equivalency funding.

"It comes out the same as if they (the legislature) provided a 30 per cent straight grant," Guild said.

At the request of several in attendance, copies of the North Cohasset project will be available for viewing during normal business hours at the building inspector's office at town hall and at the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. Guild encourages anyone with concerns about the plans to talk with the sewer commission. A public forum on the plans will be July 11, Guild said.

Monday's meeting opened to a raucous start when a number of residents took exception to the early (6 p.m.) start of the commission hearings.

"This is the largest expenditure in the history of the town, so every meeting is very important to all of us. If you can't make it (starting hour) appropriate enough for the citizens of this town then you should get off the board," shouted Patrick Plante.

Guild responded by telling Plante the commission would take the suggestion of a later starting hour under advisement.

Get a jump on mosquito season

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee strongly urges citizens to initiate surveys of the area surrounding each house. Particular attention should be paid to objects such as old tires, bird baths, toy pails, gutters, etc., and surface areas where stagnant water may collect. It takes only a few days of such stagnation to permit hatching of adult mosquitoes from previously deposited eggs. Water in bird baths and wading pools should be changed at least once a week. If your area has a sizable expanse of stagnant water (e.g., a small pond) or even a depression in the ground which repeatedly retains small quantities of water for three days to a week, it is essential either to drain such areas or to apply a biological inhibitor, such as a preparation containing the bacterium Bacillus thuringiensis (Bti), which is harmless to humans and pets but which prevents development of adult mosquitoes. These inhibitors are available as powders, "dunks," or sprays in most garden supply or hardware stores.

Current information about mosquito control provided by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, the Audubon Society, and general medical media is available to Cohasset residents in a hang-pocket located in the entry area of Town Hall. For further information, you may call the Cohasset Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121, leaving your name and telephone number so that a member of the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee can call you personally.

It is important to be aware that the majority of safety standards for pesticide use set by the U.S. Government are primarily based on tolerance levels for adults. Young children and aged seniors are often harmed at such dosage levels. We respectfully request that citizens intending to spray their yards with a pesticide or requesting such spraying by the Plymouth District, please notify neighbors sufficiently in advance so that proper precautions can be taken to protect families from the impact of spray drift. Plymouth District staff usually spray in the very early morning at 4 to 8 a.m. If neighbors know that spraying is to occur, windows maybe closed and pets kept indoors.

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Sailing club cookout set

The Cohasset Sailing Club is having its opening day cookout and dance June 22, 6 to 8 p.m. dinner; 8 p.m. to midnight, D.J.

Cold salads and desserts appreciated. Grill provided. All members welcomed.

Flying Santa lighthouse cruise planned for June 30

The Hull Lifesaving Museum's third annual Flying Santa Lighthouse cruise will be held Sunday, June 30. Participants will cruise to eight lighthouses in the Massachusetts Bay area, and there will be two on-board speakers to offer a history of the lights. Maps and brochures will be provided.

The MV Massachusetts will depart from the commuter dock at Hingham Shipyard at noon and return at 5 p.m. Box lunches from Z-Chef of Hull and Hingham available for the pre-paid price of $6.25. A chowder bar, hot dogs, snacks and cold drinks will be available on board. Two raffles will be offered for cruise guests.

Tickets for Lifesaving Museum members are $23 and $25 for non-members. All proceeds will benefit the museum's Flying Santa program.

To order tickets, call George Morgan at 925-0783 (fax: (617) 925-2322).

Tour historic Hingham homes

The 72nd annual Tour Historic Hingham Homes sponsored by The Hingham Historical Society is Wednesday, June 19, 1 to 8:30 p.m.

Five homes in historic Hingham will be open for viewing. The oldest house, a 1737 Colonial with Georgian Style components, was one of the early Hersey homesteads. Two other 18th Century homes include a 1774 Gambrel Cottage, occupied for almost a century by the Thaxter family and a 1785 Colonial built for Col. Charles Cushing, state representative and farmer. Also featured are an 1811 Federal Style built by sea captain Isaac Hinckley and a traditional house built by W.T. Litchfield which originated from an older non-residential building and was moved to its present location in 1896.

The historic buildings include the Old Ordinary, Old Derby, Old Ship Meeting House and the Hingham Community Center. Light refreshments will be served in the afternoon. No cameras or spike heels will be allowed on the tour.

The 1996 exhibit is very special this year. "And So To Bed" will display with detailed accuracy the beds, bed clothes and customs of early New England. Items have been selected from the Old Ordinary's extensive collection and specially woven textiles reproducing the early coverings have been researched and purchased. Hand sewing has been ongoing for many months by volunteers. The exhibit will continue through Sept. 14, and may be seen Tuesdays through Saturdays from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. be

Tickets are $10 in advance and $12 on tour day. They are available at Bowl and Board in Hingham Square and at the Hingham Public Library, 66 Leavitt Street. Tickets on tour day will be sold only at the Old Ordinary, 21 Lincoln Street after 10 a.m. At that time tickets may also be exchanged for tour books.

To order tickets by mail, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope and your check to the Hingham Historical Society, P.O. Box 434, Hingham 02043. Mark the envelope "House Tour."

For further information, call 749-4219 or 749-1851.

Festival offers a taste of Greece, July 4-7

A four-day Grecian Festival will be held at Panagia Greek Orthodox Church, 811 Jerusalem Road, July 4-7 from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., rain or she. Admission is free.

The festival will feature live Grecian music, a boutique, children's game tent, raffle and Greek cooking and pastries.

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Paul Pratt Library Corner

Children's summer reading program set

The summer reading program for children will begin June 21, the last day of school. Named "Catch the Summer Spark," all summer the program will light young people's imaginations with activities focusing on themes such as creativity, invention, the stars, and energy.

Bring your children in to explore the world, adventure into new realms of knowledge, maintain reading skills during summer vacation, and just have fun. Contact Suzanne Terry in the children's room at the library for more information and to register.

Also, ask Suzanne about the new Apple computer that is available for use by children. The library welcomes donations of used CDs and videos for young people.

Library events scheduled

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library will take place at the library Wednesday, June 19, at 9 a.m. All current and prospective officers and members are invited to attend.

An evening reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, will be held at the home of Barbara and Jeff Power in recognition of library volunteers.

Free passes available

Just a reminder that there are free passes provided by the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library, available to Cohasset residents for the Museum of Science, Museum of Fine Arts, Children's Museun and Plimouth Plantation. The aquarium pass is not available in the summer.

D&A committee hopes parents flock to forum

Results of risk behavior survey due

KEN RITCHIE
Special to the Mariner

During Tuesday evening's meeting of the Drug and Alcohol Committee, members discussed the results of the "Youth Risk Behavior Survey" that was administered to Cohasset students in grades 7-12 back in February.

The results were formally presented to interested parents for discussion on Wednesday night at Cohasset High School in the form of a Parent Forum. (Due to a press-time constraint, The Mariner will include coverage of this event in next week's issue).

"Events like this should be held much more frequently than just once every one or two years," Committee Chair Craig Muir stated. "Parents need to get involved and forums like this will definitely help."

Each parent was mailed a packet containing the survey results along with a letter from the high school. According to the letter, "the results clearly indicate that the youth of Cohasset is very similar to the youth of the nation as a whole ... when choosing behaviors that place them at risk."

The survey's questions varied from suicidal thoughts to drug and alcohol abuse, a problem the committee feels should addressed and discussed considerably.

The committee was also concerned with the parent turn-out of the forum, hoping parents will get involved after realizing the somewhat eye-opening results of the survey.

"We are interested to see what participation there will be," stated Muir. "Parents should be aware of the results of this survey."

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• In old business, the committee praised the work of those involved in Hingham High School's "Senior Night" graduation celebration for students.

According to Muir, the doors of the high school opened at 11 p.m. that evening for graduates and were then locked shut at 11:30 and enforced by DARE officers before re-opening at 5:30 a.m. for the students to leave.

This was no prison, however.

"The kids partied their brains out," Muir stated.

A police officer equipped with a "breathalyzer" guarded the entrance, making sure no one with booze on their breath was allowed to enter.

The night was filled with a slew of festivities including a velcro-maze, padded sumo wrestling, and moon-walk volleyball.

The committee hopes to someday help Cohasset follow in the footsteps of many of the surrounding towns in planning such highly successful graduation celebrations.

"We need to somehow combine our efforts in this town for something like this to happen," Muir stated. "It isn't something that can be done by individuals alone, we need to meet with other groups and volunteers to ensure a full team effort."

• In other news, Muir formally announced the resignation of three-year committee member Ellie Waal.

"Ellie was one of the most active and hardworking members on the committee," Muir said. "She has put a lot of blood, sweat and tears into this committee."

• The next scheduled meeting of the Drug and Alcohol Committee is Tuesday, July 9 at the Town Hall. The meeting is open to the public.

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Cohasset Business

Village cleanup a success

The Cohasset Village cleanup effort was a success. Residents, including children, and merchants volunteered to help clean up several areas throughout the Village on two separate days.

A general cleanup took place, with a special effort made in preparation for Harborfest weekend.

Katie Wenmark, Ary Afshar, and Yazmine Afshar help out during the recent village clean-up effort. The clean-up was part of an on-going effort to revitalize the village.

Kennedy to attend Chamber meeting

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will hold a full membership meeting Wednesday, June 19, at the Chart House. Michael Kennedy, son of Robert and Ethel Kennedy and chairman of Citizens Energy Corporation, will be a guest at the meeting.

Kennedy will have just returned from a trip to South Africa to honor the 30th anniversary of one of his father's speeches and to explore interests for Citizens Energy.

The company is a non-profit organization whose mission is to make energy affordable and available for poor and elderly families. Since 1988, he has been chairman of the Cambridge-based corporation, which invests profits from several subsidiaries and affiliates to fund more than $2 million in energy assistance programs annually for needy people in the U.S. and abroad.

Kennedy will discuss his recent trip and the efforts of Citizens Energy.

The cost is $12 for members, $15 for non-members. To reserve seats, call the Chamber hotline at 383-1010 or send a check to P.O. Box 336, Cohasset 02025.

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Mariner Sports

Local cyclist plays part in Olympics

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Samuel Morse has always had close ties to the Olympic Games. This Saturday they'll become even closer.

Morse will carry the Olympic torch on a specially built bicycle during two 28-kilometer (approximately 17 miles) stages of the 84-stage cross-country journey as it swings through Massachusetts. The bicycle, provided to Morse by sponsors, has a special mount on the front to carry the torch.

At 5:15 a.m., Morse will receive the torch in Tyngsboro and bike to Acton. His second leg begins at approximately 7 a.m., when he bikes from Stow to Hudson.

An avid cyclist and member of the United States Bicycling Federation (USBF) for the past 15 years, Morse, along with other members were asked to write a biography of themselves for consideration in cycling a leg of the relay.

"It was quite an honor to be selected as a cyclist," Morse said. "I was very excited."

When Morse sees the torch again, he'll be in Atlanta for the Opening Ceremonies. His brother, Marty Morse, is coaching the wheelchair athletes in the exhibition events and will also be coaching at the Para Olympics, later in the summer.

"We'll be heading down to Atlanta this year," he said. "We're a very sports-oriented family."

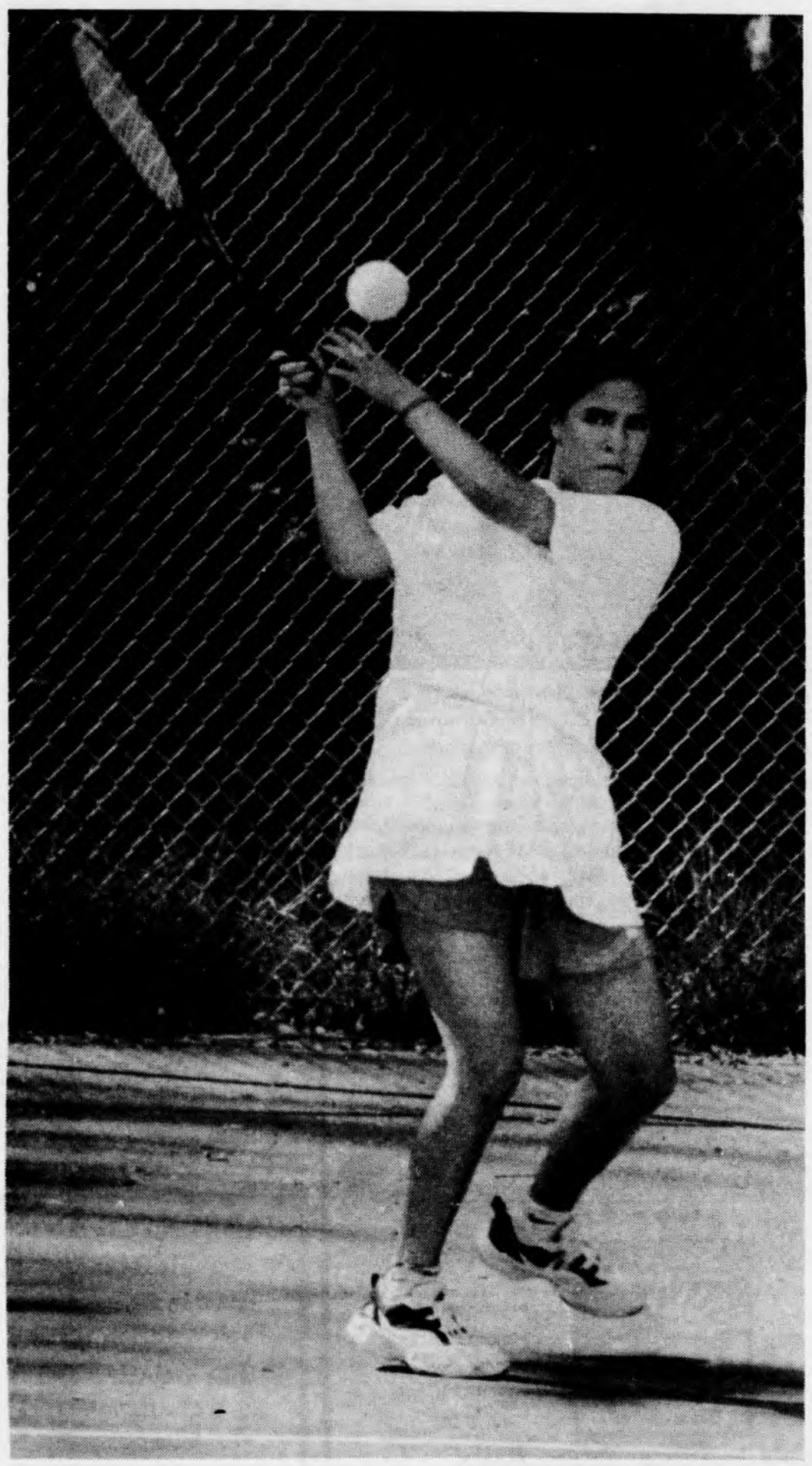
Morse is looking forward to the track cycling competition and watching the best cyclists in the world vie for a medal. He expects the event to be a strong one for the United States.

"It's one of the events where the U.S. should get some gold medals," Morse said.

Morse's wife, Trish, was an organizer for the torch relay at the Los Angeles Olympics in 1984 and is currently serving on the Boston Organizing Committee. The committee is gearing its efforts to bringing the games to Boston in 2012.

With the number of sports facilities, college dormitories to house athletes and the close proximity to the city, Morse believes there's a strong possibility the world will be coming to Boston in 16 years.

"There's a great chance the games will be in Boston," Morse said. "2012 certainly gives them (the committee) a lot of time. If Atlanta can do it, we can do it."



Laura Slotnick is a picture of determination as she wraps up a straight set 6-0, 6-3 over a Sharon opponent during the Division 2 South Sectional quarterfinals.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Tourney could be habit

Batmen look to bright postseason future

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

It was a milestone season for the Cohasset Skippers varsity baseball team. Earning their first tourney berth in 24 years, the Skippers called on a wide range of players to help them achieve their goal. Four seniors filled leadership roles desperately needed to make the tournament. Two juniors were named to the South Shore League All-Star team. A pair of sophomores played key roles and three freshmen played starting roles. An eighth grader stepped into a starting role and finished with an ERA which hovered around 2.00.

Coached by Ron Ford, the Skippers battled to an 11-11 record and made the tournament in the last game of the the season. Hampered by missing players, sore arms and the foul spring weather, Cohasset showed heart in its season, and always kept fans guessing as to whether or not it would make the tournament. For the first time in recent memory, Cohasset gave the mighty Norton Lancers a tough game. The Lancers, a perennial powerhouse, were shocked by the Skippers, who held them to a tight game, but finally fell in a contest which could have gone either way.

A dramatic must-win game in Hull was spiced up by poor umpiring and a keyed-up Pirates team. However, the Skippers pulled that one out as they would in several nail-biters this spring. In a strong league which sent a state-high six teams to the tournament, the Skippers managed to hustle their way into a tourney spot.

Captain Greg Stevens, a senior pitcher, also had a sparkling ERA. Ford said that Stevens "has a lot of heart, he pitched great games against great teams...he's

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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Good youth coaches worth weight in gold

Every Little Leaguer should have the opportunity to play for the type of coach featured on the television magazine show "20/20" last Thursday night. The segment revealed an interesting and refreshing insight into the behind-closed-door deals of the draft and the wheeling and dealing of players. It then followed a team in New Jersey, specifically its first-year coach as he struggled through the intracies of coaching a squad of enthusiastic youngsters. The segment ended with the team pulling off a huge upset over the first-place squad in the league.

Reardon

The coach appeared completely bewildered by the deals and trades being made on draft day and obviously lacked the savvy of the other coaches when it came to putting together a quality roster.

But this guy was the real deal. He was a bright guy who knew he was dealing

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Mariner Sports

Take us out to the ballpark girls

The 1996 Cohasset Girls Softball season is underway. This week's featured teams are the Blue Blazers, sponsored by South Shore Chevrolet and coach by Steve Cook, Jim Watts, Barbara Esposito and Lottie Cook. The Coolers are sponsored by Dalton Spring Water and coached by Martha O'Grodnik, Bob Turgiss and Laura Chase.

Blue Blazers blaze along

By LOTTIE COOK
Special to the Mariner

What a super group of athletes the Blue Blazers have. Starting with catchers Calla Staszko, Mackenzie Holway, Danielle Hajjar, Kerri-Anne Esposito and Kristen Watts, the Blazers should be set behind the plate for the season. Ashley Cook, Jessie Guild and Lindsey Feig will rotate at first and pitching. Carlinturino, Molly Liddell, Nicole Durant, Alicia Sanchez, Emile Sulivan and Alanna Hughes will rotate at second, third and shortstop.

All of the players are doing an outstanding job in the outfield, especially with the very important job of backing up the infielders. Keep up the good work Blue Blazers!

The Coolers are hot

By LAURA CHASE
Special to the Mariner

Sponsored by Dalton Spring Water, the Coolers have had a terrific softball season! Many of the girls who have never palyed softball before have played all the positions. They've lined doubles, made some great catches and learned the rules of the game. Some of the more experienced girls have improved their fielding and hitting and have been encouraged to be mentally prepared to make the best plays once the ball is in play. Regardless of their experience, all of the girls have rallied aroudn each other and have shown encouragement and support to each other.

Congratulations Coolers for your good sportsmanship throughout the season!

Derby Academy honors Cohasset athletes

Cohasset's Kara Gaughen and Corinna Noering were recently awarded for their athletic contributions at the Girls' Athletic Banquet at Derby Academy in Hingham.

The event, which was held in front of more than 125 parents, faculty members and students in the John H. Ross Dining Room, celebrated the athletic acheivements of the girls in Grades 6 through 9.

Gaughen's contributions to the Grade 6 basketball team were recognized and Noering's efforts as a member of the JV basketball team earned her the praise of those in attendance.

The athletic award ceremony was conducted by Janet Evans-Fuller, the head of girls' athletics, and coaches Nancy Anderson and Gayle Myers.

FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon. 837-4843

Boat clubs to host junior championships

This will be an exciting August on the water when the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships are co-hosted by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club. This big event is expected to draw more than 300 junior sailors, ages seven through high school, from the Boston, North Shore and South Shore areas.

The participants will launch from Cohasset Harbor and proceed to designated areas. There will be class events for Optimists, Turnabouts, Lasers and Club 420's during the three days of stiff competitive racing on the bay. The hosts will conduct green fleet races as well.

In addition to the wonderful sailing during this regatta, the hosts have planned many social events to make the guests and their parents, instructors, and the whole planning force feel welcome. There will be a pizza party, cookout, a dance party for the sailors, a cocktail party Tuesday evening for the adults at Bancroft Hall above the harbor; and morning snacks and lunches will be provided on race days. Many families of local Cohasset sailors will help out by opening their homes to wayward sailors from north of Boston who need a place to stay during the regatta.

Mark your calendars and set aside August 13 through 15 for the BayBank Junior Championships outside of Cohasset Harbor, where the sailing promises to be fast and exciting on open bay waters, and the social gatherings hosted by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club will be just as memorable and fun.

Sisters Tara (Left) and Erica Hettstrom placed fifth and sixth, respectively, on their bar routines in the 15-and-over Intermediate division of the 1996 NEAAU Regional Gymnastics Championships. Erica also took third place on the floor exercise and fifth in the all around.

Photo by P. DiGregario

Swim team season opens

The Varsity Swim Shop will be at the pool Wednesday, June 26, from 9 to 10:30 a.m.

Please note this is a different date from the one mistakenly printed in the registration packet.

Swim suits must be ordered at this time so the team logo can be printed on them.

Swim team tryouts for new members only of all ages will be held Tuesday, June 18, from 3:30 to 5 p.m., and Wednesday, June 19, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Cohasset Swim Center.

Diving team tryouts for new members only will be Thursday, June 20, from 5:30 to 6:30 pm. at the swim center. Please plan to spend the full hour and meet the new diving coaches, Dawn Meeehan and Amy Wojtasinski.

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w[illegible]vulnerable kids, not professionals pulling down seven-figure paychecks. He made no bones about the fact he had no idea what slot his team would fill in the league standings once the season got rolling along. However, that wasn't his goal. His bottom-line agenda was to teach the kids the fundamentals of the game and make it fun in the process.

This coach's approach was in sharp contrast to the coach of the first-place squad, who ruled his team the way Bobby Knight runs Indiana's basketball program. Not a heck of a lot of laughs, but the results were there. The only difference was that Knight coaches college-aged kids. They can take a tongue lashing every now and then. Try that to an elementary or junior high player and the damage can run deep.

This guy was simply taking coaching Little League far too seriously. Just by watching him, it was interesting to wonder how good he was as a youngster. The coach was a bully, no way around around it.

When his team was trailing the first-year coach's squad heading into its last at-bat, he read the players the riot act as if a loss would permanently be plastered on their resumes.

It was the two coaches, both so different in their philosophies, who had some of the most riveting comments. The coach of the top team said he didn't want the kids playing unless they were going to give the game everything they had. He told the "20/20" correspondent that he was preparing them for life. Sure it was only a game, he reasoned, but the earlier they learned hard work brings the best results, the better.

The first-year coach commented that it was his players who left each game with smiles on their faces, win or lose. He didn't, however, see too many smiles from the first-place players. What he did see were serious looks, kids who were too concerned about making mistakes and bearing the brunt of their coach's anger than actually concentrating on having a good time playing a game they supposedly loved.

With Little League now in full gear and many of the playoffs approaching, you have to wonder how many kids are *truly* having fun playing baseball. It's up to the coaches to build the players up and help their passion for the game grow that much more.

A Little League coach has the unique opportunity to make a positive influence on young kids. A great coach can give the youngsters happy memories that last a lifetime. A lousy coach can permanently turn a kid off from baseball and organized sports in general. And you can bet that when the youngster grows up and has kids of his own, he'll be wary about his own children playing an organized sport, if he considers the idea at all.

You often hear about parents interfering with the coach's handling of a team. It's one thing when a parent complains that his son should be batting third and playing somewhere in the infield. It's another completely when the parent gives the coach a piece of his mind when his child leaves the field with tears in his eyes after a scolding for dropping a fly ball to left field.

Let's hope the coaches, many of whom are frustrated jocks who were failures at sports as children, don't make the selfish mistake of living out their unfulfilled childhood dreams through their players. For those players stuck with a drill sergeant for a coach, hopefully they won't lose their love for a game that has caught the imagination of the United States for more than 100 years.

From what I've seen, the Little League and majority of youth coaches throughout the South Shore are knowledgeable and relate great with the kids. Cohasset's coaches have shown they're there for the kids and not their own special interests. As a result, the young athletes have a summer filled with competitive, instructional, but most importantly, fun baseball.

Batmen look to bright future

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really had a great career for us."

Providing leadership on and off the field, Sevens, who also picked up three saves this year, will attend Assumption College in the fall.

Another senior co-captain was Eric Henry, Cohasset's starting left fielder. Henry showed off his great glove by making a diving, desperation grab of a sinking liner during a tournament game. Henry, an excellent hitter in addition to his fielding prowess, will be packing his bags for Bowdoin College next year.

Mike Dunphy, Cohasset's durable utility man, played nearly every position this year. A superb fastball hitter and a speedster on the basepaths, Dunphy played every position but catcher and first base this year. Dunphy will go to UMass-Dartmouth next fall.

Rafael Alarcon, the Skippers' imported ringer, was an exchange student from Chile. Also an excellent volleyball player, Rafael showed a marked improvement in his skills toward the second half of the year and provided the team with spirit off the bench.

Headed by these four seniors, the Skippers put together a great season, However, next year holds the possibility of being even better. Rob Buckley, Grant Emde, Joe Magner and Kevin McKenna should all return for one more year. Pat Hurley and Mark Kupsc, who both saw action as sophomores this year, will step into larger roles next spring, as sophomores, promise to improve. Eighth-grader Joe Pergola should further develop as strong fastball pitcher. With this nucleus and prospects coming up from JV, it appears as if the Skippers will once again be tourney-bound.

Cohasset swim center opens June 15

The opening day for the Cohasset Swim Center is June 15. Swimming lesson signups will be held Saturday, June 22, from 9 to 11 a.m.

Swim team tryouts are set for Tuesday, June 18, from 3:30 to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, June 19, from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tryouts are for new swimmers only.

Mixed doubles tennis slated for June 22

South Shore Community Center in Cohasset will sponsor a mixed doubles tennis tournament and mixed senior tournament Saturday, June 22, with finals to be played Sunday, June 23, rain or shine.

Entry fee is $50 per player; $35 for players 60 and older. Registration closes June 19. Participants will be contacted June 20 after 5 p.m. with their starting time and court location.

To register and for more information, call Chris Horne at 545-1184 or Stephanie Church at 383-0088.

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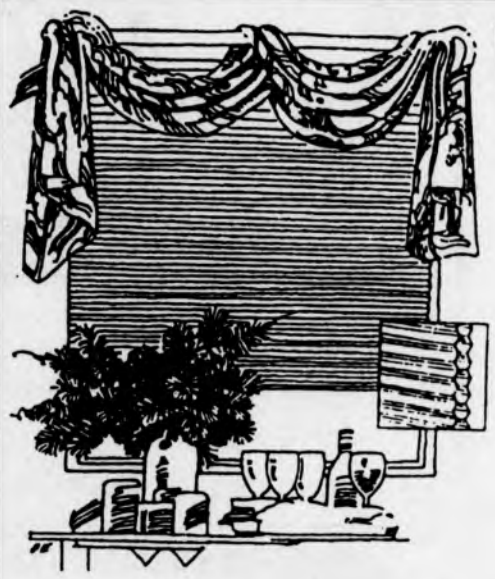

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Biggest youth lacrosse tourney in U.S. June 16

More than 1,300 youth lacrosse players from Massachusetts and Rhode Island will gather in Marshfield on Sunday, June 16, for the fourth annual Massachusetts Bay Youth Lacrosse League Jamboree.

The Jamboree will feature competition among 60 teams of fifth-, sixth-, seventh- and eighth-graders representing the 18 cities and towns competing in the MBYLL. All games will take place at the Marshfield High School athletic fields.

Highlighting the day's events will be the second annual New England High School Senior All-Star Game, at 1 p.m. and the United States Northeast Club Championship at 3 p.m. Both contests will be held in the Marshfield High School football stadium.

The daylong event, which begins at 8 a.m., is sponsored by Brine, Inc., Gatorade, Lax USA, the Marshfield Lacrosse Boosters, the Town of Marshfield and New England Lacrosse, Inc. Admission is $5 per carload, with proceeds to support Massachusetts Bay Youth Lacrosse.

"We're very excited to bring this event to the South Shore," said MBYLL president Jay Williams of Norwell. "Lacrosse has had explosive growth in this region, both in players and teams. As a result, this will be the biggest Jamboree ever."

Williams predicted a turnout of between 5,000 and 10,000 for the event. Besides the games, attendees will be able to experience a "Festival of Lacrosse" — dunk tank, fast-shot contest, a vendors' row and other activities.

The high school all-star game will pit Eastern Massachusetts' top public school seniors against their New England prep school counterparts. Among the public school players are Rich Santoro of Hingham, Newton North's Todd McNamara, Weymouth's Mike Scott and Winchester's Alex Racioppi. The preps are led by Middlesex's Ian Nurse, Thayer's Jarod Lieberman and Belmont Hill's Campbell MacColl The head coaches are Boston College High's Tom Frisoli and Tabor Academy's Ian Patrick.

The club championship features the Brine Outlaws, led by Major Indoor Lacrosse League stars Tom Carmean, Randy Fraser, Scott Hiller and Billy Daye. They'll play the Long Island, New York champion.

Future Cohasset High gymnastics star Jackie Flint finished in third place during the vaulting competition in the 8-and-under Novice division of the 1996 NEAAU Gymnastics Championships.

Photo by P. DiGregario

Summer fun with Ruthann

Registration is now being taken for the summer program. Call 383-0088.

TEAM WORKOUTS

Level 4, Wednesdays, July 10 through August 28, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Level 5, Tuesdays and Thursdays at the high school, July 9 through August 29, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER CLASSES

Classes run for six Wednesdays, July 10 through August 14.

Intermediate boys and girls ages 8 to 11,1:30 to 2:30 p.m

Beginner boys and girls ages 6 and 7, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Preschool boys and girls ages 4 and 5, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

SUMMER CAMPS

Preschool Sports and Stuff Camp for boys and girls ages 4 to 6 will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning Tues., July 9, and ending Thursday, Aug. 1.

Gymnastics camp for girls ages 6 to 13 will run in two sessions: August 20, 21 and 22, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; and August 27,28 and 29, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Enjoy rotations on uneven bars, vault, dance. floor exercise, balance beam, bowling, and contests for prizes. This will be a great opportunity to learn new skills. Bring a snack and juice daily.

OLYMPIC TRIALS AT THE FLEET CENTER

The Olympic gymnastic trials will be held in Boston at the Fleet Center on June 27, 28, 29 and 30. Call Ruthann at 383-0088 for tickets for men's and women's compulsory; and men's and women's optional.

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School News

Summer camp at SSCC

The South Shore Community Center is offering summer camps for all ages, including Coastal Exploration Camp, Computer/Cooking/Bowling Camp, Circus Week, Art Center Camp, and gymnastic, nature and tennis camps. Call 383-0088 for a camp schedule.

'No Tobacco Day' poster contest winners named

The South Shore Boards of Health Collaborative has announced the winners of the World No Tobacco Day poster contest for fourth-graders.

First-place winner at Deer Hill School was Alli Earon. Alanna Hughes won second place, and Malcolm Stansell was in third-place.

The volunteer panel of judges included Brian Noonan, Ellie Waal and Michael Gill. All posters were displayed at Stop & Shop in early June.

Meeting for parents of incoming kindergartners

Osgood School is holding an information meeting for parents of incoming kindergartners for the 1996-'97 school year, Monday, June 17, at 7 p.m. in the Osgood School Library to discuss questions and answers regarding the kindergarten's new location at Deer Hill School.

Summer sessions at Academic Express

This summer, Academic Express, a specially-designed tutoring program for children in grades K-6, will focus on three important areas of education based on current research: reading with understanding, writing in response to reading and math concepts and facts.

Current research related to the importance of "reading with understanding" continues to affirm that reading only occurs when there is comprehension. If readers have inadequate background knowledge, comprehension is limited. Before reading, students need to get ready to read by thinking about what they know about the topic. Building and activating background knowledge can have powerful effects on abilities to comprehend, remember and solve problems.

The Academic Express will help students master this and other strategies in its summer sessions.

The Academic Express is headed by Joy Turpie, Ed.D and Mary Aucoin, M.Ed. and staffed by certified master teachers. Four sessions will be offered.

For further information about session dates or to register, call 749-1703.

Rec program offers expanded hours

Cohasset Enrichment Program, through the Cohasset public schools, will offer a Before- and After-Recreation Program this summer, beginning the week of July 1 and continuing through Aug. 16. The program will not run July 4 and 5.

Held at Deer Hill School, it is open to children who will be in grades K-6 in the fall. The Before-Recreation Program opens at 7 a.m. and runs until the program begins at 9 a.m. Children may bring their own breakfast, and quiet activities will be offered. Children attending Recreation at Osgood School will be escorted there by a teacher.

The After-Recreation Program begins at 3 p.m. and runs until 6 p.m. The format is similar to the after-school enrichment program, with organized sports, cooking projects, games, arts and crafts and, for the summer, swimming at the town pool. Children at Osgood will be escorted to Deer Hill by a teacher.

Registrations are accepted for limited times or for the entire program. Sign-ups begin the week of June 16, but children must be registered for the program prior to signing up for the Recreation Program. The registration deadline is Friday, June 7. For further information, call Missy Walker at 383-6860 or stop in at Room 2 at DHS to pick up a registration form.

Summer arts at Derby

Registration for Summer Arts at Derby is drawing to a close. The five-week comprehensive arts program for young people ages 8-15 at Derby Academy, Hingham, offers courses in visual arts, drama, music, dance, writing, photography, animation, martial arts, gymnastics and sports.

A newspaper is produced daily, and a full-scale musical, "Damn Yankees," will be presented. A new theater Apprentice Group for ages 13-15 will be directed by John Higgins. The troupe will be touring a 30-minute show during the final weeks of the program.

For more details about the program, call Director Thalia McMillion at 740-4766.

Roger D. Williams (far left), chairman of the Scholarship Committee at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, Inc., and Hoby Taylor (far right), arena president, present a $1500 scholarship to Ryan W. Sawchuk, 1996 graduate of Cohasset High School. Sawchuk plans to attend Princeton. The Pilgrim Skating Arena awards scholarships annually to selected high school seniors in the South Shore communities. Any graduating senior, intending to further his or her education beyond high school at any accredited institution is eligible to apply. This year the arena awarded a total of 18 scholarships to local graduates.

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3 to 3:30 p.m. *Cohasset High School Ensembles, Center Stage

3 to 5 p.m. KIDFEST, Puppet Workshop with SSAC artists, sponsored by Lois and David Weltman, Cohasset Common

*Ice Cream Festival, Honor Roll Courtyard

*Speed Pitch, Cohasset Teen Center, Honor Roll Courtyard

3:30 to 5:30 p.m. WATD, Live Broadcast from the Common

4:30 to 5 p.m. *Gymnastics In Motion Team, Center Stage

5 to 8 p.m. CELEBRATE THE ARTS!, Sponsored by BANK OF BOSTON, Joe Howard, The Art of Magic; Matthew Malloch, Bagpipes; Jah Spirit, Reggae Band, co-sponsored by Cohasset Diversity Committee; Center Stage, Cohasset Common

6 to 6:30 p.m. SSAC Awards Presentation, Center Stage

Sunset *Luminaria at Common, Duck Pond, Cohasset Clergy

7 to 9 p.m. Opening Reception, "Rhythm in Landscape: Three Interpretations" Bancroft Gallery, South Shore Art Center

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

8 to 10 a.m. *Pancake Breakfast, Cohasset Rotary, $4 Lightkeepers Residence

10 a.m. to 8 p.m. FESTIVAL OPEN:

Complimentary Parking & Trolley Service from Music Circus, courtesy of THE AUTO MALL/KINGSTON. SSAC Gallery, Bancroft Gallery, "Rhythm in Landscape: Three Interpretations," Dillon Gallery, Young Artists Exhibition. Cohasset Common: Juried & Juried Photography Exhibitions, Members Show, Craft Artisans, Food Court, Center Stage Entertainment. 2nd Congregational Church's STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.

10 to 11 a.m. South Shore Community Center Dance Exhibition

10 a.m. to noon Model Boat Building and Races, Duck Pond, sponsored by Ernst & Young: Pre-registration required (617) 383-ARTS

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Children's Creativity Tent, sponsored by Lois and David Weltman; "I'm a Masterpiece" photo shoot Artists Demonstrations and Paint-Alongs, sponsored by Stop & Shop Co. Inc. and South Shore Chevrolet

11 a.m. Awards Presentation, South Shore Community Center Poster Contest, "Color It Community"

11 a.m. to noon *PB+J Folk Trio, St. Stephen's Carillon Concert

Noon to 4 p.m. Ethiopian Religious Icon Exhibit, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church

Noon to 1:30 p.m. *Easy Swing Band, Elaine Courier, Center Stage

Noon to 2:15 p.m. Pat Boylan Puppet Shows, Community Center

1:30 to 2 p.m. Time Capsule, Giant Birthday Cake & Carillon Surprise St. Stephen's Centennial Celebration

2 to 4 p.m. *Frank's Big Band, Frank Shooshan

4 to 4:15 p.m. Allegra; Teen Treble Ensemble, Second Congregational Church

4 to 4:30 p.m. Greek Orthodox Church Dancers

4:15 to 4:45 p.m. St. Stephen's Carillon Concert

5 to 5:45 p.m. The Wizard of Oz, Quincy Performing Arts Studio

5 to 6 p.m. *South Shore Men of Harmony, Al Lundgren, Center Stage

6:15 to 8 p.m. South Shore Bay Band, Sponsored by Hingham Institution for Savings, Center Stage

8 p.m. SSAC. Tents & Common close

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

Noon to 6 p.m. FESTIVAL OPEN:

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1 to 1:30 p.m. Puppet Magic, Joe Howard, Center Stage

Noon to 5 p.m. Children's Creativity Tent, sponsored by Lois and David Weltman; "I'm a Masterpiece" photo shoot, Artists Demonstrations & Paint-a-longs, sponsored by Stop & Shop Co, Inc. and South Shore Chevrolet; Cohasset Common

1 to 3 p.m. Father's Day Activity, Children's Tent

1:30 p.m. *Blessing of the Fleet, Cohasset Clergy Assoc, Cohasset Harbor

2 to 2:30 p.m. Docent Gallery Tour, Bancroft Gallery, SSAC

2:30 p.m. *Harborfest Marching Parade, Cohasset Chamber of Commerce

3 to 3:30 p.m. *Cohasset Gymnastic Team, Center Stage

3 to 5 p.m. *Chowderfest Contest, $6, Honor Roll Courtyard

3:30 to 4:15 p.m. *Frank's Dixieland Band, Honor Roll Courtyard

3:45 to 4:15 p.m. Puppet Magic, Joe Howard, Center Stage

4:30 to 5:15 p.m. St. Stephen's Carillon

4:30 p.m. Northern Lights

6 p.m. Bagpipe Serenade, Matthew Malloch, Festival closes...

6 to 7 p.m. Artists pick-up at the tents and SSAC

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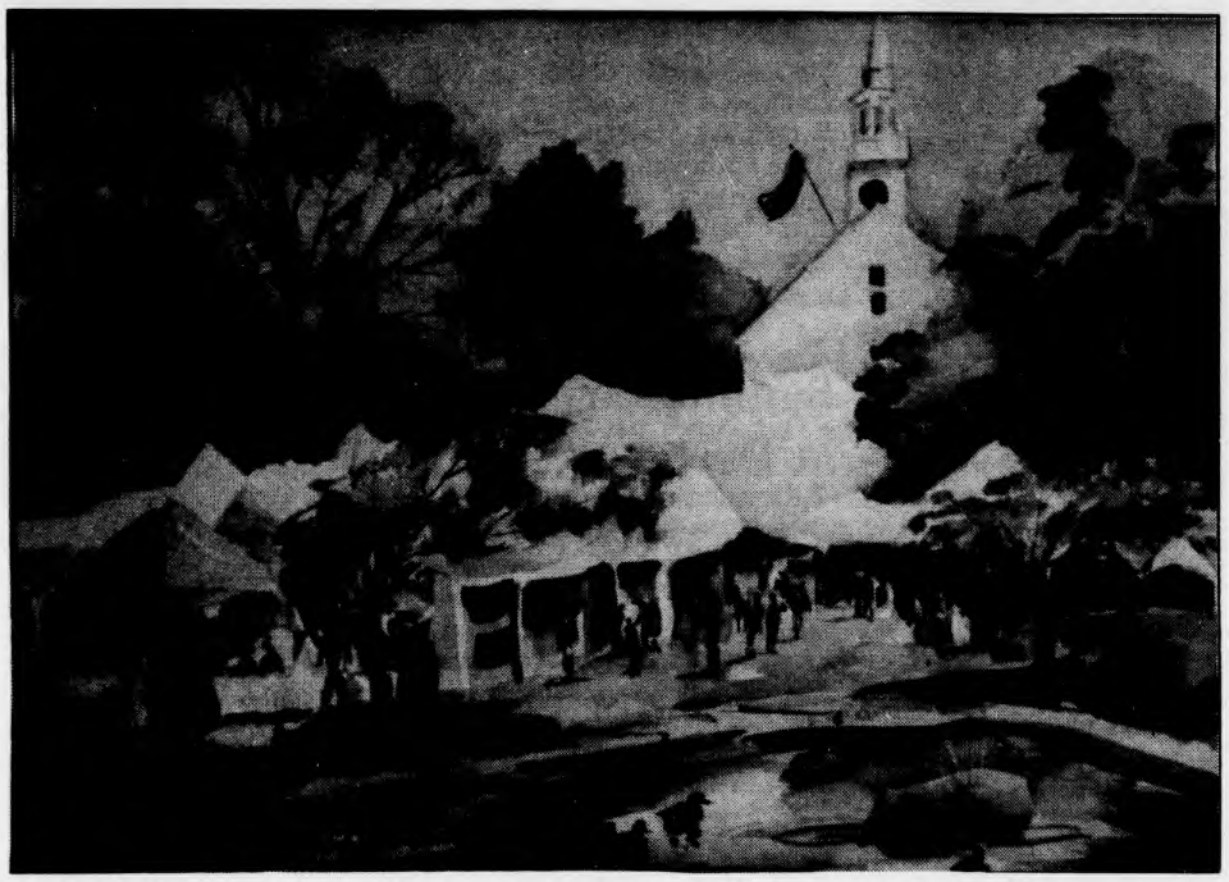
The SSAC Festival is supported in part by grants from the local cultural councils of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hanover, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Norwell, Pembroke, Scituate and Weymouth, local agencies supported by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency.



This festival watercolor by Cohasset artist Patricia McCarthy is featured on the festival T-shirts and programs.

Bay Band to perform at Festival

The South Shore Bay Band will play on center stage at South Shore Art Center's Annual Festival on the Common Saturday, June 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. Hingham Institute for Savings is sponsoring the band concert.

The performance will include music written by a variety of composers, including John Philip Souza, John Williams, Marvin Hamlisch and George Gershwin.

The band was formed in 1993 as a vehicle for musicians who enjoy concert band music to gather for the purpose of playing a series of outdoor concerts.

Gospel concert at First Parish

The First Parish of Cohasset, Main Street, will present the New Temple Singers, under the direction of David Coleman, in a gospel concert, Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m., as part of Cohasset's Arts Festival and Harborfest celebrations. The concert will be held in the First Parish Meeting House on Cohasset Common.

The New Temple Singers is a dynamic mixed chorus of singers who perform contemporary and original gospel music. The choir has performed at the Joyful Noise Concert in Sanders Theater, Special programs at Buckingham, Brown and Nichols schools, at the inauguration of Bishop Barbara Harris in Hynes Auditorium and numerous other community service programs. The choir, which sings at Sunday worship services at the St. Paul AME Church in Cambridge, has made two recordings.

Coleman has composed and arranged several of the musical selections. He is a music teacher at Beaver Country Day School in Newton and the administrator of a summer recruitment program at Boston Conservatory of Music. He is also the director of the 70-voice gospel choir at Boston University, the Inner Strength Gospel Choir.

Tickets are $7 ($5 with a Harborfest button) and are available at the First Parish Unitarian Universalist Church office, open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Call 383-1100 for tickets or information.

Teen choral group to perform

A group of 11 Cohasset Junior/Senior High School students will perform during the Festival on the Common this weekend. "Allegra" was formed last November by its director, Ann Whiteley, for the purpose of encouraging small ensemble singing for teenage girls, while at the same time providing community service opportunities in Cohasset.

During the past few months, the group has performed for the Rotary Club, taken part in worship services at St. Stephen's Church and provided a program for a surprise birthday party.

The 45-minute program offers the audience a wide variety of musical styles with familiar titles. Allegra will perform a composition written by Mrs. Whiteley, and will make an appearance on Saturday, June 15, at 4 p.m. in the sanctuary of Second Congregational Church.

Concerts for folk and blue grass fans

The Festival on the Common, set for this weekend, has scheduled performances by folk trio P, B and J, who will appear on Center Stage, Saturday, June 15, at 11 a.m., and the blue grass group Northern Lights, who will perform on Center Stage Sunday, June 16, at 4:30 p.m.

Admission to the festival, including Center Stage, is free.

Live Reggae Band!

The Cohasset PSO Diversity Committee and the Bank of Boston are sponsoring "Jah Spirit," a live Reggae band from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Friday, June 14 free of charge on the common as part of the festival.

Police Log

Friday, May 31

8:24 p.m., assist other PD, out of town.

9:25 p.m., abandoned 911 call, Hull St.

9:55 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

Saturday, June 1

12:28 a.m., suspicious auto, Sandy Beach Ln.

12:36 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

12:41 a.m., medical aid, Country Way.

12:50 a.m., MV stop, King St.

1:01 a.m., Info, general, Sohier St.

1:07 a.m., MV stop, Square.

1:44 a.m., loitering, King St.

1:50 a.m., info, openings, police station.

1:59 a.m., MV stop, King St.

3:30 a.m., MV vehicle stop, Beechwood St.

4:02 a.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.

4:02 a.m., arrest, William M. Danfforth, 14 Pilgrim Rd., Plymouth, DOB: 1/3/76, OUI, marked lanes, Oper. with open container.

8:11 a.m., animal complaint, Elm Ct.

9:26 a.m., E911 call verification, S. Main St.

9:26 a.m., arrest, Sandra Towle, S. Main St., Cohasset, default warrant.

9:55 a.m., assist citizen, Fair Oaks Ln.

12:00 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

12:03 p.m, fire, misc., S. Main St.

1:52 p.m., disturbance (general), CJC Hwy.

2:49 p.m., disturbance (general), CJC Hwy.

3:08 p.m., assist motorist, N. Main St.

3:09 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

3:49 p.m., fire, misc., Hull St.

4:47 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

5:57 p.m., assist motorist, Jerusalem Rd.

5:57 p.m., arrest, Jeffrey M. Collins, 313 Plymouth St., Pemborke, warrant.

6:57 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

8:49 p.m., fire (brush), Bancroft Rd.

9:11 p.m., liquor law violations, Government Island.

9:11 p.m., arrest, Ryan Bishop,. 64 Summer St., Cohasset., minor in possession (liquor).

9:34 p.m., assault, Government Island.

9:34 p.m., arrest, David Buckley, 217 S. Main St., two counts to wit A&B DW (firearm & MV), resisting arrest.

10:08 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy.

10:41 p.m., disturbance (general), Ripley Rd.

11:04 p.m., disturbance (general), Parking Way.

11:43 p.m., disturbance (general), N. Main St.

Sunday, June 2

12:04 a.m., disturbance (general), Red Lion Inn.

12:35 a.m., public drinking, S. Main St.

1:16 a.m., assist motorist, Forest Ave./Surry Dr.

1:40 a.m., suspicious (other), Wheelwright Farm.

2:27 a.m., abandoned 911 call, Juniper Rise.

3:44 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Hull St./Cedar St.

4:36 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Rte. 3A Beechwood St.

5:27 a.m., abandoned 911 call, King St.

8:13 a.m., medical aid, Carver Ln.

11:38 a.m., fire (misc), Brewster Rd.

11:48 a.m., burglar alarm, CJC Hwy.

12:10 p.m., disturbance, Ash St.

12:10 p.m., arrest, Keith Jackson, 9 Ash St., assault.

12:40 p.m., warrant, Hull St.

12:40 p.m., warrant arrest, Robert Andrews, 15 Hull St., Cohasset.

1:01 p.m., medical aid, Country Way.

1:16 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

3:25 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.

4:40 p.m., ambulance, Border St.

4:46 p.m., officer wanted, Border St.

6:12 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:15 p.m., disturbance (family), S. Main St.

6:38 p.m., disturbance (family), S. Main St.

7:59 p.m:, abandoned 911 call, N. Main St.

8:35 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

11:52 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

Monday, June 3

12:14 a.m., fire (misc), Jerusalem Rd.

12:35 a.m., noise complaint, Windy Hill Rd.

12:53 a.m., suspicious (other), Atlantic Ave.

12:55 a.m., open door/window, Cushing Plaza.

2:10 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

2:38 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

8:40 a.m., medical aid, Q St.

9:30 a.m., suspicious other, Stockbridge St.

10:42 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave.

11:00 a.m., fire inspections, Wheelwright Farm.

11:07 a.m., traffic safety inspection, Jerusalem Rd.

11:10 a.m., parking violation, Border St.

1:07 p.m., assist citizen, Lamberts Ln.

1:54 p.m., larceny, King St.

4:58 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

6:57 p.m., hydrant detail, Forest Ave.

Tuesday, June 4

annoying phone calls, Linden Dr.

12:47 a.m., ambulance, Grace Dr.

4:21 a.m., burglar alarm, Beach St.

6:20 a.m., assist other agency, Short St.

9:57 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Forest Ave.

10:31 a.m., disturbance, Pond St.

12:41 p.m., burglar alarm, Beach St.

1:58 p.m., medial aid, CJC Hwy.

2:03 p.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.

2:38 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Cedar St.

2:45 p.m., motor vehicle violations, Ripley Rd.

3:18 p.m., motor vehicle stop, S.Main St.

3:49 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.

4:34 p.m., abandoned 911 call, Beechwood St.

4:54 p.m, suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

5:04 p.m., missing person, King St.

7:26 p.m., motor vehicle violations, Forest Ave.

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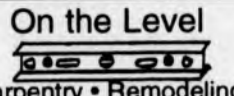

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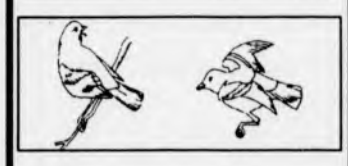

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Festival is fabulous

Annual event draws all ages

By KEN RITCHIE
Special to the Mariner

The temperature peaked at about 80 degrees, clouds were scarce, and the air was free of humidity. What could have prompted such a perfect day?

Well, various Dads across the nation will attest that Father's Day generally receives such astounding forecasts annually. They say it is nothing uncommon — just another justification of their splendor. However, in the town of Cohasset, popular consensus ruled that it was indeed the 1996 Festival on the Common that brought along the first-rate weather, along with its healthy sampling of arts, crafts and entertainment for all.

Go figure, Dad.

Along with featuring the 41st Annual South Shore Art Center Festival, this year's Festival on the Common also marked the 100th anniversary of St. Stephen's Church with a special Centennial Celebration. Sunday, day three of the festival, boasted the sixth annual Strawberry Festival, the fifth annual Harborfest, and the Harborfest Marching Parade.

Parking posed no problem, since a trolley ran to the common every few minutes from the parking lot at the Music Circus. Trolley passengers were taken on a serene jaunt down Sohier and North Main streets before being dropped off right in front of the festival. A smart alternative to battling for a parking space close to the common.

Brian Raftery makes his dad a Father's Day card in the Kids Tent at the Festival on the Common.

The Hingham Militia tips their hats to the crowd gathered along South Main Street for the Harborfest Parade.

Staff photos/J. Paul MacDonald

At noon, the festival was underway, and a colorful cornucopia of booths were jamming with browsers and buyers. The phrase "arts and crafts" could not and would not apply here — for this festival's fabricators offered toys and trinkets far superior in originality to the average crafts fair.

From hand-crafted cut-coin jewelry to homemade gourmet mustards and herbal dips, each booth had something unique to share with festival goers.

While N. Guiraudet's hand-fashioned ceramic switchplates could doctor up any boring light switch inside your home, Lonnie Harp's exquisitely painted birdhouses (appropriately named "Tweet Suites") could serve to upscale the exterior of your home, possibly even increase its market value!

There was something for every fancy and for every taste.

The food department did not end with fried dough and french fries. The Second Congregational Church barbecued up your favorite style burger or hot dog. Dave and Jerry's Sausage Shop and Silver Spoon Cafe's specialty foods also graced the festival grounds, along with vendors offering oriental and Middle Eastern dishes.

For those with room for a dessert, a short venture across the common yielded the fruits of the Strawberry Festival. Set up like a French sidewalk cafe, patrons could sit outside with friends and family and enjoy a huge helping of strawberry shortcake. This, along with many other picturesque scenes of Americana, could have easily supplied Norman Rockwell with a career's worth of illustrations in

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Water main project proceeds

Rate structure being looked at

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Phase II of Cohasset's water main replacement project is proceeding on schedule, with new pipes now being laid on Sohier Street.

Operations manager Richard Cohan said this is the second year of the $2 million project that will lay larger diameter pipes with the objective of improving water service throughout Cohasset.

Existing pipes serving homes on Sohier Street vary in size from 4 to 8 inches, he said. These will be replaced with 10-inch pipe for 4,500 feet. This segment of the project should be completed by mid-August.

In the meantime, temporary pipes have been laid above ground to avoid water service interruptions to residents.

The contractor is aware of potential traffic congestion the project could cause around the South Shore Music Circus and plans to have that portion of the job completed by the time the outdoor theater opens.

Following the Sohier Street pipe replacement, the work crew will move on to Beach Street where 6-inch pipes will be replaced with 10-inch diameter pipes for 3,800 feet. This work is estimated to begin in mid-August, and be completed in a month.

On Cedar Street, to the new public works department garage, 1,000 feet of 8-inch pipe will be laid; and Pond Street will see the 8-inch pipe replaced with 12-inch pipe from Cohasset High School to Route 3A.

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Town counsel bill has to wait

Legal budget running on empty, selectmen say

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Ironically, town counsel's recent warning to selectmen over soaring legal costs may come back to haunt him.

This week, selectmen authorized payment of part of the bills attorney Paul DeRensis submitted, for services related to Dept. of Public Utilities hearings on the water rate increase slated for North Cohasset.

DeRensis projected the legal cost of joining Hingham and Hull in protesting the huge increase in water rates affecting those towns and North Cohasset at $8,000, but his bills came in at about $13,000. (North Cohasset is on Hingham water.)

Monday, selectmen opted to pay $3,800 toward the bill for the DPU hearings plus DeRensis' $2,500 retainer for June. The town previously paid $4,200 to DeRensis for the DPU hearings and that, added to the $3,800 authorized Monday, equals the $8,000 planned for, selectmen said.

There is about $3,600 left in the legal account for fiscal year 1996 which ends June 30 — not enough money to pay the additional $5,000 for the DPU hearings billed and other town counsel bills incurred for May and June in addition to the retainer.

So the remainder of the bills will have to wait possibly until special town meeting or a transfer from the advisory board, said selectmen who will revisit the issue later this month.

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Cohasset's Week

Get your beach, recycling permits!

Beach and Recycling Transfer Facility Permits for 1996-97 will be available at Town Hall until Friday, June 28. Hours are Monday through Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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RTF stickers may be purchased at the RTF on weekends from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., by check only.

Resale shop gets nod

Selectmen approved issuing a livery license to Tiny Town Transportation and Delivery and a junk dealer's license to Child's Play Resale Shoppe this week. Both enterprises will be operated by Jennifer G. Pipenbrink and Margaret Litchfield.

Litchfield said the resale shop will be located at 215 Chief Justice Cushing Hwy. (Rte. 3A) and will sell used and new toys and used children's sports equipment. The livery service will offer a by-appointment-only transportation service catering to the needs of children and parents. The vehicles will be garaged at 175 Beechwood St. and 622 CJC Hwy.

Ellen Sanchez of the Children's Exchange told selectmen she was concerned the women would sell used children's clothing which her South Main Street shop offers.

Litchfield said they do not want to compete with the Children's Exchange and did not plan to offer used children's clothes.

DPW sponsors brush chipping June 29 & 30

The DPW will sponsor its second household brush chipping weekend at the Recycling Transfer Facility on Saturday and Sunday, June 29 and 30, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

According to DPW Superintendent Harold W. Litchfield, no commercial brush or hedge trimmings will be accepted. There is no length limit, and brush may be up to 12 inches in diameter.

Thumbs up given to farmers market

Plans to hold a farmers market on Thursday evenings in the village from 4 to 8 p.m. for eight weeks starting Aug. 1 received an enthusiastic response from selectmen this week.

The effort is being spearheaded by the Chamber of Commerce and a group of citizens who are interested in revitalizing the village.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said he met with Police Chief Brian Noonan and they think the best spot for the market is in the town parking lot, running from the sand pile area by the old police garage along the back of the lot by the railroad tracks.

Anna Abbruzzese, who is on the village revitalization committee, came up with the concept of bringing the market to town.

She said the state Dept. of Agriculture is advertising the market in its newsletter for farmers.

Rizzo said plans are to ask the village merchants to stay open later on farmers' market Thursdays and that the market might help generate more foot traffic in the village on those evenings.

Selectmen wished Rizzo and Abbruzzese good luck with the project.

Replica needs power

Herb Jason asked selectmen this week to look into having the town provide electrical power to the Minot's Light Replica on Government Island.

Selectmen asked Town Administrator Gregory Doyon to check with Steve Wigmore of the wiring department about the cost of installing the service.

Displaying a stunning photograph of the replica at night, Jason said he had been getting power for the replica's light from the sailing club, a private organization.

Paint recycling at RTF

The RTF will host a paint recycling morning from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday June 29, Selectmen Chairman Merle S. Brown reported this week.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

June 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 20	2:35	10.1	8:55	3:11	9.2	9:09
Fri. 21	3:18	9.8	9:37	3:53	9.2	9:54
Sat. 22	4:03	9.5	10:20	4:38	9.2	10:42
Sun. 23	4:50	9.3	11:06	5:23	9.3	11:32
Mon. 24	5:40	9.1	11:54	6:11	9.4	---
Tues. 25	6:33	9.0	12:25	7:00	9.7	12:44
Wed. 26	7:27	9.0	1:19	7:51	10.1	1:36
Thurs. 27	8:22	9.1	2:14	8:43	10.5	2:29

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PICTURE THIS/Sasha Geddes

Name: Sasha Geddes

Occupation: Civilian dispatcher.

Goal: To be the best at whatever I do.

Best vacation: Kauai, Hawaii.

Best day of your life: My wedding day.

Biggest worry: That my children will have a good life.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: 'Are You Being Served?'

Favorite movie: 'Arsenic and Old Lace.'

Favorite book: 'A Prayer for Owen Meany,' by John Irving.

Favorite junk food: Pizza.

Most embarrassing moment: This!

Person you'd most like to meet: Freud's mother.

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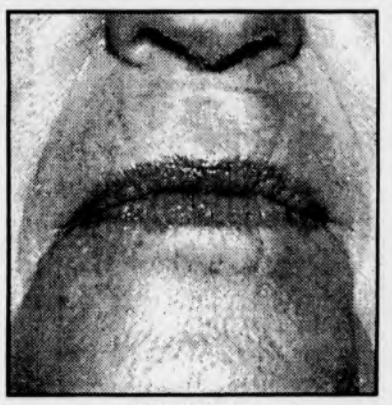

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Water main project proceeds

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By mid-fall, water mains will be cleaned and lined with a one-eighth inch of concrete that will prevent the water from coming into contact with the iron pipes, Cohan explained.

This lining will improve water quality and prolong the life of the pipes by reducing corrosion.

Last year, new water pipes were installed on Atlantic Avenue, Forest Avenue, and Beechwood Street.

Cohan said the water department has had a few complaints about discolored water from residents who live near the work sites. In some cases, laundry has been discolored by rust in the water. In those cases, water department workers have delivered rust removers which can be added to laundry to eliminate the problem.

Low water pressure, a past source of complaints, has not been a problem, he said.

Cohan does not, at this time, anticipate water restrictions. Precipitation so far this year remains above normal, due to last winter's record snowfall, and the water level of Lilly Pond, the source of Cohasset's water supply, remains high. But he said, "I'd like to see some rain."

This would reduce the use of irrigation and sprinkler systems that produce the greatest demand for water. A day or two of rain would reduce residents' use of sprinkler systems, and would "allow the [water] plant to slow down," he said.

The proliferation of these lawn and garden irrigation systems has produced the incentive for the water commissioners to re-evaluate the town's water rate structure, according to commission chairman Fred Koed.

Last January, the commissioners hired a rate structure specialist who is now reviewing the way Cohasset residents pay for water. With information from him, Koed said, the commissioners hope to have an article for the fall special town meeting to revamp the rate system.

At the present, all Cohasset residents effectively subsidize the water rates of residents who use large amounts of water—particularly those with lawn and garden sprinkler systems, he said.

"We just want everyone to pay their fair share," Koed said.

A new rate structure would more equitably distribute the costs. Higher rates for high water consumption will recoup the water department's costs for larger pipes to satisfy demand, he said.

Other towns have two- and three-step water rate structures, which are now being considered in Cohasset.

The actual number of sprinkler systems is not known. As of two years ago, approximately 100 residences had lawn sprinkler systems, he said. More accurate numbers are not available because systems have been installed without the permits that should be obtained from the building department.

More important than obtaining the permits is that these systems increase demand for water, and the rate structure at this time does not address this, Koed said.

Painting bid awarded

Taunton-based GSP, Inc., the low bidder, will paint the town hall auditorium this summer.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said GSP bid $7,400. Bids ranged from $7,400 to $27,441.

Doyon said work includes painting inside of the auditorium (not the foyer) and some small carpentry work such as repairs to windows.

Town counsel bill has to wait

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DeRensis is paid a monthly $2,500 retainer which does not include services for litigation or real estate issues. Selectmen plan to examine the latter exclusion because they feel matters such as drainage, while involving real estate, are routine and should be included in the retainer.

Last month, DeRensis told selectmen that the town's legal costs were out of control and faulted them for not laying down guidelines and providing control on a very close basis.

While Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said DeRensis has explained why the cost of the DPU hearings was more than expected, Brown found it difficult to project costs.

"It's hard," he said. "Counsels give a price but it's never the same price in the end."

In a related matter, selectmen decided, with Brown and Selectman Peter Pratt dissenting, that the town should stick with special environmental counsel Warner & Stackpole for the latest legal round with Cohasset Heights Landfill, a privately owned landfill off Route 3A.

They authorized $14,000 for W&S to serve as lead counsel in the town's responsive pleadings relating to CHL's appeal of the board of health's recent decision denying its site assignment application to expand.

Selectman Nan Roth explained that the decision, reached in executive session last week, to keep W&S on board was made because DeRensis, who was hired earlier this year, would need more time to catch up.

"It would be burdensome and difficult if not impossible to bring him up to speed (in this short amount of time)," she said.

Brown said he voted against keeping W&S because he wanted to hear from environmental specialist Daniel Deutsch of DeRensis' firm, Deutsch Williams Brooks DeRensis Holland & Drachman.

Pratt, who could not attend the meeting held in executive session last week, was outraged at the decision and said the vote, reached while in executive session, was illegal.

His motion that DeRensis' firm be retained as special environmental counsel failed for lack of a second.

Then to validate the board's prior vote held in executive session, Roth moved that W&S continue to represent the town on this issue, up to a maximum cost of $14,000, and at the same time consult with DeRensis who will eventually take over CHL litigation matters.

There is a chance the town's insurance company will cover the town's response to civil rights litigation filed by CHL, selectmen said.

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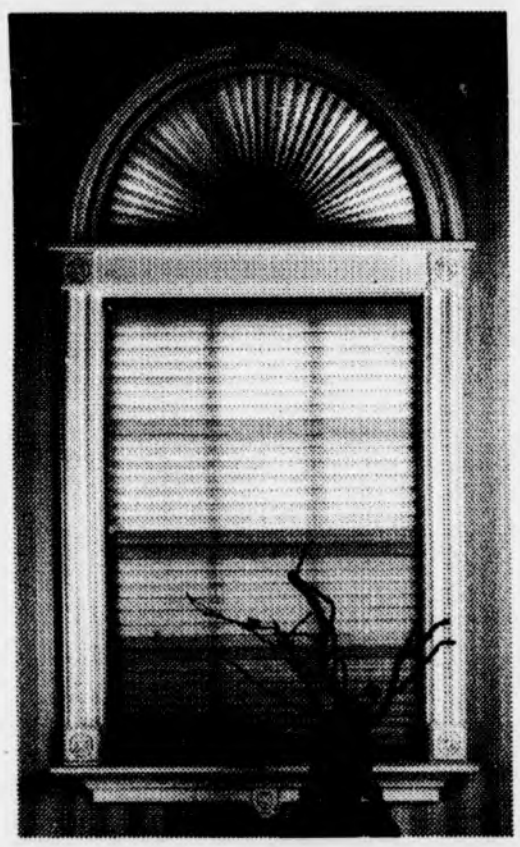

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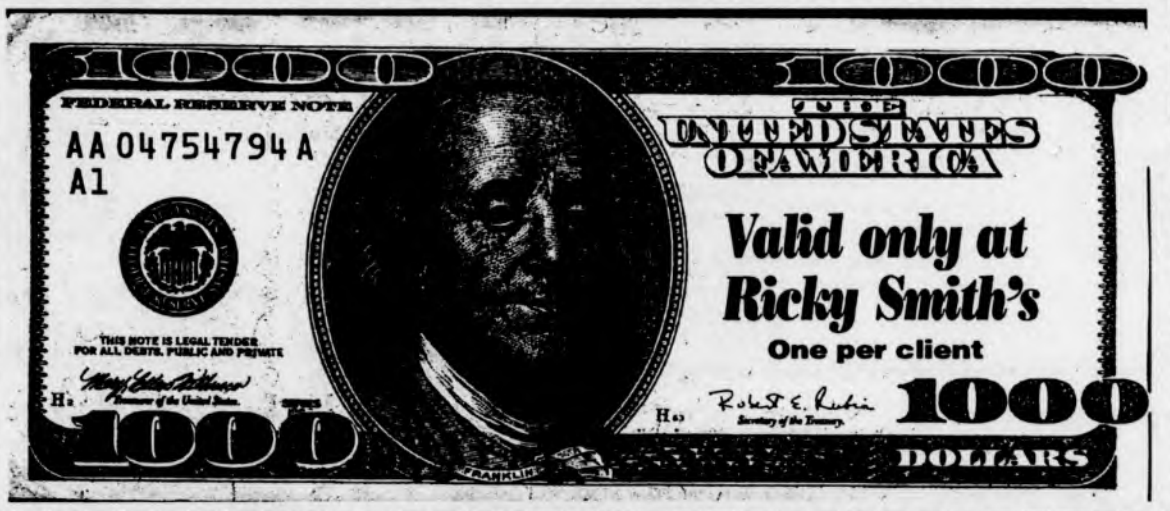

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Student survey concerns parents, educators

By STACEY POWERS
Special to the Mariner

Where were you last Wednesday when health education coordinator Michael Gill guided parents through results of a survey on youth risk behaviors at the high school?

More importantly, do you know where your children were?

Concerned parents gathered to discuss the results of student surveys conducted in February for grades seven through 12.

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey was developed by the National Centers for Disease Control, and is composed of a series of questions related to issues that concern kids today, such as drug and alcohol use, violence, suicide and sexual behavior. Students were asked to answer the questions as honestly as possible.

Gill is fairly certain of its accuracy, due mostly to the fact that the surveys passed in were anonymous, and that it was a "surprise test" during an extended homeroom period, allowing no time to prepare or predetermine answers. The results were electronically calculated and compared to a state average.

What's so alarming to some people about the survey is not the results themselves per se, but the idea that these decisions — to break the law, disrespect other people, disrespect one's own body — are being consciously made by some of the students in Cohasset.

"It takes a village to raise a child," quoted Gill from an African proverb. "We need to reach out and work together as families, as educators and as a community to bring about significant change with respect to the messages young people receive and the behaviors they choose to adopt."

Along with Donna O'Donnell, member of the school council, and Craig Muir, representative from the town Drug & Alcohol Committee, Gill received the results of the survey and printed a sample of the questions which stood out as "important issues" that need to be addressed.

"How do we nip this in the bud?" asked Muir of the audience. "The number one thing we must not do is deny what's going on here. These things are happening in Cohasset, maybe in our own families."

In overall comparison, Cohasset is a "little below everyone in the state with the exception of marijuana and alcohol use," conceded Gill. "Nothing here surprises me, and I have been here for the last five years."

Also present at the forum was Ron Ford, physical education teacher for grades 7-12, who also coaches boys basketball, baseball and girls junior high soccer. He has seen some evidence lately that attests to the results of the survey.

"(There's) no doubt that there are things on the rise, marijuana in particular, among the 7th- and 8th-graders as much as the older kids," he stated.

Ford says he has confronted kids directly about their usage, but they deny it. He is, however, legally mandated by law to report if a child admits to using alcohol or drugs to him, and he plays fair with the kids by letting them know this fact before they answer any of his questions.

"It's definitely harder to motivate kids to not do this stuff, especially during the season," Ford said. He also mentioned the boldness of some of the kids who make no effort to hide their behavior from their teachers. "It's a different place than it was five years ago when I started here," Ford said.

One parent commended Ford's efforts, saying she was "glad that there are teachers like you who are concerned about the kids."

Gill says he "hears things" around school, and calls parents all the time with suspicions. "Most parents are receptive to the information and thank me," he said.

One parent pointed out that nowadays "there seems to be a lack of responsibility for one's behavior and that "kids are not being held responsible for their actions."

Another parent urged that "we must keep our eyes open as parents; these things are happening in Cohasset, and people don't want to admit it."

Gill supported this theory, saying the evidence does not point solely in the direction of the schools. "Schools have an enormous responsibility to educate these kids, but we need to strengthen the community as a whole" to offset and combat these problems.

One gentleman said "the community has yet to speak with one voice," and that in doing so, "this would be the first step in the right direction."

Other issues parents were concerned about included violence, dating violence and suicide. Gill informed the crowd that there is an existing violence prevention program that is geared towards 8th-graders which discusses contributors to violence, how to recognize they are vulnerable to violence and how to use alternatives to violence.

Ford pointed out that the random acts of violence Cohasset schools see are "isolated incidents," and he added that there is a program for dating violence as well, which "has been an issue."

As for concerns over the number of kids contemplating suicide, Gill said the level was typical and normal for this age group.

One member of the audience suggested the schools offer full disclosure to the parents regarding what is going on at all times, prompting Gill to comment that with the right resources, he would like to think about putting together a newsletter to communicate with parents. Ford noted that "there are lots of good things going on, too, that parents need to know about, such as how there are kids leaving to go to private school and then making the decision to come back to Cohasset High School."

The bottom line, Gill insists, is that "we can make a change, but it has to start at home with the messages we send out to our children."

He said that "we need to focus on home and helping the kids become more media literate by learning to recognize the myths in advertising and how to filter through the messages that society sends them."

Gill told the crowd that his goal with the survey and the forum was to work towards modifying the curriculum to address these issues. "If we are to gain any ground in our efforts to keep our youth safe and well, 'the village' needs to recognize and acknowledge these issues and work together to solve them."

Some of the results from the high school survey listed:

Q: Drank alcohol in the past 30 days?
A: 52.5% in Cohasset, 53.2% in Massachusetts
Q: Rode with a drinking driver in the past 30 days?
A: 33% in Cohasset, 36.6% in Mass.
Q: Used marijuana in the past 30 days?
A: 39% in Cohasset, 31.9% in Mass.
Q: Had seriously considered suicide during the past year?
A: 20.4% in Cohasset, 25.8% in Mass.
Q: Ever had sexual intercourse?
A: 34.3% in Cohasset, 45.5% in Mass.
Q: Drank five or more alcoholic drinks in a row in the past 30 days?
A: 35.3% in Cohasset, 33.4% in Mass.
Q: Lifetime marijuana use?
A: 55.2% in Cohasset, 48.3% in Mass.
Q: Carried a weapon in the past 30 days?
A: 15.8% in Cohasset, 20.4% in Mass.

Bancroft Rd. sign approved

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield said he concurs with Bancroft Road resident George Burke that signs "Children Playing" and "Blind Driveway" are needed on the road for safety reasons. He said there is no money in the budget for flashing lights.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said he'd like to see temporary speed bumps installed on Bancroft Road for nine months a year. The road provides access to Milliken Field where youth soccer games are played.

Selectmen authorized the signs but will wait to hear from Litchfield before any speed bumps are installed.

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Worlds End no longer gone to the dogs

A year after unleashed dogs were banned from Worlds End, a spokesman for the reservation said the policy has been accepted, although grudgingly in some cases, and the park is "lots cleaner."

Thomas Foster, Southeast Regional Supervisor for the Trustees of Reservations, said the initial objections to and complaints about the leash policy have subsided, and there is now overwhelming compliance with the regulation.

The requirement that owners clean up after their pets has improved the conditions "like day and night," he said.

Last year, the Trustees imposed the requirement that dogs remained leashed at all times while visiting the park, and that the owners clean up their animals' waste. The Trustees received dozens of complaints about the regulation from dog owners who took their pets to the park to exercise.

"We haven't seen a huge drop in memberships," Foster said, adding that new members have made up for those who did not renew. The number of visitors to the park may have increased because non-dog owners now feel more secure that they will not be accosted by an ill-mannered or over-friendly unleashed pet.

Regular patrols through the park have enforced compliance with the rule. Some people walk their pets to more remote areas of the 250-acre park and let them off their leashes, but as soon as they see park personnel, the dogs are rounded up and leashed again, he said.

However, the Trustees are now "trying to sort out a new user conflict" that involves mountain bikes, Foster said. Bikes whizzing along paths can upset hikers, dog walkers, horseback riders. This has been a problem at Whitney Woods and other Trustees' properties. He noted that these conflicts arise due to the increase in the use of parklands, throughout the region.

All-Pro to serve food

Selectmen will allow Waltham-based All-Pro to provide the concessions at Milliken Field during the fire department benefit game against the New England Patriots, June 28.

Salt House gets license

This week, selectmen renewed the common victualler's (food) license for the Olde Salt House, 40 Border St., Thomas S. Eisenstadt, manager.

Special Town Meeting is slated for Oct. 28

Selectmen set fall's special town meeting for Monday, Oct. 28 which they say will allow enough time in September for boards and departments to submit warrant articles in time to have the warrant printed.

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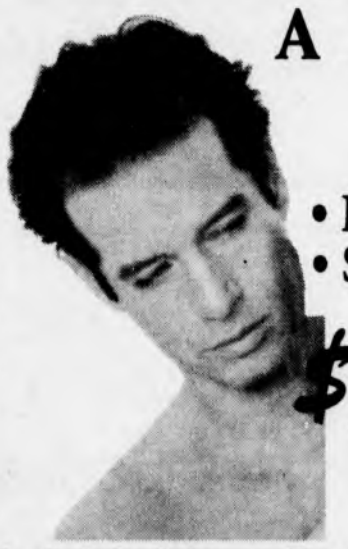

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Speaking of the **Harborfest,** wasn't the parade grand? And how about the Art Festival? It seemed as though there was better-than-ever art in all forms in the tent this year! The strawberry shortcake was so yummy that they ran out of biscuits (fair warning for next year — be sure you get there early; their wonderful reputation is now South Shore-wide!) All of the vendors and the crafters did a great job. Have you ever seen so many Dr. Seuss hats in one place? The children's activity tent made every young artist express their creative best, and they loved every minute of it! The performances were outstanding, too. We give **Rhonda Myers,** coordinator of the **Festival on the Common,** and her very able crew a huge round of applause and a big thank-you for a wonderful weekend!

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Just to let you know how much the **AFS program** means to those who take part in it, listen to this — **Dan Young** was an exchange student in the summer of 1964, and he went to Brazil. Recently, his Brazilian brother, Renato Sandri, and his wife called Dan's mom, then stopped by to see Dan's family — **Edwin, Sally** and **Mrs. Young** were thrilled to see him!

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We hear **Dan Pompeo** is still winning trophies! His latest one is for being the high scorer in street hockey. You can imagine the extent of the trophy collection in the Pompeo household — what a bunch of athletes!

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On May 6 at Brockton High School during the Special Olympics Competition for the Southern Massachusetts area, **Matt Kardok** received the Elmer P. Ladouceur Competition Scholarship Award. This scholarship was awarded to help further his athletic skills at the Massachusetts State Special Olympic Games. Matt represented Massachusetts at the World Games last summer in New Haven, Conn. He is the son of **Barbara** and **Charles Kardok,** Hoover Road. Best of luck, Matt, for many future wins.

Julia Krumholz gets creative in the Kids Tent at the Festival on the Common. For more photos, see page 15.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

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Congrats to **Scott Hadayai,** son of **Richard** and **Sheila Hadayai,** an 11th-grader at St. Thomas More School, Gardner Lake, Oakdale, Conn., who achieved the distinction of honors for the recently completed third marking term.

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Appalachia Service Project volunteers seek donations of children's books to take to Appalachia this month. Used books in good condition should be dropped of at the main office at CHS by June 20. This June 22-30, 84 Cohasset high school students, college CITs and adult advisers will travel to West Virginia to repair homes for needy families. Imagine our Cohasset teenagers sitting on a shady porch during a work break, reading your old favorites to young ones who have few of their own to read! The ASP will leave the books with the families — a gift well appreciated!

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On Sunday, May 19, 478 members of the Class of 1996 graduated from Dickinson College in Carlisle, Penn., during the school's 223rd commencement exercises. **John McCormick Campbell,** son of **John W.** and **Linda M. Campbell,** received a bachelor's degree in economics. We congratulate you, John, and wish you the best in the business world!

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Rebecca Jenkins gets our vote for the hero(ine) of the month. She was so alert. Rebecca was walking home from her babysitting job when she smelled smoke. She looked around until she found the source, then went to the home, where a youngster was making a sandwich in the kitchen. The smoke was coming from an upper story, and the smoke detector was going off — and Rebecca had to tell him that! Luckily she saved the day, the house and who knows what else!

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Kudos to **Sandra L. Noble,** who received her degree at the 29th annual commencement held at Massasoit Community College.

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St. Anselm College in Manchester, N.H. tells us that **Lisabeth J. Kondrat,** daughter of **Dr. and Mrs. Richard M. Kondrat,** Hesather Drive, earned her degree in psychology from the school. Great!

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The University of Vermont notifies us that we have reason to be proud of a student there, too, **Jill L. Hamilton,** who earned herself a BA in English!

That's the news for this week. We sure hope you will share yours with us — it is as easy as giving me a call at 383-0560. Please put it on your list of things to do!

— Sallyann

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The festival will feature live Grecian music, a boutique, children's game tent, raffle and Greek cooking and pastries.

Roasted barbecued lamb, souvlakia, pastitsio, moussaka, Greek salad and gyro sandwiches will be available.

Healing seminar at Jade Forest, Saturday June 23

Jade Forest, 130 King St., Route 3A, Cohasset, will offer a mini-seminar on Taoist Chi kung practice on Saturday, June 23, from noon to 1:30 p.m.

Six thousand years ago, the Taoist Masters discovered the six individual sounds whose frequencies matched those of optimally healthy organs. They also learned that by combining the sounds with simple postures to activate an organ's acupuncture meridian, the body could be kept healthy, and the mind more relaxed.

According to John Loupos, chief instructor at Jade Forest, the Six Healing Sounds can be useful in restoring and maintaining calmness in daily life and can minimize the effects of stress on the immune system.

For more information or to register, call John Loupos at 383-6822.

Students will do odd jobs

The Social Service League of Cohasset has compiled a list of Cohasset High School students who will do odd jobs around residents' homes including yard clean up, pet sitting, plant watering, weeding, babysitting, car care, and window washing. Many of the students can drive. The rates are reasonable. For names and phone numbers of students, call The Job Bank at 383-0771.

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Collectors are already predicting that in the very near future these Disney stamps will be far more sought after and be more desirable than the U.S. Elvis stamp, the most popular commemorative postage stamp of all time.

"Over 500 million Elvis stamps have been issued. When you compare this to these Lion King stamps, which are a Limited Edition of just thousands, you can see the irresistible appeal that these stamps have to Disney fans," he added.

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EDITORIAL

One-way is okay

We agree with Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown who says the best way to solve the "parking problem" along the North Main Street side of the Town Common is to make the street one-way.

That part of the road is narrow forcing drivers, who park their cars on the Common side of North Main Street, to pull up onto the grass to allow enough space for two-way traffic.

This parking practice has produced an unattractive dirt strip between the sidewalk and granite curbing. The area has completely worn away in places creating a gutter which town officials felt could be hazardous to pedestrians attending the Festival on the Common over the weekend. So as a stopgap measure, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield filled in the area with gravel.

It's no surprise to us that members of the Common Historic District Commission and others don't like the looks of the gravel and want it removed. Selectmen said it will be, once a solution to the "dirt strip" problem is agreed upon.

What is at the root of the problem is parking. If the granite curbing is restored to its original height, should parking along the section of North Main Street between Jason and Long roads be limited to compact cars or eliminated altogether?

Without the ability to pull up onto the dirt strip along the Common as is the case now, cars parked on both sides of the road may create too narrow a roadway for two-way traffic, officials fear.

A one-way traffic pattern around the Common would allow plenty of room for cars to proceed between those parked on both sides of North Main, therefore eliminating the need drivers have to pull up onto the side of the Common. And with the one-way solution, no parking spaces would be lost. Grass could be planted and the granite curbing could be restored.

Oh, there are bound to be complaints at first as people adjust to the change. Circling the Common may be a little less direct and take an extra minute or two out of our day.

But what could be better for the soul — in these modern hurry-hurry times where civility is becoming obsolete — than to skirt the Common, which is beautiful no matter what the season is?

We think forcing drivers to have more appreciation for this town jewel through this one-way pattern would be a positive offshoot to solving the dirt-strip problem.

You may recall, when the "temporary" bridge was being built across the North River on Route 3A between Scituate and Marshfield, drivers had to wait at a light and only one direction of traffic could pass at a time. It was a hassle at first — but many commented afterwards, that the stop provided a moment or two to sit back and enjoy the spectacular view of the North River.

So let's give the one-way traffic pattern a try. After all, we could all use a good dose of Cohasset's uncommon Common in our busy lives.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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Strawberry Festival a huge success

To the Editor:

I am writing to publicly thank the hundreds of volunteers and business sponsors who helped make the *Festival on the Common, Harborfest and Strawberry Festival* a huge success.

On behalf of the Second Congregational Church's Strawberry Festival Committee, I want to thank our church members and friends who dished out more than 1,800 strawberry shortcakes, served more than 1,500 hamburgers and hot-dogs, and more than 3,000 cold drinks, as well as prepared and sold fresh baked goods and Country Store items.

I would also like to thank the companies and individuals who lent vehicles, utensils, and equipment, and gave

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products for distribution including Ocean Spray and Shaw's Supermarkets, as well as Barry Waste Services who provided the waste dumpster for the event, and A-tel of Boston, who supplied the two-way radios.

Everyone contributed to our success and as a result, our church will be able to give nearly $8,000 to a group of very worthy causes over the next few months.

Thanks again to our residents, visitors and *Festival on the Common* friends.

Wayne Sawchuk,
Strawberry Festival Chairperson
432 Beachwood St.

Murray says water rate hike unfair

Dear Chairman Howe:

I am extremely concerned with the decision of your department to allow the Hingham Water Company to increase their rates 155 percent. I represent Cohasset, Hingham and Hull and feel that my constituents are being gouged by a company which had planned to build a new facility regardless of any location change.

My constituents from Cohasset have been forced to pay for a sewage pumping station and pipes, etc. for sewage in the lower Jerusalem Road and Hull Street area along with tax increases for a new school, athletic fields and other overrides. These people cannot afford an increase in their water rates of 155 percent! My Hingham constituents are faced with almost the same increases for sewage and overrides in the Rockland Street area! My Hull constituents have a very high tax rate and there is no business to relieve the tax burden in that town.

I have been asked to ask you to please consider all the ramifications of this terrible injustice to my people. Please, please reconsider your decision in regard to the increase granted to the Hingham Water Company.

Mary Jeanette Murray
State Representative

Ed's note: Rep Murray sent this letter to John Howe, chairman of the Dept. of Public Utilities.

Thanks Kathy, for ten great years!

To the Editor:

Can you believe that Kathy Bryanton has been the director of Cohasset Elder Affairs for ten years? Look what she has accomplished. We have a very fine center, two vans, approximately 150 volunteers, a great staff, and many, many programs. Most of all, seniors used to be considered old geezers, with their hands out, always looking for something for nothing. Now we are considered an impressive, homogeneous group of citizens. Homogeneous not because we think alike on all subjects, but because we want what is best for the town.

Last year and the year before, Cohasset seniors were awarded the Silver Dove Award, the highest award the Commonwealth gives to seniors who volunteer their time to help other seniors. The same town receiving this award two years in a row is unheard of. We received these awards, not because we the individuals are so great, but because Kathy makes the snowballs and we throw them.

Pat Ryan says,"Kathy does not ask you to do anything. You just end up volunteering to do it."

The last several years I have traveled all over this state, and no matter where I go, when people hear "Cohasset" they immediately say "Kathy." She is known, respected and liked everywhere. I get the biggest kick out of going to a meeting and other directors have one or two board members, usually women, with them. Then Kathy walks in with about six people from her board, most of them men.

Kathy, you have influenced my retirement so much it is unbelievable. (Guess that it why I went back to work.) I hope in ten more years we both will still be here and I will be able to tell you how wonderful you are and how much I admire you.

Thank you, Kathy, for ten wonderful years. We all love ya.

Joe Buckley
28 Linden Drive

Design Review Board lists school concerns

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear School Facilities Committee:

The Cohasset Design Review Board is concerned about the direction Cohasset's proposed elementary school project is currently headed. We suggest the town step aside and examine if what is being planned in their name really satisfies Cohasset's site, design and budget needs.

May 1, the Cohasset Design Review Board was invited to attend your School Facilities Committee meeting to meet the architect and start our design review process. Unfortunately, we found there were only a very few early schematic drawings available for us to review. The architects invited us to visit their offices to receive additional drawings, but the visit was not productive as there was little additional material. On May 6, our Board prepared a list of questions and concerns regarding the project and the available drawings (see attached). This list was presented to the School Facilities Committee at your May 8 meeting. At this meeting, we were also invited to review the architect's contract and comment on same. Members of our Board have attended subsequent School Facilities Committee meetings and our impression is that the architect has not addressed these concerns. We feel this is indicative of a larger problem which is that the architect, not the town, is controlling this project using the pressure imposed by the 1996 state funding deadline of June 3 as an excuse to "steamroll" their design on a deficient site through the approval process.

It is the Design Review Board's understanding that June 3 the architect submitted design drawings to the state with the claim that they represented substantial completion of Cohasset's design process, even though the drawings had not been reviewed by the town. It is also our understanding that if the town now wants to make substantial design changes, (i) the architect will charge the town more fees for additional design services, and (ii) the state may not accept the design changes anyway.

The Board's concerns fall into four general areas:

1. Design Review

• The town was not given the opportunity to review the drawings before they were submitted to the state June 3. (The Design Review Board would still like that opportunity.)

• Concerns regarding the early schematic drawings have not yet been addressed.

2. Architect's Contract

• We feel it is a conflict of interest to non-competitively award the $0.67 million design contract to the same architect who prepared the existing conditions report for the Cohasset Public Schools.

• We feel the architect should be required to redesign at his cost if the construction bids come in over budget.

3. Project Budget

• We feel the town needs to critically examine every line item in the project budget to ensure it is all-inclusive, that the town is getting value for the money and that there is sufficient construction contingency for design errors and omission and other unknowns. Note: this architect's recently completed North Attleboro project had at least 7 percent in construction cost extras and their current Andover project already has 10 percent in construction cost extras and still rising, at just 70 percent completion. (Andover is in litigation against the architect.) In the light of this information and the serious deficiencies of the selected site, we suggest a construction contingency of at least 10 percent for the Cohasset project, not 5 percent as currently contemplated. The town will need to rigorously monitor and control expenditures against the budget to avoid cost overruns in the future.

4. Selected Site

• We feel the selected site has serious deficiencies.

a. the usable area for the school is well under state requirements (most of the 70 acre site is wetlands).

b. Outside play areas are minimal (no playing fields).

c. Vehicular access is problematic (shared with Deer Hill School).

d. Surroundings are heavily wooded (claustrophobic).

e. Subgrade conditions are difficult (ledge, water, etc.).

The Design Review Board has visited this architect's recently completed Saltonstall School in Salem, Mass., a state-funded project, where an old brick school building was beautifully renovated and expanded to fit the needs of Salem. In light of the Salem success story and the serious deficiencies of Cohasset's selected site, we suggest the town challenge the state's rejection, and re-examine the possibility of renovating and expanding the Osgood School with teacher parking relocated offsite. If this does not work out, we suggest the town re-evaluate the other 23 sites, originally rejected, now that we know the full extent of deficiencies of the selected site. If after conducting this "due-diligence," the town determines to still go forward with a new school on the selected site, then the specific design concerns in our May 6 list should be addressed.

Clearly Cohasset needs a greatly-improved elementary school facility and your committee and others have made a tremendous effort to get the project to this point. The Design Review Board feels the town (not the architect) should now hire a professional project manager (not a clerk of the works) to provide the skills and strong supervision necessary to complete the project on schedule and within budget. The Design Review Board stands ready to play its part in helping the school facilities committee in this important task.

Cohasset Design Review Board
Kathleen Fox
Gordon S. Hislop (Chairperson)
Maxwell Pounder
Josiah Stevenson

A. Can You Give Us More Background Information?

1. Shortcomings of existing Osgood School.
2. Criteria for new school.
3. Reasons why other sites rejected.
4. What additional spaces/program are we gaining vs. Osgood.

B. Can We Get Additional Material To Review?

1. Topographic plan (entire site with wetlands mapped).
2. D.D. progress drawings and project manual.
3. Budget line item explanations.

C. These Are Our Preliminary Design Concerns.

1. Density of vehicular traffic. (Shared access.)
2. Lack of outside playgrounds.
3. Overwhelming scale of the design and safety issues for small children.
4. Inadequate natural light in classrooms. Undesirable building orientation.

D. These Are Our Preliminary Budget Concerns.

1. Insufficient contingency $.
2. Excessive special design feature $.
3. Unknown geotechnical condition $.
4. Need to ensure all costs are addressed e.g. sitework, roads, parking, landscaping, drainage, sewage, utilities.
5. Heavy design and engineering costs.

Ed's note: Copies of this letter were sent to selectmen, the advisory board, planning board, conservation commission, sewer commission and school committee. The design Review Board and school facilities committee planned to meet Wednesday, June 19 after the Mariner went to press to discuss the concerns raised in this letter.

State denies legal expense reimbursement

Dear Selectmen:

On behalf of Gov. Weld I am responding to your March 6 letter requesting that the Commonwealth reimburse the town for the costs it expended to conduct a site assignment hearing on the application of the Cohasset Heights Landfill, Ltd (CHL) to expand its landfill. The basis for your claim is that the site assignment procedures under the Solid Waste Act created an unfunded mandate.

While I appreciate that no municipality wishes to expend funds to respond to a development project it does not want built, your reimbursement claim cannot be accepted for several reasons. In the first instance, the principle of unfunded state mandates applies only to laws or regulations taking effect after 1981 which impose additional cost on a municipality (M.G.L. c. 29, s. 27C). Municipalities have been required to conduct public hearings on site assignment of solid waste facilities since 1955 in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. c. 111, s. 150A. While this law has been amended at various times, the fundamental obligation of the municipality to conduct a hearing and determine if a site assignment is justified has not changed.

Moreover, it appears from your description that many of the expenses were voluntarily assumed rather than being imposed by the statute or regulations. Your Board was not obligated to hire separate counsel or an environmental consulting firm whose fees exceeded the $2,000 per acre fee that DEP's regulations require the proponent to pay the Town to cover such expenses.

Most conclusively, the Supreme Judicial Court has ruled that if an unfunded mandate exists, a municipality's only remedy is to obtain a court order exempting it from compliance. The community is not entitled to recover reimbursement for its costs of compliance.

(City of Worcester v. Governor, 416 Mass. 751 (1994)).

Your letter also suggests that the site assignment hearing could have been avoided had the landfill moratorium not excluded DEP's site suitability review of the CHL application. The release of the site suitability report before the moratorium was announced in the Solid Waste Master Plan Update was determined by explicit timelines in the site assignment regulations. The timing of the release of the Update was set when policy and editorial reviews, and notice to legislators, was anticipated to be completed.

You also criticize DEP for not aggressively enforcing its regulations. Although you don't describe the instances of CHL's non-compliance, I am aware that DEP has previously fined the operator $10,000 for odor control violations and just last February took enforcement action that led to the operator signing a consent order with Town's Conservation Commission to correct wetlands and storm water runoff problems. If there are on-going enforcement issues that you believe are not being adequately addressed, please feel free to bring the specifics to my attention or contact Bill Gaughan, NERO Regional Director, at (617) 932-7600.

I realize that this response does not provide you with the relief you request but I hope it adequately explains the rationales beyond the denial of reimbursement and the timing of the moratorium. If you have any further questions please let me know.

Trudy Coxe
Secretary
Exec. Office of Environmental Affairs

Ed.'s note: Secretary Coxe sent this letter to Cohasset selectmen.

Hats off to McNabb, health board

To the editor:

In my opinion the citizens of Cohasset owe a large debt of gratitude to John McNabb and his S.A.F.E. organization in stopping the expansion of the Cohasset Heights landfill.

Admittedly, John had a lot of expert assistance, but it was his dogged determination and persistence that brought about a victory for Cohasset. Without John's guidance the final decision could very well have gone the other way.

Also, the board of health is to be congratulated for having the courage to do the right thing.

Paul Dilbeck
118 Jerusalem Rd.

Selectmen scolded over ballot snafu

Dear Board Members:

As you know, the Committee on Local Affairs voted to validate the vote on your override question with the understanding that the town will take all necessary steps to avoid future posting irregularities.

The committee remains concerned that the Town of Cohasset did not follow the procedure required by Chapter 39, Section 10, with regard to the publication of notice for the April 6, Proposition 2-1/2 override.

Rep. Murray of Cohasset, a respected, long-time member of the Committee on Local Affairs, is a former Selectwoman who has a great deal of expertise in local issues. I share her concern that the committee has been asked to validate 15 similar types of technical irregularities in the last few years. The numbers are growing, and the willingness of the committee to validate town voting results despite noncompliance with the posting statute may be curtailed in the future.

We hope that the Cohasset Board of Selectmen will promptly institute proper procedures for posting and ensure their implementation.

Rep. Marie J. Parente, Chairwoman
Committee on Local Affairs

Ed's note: Rep. Parente sent this June 11 letter to selectmen.

Student volunteers thanked

To the Editor:

On behalf of the South Shore Community Center, I would like to thank Maureen Duffy and her students from the Community Service group at Cohasset High School for all their help with our many events throughout the year.

Hats off to the volunteers at Cohasset High!

Stephanie Church,
program director

Students to serve Saturday suspensions next year

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

For many students, in-school suspensions mean a lot of time out of class.

High School Principal Curtis Collins intends to change that.

"Many of the students who go (to in-school suspension) on a regular basis can least afford to be there," he said.

With the support of the school committee and the school council, Collins will institute a program next September that keeps students in class, and imposes disciplinary measures at the same time.

How? By taking away the students' treasured possession: their Saturday morning and by also involving their parents.

A parent will be called if their son or daughter has received an in-school suspension and will be given the choice of having their child attend a Saturday session or serve the one-day suspension at home.

Collins said that parental support and cooperation is very important.

He added that the loss of a Saturday coupled with parent involvement weeds out certain students.

"It is a great deterrent for middle America because Saturday in-school is not looked at as the place to be," said Collins during Tuesday's school committee meeting. "It stops a lot of nonsense with (students) pushing the system."

Collins said that with his work in other systems he has found the Saturday session to be successful.

In the past, in-school suspension in Cohasset was held once a week, usually on Wednesdays, from 7:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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— Principal Curtis Collins.

The idea was that the students, averaging from three to six in number, spent the day in a classroom with a substitute teacher doing classroom assignments.

It didn't always work out that way, said Collins. Oftentimes the logistics of picking up the work from the student's five or more teachers and delivering it to the classroom wasn't effective.

With the Saturday program, which runs from 8 to 11 a.m., the students don't have to make up the work, and they have a supervised session to do out-of-class assignments.

The Saturday in-school suspension teacher will be a faculty member acting as a paid volunteer, and will help students with assignments if they have questions.

Curtis said that he expects to have no problems having enough faculty sign up for the Saturday session.

The program has no budget implications because the money designated for hiring a substitute will be used for the teachers who serve on a rotating basis.

The program doesn't run on long weekends or on the Saturday before a vacation.

A notice of the change will be sent out to parents and will also be detailed in the Student Handbook.

"I certainly endorse this idea. I think it is something we should support," said Superintendent Stephen Hart.

Once the project gets off the ground, Collins will provide the school committee with a progress report.

An added bonus, he said, is that the program cuts down on infractions, which range from fighting to getting caught smoking several times.

In other business, the committee:

• confirmed that the plans for the new school had been reviewed by the school facilities committee and Supt. Hart and were submitted to the state by the June 5 deadline.

After the Mariner went to press, the facilities committee met with abutters and other concerned citizens at Deer H[illegible] School Wednesday at 6 p.m. to walk th[illegible] proposed school site.

The conservation commission will have a hearing on the school proposal Thursday at Town Hall.

• received a report from Massachusetts Association of School Committees representative Jim Hardy. Hardy spoke about issues at the state level.

• approved a one-year maternity leave for Deer Hill teacher Elizabeth Leonard.

Graphic grade crossing video shown

Members of the Coastal Coalition, the grass-roots group opposed to restoration of the train, showed a video to selectmen this week depicting death and disasters at railroad grade crossings.

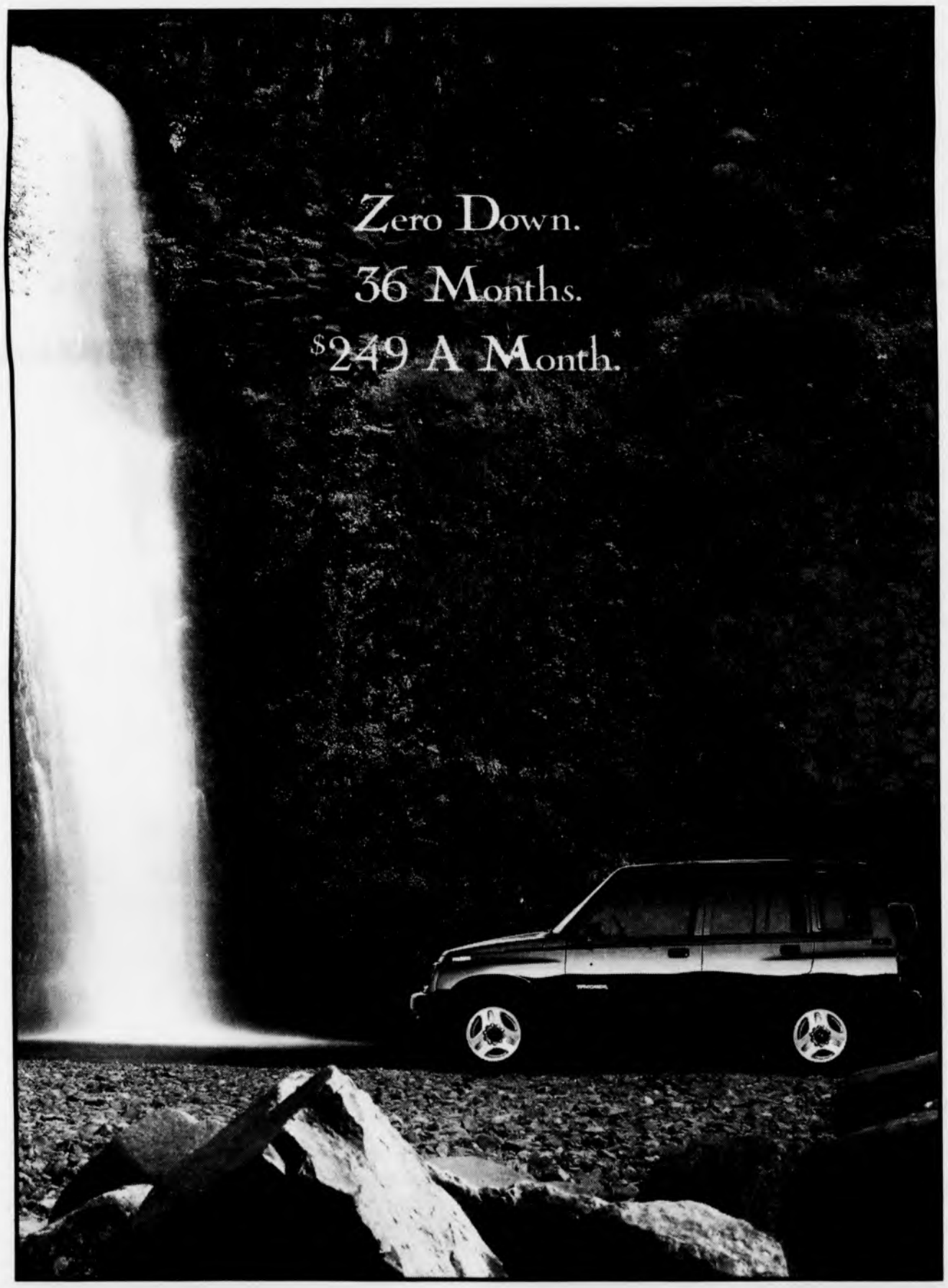
Although the video, which featured a cable television "Investigative Reports" program entitled "Danger on the Rails" on the perils at grade crossings was not about Greenbush, a Coalition member interjected Greenbush information on slides interspersed throughout the five-minute film.

Coalition member Janyce Brown asked selectmen to oppose Greenbush.

"We are extremely concerned. It's unsafe and the projected ridership does not justify the cost," she said.

She asked selectmen to re-read the Draft Environmental Impact Report (an environmental feasibility study on Greenbush); to write a letter asking the state Inspector General to look into the "wasteful" spending associated with Greenbush; and to co-sign a letter that Hingham selectmen will send to Gov. William Weld asking him to reconsider his decision to back Greenbush restoration.

Cohasset selectmen took the matter under advisement.



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Cohasset Maritime Institute Leadership Camp is being offered in two three-week sessions, July 8-26 and July 29-Aug. 16, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., for young people ages 13-17.

Maritime and climbing skills and community service will be focused upon, as well as leadership skills. Maritime skills include rowing, sailing and navigating; climbing and belaying skills will take place at Cohasset High School and Quincy Quarries. Students will work on restoring a 26-foot Monomoy surfboat and a historic boathouse.

The cost is $600 per session, $1,000 for both. For more information or to register, call 925-1284.

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41st annual art festival is pure magic

By ALISON COHEN
Cohasset Mariner

Once upon a time men and women chipped away at rocks or daubed paint on the walls of caves. They carved and painted their hopes and dreams and painted out their fears. They traced their handprints in pigment to show they existed. They were called magicians and seers and visionaries.

The magicians and seers and visionaries are still among us. They still translate what they see, believe, hope and fear into paint and rock to show they have passed this way. We call them artists. Last weekend the works of their hands graced the interior of a tent on Cohasset Common rather than the rocky walls of our ancestors' caves.

For those who were onlookers in the tent, the magic is in the flash of recognition or the sense of wonder at the many ways reality can be translated or transformed into image. It may have been the 41st annual South Shore Art Center's Festival on the Common, but this celebration of the artistic urge truly goes back tens of thousands of years.

Some artists strip away the non-essential, the superficial until only line and shape and — perhaps — nothing but color remains. Others capture every nook and cranny, every fold and wrinkle of what they see to put life before us in exquisite detail. Still others embellish, embroider and occasionally finagle with computer technology to create a reality beyond the eye and into the realm of the mind's eye.

It was a dizzying, dazzling display of art that greeted festival goers.

Mary Felton's charcoal, "Moon Shadows," captured the midnight chill of trees in a deep snow where it's always winter and never Christmas. Felton took first prize in the drawing and pastel division of the juried art show. And for cold, you can't beat Christian M. Alexander's "Garden Gate in Winter, The Fenway." This stippled graphite captures the lines of a broken tree and picket fence caught in a blizzard's white-out conditions.

Felton's simple, elegant black and white portrait of a forest and Alexander's rich, if spare, textures contrast strongly with Mary Lizotte's nearby riotous tablescape of flowers and china and tablecloth in splashy, springy hues of pinks and greens and yellows. Lizotte's watercolor was entitled "The Queen's Tears." Lizotte's work took second prize in the water color division.

If Felton and Alexander represent the winter solstice and Lizotte is our springtime choice, the obvious winner for the autumn season would have to be Jeremy Barnard's mixed media triptych, "Pontius Pilate" with its views of three scarecrows and the fields of jack-o-lanterns they try to protect.

Wandering a little further down the tent revealed the sun-baked beach house in Paula Whalen's oil painting, "The Bermaken." If Bermaken seems like a terribly familiar scene of South Shore summers, Robert Laney takes the viewer to another place: the Caribbean splendors of the Cayman Islands.

Laney's "A Cayman Christmas" with its scene of a deserted marketplace with palm trees, lattice and a door hung with a huge candy-cane-red ribbon won first prize in the watercolor division. Layman also won a special award for excellence in the member's exhibition for "Cayman Heritage Museum." This painting dazzled the eye with its sun-bleached building and the sign that reads "A Visit is a Must." It also begs the question how the pastel blue-green of Laney's doors can still seem sharp and pristine.

The play of tropical sunlight on objects below was also at work in Tom Lucas' "Shadow Keeper." Lucas took first prize in the oil and acrylic division of the juried show for his rendering of Mexican figurines on a terra cotta tiled floor and the shadows they cast. While Laney gave us a straight-ahead view, Lucas chose an oblique angle as though we were the sun as well as the viewer.

Michele Meister went to Georgia O'Keefe country and came home to capture her "Desert Memories" in an award-winning if tiny monotype. Meister's cacti inhabit a far-reaching desert prairie below an endless and impossibly blue Southwestern sky. The lack of a sense of heat rising off Meister's monotype make it seem more memory than moment, unlike the pieces by Lucas and Laney.

Dorit Flowers muse also went south, down Mexico way, to give us "Belles Artes, Mexico." Her veranda in deep shadow and pots of flowers in strong sunlight showed the interplay between light and shadow, heat and cool. Flowers won third prize for this watercolor.

Flowers showed us a porch of a different sort in "Autumn Glow." In this watercolor, Flowers paints a Victorian wrap-around porch overlooking the crisp color and cool air of a New England autumn. Flowers received an honorable mention in the members' exhibition for this piece.

Artists and their models were the topic of several pieces in the juried show. Richard Abbott took second prize in the drawing and pastel division for his ink and colored pencil rendering of an art class at work. The sinuous lines of his drawing and the cartoon-y simplicity of its rendering made seem a hub-bub of creativity. This piece was aptly and obviously named "Artists & Models.

In contrast, Eileen Rotty took a more serene, focused look at a single model, rendered in charcoal, for her "Seated Nude #2. The model seemed caught in the fleeting moment between impressionism and realism. Rotty took third prize in the drawing and pastel division.

Variations in portraiture were never more apparent than at the art festival. Jane Bregoli's oil painting of "The Vietnam Veteran" seems more real than reality. Her subject stares out of the canvas, decked out in his POW/MIA tattoo and leather jacket. His gaze is steady, but the eyes seem haunted and the viewer thinks, "I've seen him before." Bregoli won Best of Show for this unflinching portrait.

Equally compelling is Dorothy Krause's digital collage, "Lady of Flowers." This large portrait reminds us of every immigrant and refuge we've ever seen on television wrapped up in the image of an elderly woman in a babushka. Krause won a well-deserved first prize in the mixed-media/3D division for her "Lady . . . "

The other winners in the mixed media/3D division went to Michael McNabb for the sensuous limestone forms of "Stone Dream" that defied the visitor not to touch and Alys Myers' "Kinetic Table" a whimsical assemblage of manhole cover, heavy duty spring, watchamacallits and — in the words of one observer — "old broken parts."

Texture, color and shape informed the work of Eleanor LeBlanc's monotype, "A Deep Personance," Suzanne Archibald's oil, "Resolution," and Joan McSweeney's monoprint, "Palmer Method."

Roz Farbush is a perennial favorite at every local art show. She didn't disappoint this time either.

Farbush claimed third prize for her acrylic, "Bench Watching." This big, bold painting of spectators is rendered in Farbush's signature palette with its French's mustard yellows, vinyl siding blues and crayon box greens.

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Since this is the South Shore, it wouldn't be an art exhibit without at least one award-winning seascape. Susan DeMichele provided it for the members' exhibition. DeMichele's "Pemaquid Morning" is a dramatic pastel of a rocky coast when the sea is calm and the lighthouse and pointed firs are indistinct in the misty morning fog.

The ocean in a different mood was the subject of Carol Sullivan's watercolor, "Storm Surf." Sullivan shows us the foam and crash of huge waves thrown up against a rocky coast.

Although Cohasset is best known for its mansions overlooking the sea, Patricia McCarthy chose to paint a less imposing house on Parker Avenue. Her watercolor look at the ocher clapboards, green roof and gray garage earned her a special award for excellence.

Getting it right is always a challenge for an artist. Maureen Stebbins did it with her vase of jewel-colored dahlias on an elaborated patterned cloth as did Virginia Allen, who captured the play of light on cobalt, turquoise and clear glass in a sunny window. And interesting companion piece to Allen's "The Gifts" is Christine Hotarek's photograph, "Vintage Glass."

Some claim the camera never lies, but the photographs in the festival make it clear that what transpires between the camera lens and the subject owes everything to the artist's sensibility.

Black and white or color, tight focus or panoramic view, crisp print or soft are all choices that change everything while changing nothing. Photographers also have technology available to them that lets them play with their images until they have created a view of reality that measures up to their artistic vision.

Ann Falcone took Best in Show for "Charon's Harvest," a digitally altered photograph. Falcone shows us a view of hell through the eyes of Vietnam era soldiers in a piece that shows us the flip side of the familiar — and heroic — image of Washington crossing the Delaware.

Kristin Hand took first prize for her black & white photograph, "Interior Design I." Hand's long shot shows us a young woman reaching up into a cupboard in a galley kitchen with the dining area beyond.

In contrast to this quiet, home-based scene, J. Paul MacDonald turned his camera on the crowd during a South Boston St. Patrick's Day Parade. A gaggle of young adults appears to be having a grand time in front of a classic three-decker, but a closer view shows that the revelers are expressing their contempt for a passing group of paraders in an age-old gesture. MacDonald won another second prize, this time in the color division, for a portrait of three young girls caught in the act of writing in chalk on a brick wall in "Lake Providence, Louisiana."

Third prize in the black & white division and first prize in the color division went to photographer Leigh Marion Stephens. Stephens' third prize photo was of a still life entitled "Palladium Bottles." Here, form, line and texture were the focus. Stephens' color photograph was a richer, more complex composition of a shrouded figure and a chair in the midst of a leaf-strewn forest that she dubbed, "Lady in Waiting."

Sean Enright also chose the textures and shapes of nature in his photograph of a narrow path between a rock and the ocean. Enright's long perspective on the meandering path leads the eye to the doorway of a small Irish cottage "Along the Irish Coast."

Honorable mentions in the juried photography exhibition went to Marie H. Doland for her close-up on the curled forms of tree bark, Richard Alemian for a bunch of radishes that would make even carnivores drool and Julie Hawkins-Burnham's images within repeating images that is redolent of fun-house fun and games.

Lynne Layman merited a special award for excellence in the member exhibition for her photograph of "Gary's Shirt." Layman chose to focus on the just the torso of her subject to give us "Gary's Shirt." The rich blue verging on violet of the shirt is set off by the sprig of vivid yellow flowers in the pocket.

The photographs, paintings, drawings and sculptures on display covered a whole spectrum of possibilities. And just maybe, someone left Cohasset Common for home and picked up a pen, a brush or a hunk of clay and discovered the artist within us all. For an artist's hidden gift is the inspiration and sense of wonder it triggers in turn.

Annual event draws all ages

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but one afternoon.

If the shortcake didn't lure the children to the festival, then it must have been the various puppet shows on the center stage. There was even a special area, the creativity tent, designed exclusively for children to paint, sculpt, and learn different ways of expressing themselves through art. Some were lucky enough to make their own puppets for use in one of the shows.

By 3 p.m., the sirens sounded as the Harborfest Marching Parade made its way down North Main Street. Oncoming traffic was rerouted successfully just as the parade came upon the common. Marching bands flanked both ends of the parade, offering a seamless flow of music and entertainment as the floats ambled along. Even the Hingham militia took time out of their "patrols" to show their support for the festival. All was relatively peaceful until a Minuteman announced "Ready, aim, fire," and a score of rifle shots boomed in the air, startling many an onlooker.

The festival carried on through the late afternoon and early evening with performances and music emanating from the center stage. At 7 p.m. artists began packing their belongings and groups of people slowly began boarding the trolley. During this melancholy time when we said goodbye until next year, there were reports that a man resembling Norman Rockwell had been seen strolling the perimeter of the common.

Though no hard evidence has surfaced of this alleged sighting and witnesses declined comment, we should know in a year or so the validity of the reports. For if paintings depicting various couples and families enjoying themselves in front of Cohasset Town Hall should suddenly surface in the main tent next year, then Mr. Rockwell, or maybe his spirit, definitely graced the common this Sunday.

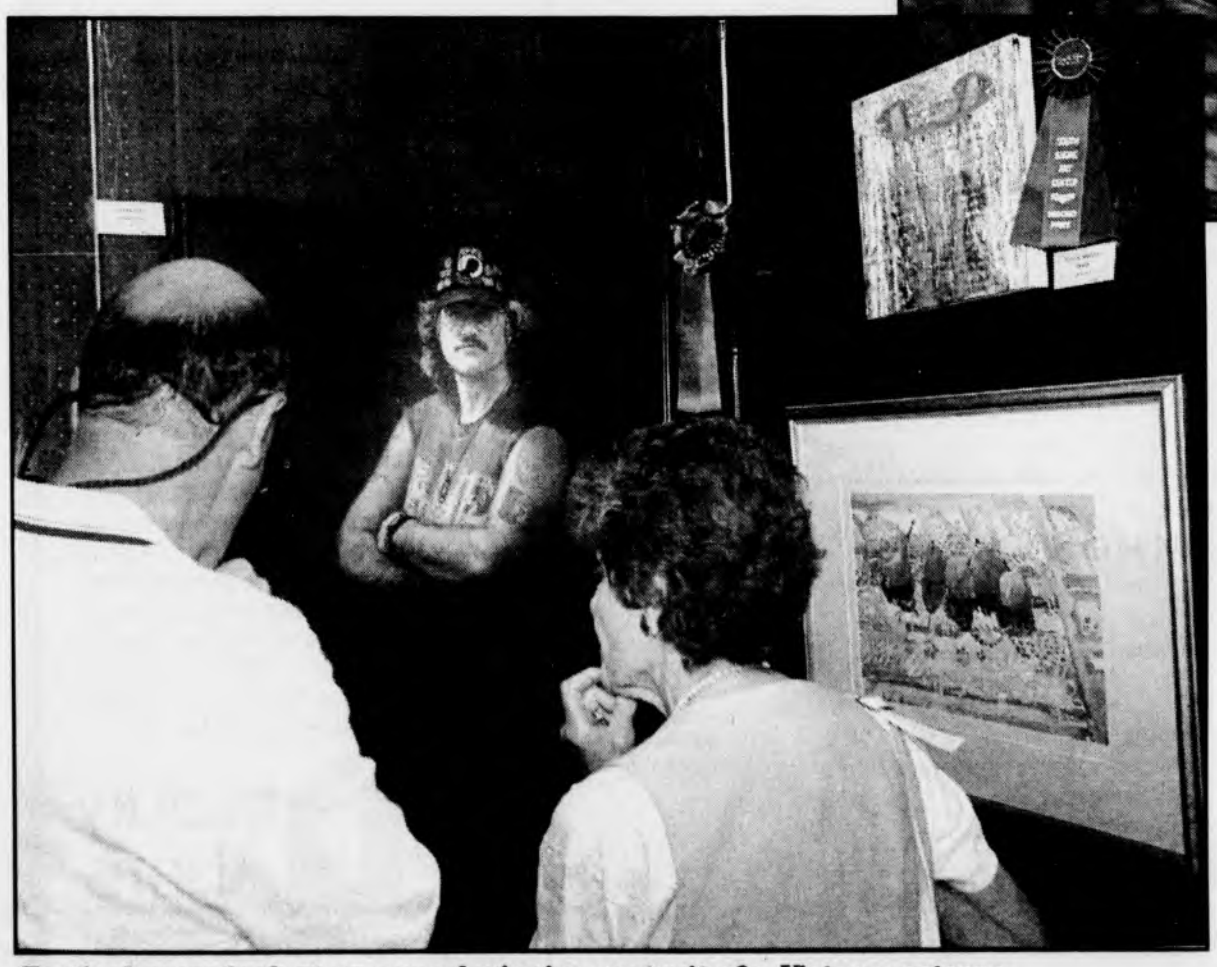
Cohasset's Festival on the Common has something for everyone

Cohasset's Herb Jason celebrates the town's Portuguese fishing heritage on this Harborfest float.

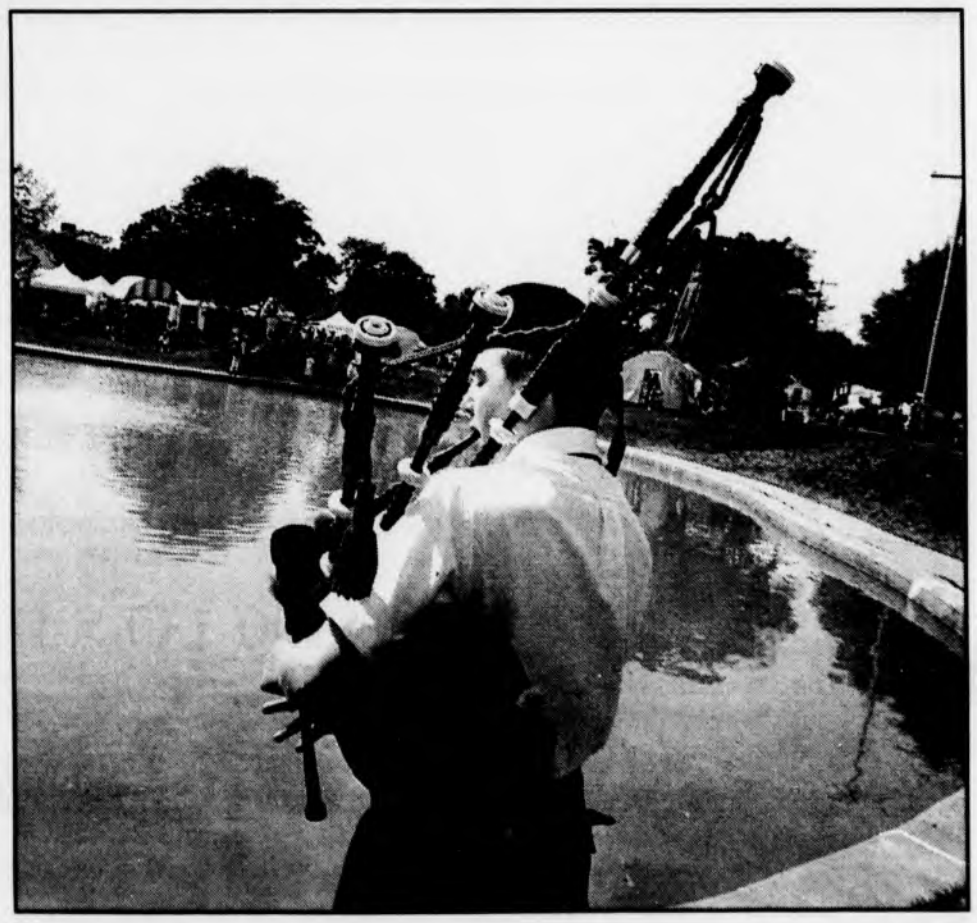
Tom Macauley is creating a work of art in the Kids Tent at the Festival on the Common.

Staff photos/J. Paul MacDonald

Artist Susan Kilmartin paints a festival scene. Thousands of area residents attended the three-day event.



Festival-goers look at an award winning portrait of a Vietnam veteran.



A bagpiper provides another touch to the annual event which featured something for everyone.

Local lobstermen are opposed to

Fear depletion of resource

By JENNIFER R. HORAN
Cohasset Mariner

Massachusetts lobstermen await the passage of a bill that would limit the number of lobsters caught each week by dragger fisherman who, they say, could irrevocably damage the resource.

Lobstermen fear that because of a much depleted ground fish population, draggermen — who drag large nets along the ocean floor to catch fish — may direct their attention to lobster, one of the state's most valuable resources at $3 per pound.

"Lobster is the state's single-most valuable species," said Bill Adler, executive director of the Scituate-based Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association. "We don't need this to push it over. The lobster is still a viable resource and it needs to be kept that way."

Because these crustaceans travel in herds, they are much easier for draggers to target with their all-encompassing nets, he pointed out.

"I want to see the targeting of lobsters by draggers ended," Adler said.

Commercial lobstermen from Massachusetts, the second largest producer of lobster in the country and third in the world, would like to follow the example of Canada and Maine, who rival the Bay State in the lobster industry.

Canada forbids dragging for lobster anywhere in its waters, while Maine prohibits draggers from bringing lobster into any of its ports. Therefore, traps, or lobster pots, are the only permitted device for harvesting lobsters for these top two producers of Homarus Americanus, the American Lobster.

"The better way to catch lobsters is with traps,"Adler said. "They're a passive catching device. A trap inflicts less damage on the species than the dragging method. With a net, (lobsters) don't have a choice."

A state law banning lobster dragging in state waters has not stopped draggermen from targeting lobster, Adler said, because they can catch as much lobster as they please in federal waters, just three miles out. So rather than controlling where lobsters are caught, Massachusetts lobstermen are hoping to control lobster-dragging activity by limiting the number which can be brought into port.

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— Bill Adler, executive director of the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association.

Massachusetts lobstermen proposed an all-out ban on bringing dragger-caught lobster into Massachusetts ports but state officials have stated that an all-out ban would be impossible. So lobstermen settled for what they consider a "very generous" compromise of a 50-lobster a day dragger allowance (350 lobsters per week).

That proposal passed the Senate in January, but was amended in the House's Committee on Natural Resources to allow 150 lobsters a day (750 per week).

This version of the legislation has not yet hit the House floor, said State Re[illegible] Frank Hynes (D-Marshfield).

"It's a hopelessly complicated issue," said William M. Straus (D-Mattapoisett), a member of the Committee on Natural Resources. "Draggers say there should be no limit, lobstermen say there should be an all-out ban. It's not easy to find something in between that everyone can agree on."

Hynes supports a compromise on limiting the landing of lobsters taken by dragging apparatus, but not an all-out ban.

"I oppose an all-out ban because I feel it's unfair to the traditional, legitimate draggerman," Hynes said.

"A limit of zero lobsters is unrealistic and unenforceable," said Straus. "There is no way that Massachusetts can have control over what goes on in federal waters."

Because the federal government has taken no steps toward restricting dragging for lobster in federal waters, Adler explained, this bill aims to curtail it on the state level.

"We need the message sent that

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dragging for lobsters

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Massachusetts doesn't believe that the harvesting of lobsters by a dragger is an appropriate way to harvest this particular species," said Adler, a Marshfield resident, who became a lobsterman in 1963. "This type of harvesting method for lobsters is devastating on this particular species."

Adler has fished, dragged and gillnetted.

"It isn't anything against dragger fisherman. The issue here is the way lobsters are being harvested, not who does it."

Dragging vessels gather lobsters, sometimes thousands in one tow, with everything the net catches from the bottom of the ocean. The draggerman raises the net and empties the catch onto the deck to be sorted.

"A lot of the small and soft-shelled lobsters can't survive the dragging," Adler said. "They get thrown back in and dragged up again. They bang together with rocks and the lobsters fight each other."

When a dragger fisherman drags for fish, inevitably a few lobsters will get swept up in the process, otherwise known as a "by-catch."

But now that the groundfish has been depleted, Adler believes draggermen will abandon dragging specifically for fish and instead concentrate on targeting lobster.

"This redirection is a problem," Adler said. "I'm worried that the redirection onto lobsters will continue and perhaps even get worse. It could do a lot of damage to the resource and the proof is that everything the dragger has touched so far has become problematic."

"It's conceivable that (redirection) could happen," said longtime dragger fisherman Frank Mirarchi of Scituate. "The problem stems from the ground fish being in big trouble."

While Mirarchi opposes an all-out ban on the landing of dragger-caught lobster in Massachusetts, he called the proposed 150-lobster limit "reasonable."

"I would not want to see draggers eliminated from catching lobsters," said Mirarchi. "Bringing the number down to zero would not be a good idea."

Mirarchi, a dragger since 1963 who fishes almost exclusively in federal waters, catches a couple hundred lobsters per day during peak seasons, the spring and the fall, he said. Though not the main source of his income, he counts on lobster to complement his yearly catch.

"I haven't depleted the lobster resource," Mirarchi said. "I'm not targeting lobsters. I'm maintaining the balance I've always had."

Rep. Straus said that "non-pot" landings of lobsters —including drag fishing — have accounted for less than 5.9 percent of all landings, or one million lobsters, in Massachusetts since 1975.

"Draggers place their emphasis on fish," said Straus. "They only target lobsters at certain times of the year, when the fishing is slow."

Straus said the recent depletion of fishing resources coupled with new federal limitations on the number of fishing days allowed may cause draggermen to turn more to lobsters.

"If draggers' landings of lobster went up more than six percent, I would recommend further restrictions," Straus said. He said the progress would be monitored and discussions on the issue would remain open.

As for displaced draggermen, Adler has what he described as a less than perfect solution.

"I have no problem with extra competition from lobstermen," he said. "If you're that hard up, join us."

Flying Santa cruise planned for June 30

The Hull Lifesaving Museum's third annual Flying Santa Lighthouse cruise will be held Sunday, June 30. Participants will cruise to eight lighthouses in the Massachusetts Bay area, and there will be two on-board speakers to offer a history of the lights. Maps and brochures will be provided.

The MV Massachusetts will depart from the commuter dock at Hingham Shipyard at noon and return at 5 p.m. Box lunches from Z-Chef of Hull and Hingham available for the pre-paid price of $6.25. A chowder bar, hot dogs, snacks and cold drinks will be available on board. Two raffles will be offered for cruise guests.

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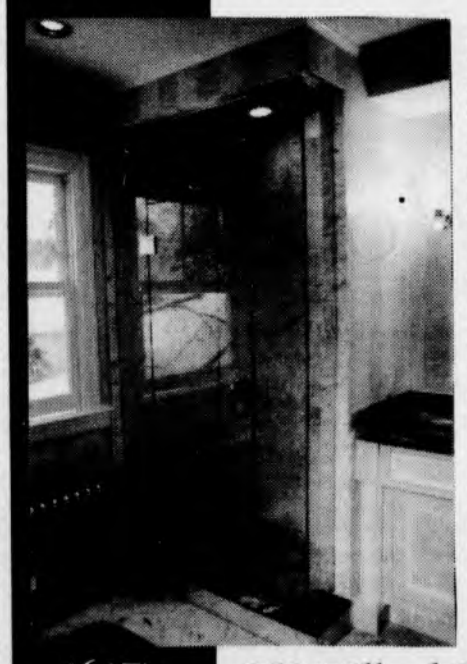
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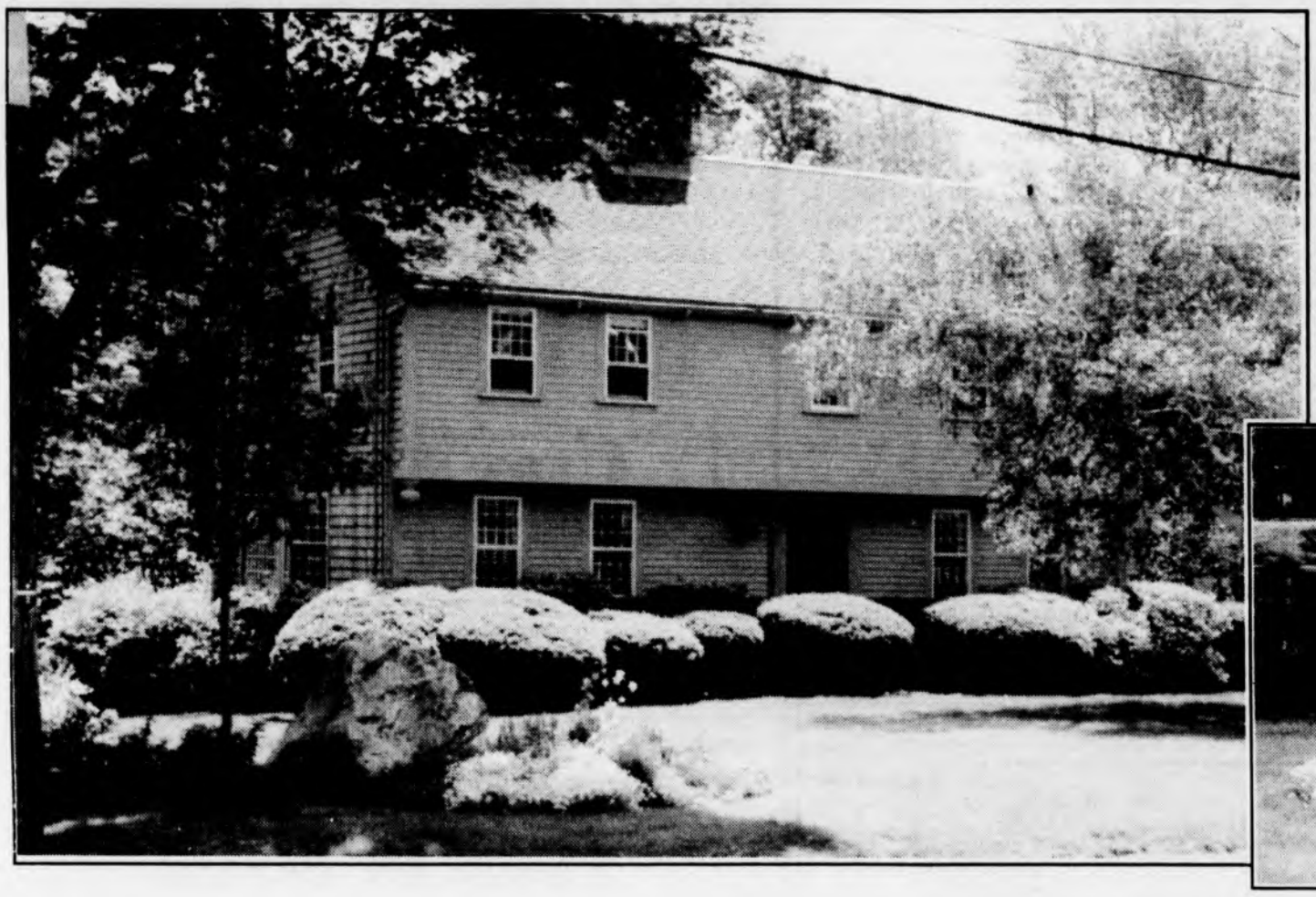

Since moving to Cohasset a few years ago, Linda Simms at 15 Windy Hill Rd. has worked diligently to create a perennial English garden in her yard. Using a large rock with an interesting shape as the central focal point in the perennial bed, Linda created a lovely springtime palette of color by artfully mixing flowering shrubs with perennials. Pale lavender lilac add height while purple and white Alyssum, purple Cat Mint, pale yellow Columbine, purple Balloon Flower, bright pink Armeria, pale purple Phlox, bright white Snow-in-Summer, chartreuse Lady's Mantle and pink Forget-Me-Not bloom in abundance.

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Bring your children in to explore the world, adventure into new realms of knowledge, maintain reading skills during summer vacation, and just have fun. Contact Suzanne Terry in the children's room at the library for more information and to register.

Also, ask Suzanne about the new Apple computer that is available for use by children. The library welcomes donations of used CDs and videos for young people.

Volunteers are honored

An evening reception from 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 20, will be held at the home of Barbara and Jeff Power in recognition of library volunteers.

Free passes available

Just a reminder that there are free passes provided by the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library, available to Cohasset residents for the Museum of Science, Museum of Fine Arts, Children's Museun and Plimouth Plantation. The aquarium pass is not available in the summer.

Summer hours

The library will be closed Sundays in June, July and August.

Mariner Sports

Legion aims for success

Cohasset squad building for coming seasons

By DAN WHITE
Special to the Mariner

The summer nights on the South Shore seem to be heating up as American Legion baseball has once again begun a new season. A league for 16-18 year olds, American Legion is a step above high-school baseball. The league is a melting pot of high-school baseball talent, which combines the best players from public, private and parochial schools from around the area.

Due to the increasing interest and affection towards the Legion baseball program, more and more people are trying to get involved. Once such person is John Carr, who along with others, founded a Legion squad this year. For over three years he had been lobbying for a berth in the league. Finally, this year he was granted one. Already active in Little League, Carr set out to build a program which would grow as new talent was harvested.

With the help of his friends and assistant coaches Bob Moody, Scott Arnold, Garrett Hunt and Paul St. John, Carr had to then evaluate and recruit talent from area high schools. He and his team of assistants spoke with coaches to see where the talent was, and also spoke to the players themselves. The coaching team tried to get an idea of the interest that they were going to get in their quest to build a strong program. As it turned out, the interest was so strong that more than a few cuts had to be made, but the team selected seemed to be up to the challenge that faced them in their inaugural season.

The team selected was taken solely from Cohasset and Scituate, but ranged through many different area schools such as B.C. High and Xaverian. The total came to 12

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Olympic champion's main rival was himself

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

His competitive racing career lasted just five year's, but Cohasset's Herb Elliot accomplished more in that short period of time than most world-class track and field athletes do over their entire careers.

Elliot, who represented the Australian Olympic team in the 1960 Rome Games, is still the only gold medal winner ever to set a world record in the finals of the 1,500 meters. Elliot, the overwhelming favorite heading into the games ran a 3:35.6, earning him the top step on the platform during the medal ceremony.

Probably even more impressive than his Rome victory, Elliot retired in 1961 at the ripe age of 22, unbeaten in both the mile and 1,500, making him far and away, the greatest middle-distance runner of his era.

But as satisfying as the win was for Elliot in the Olympics, he hardly enjoyed his experience. As the overwhelming favorite to win, anything less than a gold medal would have been viewed as a disappointment, not so much by Elliot than by his countrymen.

Elliot says he was never one to become preoccupied with the accomplishments of others or how he placed in races. His main focus centered on improving his own times. Elliot did that to the tune of a personal best 3:54.5 time in the mile.

"My objective was to defeat my own weaknesses, rather than defeat someone else," Elliot said. "Your sport becomes a way of life. I developed the philosophy that running was part of the person, rather than a device where you ran faster than someone else.

"I was never a great follower of the sport. I never showed that type of interest in the sport."

As indifferent as Elliot was to the times his competitors were churning out, he was the complete opposite when it came to his training under famed coach Percy Ceruty. Elliot credits Ceruty, one of the pioneers of middle- and long-distance training techniques, for much of his success.

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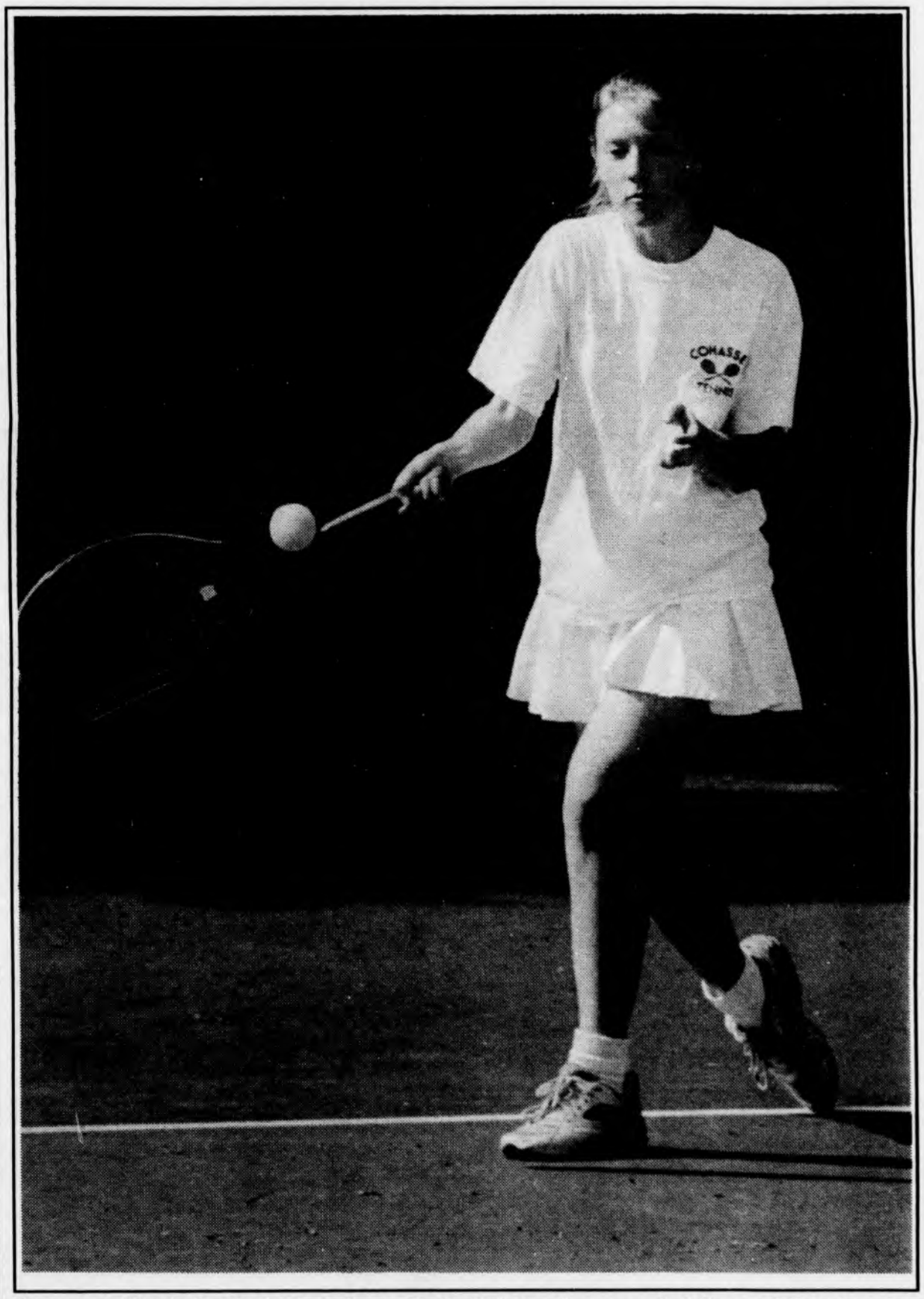
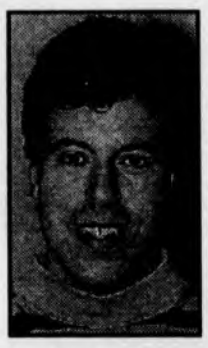


Cohasset High's No. 3 singles player Katie Brister shows perfect form while returning a shot.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

On the diamond, little separates pros from youngsters



Reardon

The pitcher takes a good hard look at the signs the catcher is flashing with his fingers. He checks the runner on first base and delivers the pitch. The batter bounces a slow ground ball to the second baseman and the infielder charges it and throws to the shortstop, who is covering second. The shortstop steps on the bag and leaps into the air as the runner tries to break up the double play. It's too late, however, as his strong throw to first gets the batter by a step.

A major league play for sure, only this isn't pro ball. It's Little League.

It has always fascinated me, that, from a minor league squad on the South Shore, right on up to the defending world champion Atlanta Braves, it is the ability to make the fundamental plays in baseball which ultimately make the major difference between winning and losing.

Take this year's Red Sox for example. Forget the torrid hitting of Mo Vaughn, Jose Canseco and company. On the whole, the Sox have been atrocious in the field, and that includes Vaughn, who is a less-than-average first baseman.

It's also fun to watch 8 and 9 year olds going through the same rituals

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Cohasset Firefighters to play Patriots in softball

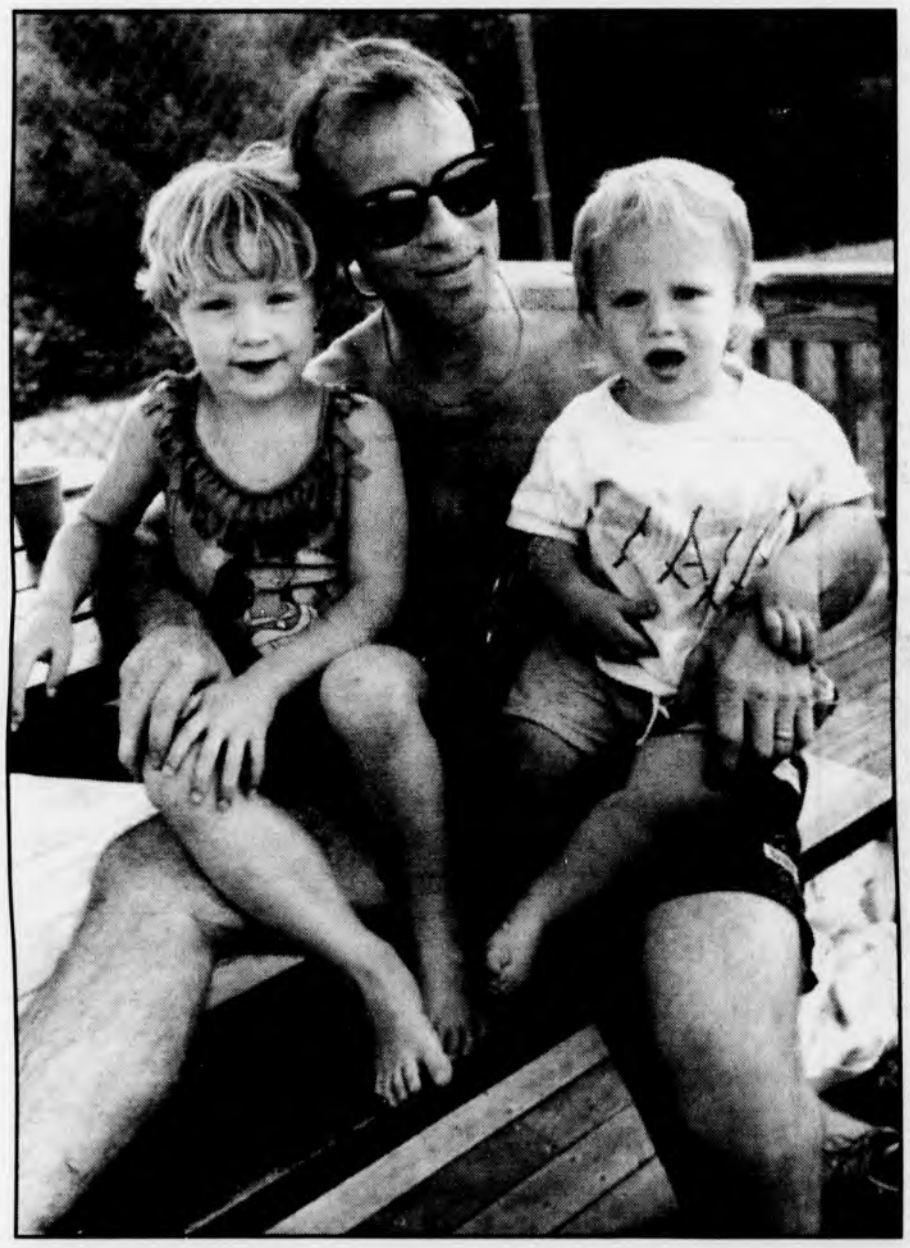
The Cohasset Permanent Firefighters Local 2804 is sponsoring a benefit softball game against the All-Pro Patriots celebrity team on Friday, June 28 at 6 p.m., at Milliken Field on Bancroft St.

Expected to appear for the Patriot celebrity team are Steve Nelson, Fred Smerlas, Mike Ruth, Mosi Tatupu and four current Patriot stars. All of the celebrities will be available for free autographs and there will be a free raffle of autographed souvenirs.

Tickets are $10 each and can be purchased at Milliken Field on the day of the game.

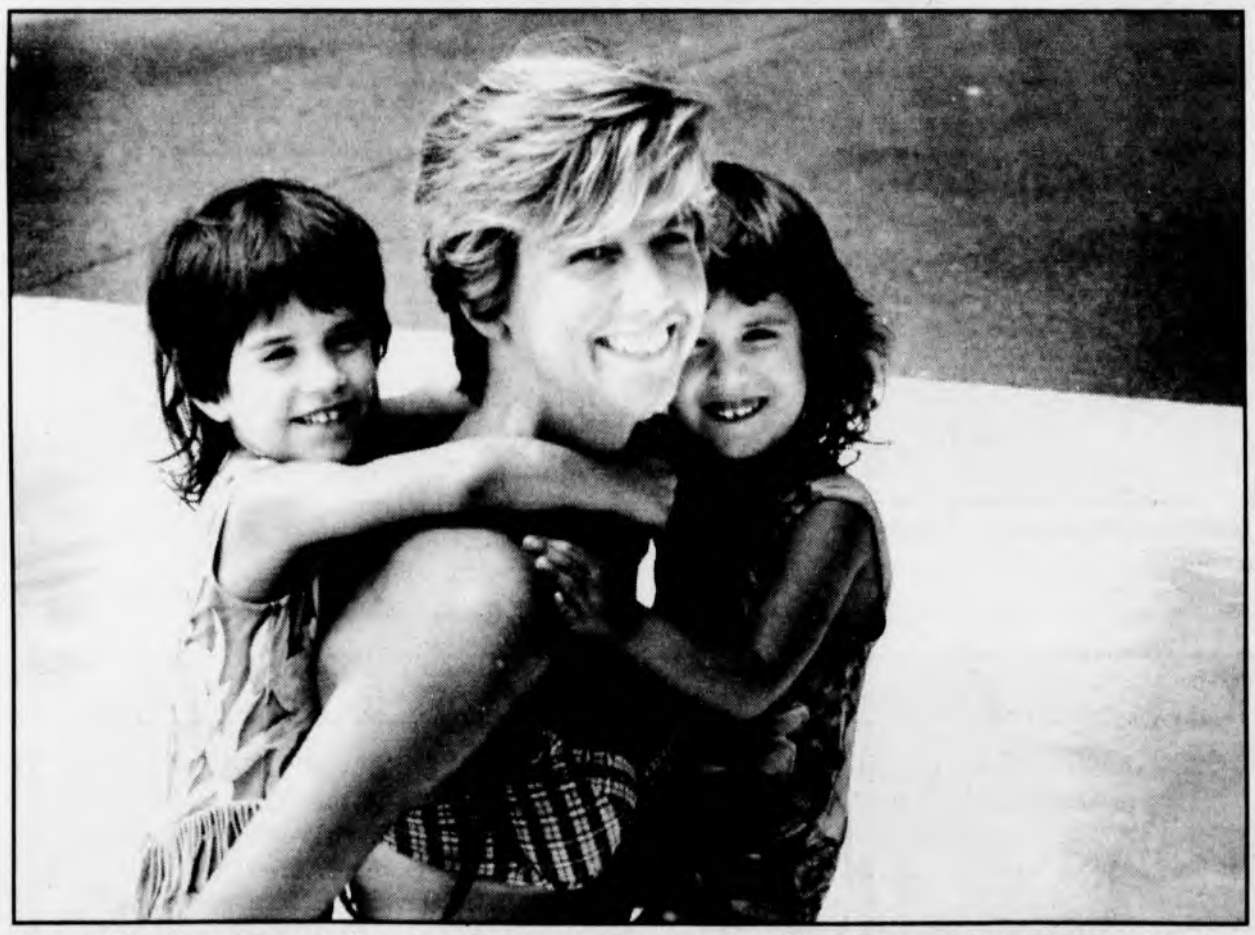
Those hazy, lazy days

The Pescatone brothers stick together through thick and 'swim.'



Relaxing poolside are Tori Lehr and Evan and Doug Yeager.

The Smith family gets wet together in the town pool.



Janet Pizzi and her twins Angelica and Nicole enjoy the water at the Cohasset Swim Center.

John Friedman prefers the underwater route around the pool with a diver's mask.

Staff photos by J. Paul MacDonald

Mariner Sports

Champion's main rival was himself

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chniques, for much of his success.

"It was one of those lucky things were I was fortunate to be on this earth at the same time as him," Elliot philosophized.

Rather than putting in high-mileage endurance training, Elliot concentrated more on shorter runs with high intensity. The longest he ran was an hour, but it was done at a break-neck pace. Elliot's interval training was done at a pace which complemented what he'd be doing in a race. The training suited him and he rarely was surprised by a competitor during a race.

"I'd practice what I wanted to do in my race when I trained," Elliot said. "You have to get your body used to what it has to do."

In Rome, Elliot wasn't able to witness the pageantry and extravagance of the games. He was there to do a job and it consisted of racing 3-3/4 laps as fast as he could in the shape he was in.

When Elliot hit the finish line, the winner, his first feeling was one of relief, not euphoria. He was glad the Olympics were finally over and he could relax again.

"You don't enjoy it at all, up until your own event because you are focused on what you have to do," Elliot said.

It was easy for Elliot to walk away from racing when he was merely 22, an infant in track by today's standards. An athlete of Elliot's calibre didn't have the endorsement possibilities in the 1960's that are so prevalent today.

"In those days it was a totally amateur sport," he said. "You'd do your runs at the beginning of the work day or after."

Elliot has been able to enjoy the spirit of the Olympics more as an official for the Australian team, free of the pressure of racing for first place.

But it's his new home in Cohasset that Elliot truly cherishes.

"It's one of God's special places," he said. "The town has everything; the ocean, friendly people, beautiful forests, estuaries."

Elliot paused for a moment then added with a laugh, "And it has Lobsters."

The Purple People Beaters finish up

By RONNIE MCMORRIS
Special to the Mariner

The Purple People Beaters finished their season last Thursday night with a win over the hard-hitting Ad-Gurus. Frannie Noble sparked a mid-game rally with a well-hit triple. Ashley Faber, whose bat was hot all season, kept the rally alive, along with solid hitting performances by Kelly Hurley, Sarah Lambert and Jessie O'Connell. Rookies Courtney Hurley and Miranda Lanzillotti, who just returned from the injured list, also hit the ball well. Rookie Molly Kirks has developed into a fine ball player.

Outstanding plays in the field were turned in by Sarah McMorris and Corey Eveands. What a double play! Leah McMorris, with her strong arm at third, and Julia Scribner, behind the plate, made for some fine plays as well. Gillian Simons kept the defense strong with good backup in the outfield.

The Purple People Beaters turned in fine performances all around and managed to win without the help of Lisa Spirito, who hit the ball well all season!

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Cohasset squad building for coming seasons

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players from Cohasset and six from Scituate. Looking to build for the future, five 15 year olds were included on the team, which was rounded out by seven 16 year olds, three 17 year olds and three 18 year olds.

Since Cohasset is in reality an island of Norfolk County, Carr had two options in choosing the league that his team would play in. He could either join the Norfolk County League which includes perennial powerhouses Morrissette, Braintree and Weymouth or the Plymouth County League, which is generally strong but lacks the talent pool that the Norfolk County teams have. It seems from the descriptions that the Plymouth County League would be a perfect fit for a fledgling team like Cohasset, but this team of coaches was always looking in terms of the long run. The Norfolk County teams would offer higher competitions on which Cohasset could build a solid program, once which might eventually be able to compete consistently on that level.

From the first day of practice, Carr expressed to his players his philosophy that everyone gets a chance to play. In developing a better team, Carr wanted to get experience for a many players as he could. He put this philosophy to good use as all 18 players started at least one game before the team was even seven games into the season.

In the first game of the season, however, Cohasset was matched up against Morrissette, arguably the best team in the league. This did not bode well for the expansion club as it lost, 5-2. The team then lost to Weymouth, but in the third game, Cohasset played Quincy tough. Cohasset took a 7-1 lead into the sixth inning before succumbing to a late rally by Quincy to lose, 8-7. following three more losses, one of which was to Braintree, the team took on Quincy for the second time. This time the Cohasset club looked toward Matt Lewis to stop the string of six straight loses. In the extra-inning battle, Lewis pitched all eight innings and kept the Quincy bats at bay while Cohasset's bats came alive in the eighth to take the win. Carr was naturally happy with the result and applauded the team on a full-team effort.

As the season stands now, the Cohasset team has a record of 1-6, but the squad remains positive. Carr acknowledges that the young team is going through some "growing pains" right now, but his outlook on the future includes a picture of a new powerhouse within the Norfolk League, a team on which he could look and proudly say he helped found. In the end, his "suicide practices" on Saturday morning will pay off as each year progresses and his team continues to grow, just as the entire Legion program has. To all the 13-year-old ball players around the Cohasset area: appreciate the team on the field now, for you will reap the benefits down the road.

American Legion baseball is a very special league. It combines all elements of sportsmanship, competition and fair play. The league is often a springboard for young prospects and talents, but that is not its main concern. The mission of the league is to provide a high level of baseball to those who can compete in an atmosphere that should be enjoyable and fulfilling, no matter if one's team is winning or losing. In its first season, the Cohasset Legion baseball team is living up to that ideal.

Little separates pros from youngsters

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as major league players when they bat. The kids enter the batter's box, dig in, and then it's time to play Carlton Fisk.

Fisk was always one to take his sweet old time before taking his whacks. Little Leaguers are much the same way. They adjust their batting gloves, knock the dirt off their spikes, check the signs the third-base coach is going through and then take their practice swings.

And just like the pros, youngsters will flash the umpire a glaring look of disbelief and mumble to themselves when they feel a called-strike was, fill in the blank: (a) too high (b) too low (c) outside (d) inside (e) a and c (f) b and d (g) b and c, or (f) a and d.

When batters rap a base hit, they make the turn at first base just in case the ball is bobbled and there is a chance to advance. When they return to first they take off their batter's gloves and tuck them in their back pocket as the first-base coach congratulates them on the hit. Nothing different in the Major Leagues.

Even the most exciting plays in baseball are taught much the same way at both levels. The hit and run, run and hit, suicide squeeze and double steal are used in the Majors and in Little League with varying degrees of success.

And you can't forget, every fan loves a rally. Just when all looks lost for the home team, a couple of base hits can breath new life into both the players and fans alike. You can see the other team get nervous just through its body language and the coach becomes all the more vocal in barking out where his players should be.

Whether the competition includes Frank Thomas, Ken Griffey Jr., Mike Piazza, Cal Ripken Jr., or a crack squad of 8 year olds, the fundamentals, mechanics, techniques and rituals transcend over.

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Wednesday, June 5

12:50 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Spindrift Ln.
1:17 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Cushing Rd.
7:16 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Sohier St.
7:40 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Bow St.
[illegible] a.m., assist citizen, N. Main St.
8:45 a.m., assist other agency, Pond St.
9:22 a.m., burglar alarm, Pond St.
11:30 a.m., auto fire, S. Main St.
2:56 p.m., parking violation, CJC Hwy.
3:30 p.m., serve restraining order, Parker Ave.
5:08 p.m., burglar alarm, Wheelwright Farm.
5:12 p.m., animal complaint, Fair Oaks Ln.
6:46 p.m., serve restraining order, Parker Ave.
6:58 p.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
7:17 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St.
8:19 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.
8:42 p.m., animal complaint, Howe Rd.
10:35 p.m., burglar alarm, Lamberts Ln,.
10:40 p.m., noise complaint, Elm St.
11:25 p.m., disturbance, Lamberts Ln.

Thursday, June 6

3:59 a.m., suspicious auto, Riverview Rd.
7:13 a.m., motor vehicle stop, King St.
7:35 a.m., motor vehicle stop, King St.
7:43 a.m, motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.
7:48 a.m., larceny, Howes Ln.
9:28 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.
12:48 p.m., parking violation, Jerusalem Rd.
1:37 p.m., suspicious auto, N. Main St.
2:30 p.m., suspicious person, Sandy Beach.
3:26 p.m., by-law violation, Mill Bridge.
3:44 p.m., medical aid, HQ.
3:47 p.m., by-law violation, Whitehead Bridge.
5:24 p.m., structure fir, Jerusalem Rd.

Friday, June 7

12:01 a.m., disturbance, Border St.
12:22 a.m., motor vehicle theft, Jerusalem Rd.
12:36 a.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.
12:40 a.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.
12:46 a.m., MV stop, King St.
1:17 a.m., motor vehicle accident, Church St.
3:44 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:23 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
7:40 a.m., parking violation, Jerusalem Rd.
10:27 a.m., MV accident, Jerusalem Rd.
11:50 a.m., assist citizen, Cushing Rd.
11:56 am., assist motorist, King St.
2:20 p.m., MV stop, Pleasant St.
3:16 p.m., medical aid, Hull St.
3:35 p.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
3:47 p.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
5:23 p.m., burglar alarm, Howard Gleason Rd.
5:44 p.m., property (found), Forest Ave.
5:47 p.m., ambulance, N. Main St.
6:10 p.m., ambulance, Grace Dr.
6:42 p.m., medical aid, fire dept.
6:55 p.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
7:17 p.m., officer wanted, Sohier St.
8:07 p.m., officer wanted, Rustic Dr.
8:47 p.m., property (found), Ripley Rd.
9:13 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:17 p.m, suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.
10:14 p.m., disturbance, Hillside Dr.
11:03 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
11:08 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
11:44 p.m., MV stop, Doane St.

June 8, Saturday

12:07 a.m., vandalism, S. Main St.
12:23 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
12:43 a.m., suspicious, Sandy Beach.
12:55 a.m., suspicious, Border St.
1:21 a.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.,
2:20 a.m., protective custody, Border St.
2:47 a.m., assist other PDs, CJC Hwy.
3:00 a.m., auto fire, CJC Hwy.
7:26 a.m., arrest, HQ, Jennifer Powers, 821 Jerusalem Rd., DOB: 1/5/71, warrant.
10:48 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy/Henry Turner Bailey Rd.
10:52 .am., disturbance, Lighthouse Ln.
11:41 .am., assist motorist, Jerusalem Rd.
1:33 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.
2:42 p.m., soliciting, Jerusalem Rd.
2:49 p.m., by-law violation, Cedarledge Village.
3:09 p.m., disturbance, Texaco Station.
3:25 p.m., carbon monoxide incident, King St.
3:41 p.m., soliciting, Jerusalem/Nichols.
3:53 p.m., Fire(misc), Forest Notch.
4:48 p.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave.
5:37 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:45 p.m., disabled auto, Beechwood St.
6:01 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:13 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:36 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.
9:11 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
9:29 p.m., burglar alarm, White Head Rd.
10:05 p.m., burglar alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
10:15 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
10:19 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
10:34 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:20 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.
11:37 p.m., disturbance, Government Island.

Sunday, June 9

12:21 a.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.
2:02 a.m., open door/window, Lighthouse Ln.
5:58 a.m., MV accident, N. Main St.
9:12 a.m., larceny, Border St.
10:55 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
10:58 a.m., burglar alarm, Atlantic Ave.
11:50 a.m. noise complaint, Sankey Rd.
12:34 p.m., MV accident, Brook St.
12:47 p.m., MV violations, Elm St.
12:51 p.m., animal complaint, Cedar St.
1:03 p.m., assist citizen, South Main St.
1:24 p.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave.
1:48 p.m., medical aid, HQ.
4:00 p.m., suspicious person, Elm St.

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Music circus sign-ups

Cohasset Recreation Department will hold the first Music Circus registration for "Aladdin," Thursday, June 27. The show date is July 11. The next registration will take place Wednesday, July 3, for "Snow White." (Showdate is July 18.)

Music Circus registrations are held at the recreation office, first floor, Town Hall. Sign-ups will take pace from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 7 p.m. on June 27, and 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. on July 3. These are the only days registrations will be accepted. Tickets are $5.

Ham operators' gathering planned at Wompatuck

South Shore amateur radio operators will participate in an event June 22 and 23 at Wompatuck State Park, Hingham. Field radio communication stations will be set up to contact other hams throughout the U.S. and Canada over a 24-hour period. The objective is to see who can make the highest number of contacts.

The event is the annual "shakedown run" for the American Radio Relay League's national Field Day, which is a competition as well as a trial run for emergency communication skills used during disaster situations.

The League estimates that more than 35,000 hams participate every year.

The Wompatuck setup begins at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 22. All are invited to visit the working amateur radio station and learn about the role ham radio plays on the South Shore. Visitors are welcome before 4 p.m. in the afternoon or after 8 a.m. Sunday morning. Signs will be posted.

Capeway Radio Club members from Braintree, Duxbury, Hanover, Holbrook, Norwell, Quincy, Scituate, Sudbury and Weymouth will be joined by other area amateur radio operators, who are licensed by the Federal Communications Commission.

CHS 40th reunion coming

Cohasset High School Class of 1956 is planning its 40th reunion. Anyone who was a classmate from 1950 through 1956 (7th through 12th grades) is welcome to attend, whether they graduated from CHS or not.

The reunion will be held July 12-14 at the Lightkeeper's House on Cohasset Harbor. The cost is $35 per person, including many activities.

Scheduled events include a reunion kickoff at George and Maddy Pope's in Scituate on Friday, July 12, beginning at 7 p.m.; a picnic/clambake on Bassing's Beach, weather permitting, Saturday, July 13, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (bring your own sandwiches and refreshments; soft drinks will be provided); kids and grandchildren and welcome; cocktails, dinner and dancing to the music of the mid-50s Saturday, July 13, from 6:30 to 11 p.m.; and a reunion wrapup at Betty Ripley's home, 11 Holly Lane, off Pond Street, Sunday, July 14, beginning at 11 a.m., including brunch.

Classmates who have not received information should call Elizabeth Ripley at 383-2819 or George Pope at 545-2871.

Teen Center director John Getgey holds up a check for $393 made out to Cohasset Youth Resources, the non-profit organization that governs the Teen Center. The check from Mariner Community Newspapers represents a $3 donation for each of the 131 new subscriptions to the Cohasset Mariner taken out during the subscription drive last fall.

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Summer Solstice celebration at World's End

The World's End Committee has announced that the 13th annual Summer Solstice Celebration will be held Friday, June 21, from 6 to 8 p.m. (Raindate is June 22.) Call World's End ranger station at 749-8956 in the event of questionable weather.

Everyone is invited to pack a picnic supper and join friends and neighbors atop Planter's Hill for an evening of festivities and activities, including tractor-drawn hayrides, music by local accordionist Mabel Biagini and South Shore Men of Harmony and a talk by naturalist Phil Swanson.

Soft drinks, popcorn and cookies will be available. Admission fee is $3 for members of The Trustees of Reservations, and $5 for non-members. Children under 16 will be admitted free. No dogs will be allowed.

World's End offers quiet walks and panoramic ocean views. For more information, call Mary Campbell at (617) 821-2977.

Carillon concerts begin June 30 on the Common

The 72nd series of summer carillon recitals will be given on the 57-bell carillon in the tower of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset, on 10 successive Sundays, beginning June 30 and continuing through Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers to Cohasset Common or the church courtyard on Highland Avenue.

The best listening place is the sunken terrace in the middle of Stagecoach Way (pedestrian walk beside Coldwell Banker on Main Street, opposite the tower). Printed programs will be distributed at all locations. The concerts take place rain or shine. The music may also be heard from parked cars. All concerts are free of charge.

The June 30 concert will be performed by Tam Tin-shi, carillonneur of Iowa State University. A native of Hong Kong, he is a carillonneur member of the Guild of Carillonneurs in North America and a fellow of Trinity College, London. Her program will include original compositions for carillon by Matthias Van den Gheyn, John Pozdro, Frank DellaPenna and Sjef van Balkom; a suite of English folksongs arranged by Ronald Barnes; and a waltz by Johann Strauss, as well as her own arrangement of a Chinese song by Hwang Yau-tai.

Carillonneurs for the remainder of the series are: July 7, Marcel Siebers, city carillonneur of Cuijk, the Netherlands and Emmerich, Germany; July 14, Matthew J. Buechner of Baltimore, Md.; July 28, Gideon Bodden, carillonneur of the Mint Tower, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Aug. 4, Daniel Kerry Kehoe, carillonneur of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Aug. 11, J. Samuel Hammond, carillonneur of Duke University; Aug. 18, R. Robin Austin, carillonneur of Princeton University; and Aug. 25, Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset and Phillips Academy, Andover.

The final concert will include requests previously submitted by listeners. The deadline for requests is Sunday, Aug. 11, following Mr. Hammond's recital.

For further information, or to submit requests for the Aug. 25 program, call Sally Slade Warner at (508) 475-2599; the church at 383-1083; or Mary Kennedy, assistant carillonneur of St. Stephen's at 383-9599.

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School site finds common ground

Boards pledge to work together

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Past issues and future plans were hashed out at a school facilities committee meeting Tuesday, during which the concerns of the Design Review Board were addressed and questions from the community solicited.

The three-hour meeting, which took place in the high school's audio/visual studio, was attended by abutters of the proposed $9.9 million school, representatives from several town boards and concerned taxpayers.

The facilities committee (also called the school building committee) will work with other boards in town to plan the best pre- kindergarten-to-third grade school given the site constraints.

The Design Review Board (DRB) wrote a letter to the facilities committee over two weeks ago spelling out the concerns they had, including ones with the site, budget and lack of a project manager.

The DRB had requested the 23 original sites, as well as the Osgood School be revisited.

After a presentation by school Supt. Stephen Hart, which included the documentary on the inadequacies of Osgood School, several members of the review board expressed reservations, but also support.

"We serve at the request of other town

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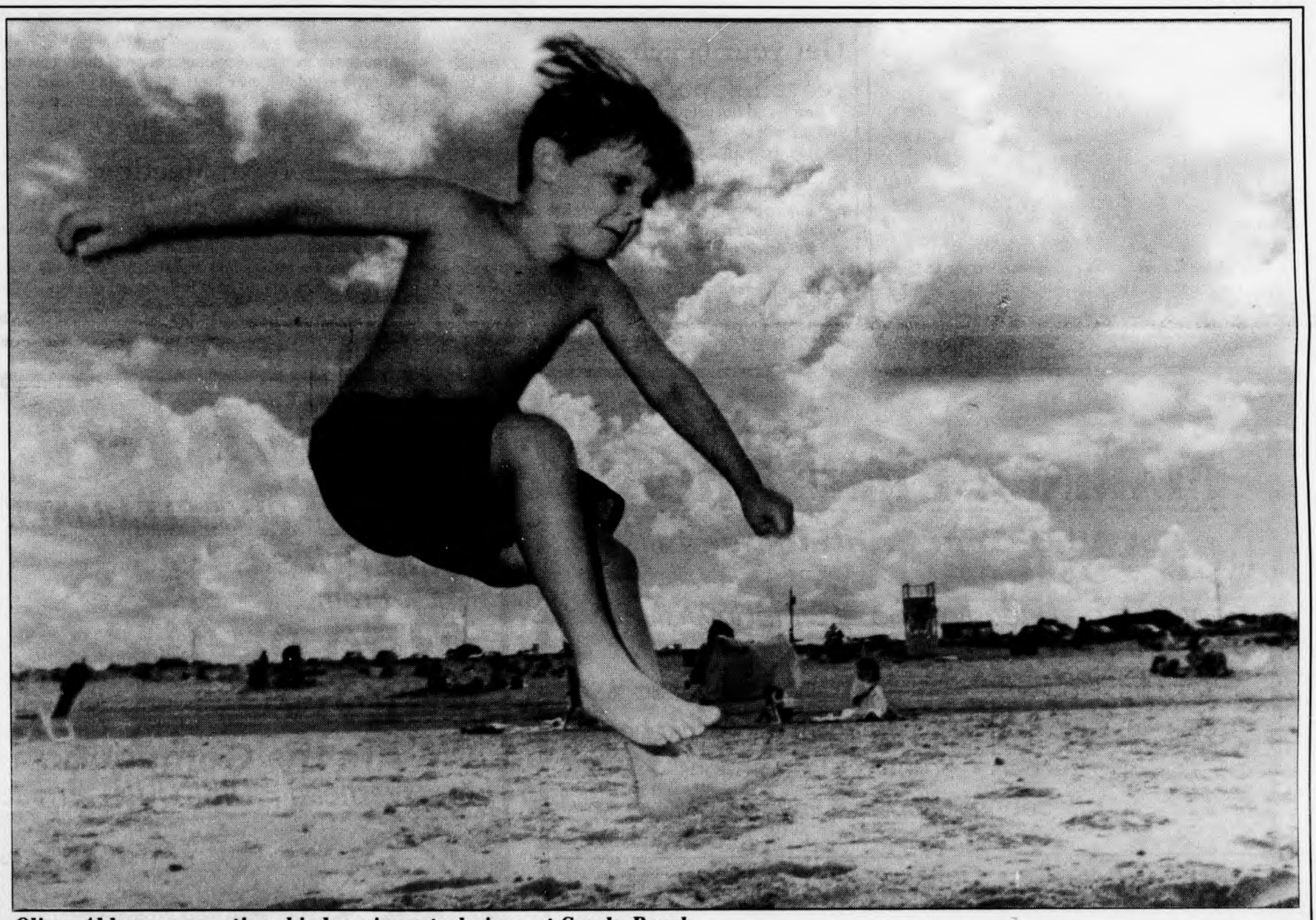

Oliver Alderman practices his long jump technique at Sandy Beach.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Train forum attracts a handful of residents

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Citizens Mitigation Committee for the restoration of the Old Colony Railroad's Greenbush line held the first of two scheduled public hearings last week.

Approximately 18 residents attended this first session, and concerns were expressed on topics including child safety, station location, noise and pollution, business concerns and wetlands issues.

Formed by Cohasset selectmen, in conjunction with the town mitigation committee, the seven-member board is soliciting comments and concerns from local residents and then passing this information, back through the selectmen, to the town committee.

Chairman Peter Pearce opened the hearing by saying the purpose of the com

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Open space survey mailed

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Residents will find something extra inside their real estate tax bills being mailed this week.

The town's newly formed Open Space Committee has compiled a survey which is the first step in preparing an open space and recreational plan for Cohasset.

The committee asks that residents fill out the questionnaire and return it to town hall by July 22.

Town meeting recently authorized spending $12,000 for obtaining professional services to assist in the preparation of an open space plan which will set the stage for the town to apply for state money to buy property, such as the 20 acres of Turkey Hill in Cohasset near the Hingham line.

Turkey Hill will be used for conserva-

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Cohasset's Week

Compost bins available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, composting containers are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. Prices range from $20 to $30.

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DPW sponsors brush chipping June 29 & 30

The DPW will sponsor its second household brush chipping weekend at the Recycling Transfer Facility on Saturday and Sunday, June 29 and 30, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

According to DPW Superintendent Harold W. Litchfield, no commercial brush or hedge trimmings will be accepted. There is no length limit, and brush may be up to 12 inches in diameter.

Tide Chart

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Fri. 28	9:17	9.4	3:09	9:35	11.0	3:22
Sat. 29	10:12	9.8	4:02	10:27	11.5	4:15
Sun. 30	11:06	10.2	4:55	11:20	12.0	5:08
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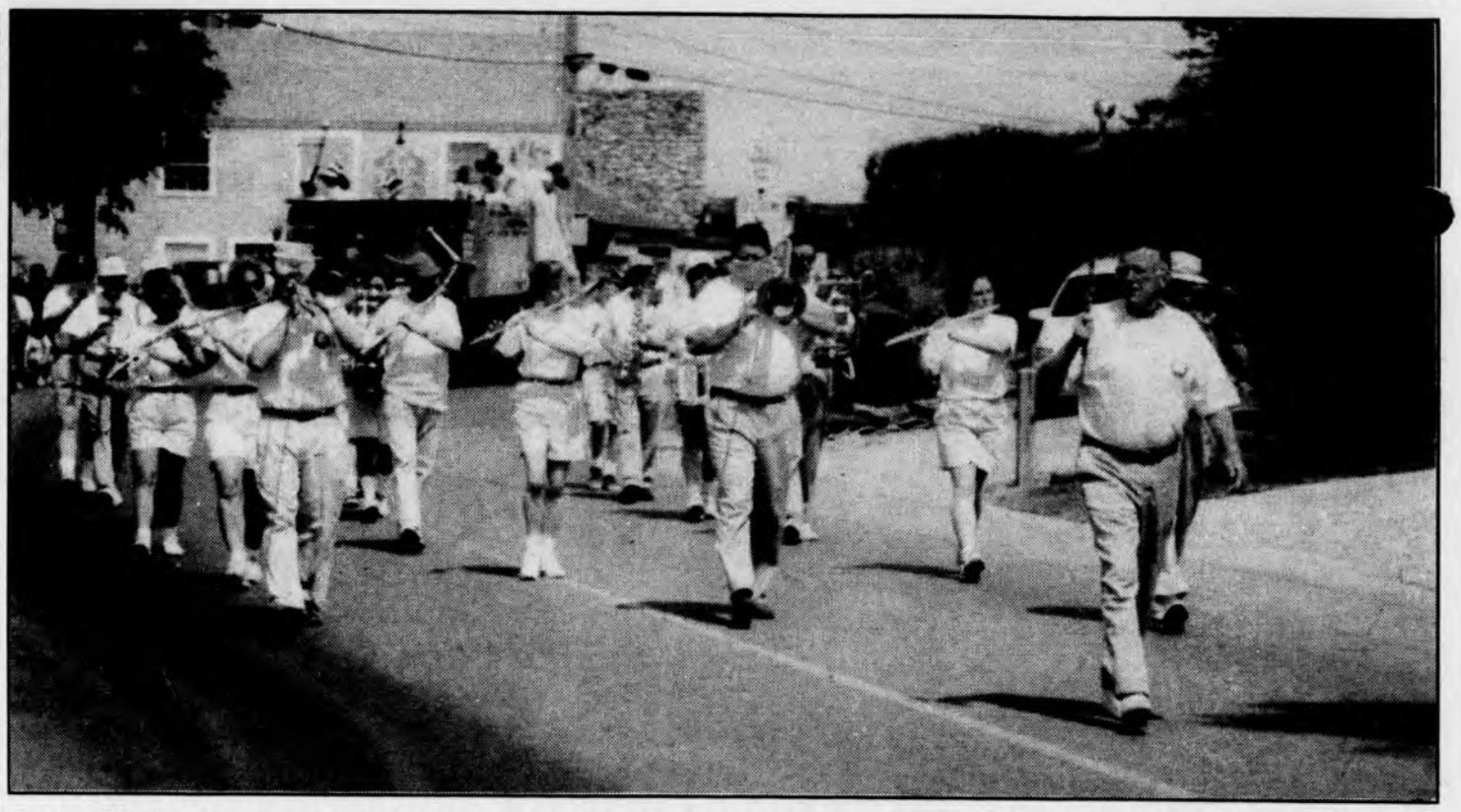

Roger Whitley leads the Harborfest Marching Band during the parade which was part of the Festival on the Common activities June 16. The band was organized for Harborfest last year by the Rev. Ed Atkinson, who died in July 1995. Atkinson's band so delighted and amazed those watching along the parade route that it's become an annual tradition.

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Special Town Meeting is slated for Oct. 28

Selectmen set fall's special town meeting for Monday, Oct. 28 which they say will allow enough time in September for boards and departments to submit warrant articles in time to have the warrant printed.

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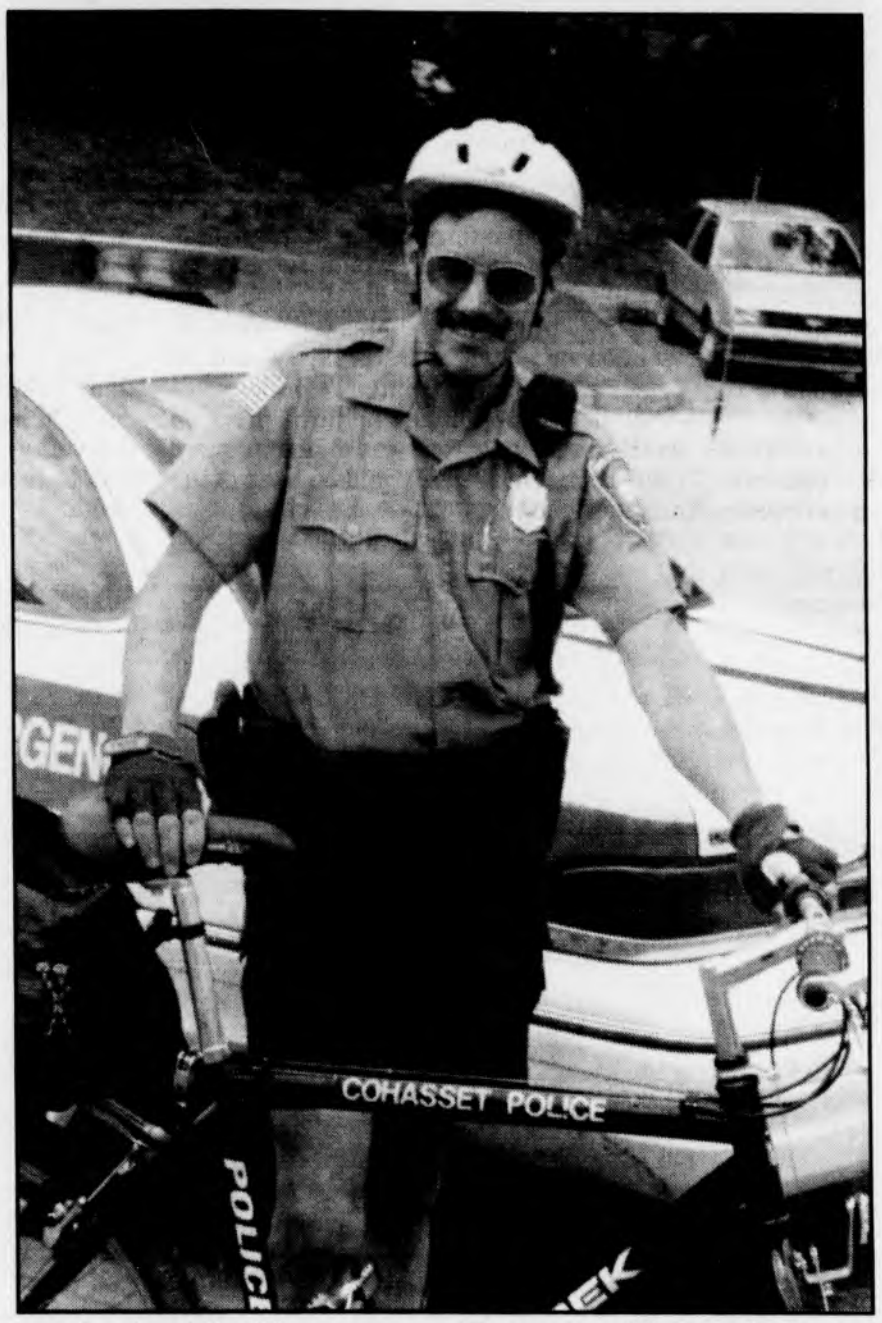

Name: Richard Yocum

Occupation: Cohasset police officer and member of the b[illegible] patrol unit.

Goal: As a member of the new bike patrol, to provide the best service possible this summer.

Best vacation: Alaska.

Best day of your life: Everyday!

Biggest worry: I have no worries.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Winter, I love skiing, snowmobiling and all that stuff.

Favorite TV show: 'The Tonight Show with Jay Leno.'

Favorite movie: 'Top Gun.'

Favorite book: 'Clear and Present Danger,' by Tom Clancy.

Favorite junk-food: I don't eat junk-food, it's bad for you!

Most embarrassing moment: It hasn't' happened yet, but it might this summer if I fall off my bike.

Person you'd most like to meet: Tom Clancy.

Pet peeve: Motor vehicle violators, especially speeders.

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Train forum attracts a handful of residents

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mittee was to help citizens lessen the impact of the rail line returning to Cohasset.

One business owner, Mandy Burgoon of Carousel Antiques, expressed the concern of increased parking by daily commuters in an already congested Cohasset center and how a lack of parking would affect the town's small business owners.

Saying she has counted up to 60 cars on an average business day parked between Smith Place and the Red Lion Inn, Burgoon feared the loss of these parking spaces once the train started operating.

"I have no idea where my customers are going to go," she said. "They're literally parking on the (old) railroad tracks now."

Pearce told Burgoon that any disruption would be minimal, as the Cohasset stop was not to be in the center of town. Instead, the station will be located in North Cohasset, off of Route 3A, at the site of the old Cohasset Winter Gardens ice skating rink and former boat storage facility.

Many in attendance were surprised to learn that the train would not be stopping in the town center.

Another business owner said locating the station stop out on Route 3A was a mistake, and that a Cohasset center stop should be added and would serve a two-fold purpose.

First, it would control and slow train speed as it passed through the center of town (top speed at the train's fastest point will be 60 miles per hour); and secondly, businesses would profit from a mid-town station stop. The idea, he said, of losing additional daily business from Cohasset and Scituate commuters to stores along Route 3A would be devastating to town center stores.

"If it's (the train) gonna come, for business owners it's better to have a stop downtown instead of further up Route 3A," Burgoon added.

All agreed that the lack of suitable parking in the town center (the Route 3A site will provide parking for 300 vehicles) all but excludes a stop in this area.

Pearce offered the idea of using the Osgood School location, which could be adapted for parking, as an alternative to the downtown site.

Saying the train would require a straight 800-foot-long high level platform (Cohasset center does not fit this requirement), he told business owners if a stop was located at the school site, this might satisfy both speed and dollar worries.

Concern was expressed over the 11 train grade crossings to be located throughout Cohasset. One resident questioned whether emergency vehicles would be blocked from side streets when the crossing barriers were down.

Pearce stated he was told by Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority officials that the longest the barriers would be down was 60 seconds.

Other concerns in this area focused on whether the town or state would be responsible for repairs of the equipment, where the funds for such repairs would come from and how quickly repairs would be undertaken and accomplished.

School bus safety at the grade crossings was discussed, as were extra precautions which would be required for children during the morning and afternoon school hours. As with some of the other points, this area developed into a discussion of financial ramifications, i.e., possible added taxes, for residents.

Responding to a question about noise, Pearce said it might be possible to eliminate some whistles and horns at certain crossings, but not from all crossings.

On the subject of wetlands, Pearce said the MBTA had informed him that less than 5,000 feet of wetlands would be affected by rail construction.

When one resident asked whether wooden or concrete track ties would be used, as creosote-treated wooden ties could have a potentially harmful effect on wetland areas, Pearce was unable to state for certain which ties would be used in the rail construction.

Beechwood Street resident Peter Robb suggested the board members take a field trip to the Whitman/Abington, Route 123, area and view for themselves rail construction presently underway.

Robb said the 15-foot-high noise barriers along the roadway have already been festooned with graffiti and coupled with the overall ugliness of the construction area, was not endearing the Old Colony Railroad's Plymouth line to its new neighbors, and this, he predicted, was what was coming to Cohasset.

The committee will hold its second and final public hearing towards the end of July, though the exact date has yet to be determined. Pearce said he expected more residents will want to attend this last session.

Open space survey mailed

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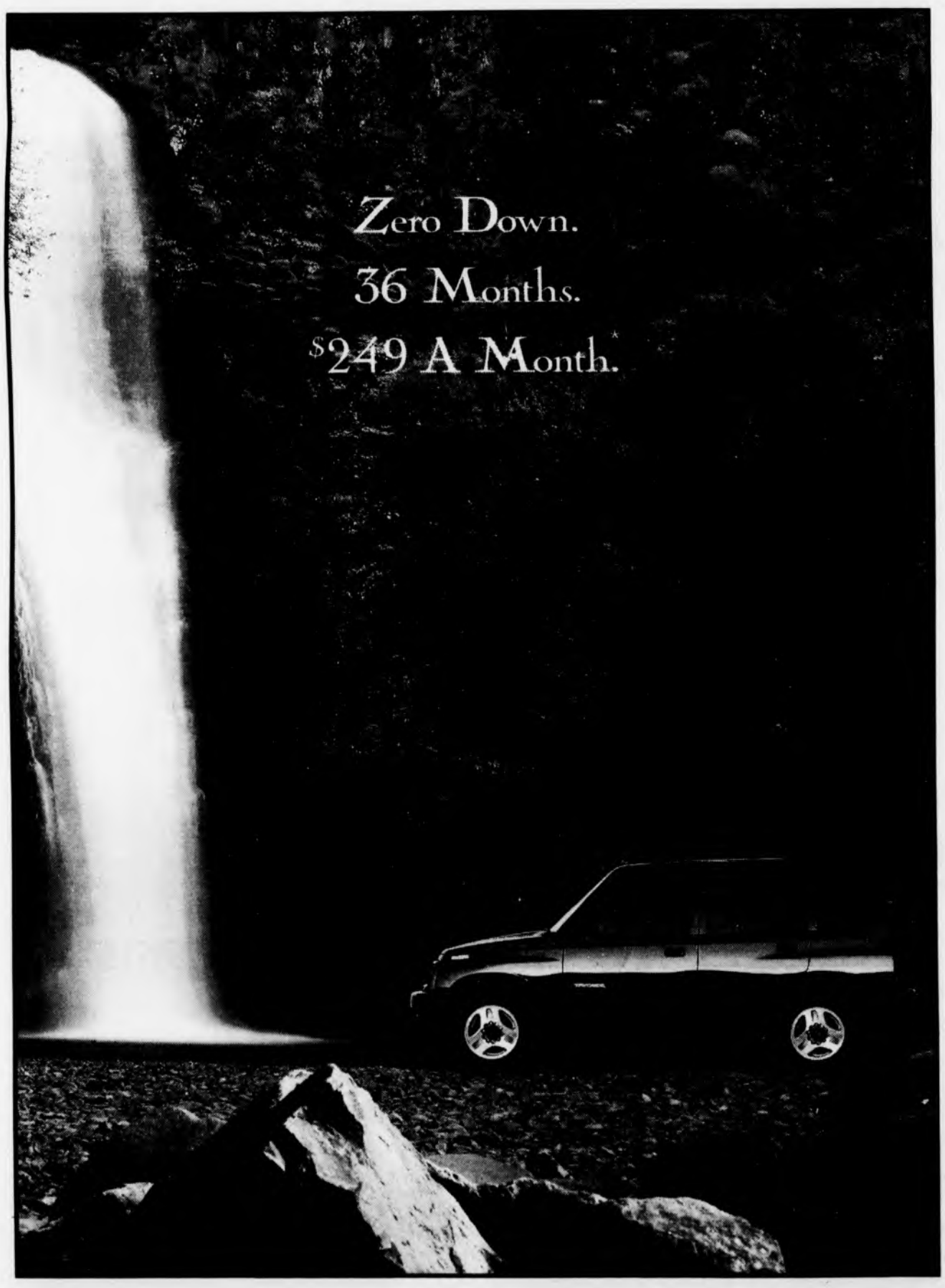
tion purposes and will be managed by the Trustees of Reservations, which has an agreement with the landowners, the Sapanaro family, for the purchase of the site. The conservation commissions of Hingham and Cohasset have agreed to submit an application for state grant funding to support 54 percent of the acquisition costs. The Trustees of Reservations, a private conservation group, owns World's End in Hingham and the Thayer and Whitney Woods reservation in Hingham and Cohasset.

Officials say if a recreational plan had been in place at the time, the town could have applied for state grants to offset the price of purchasing the Hagerty and Lily Pond properties.

The survey asks for residents' input about open space, environmental, and recreation uses in Cohasset.

"The purpose of the plan is to inventory and assess current open space and recreation resources, to articulate community needs, goals, and objectives, and to prepare a five-year action plan," the survey states.

A public meeting on the open space plan is set for 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 9 at town hall.



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Coyote sightings on upswing

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Police and animal control officers in Hingham, Cohasset, and Scituate said coyotes have been seen in various locations their communities, and are urging residents to take steps to minimize contact with them.

Dr. Greg Mertz, director of the New England Wildlife Center in Hingham, estimates that the coyote population in Hingham could be as high as 30 animals.

He recommends that residents secure garbage cans, preferably in a closed garage or shed, and do not leave pet food outside.

In Cohasset, several residents have reported seeing coyotes in their yards, and a police cruiser recently struck a coyote as it darted across Route 3A one night, according to Chief Brian Noonan. The animal was found dead the next day; the cruiser was not damaged.

Noonan also believes coyotes may be responsible for the appearance of deer in parts of town where none have been reported for years. Police have received calls of deer sightings on Nichols Road and Government Island. The coyotes may be chasing the deer away from wooded areas, he said.

Hingham Animal Control Officer Albert Currie said he has received several reports of coyotes in the vicinity of Fort Hill Street and at the end of South Pleasant Street. Both streets are near wooded areas—Bare Cove Park and Wompatuck State Park, respectively.

In the case of the Fort Hill Street area, construction of new houses at Conservatory Park and at Sherman Way has destroyed the animals' habitat, forcing them into closer contact with humans, Currie said.

Scituate's Animal Control Officer Kim Gilsdorf said last week coyotes have been seen "all over town." There have been 20 to 30 reports of missing housecats in Scituate, but Gilsdorf said that is typical and is not necessarily an indication that coyotes are to blame.

"We always have 20 cats missing, but often they're found locked in a tool shed, or someone has taken them in, and a lot are hit by cars," she said.

Last year, in Marshfield, a rash of coyote sightings coincided with reports of the disappearance of 70 housecats between July and September. Norma Haskins, the animal control officer in that town, concluded that a roving pack of coyotes was responsible.

But Mertz said coyotes do not travel in packs. While they may resemble wolves, which do form communal groups, coyotes will travel in a family unit of mother with offspring, which she is teaching to hunt. Until the young animals are old enough to accompany their mothers, lone coyotes will search for food.

Mertz said coyotes are "highly opportunistic" and will eat whatever they can find. Coyotes will usually eat rabbits, mice, and rats. A coyote that was struck by a car in Boston two years ago was examined at the wildlife center here. He said an examination of the animal's stomach contents showed it had been eating apples.

"That speaks volumes [about the opportunistic nature of coyotes]," Mertz said, adding that the animals are "very clever."

The animals can carry rabies, and if infected, will demonstrate signs of disorientation or unusual behavior, just as raccoons do. However, the likelihood that a coyote is rabid is quite remote, he said.

If a resident observes a coyote in or near a yard, he recommends that the residents should "just go in the house." The animal will soon wander away.

He also questions whether the coyotes are chasing deer from the woods. The deer population has increased in recent years, due to the lack of predators—both animal and human.

The New England Wildlife Center is participating in a state program to reduce the deer population by injecting the females with contraceptives, Mertz said. This program will eliminate the need for periodic hunting to combat over-population. Humane organizations have opposed deer hunts, and hunting deer in urban and suburban locations can pose a danger to people living nearby.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Lots of academic and athletic honors noted this week

On Sunday, May 26, **Heidi M. Lincoln** received a bachelor of science degree from Framingham State College. She also earned dean's list honors for the spring semester. Heidi's concentration is apparel merchandising, and she has been hired by T.J.X. Corporation as an allocation analyst at their corporate headquarters in Framingham.

Heidi is the daughter of **Larry** and **Linda Lincoln,** and our hats go off to her — she had a grand college career, and we're sure she will do the same in the business world!

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And, did you hear about **Nicole Barry**? Kudos go out to her. She earned herself a master's degree from Boston College in developmental and educational psychology! Wow! Nicole is the daughter of **Paul** and **Edna Barry.**

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On May 6 at Brockton High School during the Special Olympics Competition for the Southern Massachusetts area, **Matt Kardok** received the Elmer P. Ladouceur Competition Scholarship Award. This scholarship was awarded to help further his athletic skills at the Massachusetts State Special Olympic Games. Matt represented Massachusetts at the World Games last summer in New Haven, Conn. He is the son of **Barbara** and **Charles Kardok**, Hoover Road. Best of luck, Matt, for many future wins.

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Congrats to **Scott Hadayai**, son of **Richard** and **Sheila Hadayai**, an 11th-grader at St. Thomas More School, Gardner Lake, Oakdale, Conn., who achieved the distinction of honors for the recently completed third marking term.

New Colby College grad, Laurie Bronstein, daughter of Barry and Judith Bronstein, is awarded her diploma at the college commencement.

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Ellory Clark makes the news again. More of his Olympic prowess has surfaced. The Mass. Senior Games took place last week in Springfield, and he went away with eight medals! He earned himself golds in the shot, four-pound hammer throw, javelin and the 400-meter run, the discus and 800-meter run. Mr. Clark earned silver medals in the 200-meter run and the long jump! Before he took part in all of this, he went to Hopkinton to be part of the carrying of the Olympic Torch — he was the one who shouted "Go!" at the ceremony! Plus, it was a steamy hot day! An inspiration to all of us, wouldn't you say?

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We congratulate **Lilian Vaughan,** who recently graduated from Buckingham Browne and Nichols School in Cambridge. Lilian was inducted into the Cum Laude Society as a result of her strong grade point average.

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A Cohasset resident was named by the head of the school, Richard Melvoin, to the honor roll for the second semester at Belmont Hill School. **Ian L. Simons**, son of **Robert L.** and **Judith F. Simons** of Cohasset, earned honors.

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If you see **Brendan Mulcahy** walking around town with a bigger-than-ever grin, here is the reason why — Brendan won two medals at the Special Olympics this past Sunday! He won a gold for the softball throw, and a bronze medal for his part in the 50-yard dash! He has every reason to be very proud of himself. We sure are proud of him!

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If it seems that the town is a little quieter this week, **Appalachia Service Project** volunteers left last Saturday to do their marvelous good deeds. We hope to hear all about it upon their return, and wish them good luck and Godspeed on their journey.

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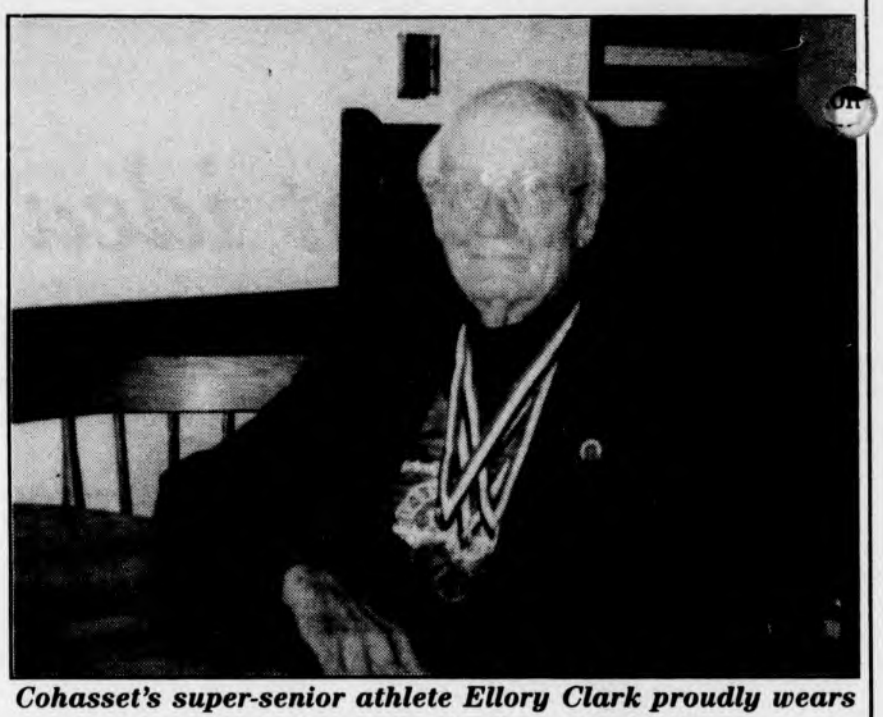
Julienne R. Quemere, daughter of **Kathleen Quemere** of Cohasset and Larry Quemere of Boston, has been given the Pi Kappa Lambda National Music Society Award at Hartwick College. Quemere received the awards during the college's annual Honors Day Convocation.



Cohasset's super-senior athlete Ellory Clark proudly wears some of the medals he won in the Mass. Senior Games.

Great work, Julienne.

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Boston University awarded academic degrees to 4,376 students this spring. Among the graduates was Cohasset resident **Robert Paton,** who received an MLA in interdisciplinary studies. Hats off to you, Robert!

❑

Laurie B. Bronstein of Cohasset was one of 450 seniors who received bachelor of arts degrees at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, May 26. Laurie, the daughter of **Barry** and **Judith Bronstein** of Cohasset, majored in sociology. Laurie's honors included magna cum laude, dean's list and distinction in her major.

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News has arrived from Keene, N.H. **Patricia A. Tolini** was awarded a BA degree at Keene State College's commencement ceremony May 11.

Congrats go to you, Patty!

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Babson College, located in Wellesley, announces that **Michael S. Burns** qualified for the spring semester dean's list, which recognizes outstanding student scholarship. Michael is the son of **Dr. and Mrs. John M. Burns,** Jerusalem Road.

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Finally for this week comes news from Roger Williams University, located in Bristol, Rhode Island. Among the more than 650 candidates for undergraduate degrees at commencement exercises was **Alyssa R. Giagrando,** who earned a bachelor of arts degree from the College of Arts and Sciences.

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That's the news from here — now that summer is officially here, there will be tons of news for you to report to me. Please don't forget to do it!

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Wachusett Regional High School, Holden, and Bentley College. She is employed as a sales and service manager at Bank of Boston.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Plymouth High School, Trinity College and Harvard Business School and is employed by Bank of Boston as a private banker. He received a US Army SP4 honorable discharge.

A September 1996 wedding is planned.

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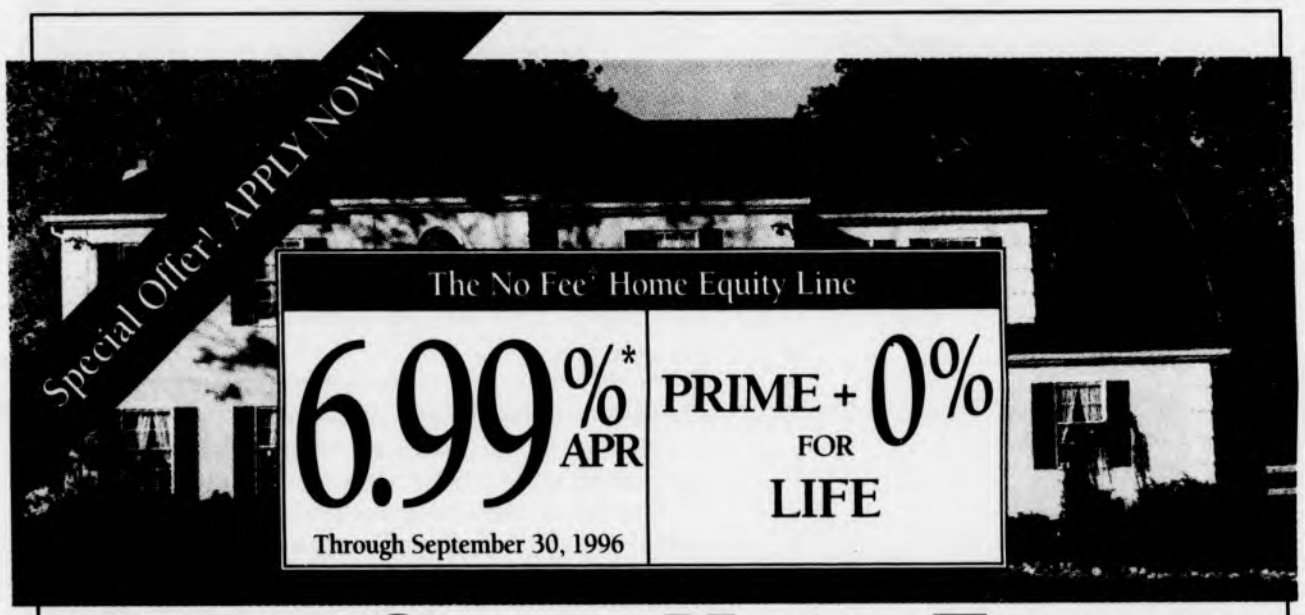

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EDITORIAL

A Lack of Civility

'All I want of you is a little seevility, and that of the commonest god-damnedest kind.'

— Anonymous, The New Bedford Classic, 1918.

From as far away as the sidewalk in front of the building, people running late to a recent meeting in the town hall auditorium could hear a resident yelling at the top of his voice at a board member.

Last week, other citizens watched and listened as another resident made an insulting remark to a committee member at a different meeting.

These are just two incidents in a disturbing trend in Cohasset that has its roots in the water crisis of three years ago when finger-pointing took a nasty turn.

Hey, it's a free country. You have the right to object to the proposed new school, sewer financing plans, lousy water pressure or soaring water rates. You don't have to like any of it and you can get pretty darn mad if you want to.

But the line should be drawn at the effrontery shown by a few toward those who sit on the various elected and appointed committees in town.

At times, we're all guilty of being impatient, demanding, pushy and rude. Our lives are so hurried that the addition of just one more stress can tip the scales and make us berate slow drivers, fellow shoppers, co-workers and even family members and friends.

There's no question that our public personality in this country has become negative and often ugly. Anyone who doesn't exceed the speed limit knows that by looking in the rear view mirror at a fellow motorist bearing down on the car's rear bumper with scary ferocity.

The time has come to exercise more self-control in our lives toward our fellow man whether a friend, stranger or a government official.

Don't misunderstand — here, in the newspaper business, we enjoy a healthy adversarial role with government and wouldn't have it any other way.

But personal attacks and yelling is not the way to get a point across. That behavior is embarrassing to everyone and degrading to the person or persons sitting on the town board.

Our committee members have names and faces. They are your neighbors who all live in this town, too. When your taxes go up, so do theirs. In many cases, they have spent endless hours in meetings and behind the scenes working toward a solution while at the same time holding down a full-time job, managing a family or trying to enjoy retirement. They often got involved because they can offer some talent or expertise to the task at hand or want to give something back to a town they call home.

Most don't expect to be thanked but should be able to expect to be treated with respect even by those who disagree.

By all means, ask the aggressive questions. If you don't like the way the town is run, then get involved. We take our hats off to those who challenge government and follow through with concrete, constructive action.

So get your soap box out and object to whatever you want to, but bury the hatchet, please.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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Rushing of school plans decried

LETTERS

To the Editor:

The townspeople voted for a new elementary school at the override election. The election was found to be illegal due to poor planning on the part of the Selectmen in their rush to have a quick election they failed to post the election according to the law. Next the Selectmen had to go before the state legislature and have them vote to pass a law that made the illegal election legal so that the school would be able to be bonded.

Then comes the School Facilities Committee with the School Committee and the Superintendent of Schools, again in a rush to meet a filing deadline of June 3. They put together a package for submission to the State. They meet the deadline but, they have not had the package reviewed by any competent town authority on behalf of and to protect the interests of the town of Cohasset. This is only the largest capital expenditure to-date in the history of the town. The Design Review Committee is asked on May 1 to review the project by the School Facilities Committee. They present the committee with a list of questions May 6 and ask that they receive answers so that they can comply with the by-laws. The School Facilities Committee does not take up their questions so the Design Review Committee sends a letter, dated June 12, to the School Facilities Committee and copies to the Board of Selectmen, Advisory Board, Planning Board, Conservation Commission, Sewer Commission and School Committee. A joint meeting was held Wednesday evening, June 19, at the Deer Hill School with the School Facilities Committee and the Design Review Board. At that meeting Supt. Hart attempted to chastise the Design Review Committee for not adhering to the time frame of the town by-laws because they had not responded to the School Facilities Committee in 21 days. The Design Review Committee stated that they had not had enough information to effectively respond in 21 days. The School Facilities Committee had rushed this issue through the Capital Budget Committee before Town Meeting with little concrete information and a Town Meeting without plans but, Design Review was not willing to follow the same rushed program. Another joint meeting with the School Facilities Committee and Design Review will take place Tuesday evening, June 25. The School Facilities promised to answer all of the Design Review's questions and concerns at this meeting. In a show of arrogance, the School Facilities Committee stated that they would not accept questions from the public at the meeting last Wednesday. However, a citizen stated to the chairman of the School Facilities Committee that he just wanted to be sure that he understood the chair, that the citizens and taxpayers of the town were not allowed to speak on the record at this meeting. The chairman relented and allowed the public to ask questions.

Thursday evening the new school project came before the Conservation Commissionwhich stated that it had to go through a legal process that would involve public meetings and detailed review of the plans, reports, impact on the wetlands, effects on the animals living in the area, etc. They stated that this would take time, it could not be rushed. Their next meeting will be held July 18.

Why are we being rushed? We are told that this project was conceived about three and a half years ago, according to the Superintendent of Schools. Why, if this is such an important project, weren't the Design Review Committee, Planning Board, Conservation Commission and the Capital Budget Committee brought into the planning of this project? The School Facilities Committee may not have been legally obligated to ask for these committees, commissions and boards to assist but, we are a town and this is the largest dollar project in the town's history. Why have the School Facilities Committee, School Committee and the Superintendent not asked for the help of all of these boards, commissions and committees throughout the entire process?

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Board surprised at letter being published

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Design Review Board was surprised to see that our letter to the School Facilities Committee and several other town boards was printed under your "Letters to the Editor" heading in last week's Mariner. The Design Review Board did not collectively or individually submit this letter to any publication or circulate it publicly. It was sent only to the boards listed. We do not question your right to publish this letter after it became a matter of public record. We do take exception, however, to the implication that the Mariner received this letter directly from our board. We would appreciate your setting the record straight in your next publication.

Cohasset Design Review Board: Kathleen Fox, Gordon S. Hislop (Chairman), Maxwell Pounder, & Josiah Steverson.

Concerns aired in school site walk-through

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

A June 19 walk through the proposed new school site behind the Deer Hill School did not alleviate some concerns of abutters

And schools Supt. Stephen Hart objected to the Design Review Board request to reopen the entire school siting issue.

The meeting was scheduled by the school facilities committee, a volunteer town group overseeing the project, to address the citizens' site concerns, as well as those of the Design Review Board.

The new $9.9 million elementary school has already been shifted 20 feet to increase the distance from the neighbors on Old Pasture Road.

Abutters, some of who make no secret of their support of the school, say it is still too close.

"We had no idea that it is right in our backyard," said Jane O'Brien, 78 Old Pasture Road. "Right now we look out a beautiful wooded area. We just feel the school doesn't have enough room. "

Architect Sid Bowen assured the dozen or so townspeople assembled that the school would be 90 or 100 feet back from the property lines.

He added that there would be 30 feet of new and old trees that would conceal everything but the smokestack from view.

Some townspeople also said they were worried that the children's play areas would not be large enough.

The Design Review Board drafted a letter two weeks ago that echoed the concerns of abutters and addressed several other issues.

"We feel the site is deficient in so many areas. We are really surprised this is the best site in Cohasset," said Gordon Hislop, who chairs the review board, during the second half of the meeting which was held inside the Deer Hill School.

He added that the his board didn't have enough time to review the plans before they were submitted to the state.

Stating that the review board was not completely writing off the site, Hislop suggested "treading water" in the process until the 23 original sites and the renovation of the Osgood School could be revisited.

Schools Supt. Stephen Hart disagreed.

He said that the 23 sites already looked at by the school facilities committee would cost additional money to buy, whereas the proposed land is owned by the town and was bought for the purpose of a new school.

As for the Osgood school, he said, it was ineligible for any state monies if renovated because it was such a poor site. Even if the school was demolished and rebuilt it would still be ineligible.

The proposed school is eligible for a 60 percent reimbursement figure by the state.

Hislop said that the June 3 deadline for state funding may have been an excuse for the architects to push the project through.

Hart said that if that deadline was not met Cohasset would have been pushed further back on the list, which could have meant an additional five-year wait for funding.

"I hope we don't lose sight of the fact that we are talking about a tremendous need for an educational facility," said Hart. "The need is so dramatic. I don't know where the children are going to go. It is not what we deserve in this town."

Architects Bowen and David Soleau also disagreed with Hislop, stating that it was a state-imposed deadline, not their own.

Soleau said that he didn't know what effect stopping the project and actively looking for other sites would have on Cohasset's placement on the list.

"This is a new one for us after 33 years of building schools," he said. "I would guess it would kick us off the list."

According to their letter, members of the Design Review Board feel that the size of the school, which is limited by wetlands, is below state guidelines, that the outside playing fields are minimal, that access by emergency vehicles is limited, and that the wooded area is claustrophobic.

The letter also questions if awarding the design contract to the architectural firm which prepared the existing conditions report was a "conflict of interest."

Board members also requested that a project manager, not a clerk of the works, be hired to oversee the project, as well as, make sure the school does not come in over budget.

School Facilities Chairman Bob Beggan said that his committee was taking the Design Review Board letter very seriously, but seeing many of the members hadn't had a chance to discuss the letter, the committee would answer questions and object to certain statements at a special meeting on Tuesday, June 25, at 7 p.m. in the high school.

"The letter was sent in the spirit of cooperation," said Hislop."We want to work with you. We don't want to be adversarial."

Boards pledge to work together

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boards," said DRB Member Max Pounder. "Review with us tonight the options of what we can do in terms of supporting your review process. We do want to support the process and contribute in any way we can."

Others were not as supportive. DRB Chair Gordon Hislop said all the sites should be reexamined to make sure this was the best one.

Some community members agreed with Hislop and, echoing the earlier DRB letter, said the project was "steamrolled" through.

Adrienne McCarthy, who has attended a number of school facilities and school committee meetings, disagreed.

"(The community) has not been misguided," said McCarthy, who has three young children. "And if it has been steamrolled it has been the slowest steamroll ever."

Hislop added that a project manager, not a clerk of the works, was important in a project of this size.

Members of the school facilities committee said they would look into hiring a project manager.

The issue may be discussed at the selectmen's meeting on Monday. Representatives from the board of selectmen were at the meeting and said they would help in the process.

A project manager, which is actually a team of experts, may cost from 3 to 6 percent of the total project cost.

If the new school is combined with other projects in town, such as the sewer project, the project manager would oversee all the projects.

Members of the school facilities committee met last weekend to move the 300-foot-long school further into the town-regulated buffer zone.

There are preliminary plans to move the school another 80 feet (it is now approximately 100) from the abutters on Old Pasture Road. Abutters have expressed concerns about the close proximity of the school to their homes.

"We've said along we would do everything we could to move the building," said School Facilities Chairman Bob Beggan.

Architects and school officials added it was not as simple as just picking up the school and plunking it down in a new spot. There were other issues, such as grading, to consider.

Architect David Soleau said that the expense may, or may not increase, depending on how much additional engineering was involved.

Jill O'Donnell, an abutter on Old Pasture Road, said that she hoped the committee and architects put the concerns of townspeople before grading and financial considerations.

Other abutters expressed frustration at what they considered a misleading portrayal of the site.

Dick O'Brien, also an abutter, said that he would have spoken out before town meeting if he knew the school was so close to his property line. He envisioned the school closer to Evergreen Road.

Beggan, who also lives on Old Pasture Road, explained the present site was displayed at the second town meeting, but he thought it was 200 feet away from the homes.

When he walked the site it was about 100-feet from the property lines.

O'Brien suggested that the present situation may have been avoidable.

"It is frustrating. I think regrettably that some of the other committees weren't involved and that you probably could have used their expertise," O'Brien said.

Elaine Breslow, 90 Old Pasture Road, agreed.

Now the boards can work together to get a "an optimal project in a sub-optimal space, " she said.

If the site is shifted it may also provide for additional play areas.

Lee Jenkins questioned whether or not the playing fields would cost additional monies.

The facilities committee responded that playing fields were included in the price tag, and were separate from those at the Deer Hill.

Facilities Committee Member Rob Spofford earlier mentioned that the cost of the project can not be increased without going back to the town.

Hart added that if the building couldn't be built at the cost previously decided upon, it is in the architectural contract that the firm has to bear the sole expense of redesigning.

He added that an independent study found that it wasn't a conflict of interest when the town hired the firm Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates to undertake both the design contact and the existing conditions report.

In fact, the independent firm recommended it.

Conservation Commission Jeff Waal, who stated that members of his board would work with the school facilities committee, said that the committee should look at variety of options and bring them to their hearing with the commission (which may be postponed from July 18.)

"Dialogues, as frustrating as these are, (constitute) progress," said Joseph McElroy, who wanted to know why the Deer Hill School couldn't be expanded to a kindergarten through grade six school.

Roy Fitzsimmons, a Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers member, said that the group is circulating a petition to establish a date to rescind the town meeting vote in favor of the new school. The petition requires 200 signatures.

ConCom to work with school plans on wetlands issues

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Conservation Commission members expressed a willingness to look at both interests of townspeople and those of the environment when it comes to the site for the new school.

The engineers' placement of the school was designed to avoid as much contact with buffer zones and wetlands as possible.

At the June 20 meeting, commission member Jeff Waal said he isn't averse to moving the 300-foot school further into the buffer zone and further away from neighbors.

Neighbors on Old Pasture Road have expressed concern that the school, which is 100-feet away from lot lines, is too close to their property .

Commission member Jim Dedes echoed Waal's sentiments and added that the engineers could also look into filling the wetlands themselves.

"I don't want you to feel like you have to stay away from all wetlands at all costs. (Wetlands) can be replicated.," said Dedes.

The buffer zone is not under state jurisdiction and the commission can approve work done in that zone.

If the school is moved into the wetland and more than 5,000 square feet will be affected the project will fall under state and federal regulations.

Federal approval might be long in coming, said school engineers Sandy Brock and Gary Pease.

The town wetlands bylaw allows up to 2,500 square feet of wetlands to be filled without a waiver. However, those wetlands have to be replicated elsewhere.

There are two wetland systems on the 77-acre parcel: one towards Lily Pond one towards Sohier Street.

Max Pounder of the Design Review Board, which has opposed the site, suggested that a working meeting be scheduled where the architects and commission members work with overlays.

Overlays showing the school, parking lot, and driveway in various positions would be less expensive than full plans and provide a base to work off of, he said.

Chairman Thomas Callahan suggested that the school department submit additional plans, along with those already submitted, if they wanted larger, or more, playing fields.

Callahan was impressed with the architects' attention to local bylaws.

"Given where it is, this is as sensitive to the environment as it can be," he said.

Some parts of project, including grading and the 100-foot parking lot, are already impacting the buffer zone.

The engineers are planning to fill 700 square feet of wetlands for the driveway, but are replicating 1,110 square feet of wetlands.

The sewer line, which runs to Smith Place, will have minimal impact on wetlands after excavation.

Callahan said that there may be a vernal pool on the property which the engineers should be sensitive too.

To give townspeople a clearer understanding of where the corners of the school, driveway, parking lot, detention ponds, and sewer line lay, the engineers were asked to flag and color-code the markers.

The commission also requested a wildlife and habitat survey.

The next hearing is scheduled for July 18 from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the high school.

Elaine Breslow, an Old Pasture Road resident and a school proponent, said that this was the biggest project in town history and other town boards should help out the school facilities committee.

Cohasset's Amber Hopeman heads to Annapolis

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

When most freshman head off to college, they'll stuff the family car, or more likely a borrowed van, with everything from stereos and skis, to mini-refrigerators and microwaves.

And they'll bring tons of clothes, posters, stuffed animals, sheets, and their high school yearbook in case they get lonely.

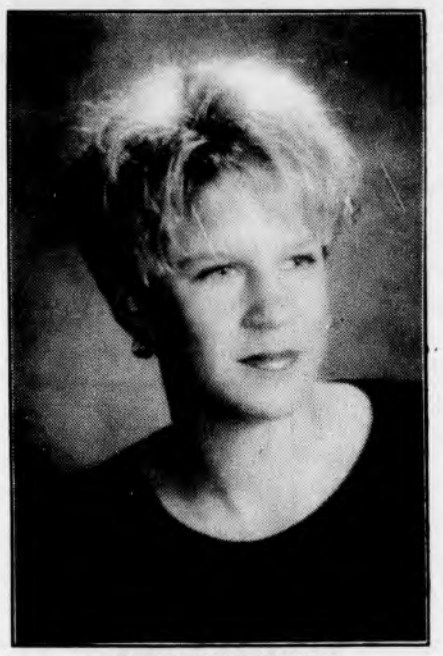
But unlike the average freshman, recent Cohasset High graduate Amber Hopeman will have an easy time packing.

When she reports to college, or the United States Naval Academy to be precise, she'll wear a skirt and blouse and bring her cleats and shin guards for soccer (she was recruited for the team). That is it.

She'll be provided with virtually everything she needs, including a closet full of summer whites, formal blues and camouflage.

As for decorations, she'll have a computer, a bed, some drawers and a desk.

Hopeman is leaving for school on July 2 to attend the Navy's idea of orientation, which is similar to basic training.



AMBER HOPEMAN

"We learn how to salute, who to salute — the proper military ways," Hopeman said with a smile.

Of course, it is not that easy.

On first day she will be thrown into a grueling physical routine, which will last six weeks.

She'll have to run a mile and a half in under 10 minutes and do 80 push-ups and 100 sit ups in under two minutes.

Hopeman is in shape from soccer, actually she is playing in tournaments up until she leaves, but the push-ups are giving her a bit of trouble, she says.

When the six weeks are up things don't get any easier. The physical regime will be joined by academics.

Although it may seem strange to some, she is looking forward to it.

"I'm really excited about going, I just kind of want to get there," said Hopeman, who will be one of under 230 women in a class of 1,200.

Hopeman, who moved from Kansas last September with her mother, Jennifer, and father, Greg, says her family and friends have been very supportive of her decision.

They haven't been envious, though.

One of her best friends from Kansas called to say that, "I'm really proud of you, but I wouldn't want to be in your position, " Hopeman recalled.

She hadn't always planned on going to the Academy. In fact, she hadn't given it much thought until the soccer coach called.

Even after that she just put the offer in the back of her mind. Then she went to visit the school.

"I fell in love with the campus," she said. " Annapolis is just gorgeous."

At least for the first year, her "plebe" year, Hopeman won't be seeing a lot of the city.

Freshmen aren't allowed to leave the campus often, and are kept very, very busy, she says.

If their grades and skills aren't acceptable they may not even be allowed to have a spring break.

There are certain traditions she'll have to get used to as well.

The upperclassmen are tough on the freshmen, said Hopeman.

When she visited the school some upperclassman were making freshmen recite everything on the menu for the next three days.

"It is just discipline and it is all a game really," she says matter-of-factly.

She'll laugh about the harsh treatment, after the upperclassman are gone, she said.

Freshman also have to run, or "chop", everywhere they go. When they run into their room they have to yell, "Go Navy!"

When asked if she was a particularly loud person, Hopeman replied.

"I can be if a have to be."

The 4,000 midshipman all eat together, but the freshman have to wait until everyone else has started eating before they can get their food.

The mental and physical hardships cause over 10 percent of the freshman to drop out.

"I have to keep in mind that everyone is in the same boat and everyone in there is trying to be the best they can be," Hopeman said.

To make sure she was making the right decision, Hopeman looked at several other schools, including Cornell University, Hobart, Williams, and Smith Colleges.

In the end she decided that it made a lot more sense to attend the Academy.

"The discipline, the education and the opportunities available to me (when I get out) ... all the pros really outweigh the cons," she says.

She'll graduate after four tuition-free years with a bachelor's degree, probably in economics or engineering, she says, and a naval commission.

Graduates are required to serve five years with the navy after they graduate, and are guaranteed a job and a certain salary.

Hopeman says the four years won't be all hard work.

"It is not like they don't have fun," she says. "It is just a different way of having fun. I don't feel like I'm giving up anything."

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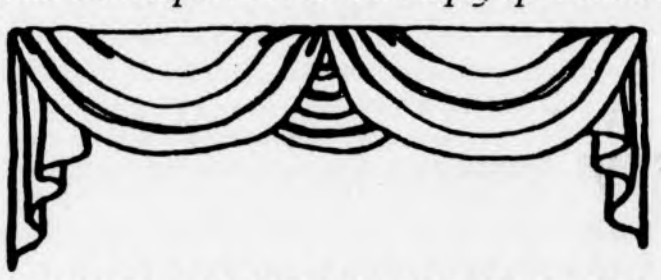
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Cohasset puts water rate hike opposition in writing

Hingham, Hull want rate hike put on hold

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Following another bout of discolored water and poor pressure, town officials in Hingham and Hull filed a joint motion with the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU) last week to re-open the Massachusetts-American Water Company rate case.

Both towns hope that the more than 150 percent increase, approved late last month by the DPU, will be suspended until the water company has ironed out its recent problems and is in fact providing the clean, high-quality, treated water promised to its more than 10,500 customers in Hingham, Hull and North Cohasset.

Cohasset town officials wrote a stern letter to the chairman of the DPU opposing the new rates, but according to Town Administrator Gregory Doyon there are no current plans to launch an appeal of the recent rate hike decision — independently or with neighboring towns.

"The town of Cohasset strongly protests the approval of a substantial rate increase to the Mass-American Water Company," said Selectman Chairman Merle Brown, in a letter to DPU Chairman John Howe.

"Our residents, who are supplied water from this system are served by ancient, undersized mains and connector pipes, and continue to experience poor water quality, discoloration, and insufficient water pressure..

"We hope that you would reverse this increase, and if not, give more weight to the above factors when considering future requests for rate increases from this company," Brown added.

Mass-American filed a 164 percent rate hike proposal with the DPU in November with much of the increase intended to cover the costs of the company's $39.5 million water treatment facility located in Hingham, which went on-line more than a month ago.

Problems at the new plant during an engineering test performed two weeks ago to bring the 7.7 million gallon per day facility up to capacity, forced the company to divert water from the plant back to the wells, leaving residents with poor pressure, discolored water and in some cases, no water at all.

Until the problem was corrected and the plant brought back up to speed, the company banned all outside watering for two days.

This glitch followed a pipe flushing program over several weeks during which residents have received brown, gritty water off and on as increased water flow and pressure dislodged years of iron and manganese build up inside 90-year old water pipes.

Town officials in Hingham and Hull argue that water company customers should not have to pay the higher rates until the plant is fully operational and quality water is actually being delivered.

But water company officials insist the plant is working and recent engineering tests have been performed without a hitch. Mass-American Vice President Keith Bossung said the facility has been treating about 3.5 million gallons per day since going on-line in April.

According to Hingham Selectmen Chairman Iris Daigle, the board met with Hull officials two weeks ago to discuss the possibility of appealing the rate hike decision and decided in light of recent water company troubles and on the recommendation of Hingham Town Counsel James Toomey, to try to re-open the case.

"When the problems developed last week we determined that the (water treatment) plant wasn't being 'used and useful.'" Daigle said.

Toomey explained that during the DPU rate case Mass-American made certain representations about the plant going into service that didn't pan out.

As a general rule, for a rate to be approved, a facility has to be "used and useful" within the test year which in this case would have been during 1995, Toomey said. Without going into service until spring of this year, Toomey argued that the new rates should not be charged until next year.

According to water company officials, the new water bills reflecting the large rate increase retroactive to June 1 are slated to go out this week.

During the recent treatment plant snafu, Daigle said she referred dozens of angry phone calls from residents to DPU officials so they are made aware of the situation.

"Mass-American is a private company and we have to depend on the DPU to be a watch dog. It's a frustrating position to be in when you don't have control over a company," Daigle said.

For now, Toomey said the ball is in the DPU's court.

When the DPU decides whether or not to re-open the rate case, Toomey said both towns will decide on taking the next step, which could be to file an appeal if the case is not re-opened.

"There are serious issues with this decision," said Toomey, who noted that if an appeal is filed it will be based on the likelihood of a positive outcome.

And despite their town's decision not to appeal, many of the 600 Mass-American customers who live in North Cohasset, are making their opposition to the rate hike and their frustration about the poor qua of their water well known to local legislators, DPU officials and even the governor.

Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante, who has helped lead the water rate hike opposi tion in Cohasset, said she's launched a letter-writing campaign to let the DPU know that Mass-American is not delivering the clear, treated water it promised when pitching the new treatment plant.

"I can't remember when I've had a crystal clear ice cube," Plante said.

"When I put clothes in the machine...I'm not sure whether they'll come out white or black," she added.

Plante said she will work with Cohasset Health Agent Dr. Joseph Godzik to design a survey that will help determine the extent and the type of problems residents are having. Random water testing will be done.

Plante has also pitched a plan in town to have selectmen and the water commissioners look into tying north Cohasset residents into Cohasset's water system and breaking away from Mass-American altogether.

"I'm not giving up," said Plante, who is determined whatever the rate increase for water might be, that she gets her money's worth.

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Serene teachings

Loupos' martial arts philosophy is beneficial for all ages

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

John Loupos never had any intention of taking Kung Fu or Tai Chi lessons to eventually use his knowledge in a violent way.

Loupos, the owner and teacher at the Jade Forest studio in Cohasset, was drawn to the mystery of the ancient art form and its "promise of inner peace."

This is the 30th anniversary of Loupos' study of martial arts training, which began when he started taking Karate lessons as a 13 year old in Plymouth. The head instructor left the school two years later and the next in charge took over for a brief period of time before entering summer training camp to became a state police officer.

Loupos was suddenly the temporary instructor of the school at the tender age of 15. A new instructor was moving into the area, but he backed out of the position at the last minute because the class schedule conflicted with his night school hours.

Loupos said the mystery surrounding the martial arts was very attractive and drew many students to classes everywhere.

"Back in those days there was a real mystique around martial arts," he said. "It was basically a labor of love. I was more drawn to the personal effects. I really liked what it did for me."

Loupos trained at the Shaolin Temple in China with some of the finest masters in the country including Zheng Bing Dao, Lie En Jiu and Liang Xiquan, just to name a few.

"I have been most fortunate in having studied so extensively with some of the artial arts world's finest teachers," Loupos said. "I wish to extend here my deepest gratitude to each and every teacher who has helped me to further myself along the way of my chosen path."

Martial arts teacher John Loupos watches intently as one of his students performs a move at his Jade Forest studio.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Loupos' philosophy on teaching the martial arts depends mainly on the age of the students he is dealing with. He knows it is important to "balance a blend of fun and work" when working with kids, instilling a sense of discipline at the same time. Loupos speaks with adults to try to find out what they want to accomplish with their training.

Loupos has found that people have "really fallen out of touch with themselves" and influenced by the media, television and computers. "Kung Fu helps to find oneself in a world bombarded by outside forces," he said.

Tai Chi, which Loupos also teaches, is fundamentally different from Kung Fu in that it involves slow-motion movement and concentrates more on the moment.

"Chi" is the person's life force energy. It is a non-physical energy that flows through body channels. According to Eastern philosophy, people function as integrated beings. If a person becomes sick, for example, he falls out of balance. Chi keeps the body balance and a more energetic perspective.

The second part of Tai Chi deals with the idea of being in the moment. Loupos says people today are more preoccupied with what has happened and what is going to happen. Rarely are they thinking about what is happening at that moment.

"It induces an altered state of mind/body consciousness," Loupos said. "People become more mindful of their internal processes."

Tai Chi is excellent in reducing stress, allowing a person to better set priorities.

"It's a short leap from mental to physical strength," Loupos said.

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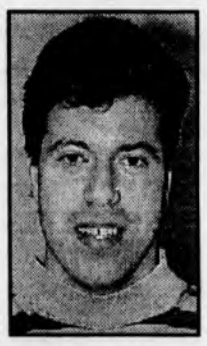
EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Enlightenment finally shines on non-golfer

Golf is one of those sports I just could never get — and had no desire to. Watching the game on television ranked just ahead of candlepin bowling and behind Martha Stewart's secret to baking the perfect bundt cake.

I make no bones about it. I never gave the gave the game a chance. To me, golf courses were ideal locations for going on cross country runs. I thought anyone golfing on a blustery 45-degree day in November had to have a screw loose anyway.

While my friends would vote for an evening of miniature golf during a summer evening, I would beg them to reconsider taking in a movie at the Cameo in South Weymouth. Unfortunately, my preference was more often than not, ignored and I was subjected to an evening of trying to putt a colored golf ball through the open mouth of — depending on the course — a dinosaur, cow, rattlesnake or a big fat guy.



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As much as I hated miniature golf, I loathed my only experience on a real, honest to goodness 18-hole course. To make matters worse, my three friends not only talked the talk in exaggerating their abilities on the links, but they also dressed as though they were modeling for a Nevada Bob's catalog. All three wore the latest brand of golf shoes with their cute little white socks. Their stiff-collared shirts were ironed and completely wrinkle-free and the shorts they wore made them the most fashion conscious group on the course.

I was the black sheep of the bunch with a pair of jams, high-top basketball sneakers and a Boston Red Sox T-shirt. And I golfed as bad as I dressed.

As much as my friends exaggerated their talents, they were all still head-and-shoulders better than me in every aspect of the game. I sliced the ball badly on my first three attempts at teeing off. Fortunately, the 50-foot screen saved the golfers on the other side from a surprising bump on the noggin.

As the game progressed, slowly, my friends became angrier at my ineptitude on the course. The patience and help they displayed on the first three holes quickly evaporated and I was left by myself nearly two holes back. I sliced balls into the woods, plunked them into water holes,

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Mariner Sports

Dodgers are regular season champs

BY KEVIN LEWIS
Special to the Mariner

The Dodgers, sponsored by the Cohasset Permanent Firefighters, won the regular season title in one of the closest races in recent memory. The Dodgers battled the Pirates down to the wire and, with a sweep of the Mets in a doubleheader, coupled with the Pirates' loss to the Rangers, won the title. This year the league was dominated by 12-year-olds which resulted in a very strong league. Ten different players hit home runs. Homering for the Dodgers were Brendan Byrne, Andrew Walsh and Jeff Scribner. The Red Sox players were Tim Straughan and Peter Maitland. Greg Smith, Greg Harrington and Ben Kinch of the Pirates all hit taters. Paul Previtt of the Mets and Kevin Hanian of the A's were also members of the home run club. The Dodgers team consisted of 12-year-olds Liam Martin, Yari Martin, Kyle Webber, William Prendergast, Brendan Bryne, Andrew Walsh and Jeff Schribner. Eleven-year-old members are Brian Lewis, Curt Kahn and Johnny Dwyer. The "Ninety-Nine" boys are Mark Lewis and Andrew Lovalo, who are both 9 years old.

The playoffs start this week, so for some great baseball and outstanding food from Captain Morgan's fine eating establishment, come on down to Barnes Field.

Ron Ford Basketball Camps set

Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford will conduct two basketball camps this summer for boys and girls, ages 8-15. The 8-11 camp costs $120 and runs from Tuesday, July 9-12. The five-day camp for boys and girls from 12-15, will run from Monday, July 15-19. The cost is $150. There is a $25 family discount. Bosth camp progrmas meet at Cohasset High School from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Participants in both camps will receive a camp T-shirt and a discount coupon for Converse basketball shoes at The Good Sport. Camp brochures and application forms are available at the Cohasset Recreation Office in the town hall.

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Gymnastics camp for girls ages 6 to 13 will run in two sessions: August 20, 21 and 22, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; and August 27,28 and 29, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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Fall classes resume on Monday, September 9.

For more information call the center at 383-0088 (9-11:30 a.m.), or call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3068.

All courses must be pre-registered.

Rockets look back at fun season

By IRENE VOLPE BERRY AND MARY EARON
Special to the Mariner

Too often in amateur sports that involve children, there is a heavy inluence on winning the game, no matter what, instead of teaching the game to those new to it, stressing sportsmanship and team spirit in the process. When the latter attitude is the emphasis of the coaching, the sport becomes enjoyable and something to look forward to, not only to the kids, but to the coaches and attending parents.

The 1996 softball season for the Rockets has been an exemplary example of this ideology. They even brought in a few wins, which was icing on the cake. Thanks to the coaching efforts of Bill Earon, Sue Rizzotti, Steve Pinkus and Rick Daniels, with Irene Volpe Barry as scorekeeper, the Rockets put forth an admirable season for sponsor, Fowler House Restaurant.

The returning fourth-grade ballplayers helped their third-grade teammates become adept at throwing, catching and hitting. The team's enthusiasm greatly outweighed any lack of experience on the field and lent an attitude of fun at the same time. Each player learned and played each position during the games. Skills and self-confidence improved steadily through the season.

Ali Earon and Lauren Rizzotti tagged runs as team catcher and great plays on the infield, respectively. Marisa Mello and Kristen James were ready and able pitchers. Amyra Chase, Danielle Pinkus and Zoe Murray hit homers and brought teammates around. Delia Rega, Allison Dean, Samantha Sargent, Christina Daniels, Jennifer Fiore and Alex Coffey fielded with enthusiasm and style. Every player was instrumental in holding runs and making plays to the right base.

Nice job Rockets. Remember to practice before next season and to keep up your fine work. See you at tryouts in '97!

Cohasset gymnasts shine at regionals

Gymnasts with the South Shore Community Center "Gymnasts in Motion" competed in the Regional Championships held in Methuen, May 18-19 and June 1-2.

8-and-Under Novice: Nancy Durkin placed second on beam and third on floor. Jackie Flint placed third on the vault.

Shane Kelly and Caitlin Sanchez also qualified for the Regional Meet.

9-11 Novice: Meredith Bixby qualified and competed and teammate Carlie Carter placed ninth in the all around, ninth on bars and seventh on the balance beam.

12-14 Novice: Alisha Suddath, Amy Concannon and Melanie Suddath rounded out the 12-14 division with Melanie placing 10th in the all around, fifth (bars), and sixth (floor).

12-14 Intermediates: Caitlin Flint had a strong finish on the bars placing eighth with a 7.50.

15+ Intermediates: Tara Hettstrom placed fifth on bars and Erica Hettstrom placed fifth in the all around, sixth on bars and third on the floor exercise.

Don't forget Harborfest on the Common! Come see some of the competitors perform Friday, June 14, 4:30 to 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 16, from 3 to 3:30 p.m.

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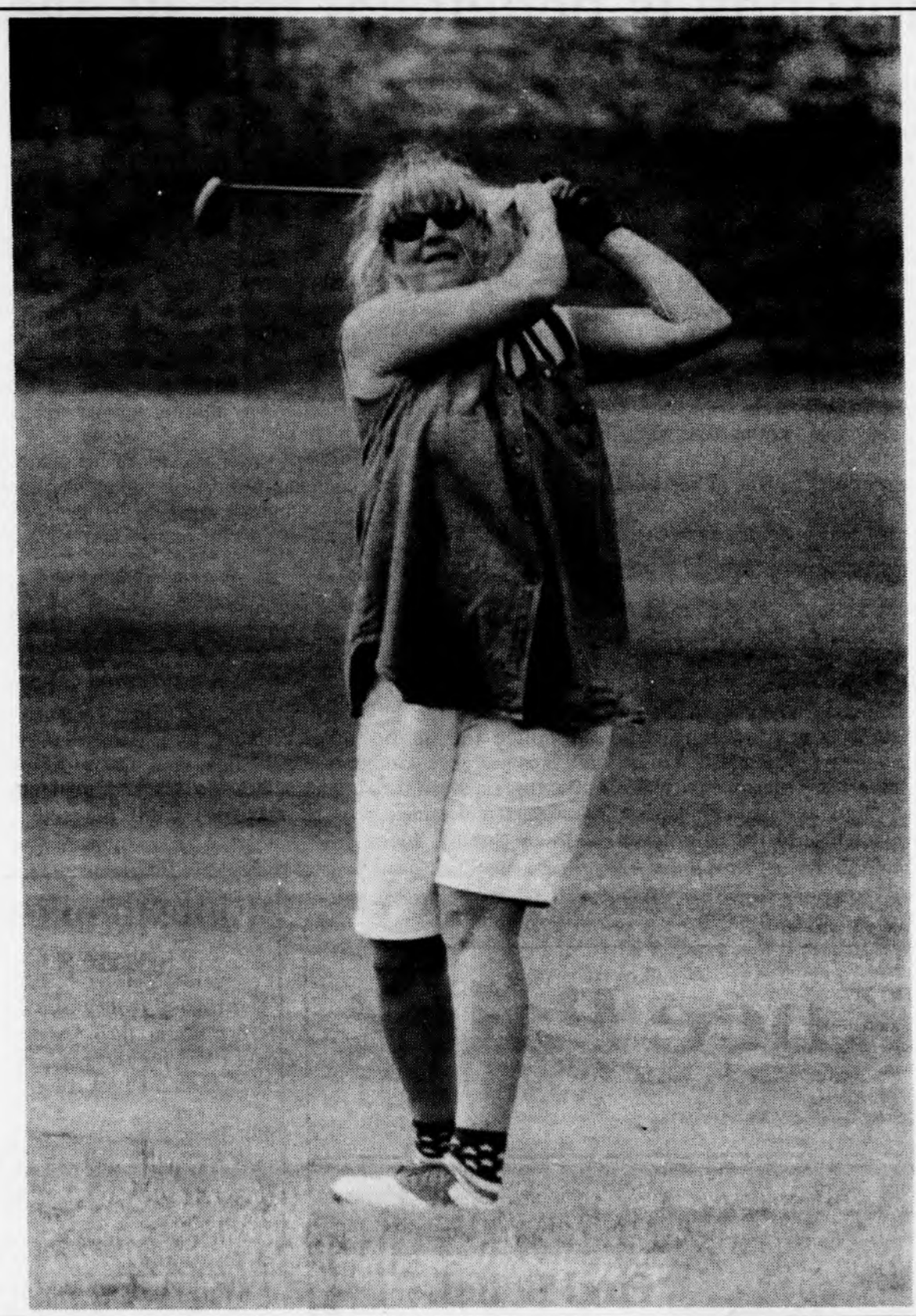

Sara Meehan drives her ball to the first green during the Hatherly Olympic Tourney on Tuesday. Meehan was one of many Cohasset women who took part in the tourney.
Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Meers, Rogahs team takes mixed doubles title

Caroline Meers and Art Rogahs took first place in the Level A division of the South Shore Comunity Center Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament. Linda Coyle and Vincent Sullivan finished in the runnerup slot. In Level B action, the team of Louise and Paul Leary defeated Chris Camacho and Hoyt Harper for the championship.

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Loupos' martial arts philosophy is beneficial for all ages

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"It helps relax the body and release the stress."

With Tai Chi training, people become more in tune with their bodies and there is an inner-structure focus which emerges. Students learn how to exploit their bones, ligaments and tissues as an alternative power source. The training uses a vast array of muscles in the body and improves the student's posture as well.

"Tai Chi is teaching the body a different language than the language it's accustomed to," Loupos said.

Some people interested in taking martial arts lessons want to use what they have learned through violence. Loupos believes it is through the teacher's own philosophy of the martial arts which ultimately helps the student decide whether or not to try a different studio.

"A teacher will attract students with the quality of his or her energy," he said. "I'll talk with someone on the phone. If they're the aggressive type, by the end of the call the person may not be attracted to that teaching.

"The Kung Fu we teach here prepares people for self defense."

Kung Fu has proven to be an excellent discipline for abused spouses. Loupos explained it makes people more comfortable and confident with themselves and less vulnerable to others. Teaching kids that structure helps them to avoid falling victim to abuse.

Loupos has found that there are more and more females are getting involved in the martial arts for many different reasons. Forty percent of Loupos' students are female with a wide range of backgrounds.

In the '60's, most people wanted to learn the martial arts for self defense. Now, Loupos says, self defense is usually the second or third reason. People use the workouts as part of their exercise routines and stress reducers.

"The first thing I want to do is listen to people and find out what benefits they want to get," Loupos said.

Loupos makes sure he promotes a friendly environment in his studio. He doesn't use a belt system in his Kung Fu and Tai Chi teachings, which helps eliminate competition between students. Instead, Loupos has found the students tend to encourage each other more.

Loupos says the satisfaction he receives as a martial arts teacher is a more complicated question. Through the resources he helps people bring out in themselves, Loupos believes people can improve their lives and gain more self confidence.

"My teaching leaves me the feeling that I've really helped people," he said.

The name Jade Forest is chinese and seemed to be an appropriate name for the studio. In chinese culture, Jade is regarded as the most precious stone. Its green color denotes growth and flourishing. Loupos likens it with the cultivation of the students.

"Forests are made up of individual trees," he said. The forest represent the entire class while the trees are the individual students in the class.

The studio has been at its present location since 1984 after seven years in Scituate and two more in Humarock. Prior to that, Loupos taught the martial arts in Florida.

The studio itself includes a small library with books ranging from diet and philosophy to Kung Fu and Tai Chi. There are also several different magazines dealing with the martial arts.

One can't help but notice the altar against the studio wall. It is not used for religious purposes, but is there instead to remind students of the virtues and values he tries to instill in them through his teachings.

His students hail mainly from the South Shore, though some of the students in h private classes come from as far as the North Shore, some out of state.

And because of the different muscles and discipline involved in the martial arts, Loupos says they provide excellent cross-training workouts. Anaerobic and aerobic exercises are part of the training, not to mention the concentration required.

"Martial arts will enhance any other activity," he said. "You exercise the body in no other way another activity will exercise the body."

Loupos says several of his students are involved in sports including skiing, tennis, rock climbing, running and cycling. "They enhance performance and pleasure in their activities," he said.

Loupos has taken what he has learned from the chinese masters and applied it to more modern times, still keeping rich the philosophies of the earliest teachers.

"I'm sort of a blend of a traditional teacher," Loupos said. "I try to teach things verbatim as I learn them. I'm a a steward of these and it's my job to pass them on, intact, to the next generation."

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Enlightenment shines

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drove them into patches of trees and hit one golfer in the back with my best drive of the afternoon.

But it was just last weekend that my entire outlook on the game changed. I was listening to WEEI's new show "From Tee to Green" and was amazed at the knowledge the average golfer had about the game. These golfers spoke in their own special lingo and were rich for knowledge in how to improve their game.

And then it hit me like a ton of bricks. The reason I didn't like golf had nothing to do with the game itself. The simple, dark truth was that I was abysmal at it. Even a mild-mannered game of miniature golf was a lesson in humility. It was a lesson, I found, I could avoid simply by not playing. That way, I could spare my fragile ego and use my mythical "boredom factor" as an excuse for staying off the links.

I have always admired people with certain talents. I have never been able to fathom how a gymnast could do a cartwheel on a balance beam. And anyone who can draw more than stick people is a hero in my book. Skateboarders are another breed of "dare devils" who I take my hat off to. How anyone can stay on a skateboard while going down a steep hill, and living to tell about it, deserves a medal.

Golf is right there, tool. The practice, patience, concentration and skill needed to get a ball into a cup 200 yards away with only four strokes is unfathomable to me.

So here's to the die-hard golfers out there. Keep up the good work and I hope to see you on the greens some day. Just remember, be ready to duck.

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Seized and taken on execution and will be sold by Public Auction on Thursday the 11th day of July A.D. 1996 at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Deputy Sheriffs Office at 638 High St., in Dedham in said County of Norfolk, all the right, title and interest which Frank Dellorfano had (not exempt by law from attachment or levy on execution) on the 9th day of October A.D. 1991, when the same was attached on mesne process in and to the following described real estate:

the land in said Cohasset, being shown as Lot K on a plan entitled "Plan of Lots and Right of Way of Jerusalem Road, Cohasset, Mass." dated February 14, 1956, by Lewis W. Perkins & Son, Engineers, Hingham, Massachusetts, recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds, Plan 838, Book 202, bounded and described as follows:

NORTHERLY by land now or formerly of Helen F. Rust, as shown on the plan above mentioned, one hundred fifty-four and 85/100 (154.85) feet;

NORTHEASTERLY by a right of way, as shown on said plan, one hundred and 75/100 (100.75) feet;

EASTERLY by Lot J as shown on said plan, one hundred twenty-seven and 23/100 (127.23) feet;

SOUTHERLY by land now or formerly of Florence E. Buckley, two hundred twenty-seven and 88/100 (227.88) feet; and

WESTERLY by land now or formerly of J.J. Buckley Co., one hundred eighty-eight and 74/100 (188.74) feet.

Containing according to said plan about 39,122 square feet of land, be any of all of said distances or contents more or less.

Terms of Sale: 1. Non-refundable certified check for $2,500.00 to be paid by the successful bidder at the time of the auction. 2. The balance of the purchase price to be paid within 14 days of the sale. 3. Sheriff's Deed to be issued to purchaser upon payment in full of sale price. The deed shall convey the premises subject to, and with the benefit of, any restrictions, easements, improvements, assessments, encumbrances, liens or claims in the nature of liens which are, by operation of law, conveyed with the premises. 4. No representation is or shall be made by Seller as to the status of any mortgage.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT NORFOLK DIVISION
95P1059A1

To all persons interested in the estate of Frederick T. Dolan late of Cohasset, in said County, deceased, in testate.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said deceased, which is situated in Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk in accordance with the offer set out in said petition.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham before ten o'clock in the forenoon on July 17, 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of June, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register

6/27/96

THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P1374E1

Estate of SHELDON F. SLADEN late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that SHELANNE DURKIN of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on July 17, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

6/26/96

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by CURTIS W. SMALZEL of 165 Atlantic Avenue, Cohasset, Massachusetts and DONEEN A. PRIDE of Post Office Box 26, Spanish Fort, Utah to CURTIS W. SMALZEL dated December 29, 1986 and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 7390, Page 532, which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by Assignment dated October 12, 1989 and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10785, Page 399, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 A.M. on the 24th day of July, AD 1996, on the mortgaged premises at 30 Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

To wit:

shown as Lot 7 on a plan entitled, "Plan of Lots, Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, MA" dated June 8, 1954 by Lewis W. Perkins & Son, Engineers, said plan recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds and said parcel being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 8, as shown on said plan, 155.95 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by a curved line by Hammond Avenue with two lines measuring respectively 31.89 feet and 23.19 feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 6, as shown on said plan, 173.64 feet; and

NORTHWESTERLY by land of John J. Hayes, Jr. and Anne M. Hayes, 142 feet.

Containing 15,312 feet of land.

Together with the rights of way in common with other entitled thereto over all streets as shown on said plan for all purposes for which said streets are commonly used.

For title, see deed of Curtis W. Smalzel and Doneen A. Pride dated December 30, 1986 and recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 7394, Page 360.

Property address: 30 Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, Massachusetts 02025

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax titles and municipal liens, if any, and to a first mortgage. A deposit of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) in cash or certified check will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of the sale and the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days thereafter, at the office of Richard A. Henderson, Esquire, Law Offices of Richard A. Henderson, 76 South Main St., Cohasset, Massachusetts 02025. The deposit paid at the time of the sale will be forfeited if the purchaser does not comply strictly with the terms of the sale.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right but not the obligation to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with Mortgagee's attorneys, Law Offices of Richard A. Henderson, 76e South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of the default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to the said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice. Other terms to be announced at sale.

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Police Brief

Youth brawl at Government Island

Police made one arrest following a brouhaha at Government Island Saturday night but threaten there will be more if this behavior continues.

Sgt. Robert Jackson said about 30-50 youths from Hingham and Cohasset congregated at Government Island and were involved in an affray.

All Cohasset units, as well as units from Scituate responded, Jackson said.

Three people were treated at the scene for minor injuries.

"The situation was fluid and we tried to restore the peace," Jackson said.

Police officer William Quigley arrested Steven Leonard, 19, of 35 School St., Hingham, who was charged three counts of assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (a knife and mace) and affray.

Police are seeking a complaint against a Cohasset youth for malicious destruction of property (smashing the windows to a van) and affray.

Jackson said six carloads of Hingham youths had come to settle a score with Cohasset about an altercation that occurred at a concert a couple of weeks ago.

"Hopefully this is the end of the matter but if not, there will be more arrests made – we guarantee it," Jackson said.

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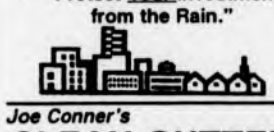

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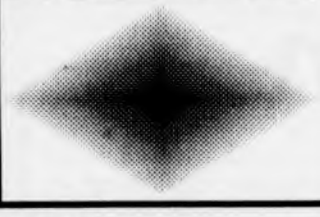

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Volunteers honored at garden reception

The Friends of the Paul Pratt Library hosted a reception at the home and magnificent garden of Barbara and Jeff Power on Beach Street last Thursday evening, honoring some 30 library volunteers. Outgoing president of the Friends, Suzan Redgate, thanked the volunteers for their time and good will and also welcomed the new president of the group, Betsey Detwiler and the new chairman of the trustees of the library, Patience Towle.

Honored for their volunteer hours were: Connie Barnard, Dottie Booth, Ann Bowdoin, Gloria Boyce, Jody Butman, Maribeth Butman, Anne Costello, Suzie Crough, Carole Anne Dean, Robin Eaton, Genevieve Good, Libby Hagan, Mary Hartwell, Jean Higgins, June Hubbard, Ozzie Ingram, Beth Jordan, William Kelley, Susan Kent, Ed Lincoln, Mary Londergan, Shirley Marten, Lucille McLoughlin, John Mullett, Marjorie Murphy, Debbie Niessink, Dorsey Robey, Peg Smart, Peggie Soltesz and Gertrude Walfogel.

Summer hours

Please note that the library will be closed Sundays during June, July and August.

Library Friends Moira Stansell, Monica McKenney, and Carol Riley, pose with volunteer Lucille McLoughlin, chairman of the library trustees Patience Towle, and new president of the Friends, Betsey Detwiler at a reception last week at Barbara Powers' home.

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Olympic flashback

Cohasset has golden place in games' history

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

As America gears up for "The Games" this summer in Atlanta — Cohasset can be proud of its own Olympic heritage.

Ellery H. Clark Sr., who lived at 262 Jerusalem Road, won two first-place medals at the revival of the ancient Olympic games in Athens in 1896.

And luckily for posterity, Ellery Sr. took along his Kodak camera and kept a personal journal of his experiences.

In celebration of the 100th anniversary of the first modern Olympic games, two of Clark's grandchildren, William Clark and Vicki Clark Widner, are telling his story in a tour of cities across the country. Eastman Kodak is sponsoring

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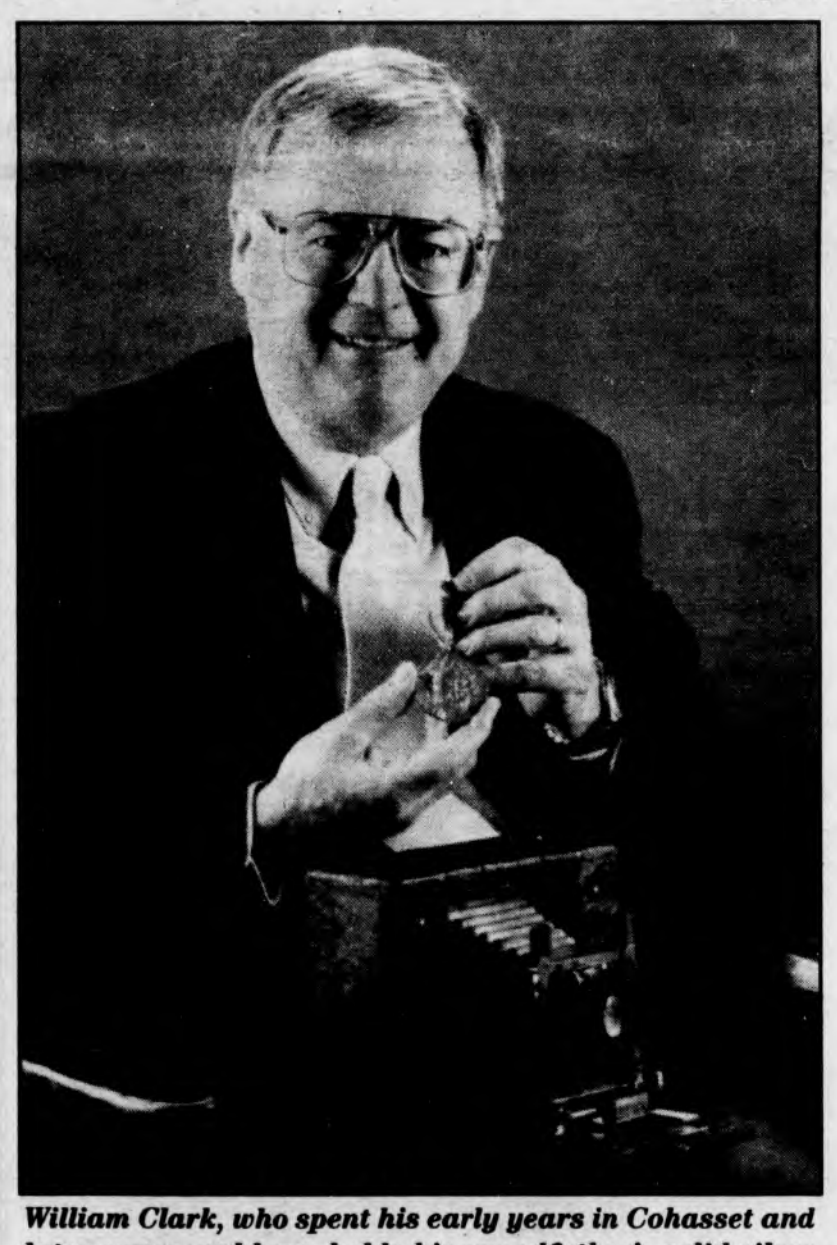

William Clark, who spent his early years in Cohasset and later summered here, holds his grandfather's solid silver medal and Kodak camera. First-place finishers were awarded silver medals in 1896.

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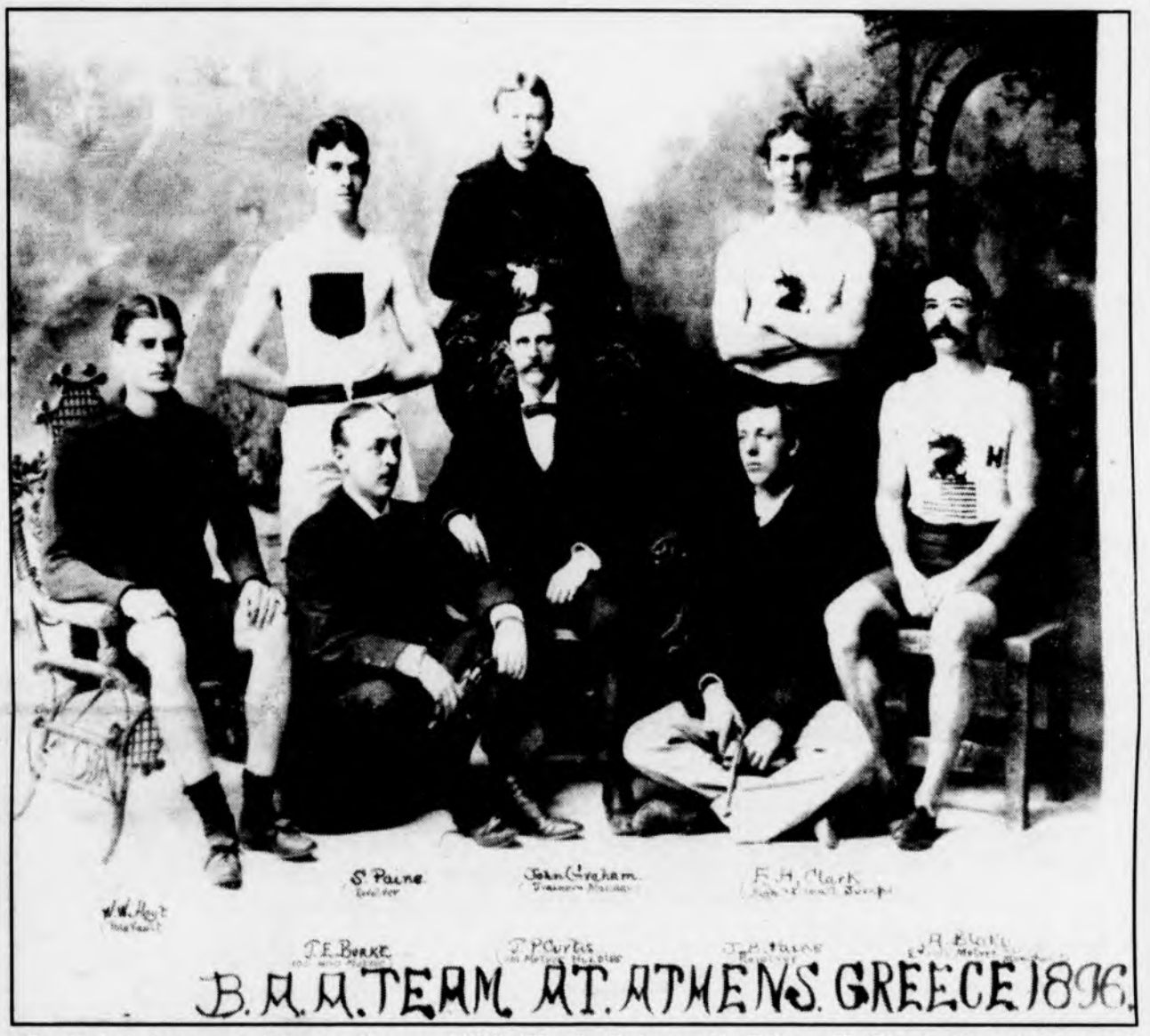

The B.A.A. team at Athens, Greece 1896. That's Cohasset's Ellery H. Clark (far right, back row) and Arthur Blake (far right, seated in chair). Clark won two firsts and Blake, the first winner of the Boston Marathon, competed in the marathon at the 1896 Olympics but did not finish. Clark lived on Jerusalem Road and Blake lived on Atlantic Avenue.

Photo from Kodak

Local superstar captured 1896 Olympics on film

By PHILIP MORGAN
Special to the Mariner

TAMPA — Ellery Clark was America's athlete superstar at the turn of the century. He was the national decathlon champion twice, after he had won two top medals in the first modern Olympic Games.

At the 1896 Games in Athens, Greece, the first Olympics held in 1,502 years, Clark won first-place medals in the long jump and the high jump.

""He was very, very famous for his day," says his proud grandson, William Clark of Severna Park, Md.

An amateur photographer also at the time of the games, Ellery Clark captured some of the scenes at the Olympics with his camera. Now his grandson is on a Kodak-sponsored tour of 10 cities with some of Clark's photographs to mark the 100th anniversary of the Olympics' revival.

The photographs Clark took in Athens include the opening ceremonies, the U.S. team holding a

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August special town meeting called to reconsider school

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Monday, 500 citizens, led by a new taxpayers' group, have called for a special town meeting to reconsider the March 30 annual town meeting vote approving the $9.9 million new elementary school.

Emotions reached a fever pitch on both sides of the issue at the selectmen's meeting this week when two members of the board tried to put off scheduling the special town meeting until town counsel could be consulted.

And if the mood at town hall Monday night is a harbinger of what's to come then the Aug. 12 special town meeting could be the hottest in recent memory.

Apparently a simple majority vote at a special town meeting can rescind a prior town meeting vote which would nullify the override (the funding mechanism for the school).

If that did occur, it's not clear how the town would pay for the partial bonding for school plans and architectural fees that is already in place.

By law, selectmen must set a special town meeting within 45 days of receiving a petition with at least 200 signatures of registered voters.

In a majority vote, selectmen set the special town meeting for Aug. 12 but that wasn't until Selectman Ronnie McMorris challenged Concerned Cohasset Taxpayer

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Cohasset's Week

'Thickly settled' sign ok'ed for Fair Oaks

Fair Oaks Lane will be posted with signs warning drivers of "Children At Play" and "Thickly Settled Area" but won't get a posted speed limit, selectmen said this week.

A recent traffic study revealed that only 2 percent of the vehicles travelling on Fair Oaks exceeded 30 miles per hour. Selectmen reached a consensus that "Thickly Settled Area" might have more impact on drivers than a 30 mph posting.

No bumps on Bancroft Rd.

Due to the expense, possible vandalism and lack of support among neighbors, temporary speed bumps will not be installed on Bancroft Road selectmen said this week.

However, selectmen concurred with Safety Officer Clifton B. Jones that increased police presence on the road would help answer traffic concerns there.

Cutting room is still up

Much to the annoyance of at least one diehard member of the Hagerty Committee, the cutting room at the two-acre town-owned site is still up and packed with stuff again.

Parker Avenue resident Russ Bonetti asked selectmen this week why they had never followed through on their votes that the cutting room (a metal structure) be removed.

Selectmen Merle Brown and Michael Sullivan said they saw no need to rush to tear down the structure because the plans to develop the site into a recreational area could move forward if the building stayed up or not.

They said the structure provides a valuable service as a storage facility for surplus town equipment.

"If the town had studied the school thing half as long as the Hagerty thing we wouldn't be in this shape now," Bonetti said alluding to the history of the Hagerty committee which goes back at least three years.

Selectman Peter Pratt agreed that the building should go.

"It's unsightly and the town paid for open space there," he said. "The Hagerty committee is right to keep the pressure on us to demolish it."

However Paul Pattison, who also sits on the Hagerty Committee, asked selectmen to think before getting rid of any structures at the site. He warned that once something is gone — in an area like the Hagerty property which is mostly wetlands — under current environmental laws, the town may be prohibited from ever being able to build another structure at the site.

"Think about it," he said.

Selectmen have authorized that the former Cohasset Colonials showroom/office building to be removed or demolished. Paul Trendowicz owner of Cohasset Marina across Parker Avenue is interested in using the structure for his business.

Pattison urged the newly elected selectmen to walk the Hagerty site which they agreed to do.

Bonetti also asked that something be done about the lawn at the showroom which is knee high.

Appointments made; resignation accepted

Selectmen appointed Patricia Chase, 25 Red Gate Lane, to the school facilities committee recently. They also made the following reappointments: Mary McElr[illegible] to the computer study committee and Michelle Buckley and Christopher Laugelle to the disabilities commission.

Selectmen also accepted with regret the resignation of John J. Calabro from the school facilities commission. Calabro said he stepped down due to "professional work loads and changes in personal status affecting his availability for service."

Austin L. Ahearn, 41 Clayspring Rd., notified selectmen he is interested in serving on the disabilities commission. The South Shore Regional School District Committee which governs South Shore Vo-Tech in Hanover wrote to selectmen alerting them that Cohasset's representative Laurence J. Mitchell's term expires June 30.

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Sun. 7	4:51	10.5	11:03	5:26	10.6	11:37
Mon. 8	5:52	9.9	——	6:25	10.4	12:00
Tues. 9	6:55	9.5	12:39	7:23	10.3	12:58
Wed. 10	7:57	9.1	1:42	8:20	10.2	1:55
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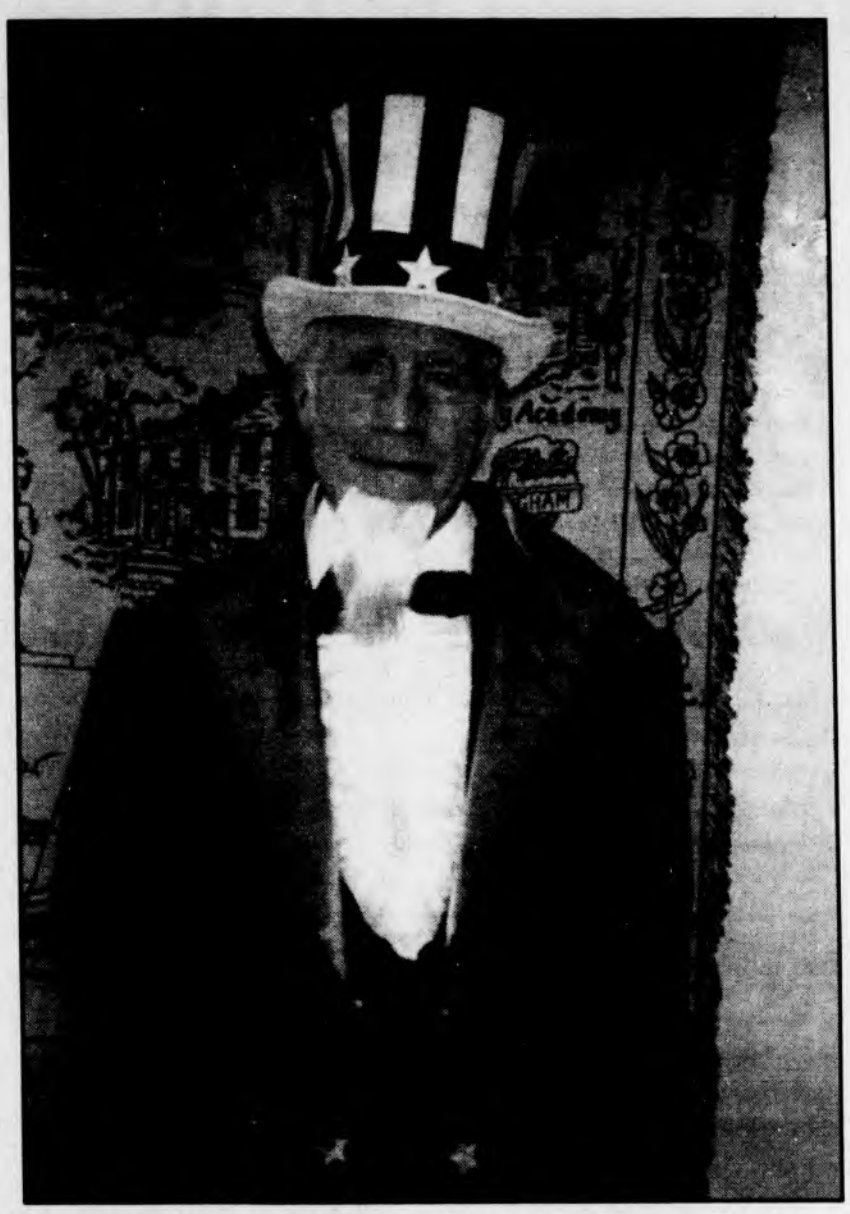
Favorite holiday: The Fourth of July.

Favorite T.V. show: I know not of what you speak.

Favorite movie: I know not of what you speak.

Favorite book: Ben Franklin's "Poor Richard's Almanac.



Favorite junk-food: Salted pork.

Person you'd most like to meet: President Washington.

Most embarrassing moment: The day my horse wouldn't get up.

Pet peeve: My neighbors who moved to Nova Scotia.

4th of July festivities

The following is the weekend schedule of events, dates and times for the annual Hingham Fourth of July festivities.

July 3: Band concert at 7:30 p.m. at the harbor with the Metropolitan Wind Symphony Orchestra followed by fireworks at 9:30 p.m. July 4: The annual road race starts at 7 a.m. at Notre Dame Academy, 1073 Main St. and ends under the flag at Loring Hall in Hingham Square. The race is 4.6 miles. The Kiwanis pancake breakfast on the Common at Hingham Center from 7 to 10 a.m. The parade starts at 10 a.m. at the high school and ends at Station Street. A. Alden Carpenter will be Uncle Sam. The theme is "Volunteers, the Heart of Hingham."

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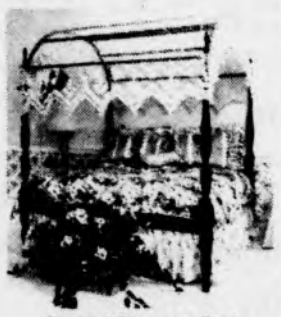
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The Sewer Commission will hold a Public Meeting on Thursday, July 11, 1996 at 7:30 PM at the Second Congregational Church at 43 Highland Avenue. The purpose of the meeting is to provide information on the Town's sewering program and to provide answers to citizen's questions from the floor. Copies of the construction plans for the proposed North Cohasset System are currently on file at the office of the Building Inspector, Town Hall and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. Comments by proposed North Cohasset users on sewer service locations should be submitted in writing to the Sewer Commission prior to or on the Public Meeting date.

Cohasset Sewer Commission
Edward M. Guild, Chairman

Emmy Award sounds good to Cohasset resident

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

When Edward Hettstrom's name was announced as the winner of a New England Emmy Award he was so surprised he was glued to his seat.

Well, actually, being stuck in his chair was a combination of his surprise and his wife Karen's happiness.

"I didn't know if she was going to let me go — she was hugging me," he said.

"I've got to go now," he told her.

Hettstrom received his award on May 11 at the Majestic Theater in Boston, and since the event, which is sponsored by the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences, gets bigger every year several television crews and crowds of people were on hand.

He earned his Emmy for his stereo broadcast of a Boston Bruins game that took place at the Fleet Center last fall.

The Fleet Center has better acoustics than the Boston Garden, Hettstrom modestly said, and he had a little extra time to set up additional microphones.

"You heard the grunts and groans, skates grinding. the talking of the players — things you never heard before. It really sounded good, " the 44-year-old said.

He was impressed with the work he had done, but didn't expect the praise it received.

"I was shocked," he said. "For a few minutes I was speechless. People barely say 'Hi' to me and now they are applauding me."

Strangely enough, in his work at United Paramount Network's Channel 38 Hettstrom is in the "sight" rather than "sound" department.

However, he did work for many years before that in stereo broadcasting. The station needed someone to cover the audio for this game, so he stepped up.

"It is ironic," he said about the award. "I tried for most of my career to get away from audio."

Hettstrom, who lives on Church Street, with his wife, and two daughters Erica and Tara, is no stranger to Emmy awards, he has received many in the past, but never for an individual project.

"This is the first time I actually got a statue," he said.

Aptly, he put the award on top of his new wide-screen television.

Hettstrom's love for the production part of television began when he was in the eighth grade at East Middle School in Braintree

Students were involved in putting together educational shows, which were shown in every classroom during homeroom.

Hettstrom remembers Mrs. Cameron, who was the star of the "Penmanship show."

"Students had quite a bit to do with it," Hettstrom said. "I thought it was wonderful."

He didn't have a chance to follow his dream further until he attended Emerson College. After he graduated he went into radio.

"I wanted to get into producing and directing, but (Boston) is a tough market to get into. It is the sixth largest in the United states," he explained. "So I snuck in the back door."

He started at Channel 38 in 1979 after spending several years in radio.

Hettstrom left the audio segment of sports in 1985 and began filming entertainment and documentary segments.

He was involved with features on musical groups, and helped put together, "Movie Loft and Company".

Hettstrom even had the opportunity to film Tip O'Neill, during "Dinner with ..."

Although he moved on to other venues in television, it is not to say that audio is not challenging.

There is a certain art in the placement of microphones, and intense concentration is required to match the sound with the action.

For example, if a hockey puck is in one corner, Hettstrom would boost the sound in that area.

"All my fingers and thumbs are on all the controls," he explained. "(You) place each sound in its own special spot in space and time," he said.

To be successful, Hettstrom said, you have to be aware of the finer points.

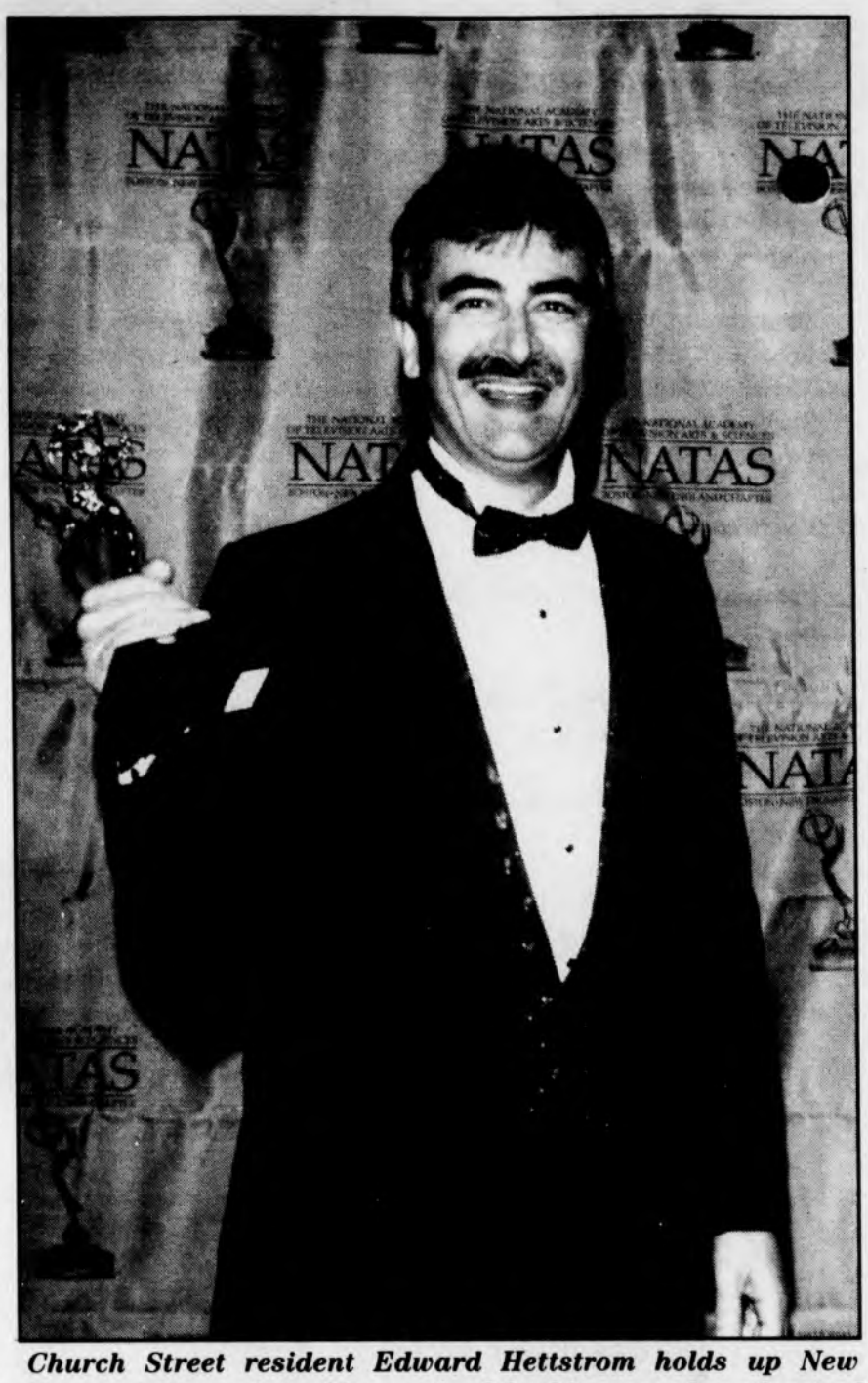
"Part of the job, in television especially, is that you have to be a stickler. It is the people who pay attention to the details that separate the normal from the real good, " he said.

Hettstrom said he will continue to submit work when he feels it is "something special."

"I like to see how I stack up against my peers," he said.

Although he got to keep the award, his mom, who lives in Braintree, got the picture which was taken at the ceremony.

"She'll put it in her room, or wherever moms put pictures of their sons," Hettstrom said.



Church Street resident Edward Hettstrom holds up New England Emmy Award he received for his stereo broadcast of a Boston Bruins game.

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The softball pitch record holders for age 2 are Drew Cobin, Phillip Galligan and Alli Jacobs; age 8, D.J. Silvia; age 10, Jen Buckley; age 11, Kendra Topalian and Ian Kidder; age 12, Will Prendergast and Josh Ethier; age 13, Ray Cavanaugh; age 14, G. O'Keefe; age 15, J.P. Laugelle and age 16, Shaun Galvin. For the dads, dads Straughn and McDonnell led after a strong start by dad Faber. The reigning fast pitch grandmother is Mary Jeanette Murray.

Jack Murphy and his Dad get ready to see how fast their softball throws are during Harborfest. Proceeds from this event benefitted the Teen Center.

The soccer kick top speeds are held by 2-year-old Drew Cobin and 4-year-old Timmy Farwell. For age 6, Bradley Antenore; age 7, Andrew Clark; age 8, Matt O'Connell, age 9, champs are Jake Kovach and Lauren Putnam; age 12, Ben Carleton; age 13, Michael Sanchez; age 14, Michelle Dinsmore and age 15, (and rumor has it he was barefoot), Morgan Bigley.

The fastest lacrosse shots clocked were for Brett Trachnir, age 8; Teddie Straughn, age 9; Sean Connolly, age 10; Henry Roth, age 11; Greg Harrington, age 12; Chris Caron, age 13; Jake Motley, age 15; and for the dads, dad McDonnell.

Lacrosse ball throws were clocked, and winners in their respective age groups are Drew Cobin, (again), Zoe Evans, Jack Hobbs and Robert Jones, Julie Connelly, Kennan Ross Startzell and Wesley Ulmer. Molly Kirk, Mike Devine, Even Pestone, Tim Straughn, Danielle Kupsc, Chris Green, Philip Pierce and Jen Meehan were all tops for their age. There were some other impressive records set, not higher records perhaps, but impressive records. Some Friday or Saturday results may have been erased overnight, and we apologize if your accomplishments have gone unacknowledged. The important thing is that you know your champion score. If you didn't get the opportunity to try your skills, start warming up for next year.

The center wishes to thank all who helped with the event, and all the athletes who tested their mettle.

August special town meeting called to reconsider vote

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head Roy Fitzsimmons to explain the rush to action.

"I've heard over and over that we rushed the new school — why are you rushing a special town meeting while people are on vacation?" she asked.

McMorris added that the elderly might find it difficult to get to an August special town meeting because there is no air conditioning.

Fitzsimmons said his group did not intend to disenfranchise anyone but was reacting to concerns about several school issues including the override ballot vote that had to be validated by the legislature due to a posting snafu; issues raised by the design review board; and changes to the proposed school site.

"I understand all your concerns, but why call it now?" McMorris interjected.

Fitzsimmons said many have said they want to have another chance to talk over the project.

Selectman Michael Sullivan asked that the group consider holding the petition long enough so selectmen could schedule the special town meeting the Monday following Labor Day when it could be "inclusive to the whole community."

Fitzsimmons said it was "their right" to call the meeting in August.

During the exchanges, some 15 people in attendance — who appeared to be either members of or sympathizers with the taxpayers' group — murmured their disapproval at times and applauded when selectmen set the date.

Selectmen Merle Brown, Nan Roth and Peter Pratt voted to set the town meeting date immediately but said the board would go to town counsel to iron out the legal issues.

Pratt said the date couldn't be put off.

"That's the way the system works," he said.

In a telephone interview Tuesday, school Supt. Stephen Hart said there may be some legal questions.

"I've never heard of this happening before," he said.

Although plans for the new school will move forward, Hart said alternative proposals to upgrade the Osgood School may have to be looked at.

"We can't continue without more space and handicapped-accessibility at Osgood," said Hart, noting Osgood repairs, expansion and upgrades could cost as much or more than a new school.

School supporters worked tirelessly to get the vote out for the Jan. 22 special town meeting and the March 30 annual town meeting. At both meetings the school project passed overwhelmingly and at the annual town meeting, it survived a motion to reconsider launched by Fitzsimmons. The first override failed at the ballot box by 28 votes on Feb. 10. But the scaled back version of the school passed by 80 votes April 6.

The special town meeting may not just be limited to the school. Town boards may submit articles and citizens may submit articles if they have 100 signatures until the warrant closes July 12.

Roth asked if an article to reaffirm the school vote could be placed on the warrant if 100 signatures were gathered.

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Public way status is sought

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Planning Board told Wheelwright Farm condominium owners there was nothing officially the board could do to change the development's private way road status to that of a public way.

Frank and Marge Libby appeared before the board recently to request the change, saying that for their tax dollars, they were only seeking to receive basic town services which other residents already receive.

Condominium owners are assessed the same tax rate as single dwelling homeowners, but also pay monthly fees into condominium trusts. These fees are for specific services (garbage removal, landscaping, painting, etc.) which are contracted out to private companies.

Upset with the fact that during winter months town snow plows bypass the entrance and exit road of the 42-unit site, the Libbys feel that, public way or private way, all town residents should be treated equally.

(It is estimated that approximately 48 percent of Cohasset roads are listed as private ways.)

"We've become second-class citizens of Cohasset," Frank Libby stated.

Board Chairman Al Moore cited the fact that the highway department does plow private driveways and roads with three or more houses on them (Pond Street and Fair Oaks Lane were mentioned), but said that a cluster development (condominium complex) is a different situation.

"It's a very gray area where town vehicles go and plow," he said, adding, "It's a decision for the Board of Selectmen to make."

Moore suggested the Libbys ask selectmen if they would instruct the highway department to start plowing the Wheelwright Farm complex. Failing that, the only other recourse would be to have the private way changed to a public way by vote of Town Meeting.

Board member Bob Sturdy, in noting Wheelwright Farm's condominium by-laws stating the status of the road not be changed, took a hard-line stance.

"You knew what you were buying and what you were getting into, and I think you should live with that," he said. And in referring to a change of road status, warned, "I would speculate that snowplowing will be the least of your problems. It's a can of worms."

Fellow board member William Good was more sympathetic. "These people came in good faith, looking for us to be the voice of reason," he said.

Moore agreed, and asked the Libbys to inform the Planning Board of the date they will go before the Board of Selectmen, saying he will make sure at least one member of the Planning Board will be there in support of the Libbys' request.

In other business, the board discussed the proposed improvements to the Sunoco service station adjacent to the Super Stop & Shop on Route 3A.

Initial plans had called for the exterior of the existing building to be upgraded on three sides (the back of the building was not being done) in either simulated brick or a brick-like veneer.

But board member John O'Toole observed that from the highway, the rear of the building was noticeable, and requested that particular portion be upgraded as well.

Attorney Charles Humphries, representing the service station owners, felt the board was being overly petty considering the extent to which other improvements are scheduled to be undertaken at the facility.

In the end, though, he relented, saying, "Put in your conditions and we'll do it."

The board put on hold its final approval for the plans of the parent owners, Sun Oil Company, as comments on the project from the town's Design Review Board have not yet been received.

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CHS '94 grad excels at Air Force Academy

The **DeMichele Family** certainly has had a lot to celebrate lately. Read on and you will see what I mean. **Daniel Ryan DeMichele** graduated from Georgetown University May 25, receiving a bachelor's degree in economics. Daniel is employed by the public relations firm Burson Marstellar in Washington, D.C.

Marnie Laura DeMichele is a recipient of the dean's award fro academic excellence at Colgate University for both the fall and spring semesters of her sophomore year. A geography major, Marnie leaves in July for a semester of study in beautiful Australia!

Daniel and Marnie are the children of Don and Susan DeMichele, and you can bet your bottom dollar they are super proud of their offspring! So are we!

❑

Happy belated birthday greetings go to **Jim Contis,** and here's to many more, Jim! You are the best!

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In conjunction with **South Shore Music Circus,** the **Sisters of St. Joseph** are holding their first fund-raiser for their retreat center in Cohasset. They are arranging for the purchase of tickets to "An Evening of Irish Music with Phil Coulter," the internationally renowned Irish musician, on Saturday evening, July 20, at 8 p.m. Tickets may be purchased by calling 383-6024.

The sisters are also hosting a silent auction to assist with their fund-raising campaign. Their auction will consist of two front-row seats at South Shore Music Circus for an evening with country singer/superstar Vince Gill, Saturday, Aug. 3, at 5 p.m., as well as a complete supreme entertainment package, including dinner and an overnight stay for two at **Kimballs By The Sea.** Call 383-6024 for more information.

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All of the folks from Champagne Alley want to be sure you wish **Al (Sandy) Rose** a happy 50th birthday when you see him July 13. We sure do, too. Hope the next 50 are good to you, Sandy!

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Here is news from Maine that is all about an "old" Cohassetite, **Dr. Keith N. Megathlin!** Keith graduated from CHS in the early '60s, and is a graduate of Middlebury College in Vermont. He received his doctor of medicine degree from the University of Vermont School of Medicine. He served as an allergy fellow for the Department of Pediatrics at Medical College of Virginia.

In 1995, Dr. Megathlin was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award from the American Lung Association of Maine. Now patients suffering from asthma and allergies can soon seek help, education and relief at a new clinic in Bridgton, Maine, at Northern Cumberland Memorial Hospital. Dr. Megathlin established the Portland-based Allergy and Asthma Associates of Maine in 1975, and there are now four physicians in the practice. In addition to the new NCMH/Bridgton site, they have an office in Augusta, and will be opening another this August in Brunswick. Another CHS grad puts our schools on the map. Yeah, Kit!

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Speaking of CHS grads, **Andy Kamataris,** Class of 1994, has just completed his freshman year at the Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs. He worked hard and earned himself a 3.17 GPA. Isn't that grand?

As part of his summer program, he just completed survival training (Andy wants to be a pilot). He will be back in Cohasset July 17 for a week and a half to visit all his friends. Andy's mom, **Normandie Nigh,** will be coming here, too. (She now makes her home in Marina Del Ray, Calif.) Lots of you will be excited to read the news of Andy's visit!

That's Andy Kamataris, a 1994 CHS grad, who just completed his first year at the U.S. Air Force Academy with a 3.17 GPA.

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July 8 will be a special day, indeed. That is the day **Anne Campbell** turns 93-years-young! Many happy returns of the day to you, Mrs. Campbell!

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We applaud **Peter Maich,** who was named Humanitarian of the Year by Cardinal Cushing School and Training Center, located in Hanover. Mr. Maich was honored for his efforts to enhance the mission of the special needs school to provide the best educational program for its students. He is executive vice president of merchandising for T.J. Maxx/Marshalls, and is living proof of the old adage, "Ask a busy person . . . ." Congratulations!

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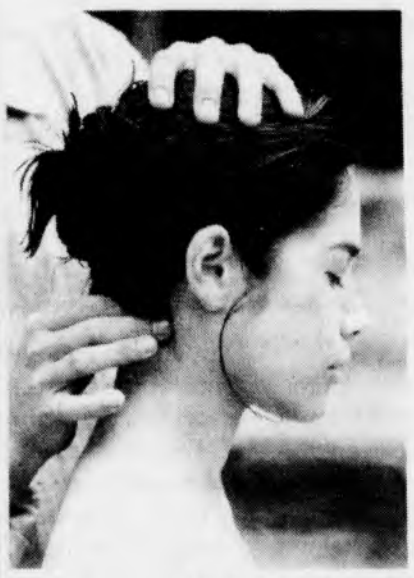

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EDITORIAL

Celebrate spirit of Independence Day

American families are getting ready for a special day.

They are buying fireworks, planning picnics and making travel arrangements.

This is one of the biggest family events of the summer. It's probably the only summertime occasion that's as big a deal to small children as it is to their parents.

Our airports, highways, train stations and bus terminals are jammed with holiday travelers.

Americans go to a lot of trouble — and often travel a lot of miles — to celebrate during Independence Day.

But, are we celebrating America's independence?

Adults must help youngsters understand the meaning of Independence Day. That means adults cannot forget the significance of the holiday.

This task is important because Americans cannot support a democracy on the sheer quest for material things. Our young people have to learn to appreciate the special aspects of America that allow us to earn a decent living — with proper training and hard work.

There's no better way for us to do that than to pause during our celebrations and reflect on how great it is to be Americans.

We've got it good here in the United States. We've got it so good that often we forget about the sacrifices which make America a reasonably safe place in a war-beaten world.

Legionnaires want to help America keep the record straight. Legionnaires know that American freedom is a byproduct of American sacrifice. Legionnaires know that whenever it was time for America to step up, in a role of military leadership, our men and women in the armed forces answered the call. Legionnaires know that American-style freedom was not free. And never will be.

We also know that the American flag has been the unifying symbol of everything for which American soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines fought.

The American Legion supports a constitutional amendment to protect the American flag from intentional physical desecration. The flag that hangs from residential porches and balconies on Independence Day is not the equivalent of a Halloween jack-o-lantern. The flag symbolizes the fight for our nation's sovereignty and the struggle for freedom the world over involving American forces. The flag deserves a special place in our society, shielded from those who want to burn it to make a statement.

We need to link American values to family values and teach our children to appreciate United States citizenship. The Fourth of July is a great time to do this.

A love of God and country. An understanding of the historical role of America's veterans. An appreciation for the flag and for the uniqueness of American-style freedom. These are among the values which are often missing from family Independence Day festivities. Without those values, the fireworks and picnics are mere celebrations of a day off of work.

For too many of our children, history is last school year and the future is next weekend. Sacrifice is missing a favorite TV show. Respect is a one-way street, from parent to child. We adults, who know something is wrong, can make a difference. We have to take a time-out and talk to the kids about the beautiful uniqueness of America.

Let's have a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July holiday. Bring on the food, friends, family and fireworks. But let's celebrate what we should be celebrating.

We must pause on Independence Day to recognize Americans preserving freedom in Bosnia as well as those who represented America on other military missions.

We must pause to remember that American-style freedom was not free. And never will be.

Daniel A. Ludwig is national commander of The American Legion, the nation's largest veterans organization.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks for festival support

To the Editor:

The South Shore Art Center's Festival on the Common has come and gone, but hopefully many enjoyable memories were left behind. We wish we could thank each volunteer by name, but with 36 committee chairs overseeing hundreds of volunteers we'd need to borrow the Mariner for the week! Whether you made telephone calls, helped with mailings or volunteered for several hours, please know that the Art Center appreciates your support. Every effort counts towards the final result. A successful festival benefits the center all year long by allowing us to continue our educational outreach programs, scholarships to graduating seniors, the operation of our free gallery and exhibitions and our goal of bringing arts to the more than 41 towns in our region.

As always, we must mention the incredible support we receive from the Town of Cohasset and all the various departments. Each year we receive invaluable guidance and help from the Police and Fire Departments, Peter Laguelle from Tree and Parks, Harold Litchfield and his crew at the Highway Dept., Bob Egan our Building Inspector, Health Inspector Godzik, Wire Inspector Steve Wigmore, The Cohasset Selectmen, Grey Doyon who guides us through the maze of permits and Sandra Murray who was always so pleasant even after countless calls and messages.

Working with Wayne Sawchuk and the crew at the Strawberry Festival, and Bob Martin and Jim Lagrotteria from Harborfest, continues to be a great cooperative effort with everyone helping each other out.

Thanks to the Mariner Newspapers — the support of a community newspaper is so important!

Every year we give each participant (vendor/crafter) a survey to return. The comments are the best part of Festival — "I have over 65 shows a year and nowhere are the people nicer!" — "The children are the most well-behaved of any." — "You must pinch yourself every time you wake up in this beautiful town" — "The people are fabulous — what's in your water?"

Thanks to everyone who visited the Festival and mark your calendars — plans are already underway for June 20, 21, and 22, 1997!

Rhonda Corey Myers
Festival Coordinator, For:
The South Shore Art Center

Kudos to Nan for her down-to-earth approach

To the Editor:

HOORAY FOR NAN ROTH!

It was refreshing to hear a voice of common sense during a recent selectmen's meeting. The board was discussing options for legal rulings, review of CHL expansion traffic patterns, direction from DPU, observations and recommendation from the police chief; apparently posturing for a confrontation with Mr. Barry over his trash trucks traveling King Street. Mrs. Roth, interested in dealing with issues realistically, asked, "Why don't we just call Mr. Barry and ask him to use an alternative route?" What a down-to-earth, business approach to a perceived problem.

Thank you, Nan, perhaps this is the start of a new way of doing business at the selectmen's office.

Glenn A. Pratt
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Local superstar captured 1896 Olympics on film

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huge American flag and a self-portrait in an athletic pose.

While visiting Tampa recently, William Clark, 57, a disaster relief official with the U.S. Public Health Service, showed off his grandfather's wood- and leather-framed camera and one of his medals, as well as some of the photographs.

A spokeswoman for Kodak says the company is sponsoring the tour because Clark, who was using a Kodak, was one of the first to chronicle the Olympics on film, and "in salute to the valuable contribution he made to photography and to the Olympic games."

The United States was one of 13 countries participating in the Games, which had been revived after a crusade by French nobleman Pierre de Coubertin.

The first Olympics was held in 776 B.C. and continued in Roman-occupied Greece until 394 A.D. Emperor Theodosius, a Christian who found the Games barbaric, abolished them.

In 1896, the 13 athletes on the U.S. team were recruited by Princeton University and the Boston Athletic Association (BAA).

The dean at Harvard University grudgingly gave senior Ellery Clark 30 days leave from his classes, cautioning him not to stretch the facts about his performance and not to link Harvard to the event.

""You go, as I understand it, in the capacity of a BAA man, and the fact that you are a Harvard man is, so to speak, accidental," wrote L.B.R. Briggs.

The nation was strongly isolationist at the time, and "Briggs may have been partially motivated by that," William Clark says.

Without fanfare, the athletes departed for Athens by steamship.

After crossing the Atlantic, the team traveled by train across Italy, took a ship across the Adriatic Sea and another train across Greece. They arrived in Athens on April 5, the day before the start of the games.

Clark says the Americans created a sensation in the contests with their Boston Athletic Association cheer: "B-A-A, rah-rah-rah!" After a while, the crowd took up the chant. At the reception following the games, King George of Greece asked the Americans to do the cheer one more time.

Americans also demonstrated the young game of baseball at the reception. They used a walking cane for a bat and hard rolls for balls. When they ran out of rolls, someone produced an orange. When the bat connected, the orange splattered all over the splendid uniform of a Greek court official, "which then ended the baseball demonstration," Clark laughs.

The American Olympic athletes were hailed as heroes when they arrived home, having won 19 medals, second only to Greece. The top medals were silver then, not gold.

The mayor of Boston and leading citizens chartered a train to transport the heroes from New York. They were given a banquet at a ritzy hotel and a reception in Boston's historic Faneuil Hall. (William Clark says his grandfather never related Dean Briggs' reaction.)

"Their lives were forever changed, being America's first-ever Olympic champions," says Clark, who plans to be on hand at the centennial of the event in Atlanta this July.

In 1897 and 1903, Ellery Clark won the all-around — the term then for decathlon — national championships, and his reputation was sealed. His grandson says he wrote in a report for the 50-year reunion of his Harvard class that once he won the all-around the second time, he was forever "branded an athlete."

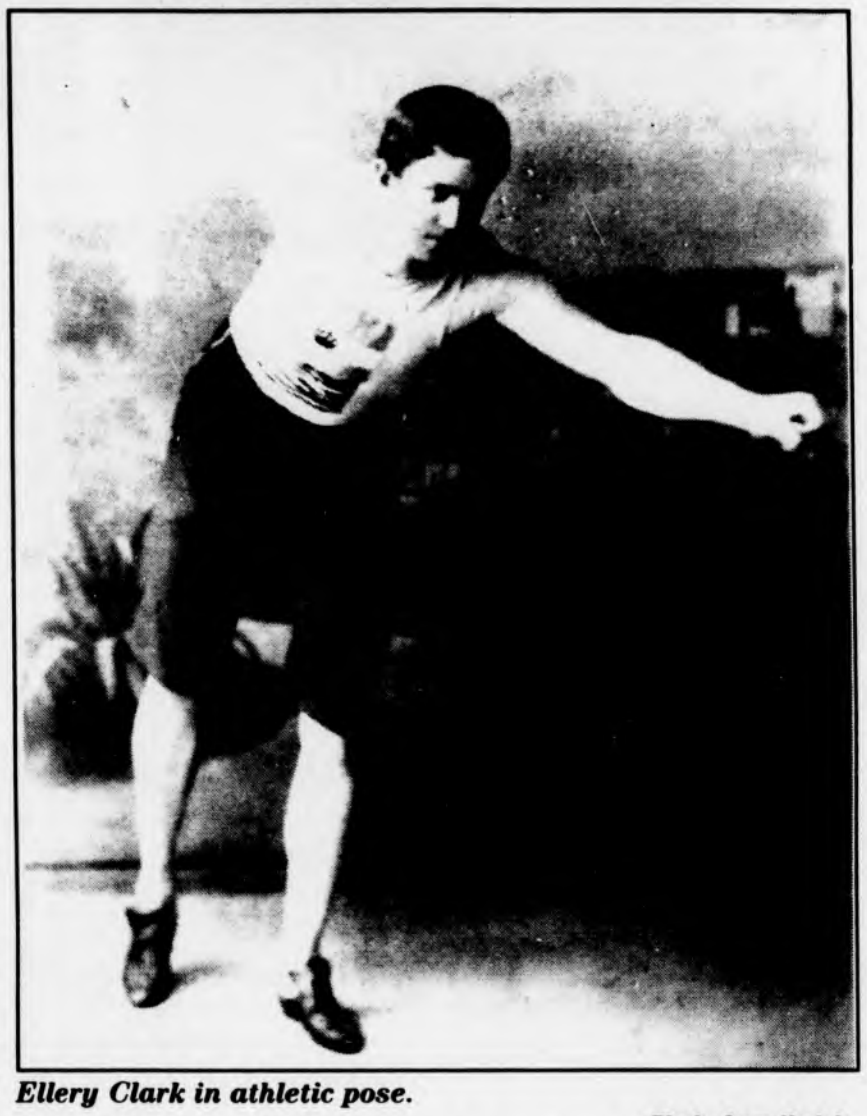
People thought he was out of his mind when he signed up for the 1903 event, William Clark says. "He was an old man of 28."

The all-around competition consisted of the 100-yard run, the 16-pound shot put, the running high jump, the 880-yard race walk, the 16-pound hammer throw, the pole vault, 120-yard high hurdle, 56-pound weight toss, running broad jump and the one-mile run.

""They would give them a good five minutes in between events," says Clark.

Ellery Clark earned a law degree but never practiced, although books on Massachusetts law were among the 30 he wrote during his lifetime.

He also wrote novels. His book "Loaded Dice" was made into a 1930 movie of the same name. Another book, "Carib Gold," became the 1952 movie "Caribbean," a pirate adventure starring John Payne.



Ellery Clark in athletic pose.

Photo from Kodak.

The athlete spent most of his career as executive secretary of the Massachusetts Humane Society, a lifesaving organization with varied missions, from teaching children to swim to operating lifeboat stations along the coast for rescuing shipwreck victims.

"He did that his entire life," says William Clark.

He was 11 when his grandfather died at age 75 in 1949. It was a great loss to him, he says, since the old man was a model grandfather. He often took his grandson fishing and doted on him when, at age 7 or 8, William won junior boxing titles.

He says Ellery Clark was modest about his own titles.

"If you didn't know he was such a great athlete, he would not be the first to tell you. He would probably be the last to tell you, and he'd only tell you if it was drawn out."

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Cohasset has golden place in games' history

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the trip (see related story, courtesy of the Tampa Tribune).

William Clark, who attended first grade at the Osgood School, says his family lived full-time in Cohasset until his father, Ellery H. Clark, Jr., was appointed to the faculty at the United States Naval Academy. Then the family moved to Maryland but continued to spend summers in Cohasset.

That's the reverse of what Ellery Sr. did. William Clark says grandfather, who grew up in Boston, started spending summers in Cohasset as a boy but lived here "virtually his whole adult life." He took the train from Cohasset to Boston to work as executive secretary of the Mass. Humane Society.

William, says he and his sister, who is an elementary school principal, are "having the time of our lives bringing back to life the memory of our grandfather, the BAA (Boston Athletic Assoc.) team of 1896 and the other American athletes."

Deputy director of the office of emergency preparedness at the U.S. Dept. of Public Health, William says he's appalled at the lack of attention the 1896 games are receiving.

While this year celebrates the 100th anniversary of the revival of the games — in 1896, it had been 1,502 years since the last Olympics.

The 1896 United States Olympic team poses in Athens with the flag. That's Ellery Clark, far right, holding the corner of the flag.

Photo from Kodak.

The American athletes' departure for the games went virtually unnoticed but their triumphant return was cause for celebration and undoubtedly sparked enthusiasm for continued U.S. participation in the games over the years.

The American team in 1896 joined less than 300 other athletes from 13 nations in the Athens event. This year 200 nations and 10,000 athletes will participate in Atlanta.

"When we talk, we try to put it in context, William says. "In 1896, there were no phones, no automobiles, no communications (on today's standards) — just getting to the games in 1986 was an Olympic event."

Ironically, it was another Cohasseter that sparked the interest at the Boston Athletic Club (BAA) to send a contingent of athletes to Athens.

Arthur Blake, who won the first Boston Marathon, lived on Atlantic Avenue.

"(Following his marathon victory) he remarked in jest, 'I'm too good for Boston, I should go to the Olympics,'" William says.

The BAA liked the idea and started to get a team together.

Sadly for Blake, the 30-day trip over on board ship (except for one day on Gibraltar where he could run around), did not allow him to train properly. He collapsed at the 17-mile mark in the Athens marathon.

The Boston-area team was made up of BAA members, save one who was from the Suffolk Athletic Club; the others hailed from Princeton, New Jersey.

One of three American double-medal winners at the games, Ellery Clark Sr. won firsts in the long jump and high jump competitions. First place medals in the 1896 games were solid silver.

"Second-place medals were bronze and third-place winners got a hardy handshake," William says.

William's father Ellery Jr., who is retired, returned to the area full-time in 1992. Ellery Jr., who will be 85 in August, lives in Scituate and is very active in athletic competitions for senior citizens.

Although he makes his home in Severna Park, Maryland — William looks fondly on his Cohasset roots and his grandfather's contribution to Olympic history.

"It's a wonderful story for people in the entire Boston area in general and Cohasset in particular," he says.

"Two of America's original 13 (Olympic) athletes were from Cohasset. That's an amazing fact for a small town."

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Cyclists for MS pass through Cohasset

On Saturday, June 29, cyclists participating in the Great Mass Getaway began their tour at 7 a.m., departing from the World Trade Center in Boston and continuing their journey through city streets. The route then took bikers to the shores of Quincy, Weymouth, Cohasset, Scituate, Marshfield and Duxbury.

On Sunday, June 30, cyclists cruised over the Borne Bridge and enjoyed a casual ride down the Cape Cod Canal as far as Provincetown. The total for both days was about 155 miles.

The cycling tour benefited the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Frank, Michael and Claudia DelloRusso make a Cohasset stop in the Great Mass Getaway to benefit the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

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Executive board is named

At the recent annual meeting and election of officers of the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library, the following members of the executive board were announced: Betsey Detwiler, president; Suzan Redgate, vice president; Anne Costello, secretary; Linda Gaston, treasurer; Moira Stansell, membership; Carol Riley, publicity; Carole Anne Dean; Kyle Lubitz; Chris Whoriskey; Gail Flynn; Monica McKenney; Mary Lou Studds; and Linda Wakeman.

Cohasset in hit novel

Has anyone noticed a mention of Cohasset in Chapter 31 of Robert B. Parker's new Spenser novel, "Chance" (#15 on this week's New York Times best-seller list)? "Gino Fish lived in a big colonial house on the ocean side of Jerusalem Road in Cohasset. There was a circular drive in front and a lawn that sloped to the seawall behind. The house was done in white cedar shingles which had silvered in the salt air, the way they're supposed to. . . ." Sounds like the Riley house, where Parker watched the pilot show of "Spenser For Hire," starring Robert Urich, which was taped about 10 years ago. The library has three copies of "Chance," according to Susan Pope, librarian, so get your name on the waiting list.

Story hour, puzzle club

A story hour for pre-school children will begin Friday, July 5, and will take place every Friday throughout the summer from 10 to 10:45 a.m. in the children's room of the Paul Pratt Library. Children must be 3-1/2 year of age. No registration is required.

Deer Hill School librarian Marge Murphy will conduct the very popular Puzzle Club beginning Monday and Tuesday, July 8 and 9, from 7 to 8:45 p.m., continuing until the last week of August. Children in grades two through six are welcome. Be sure to bring your library cards. Popsicles, courtesy of Friends of the Paul Pratt Library, will be served at 8 p.m. Parents must pick up their children no later than 8:45 p.m.

Quiet treasures unearthed

Quiet treasures hide in the north corner of the Paul Pratt Library, on a shelf of extra-large "coffee table" books. Glossy tomes appealing to almost every interest imaginable — gardening, history, art, home decorating and sports are waiting to be checked out. Peruse titles such as: "Bathrooms," "House Beautiful Bedrooms," "Catalog to Winslow Homer Exhibit," "Life and Times of Bobby Jones" and "The Art of the New Yorker."

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Depth strengthens swimmers

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The only thing that could possibly have been lacking from the Cohasset swim team's 130-member squad this season was space in the pool. But head coaches Becky Golden and Allison Hughes have broken up the daily four-hour practice time into groups, giving the swimmers plenty of room to perfect their strokes heading into Friday's South Shore Swim League opener against Hanover at 1 p.m.

Golden can't help but have high expectations for this year's team. Her expectations, however, are outweighed by her excitement of coaching a team she has close bonds with. A '94 graduate of Cohasset High School, Golden spent 13 years on the summer squad and now competes for Colby College.

"I'm so excited to be back," she said, "I really am. I have a goal to bring the program back to the way I remember it when I was in the 8-and-under group. Swimming was my whole summer."

Cohasset has a "ton of new swimmers and a lot of returnees" Golden said. The reason can be traced to the fact that for the first time there were no swimmers cut from the team, leaving Golden and Hughes with several options as to the way they can use their athletes.

The 17-and-under team should be led by Becky's brother, Justin Golden, as well as Derek Bugley, Mike O'Hart, and Sue Gill and Cere Osterborg on the girls' side. Jeff Schneider, Chris Golden (Becky's other brother), John Crowley-Buck, Allison Berg, Jenna O'Brien and Sarah Harkness look to be big point-scorers for the 14-and-under group.

Golden has enjoyed coaching her two brothers, something she has always wanted to do. "It's great," Golden said. "They're both really supportive of me."

The team is especially deep in the younger age divisions. Golden says the swimmers will be nothing short of "outstanding" with their points going a long way in Cohasset's attempt to defeat the Scituate K of C and the Aqua-Dux club out of Duxbury. Golden believes the two teams look to be the strongest in the SSSL.

Kara Foley, Alex Berg, Tim Ulmer, Carlie Carter, Rob Lehr and Alex Etkind have been impressive in practicing with the rest of the 12-and-under swimmers, as have the 10-and-under standouts of Mike Ernst, Tess Foley, Emily Simmons and Casey Anderson. The youngest age group has also proved its mettle in the pool with Zack Markert, Reed Dickinson, Lindsay Durkin, Alyssa Campbell and Charlotte Sida leading the youngsters.

Golden and Hughes are focusing on stroke work since practice started last Monday. Team enthusiasm is high on Golden's list, as is getting the various age groups to interact with one another. So far, the two rookie coaches have nothing to complain about with near-perfect attendance from their swimmers and concentrated efforts in the mix.

"We have a really well-rounded team," Golden said.

The meet against Hanover will give the coaches the chance to look over Cohasset swimming under competitive conditions. She isn't worried, though, with the diversity among the team.

For Hughes, the meet will give her a chance to see how strong her former athletes are. She was Hanover's coach last year before coming to Cohasset.

The coaching relationship between Hughes and Golden is especially safe. Golden says both of them work off of each other well and have similar goals this year.

"I'm definitely more excited than nervous," Golden said, "because we're co-coaches and work together well."

With their knowledge and competitive background in swimming, this could be the starting of a beautiful relationship, one the team could reap the benefits from.

Cohasset gymnasts shine at regionals

Gymnasts with the South Shore Community Center "Gymnasts in Motion" competed in the Regional Championships held in Methuen, May 18-19 and June 1-2.

8-and-Under Novice: Nancy Durkin placed second on beam and third on floor. Jackie Flint placed third on the vault.

Shane Kelly and Caitlin Sanchez also qualified for the Regional Meet.

9-11 Novice: Meredith Bixby qualified and competed and teammate Carlie Carter placed ninth in the all around, ninth on bars and seventh on the balance beam.

12-14 Novice: Alisha Suddath, Amy Concannon and Melanie Suddath rounded out the 12-14 division with Melanie placing 10th in the all around, fifth (bars), and sixth (floor).

12-14 Intermediates: Caitlin Flint had a strong finish on the bars placing eighth with a 7.50.

15+ Intermediates: Tara Hettstrom placed fifth on bars and Erica Hettstrom placed fifth in the all around, sixth on bars and third on the floor exercise.

Don't forget Harborfest on the Common! Come see some of the competitors perform Friday, June 14, 4:30 to 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 16, from 3 to 3:30 p.m.

Dodgers face A's in Little League series

BY KEVIN LEWIS
Special to the Mariner

The Dodgers, sponsored by the Cohasset Permanent Firefighters, will play the A's, sponsored by Stop & Shop, in the year's championship series. This will mark the fifth time in the last six years the Dodgers have reached the finals.

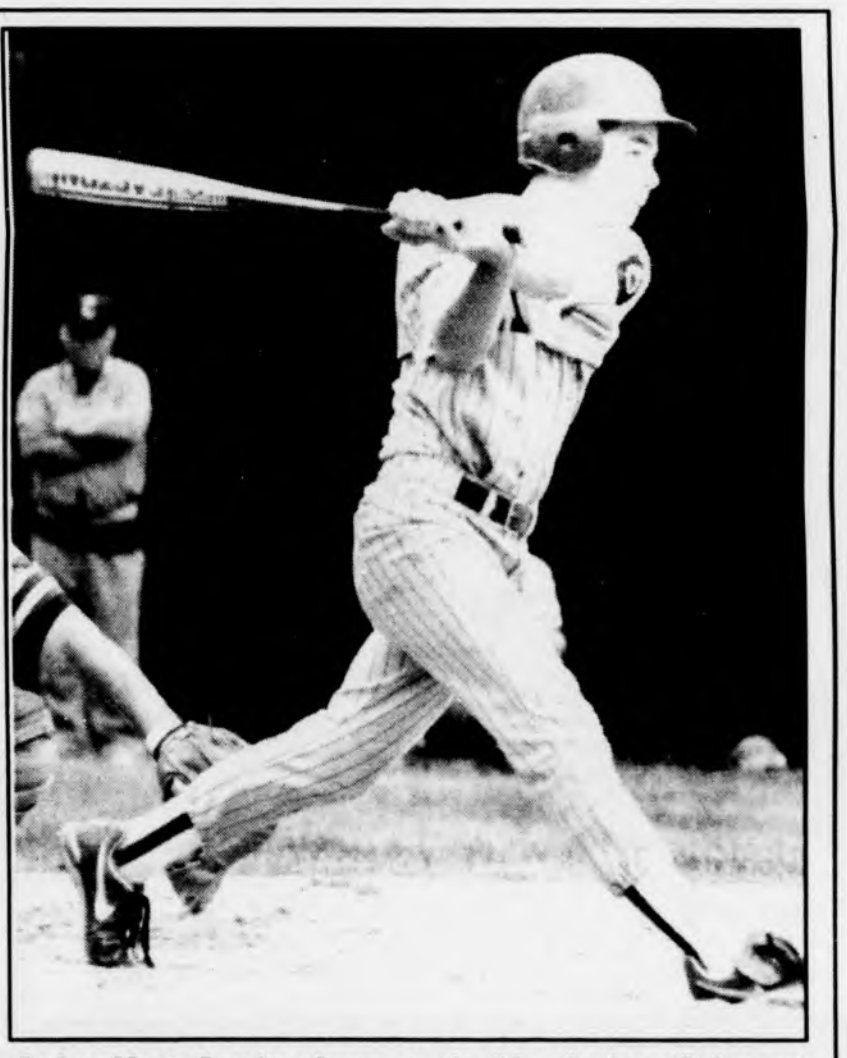
The A's, behind the the fine pitching performance of D.J. Lanzalotti and Kevin Hanian, defeated the Pirates. The Pirates put up a gallant fight, especially in the second game where Chris Carr pitched a strong game only to lose 1-0.

Trevor Hardie, Jimmy French, Nick Cavanaugh, Trey Curry and Scott Faber all had hits for the A's during the series. Willie McArthur, Tim Anton, Mark Chapman and Alex Berg played well in the field.

The Dodgers defeated the Red Sox, who had defeated both the Cards and the Mets to reach the semi-finals. Brendan Byrne, Andrew Walsh and Liam Martin pitched extremely well to earn the victories.

Jeff Scribner and Brendan Byrne each hit a home run in the series. Brian Lewis, Kyle Webber, Andrew Walsh, William Prendergast, Yari Martin and Mark Lewis all had hits during the series.

Liam Martin, Curt Kahn and Andrew Lovalo played well defensively.



Lefty Matt Lewis slams a double during Cohasset American Legion baseball action.

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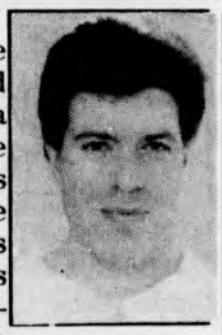
EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Gymnastics trials leave lasting memories

The moment was unimaginable to Ruthann Ardizzoni. There, from the suite she shared with the families and members of the Cohasset High gymnastics team, Ardizzoni watched as the United States Olympic Gymnastics Teams were presented their awards. Ardizzoni was so moved, if Clark Chatterton put a lifetime contract to continue coaching gymnastics at CHS before her, she would have signed without reading the small print.

Yes, she was that moved.

"I can't even imagine the feeling," said Ardizzoni. "I was filling up with tears because I was so proud of them. On the same token, I felt bad for the seven who didn't make the team."



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Ardizzoni wishes the parent of every child who ever attempted a difficult routine on the balance beam, or bars was able to watch the country's best gymnasts perform their routines under enormous pressure. The parents, who believe their children could never possibly succumb to the pressure of high-school sports, would have been surprised to know the best gymnasts in the country go through the same ups and downs, aches and pains, euphoria and disappointment as their own children, albeit, at a different level.

Still, the amazement of watching Dominique Dawes pull off a near-perfect bar routine illustrated just how far the gap is between inspiring gymnasts and those who have reached the world-class level.

Take 12-year-old Caitlin Flint. Caitlin looks to be one of the backbones of the Skippers' high school program in the coming years. She has already accomplished a lot for a girl her age. Parents and gymnastics groupies will travel to the CHS gymnastics room to watch Caitlin strut her stuff, much the same way Erica and Tara Hettstrom, Jodi Colwill, Meghan and Carolyn Pratt, Lauren Genovese and Kristen Reynolds did this past winter in leading the Skippers to their third consecutive South Shore League title.

But even Caitlin can't fathom what she saw in the FleetCenter.

"I thought the stuff they did on the beam was amazing," she said. "They did things I can't do on the floor. When you watch them on T.V., it seems so unreal, but when you're there you realize they are

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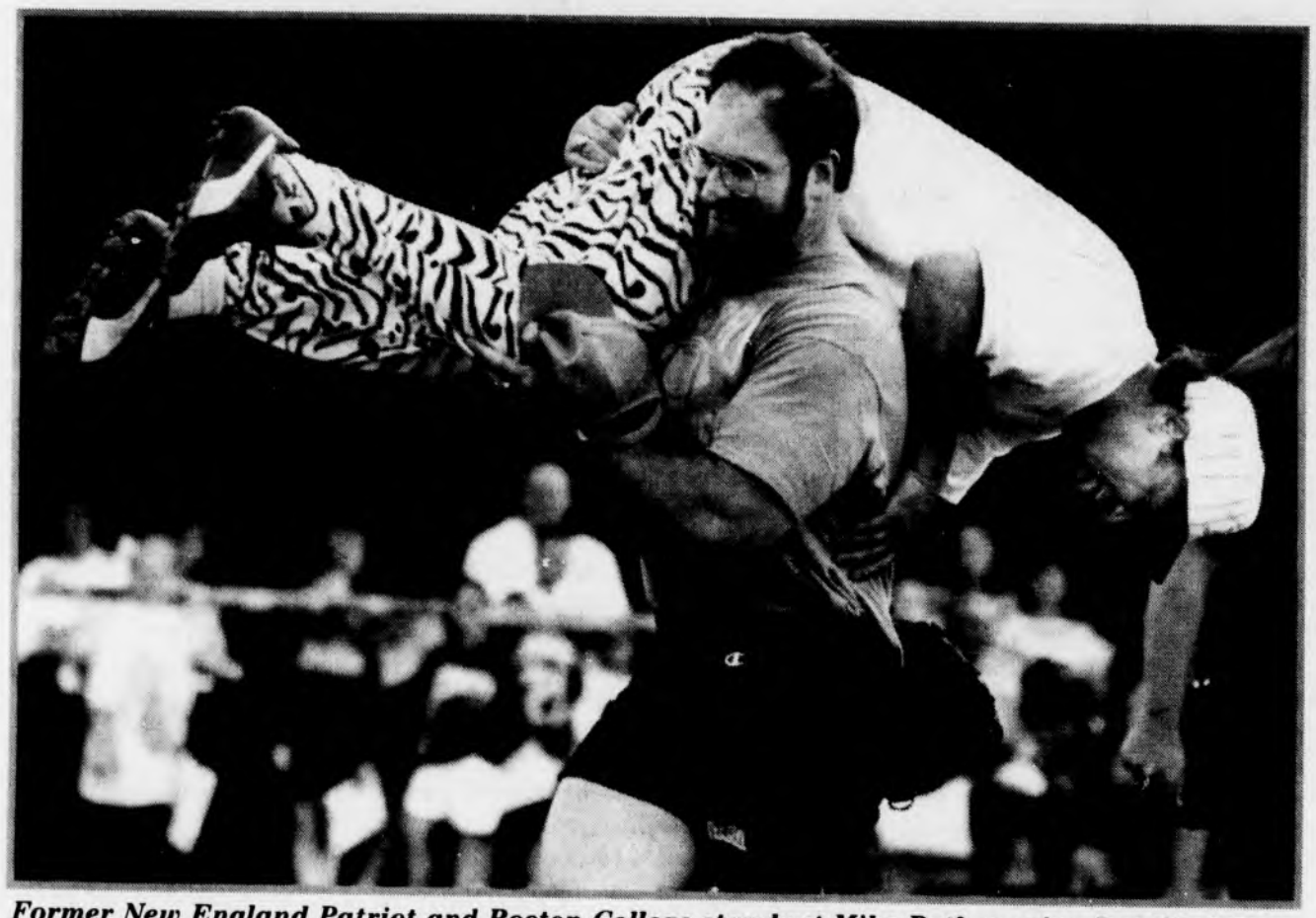
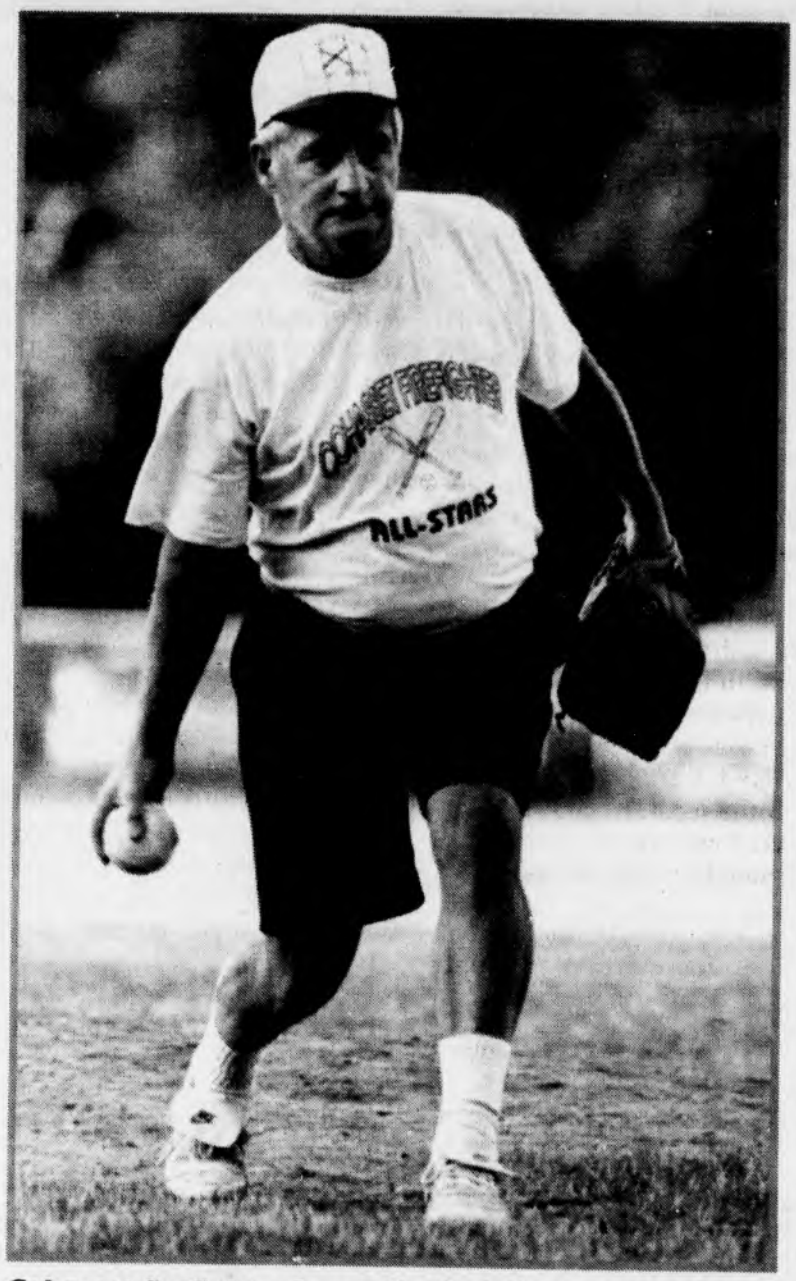
Firefighters answer Patriots' call



Former New England Patriot and Boston College standout Mike Ruth carries Jay Fiori down the third-base line during the Patriots' benefit softball game against the Cohasset Firefighters squad.



Cohasset firefighter Lenny Davis delivers a pitch to one of the Patriot batters.

The Patriots' Marty Moore takes a break from the game to sign an autograph for Devin Bell.

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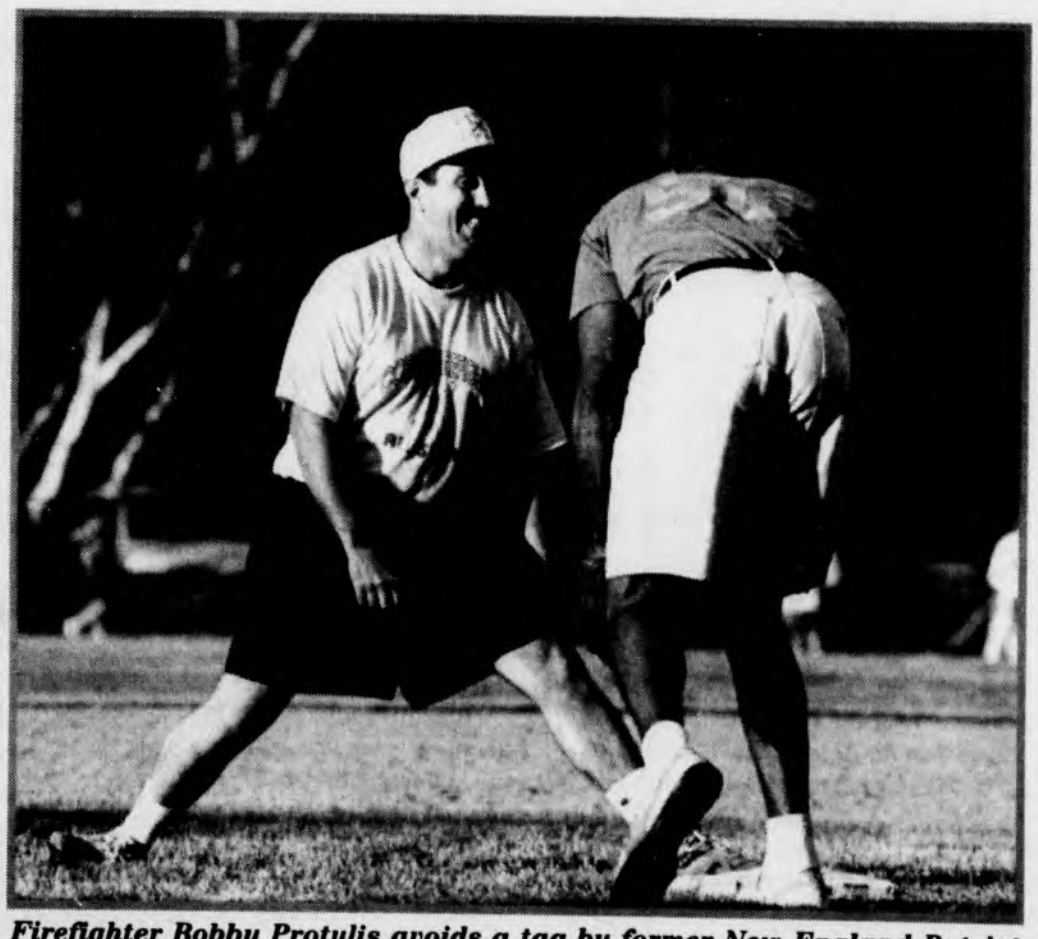
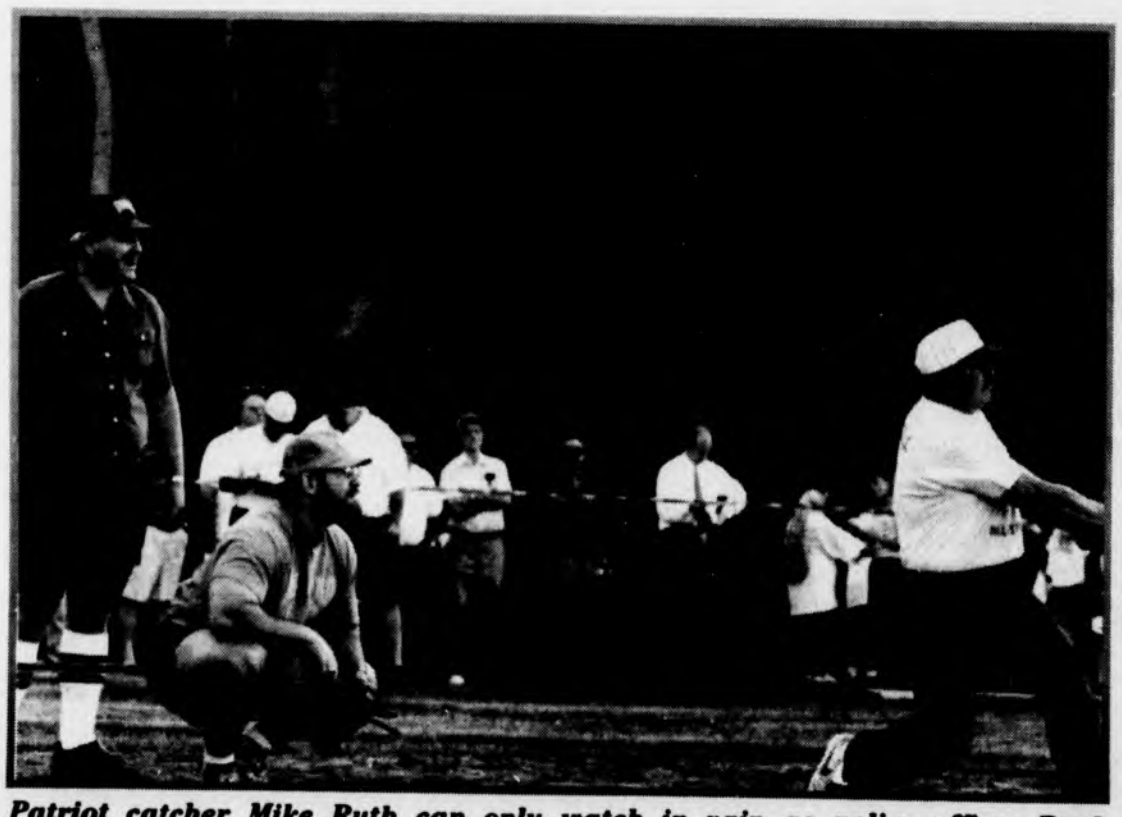


Firefighter Bobby Protulis avoids a tag by former New England Patriot Garin Veris.



Patriot catcher Mike Ruth can only watch in vain as police officer Paul Laugelle raps a base hit.

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Gymnastics trials leave lasting memories

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actually doing it."

The day obviously wasn't lost on the bright youngster. She knows what it takes to perform well at her level. But Caitlin wants to up the ante and become that much better. She may not be able to do what Dawes does on the beam, but you can bet Caitlin will give it a try on the mats. And even if she comes remotely close, she'll be looking at some nice scores come next winter.

"It makes me want to do so much better and excel more," Caitlin said.

She also saw firsthand the intense pressure the gymnasts were under to earn a berth and trip to Atlanta.

"You think of them as so perfect," Caitlin said, "but they make mistakes, too."

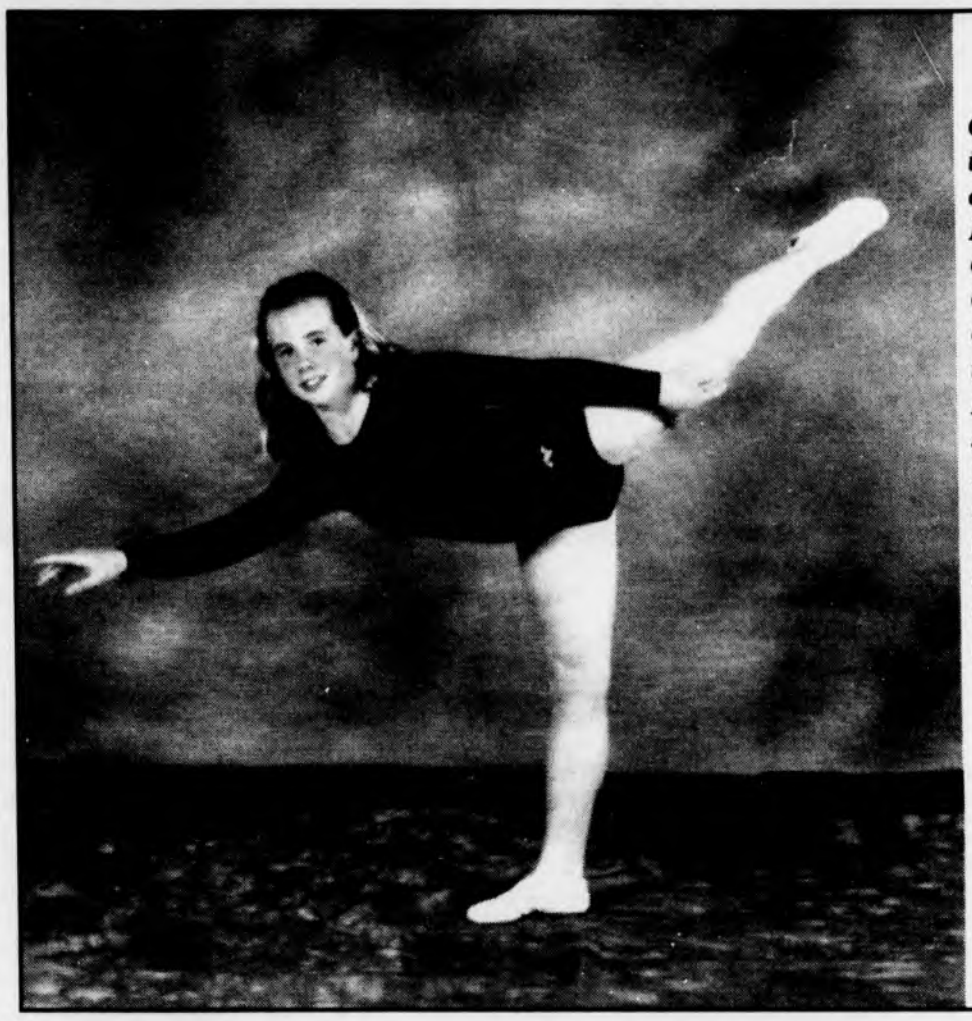
Like Ardizzoni, Caitlin brought home with her a lasting impression of the meet. She saw the joy of the seven-member team as it celebrated its first successful step in the master plan of striking gold down south.

"I remember the looks on their faces," Caitlin said. "I don't think I'll ever forget it."

Just imagine how thrilling it is for a young, impressionable athlete to watch, live, the very personalities she idolizes. A Little Leaguer watching Ken Griffey Jr., from the box seats at Fenway; A youth basketball player sitting courtside as Anfernee Hardaway pushes the ball upcourt against the Celtics; A budding cross-country runner peering for a view of the lead pack of the Boston Marathon jostling for position as it heads down Commonwealth Ave.

"It was exciting just to be there at every event," Ardizzoni said. "I hope it gets the girls excited to get back inside the gym and ready for the next season."

The Cohasset girls have never had serious problems getting motivated to do their best on the mats, beam, vault and bars. Last weekend's competition isn't about to change their minds. Oh, and give Caitlin the key to the community center. She'll probably be the first one there.



Caitlin Flint finished an impressive eighth at the 1996 NEAAU Regional Gymnastics Championships. Caitlin competed in the 12-14 Intermediate division. The talented 12 year old won't soon forget the fun time she had viewing the Olympic Gymnastics Trials at the FleetCenter.
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1:05 a.m., ambulance, Pond View Ave. Ext., Scituate.

12:37 p.m., MV accident, King St.

12:45 p.m., animal complaint, Pleasant St.

1:01 p.m., well being check, Gammons Rd.

3:01 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

7:26 p.m., ambulance, Standish Ave.

10:33 p.m., assist citizen, N. Main St.

11:36 p.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

Tuesday, June 11

1:01 a.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

6:42 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.

12:47 p.m., escort, S. Main St.

2:31 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

3:07 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.

6:01 p.m., serve restraining order, Fernway.

6:36 p.m., notification, Smith Pl.

7:43 p.m., fire alarm, Atlantic Ave.

8:31 p.m., animal complaint, Wheelwright Farm.

9:13 p.m., animal complaint, Stanton Rd.

11:22 p.m., open door/window, King St.

Wednesday, June 12

1:46 .am., info, general, N. Main St.

1:50 a.m., assist other PD, Elm St.

2:11 a.m., assist other PD, N. Main St.

2:34 a.m., assist other PD, N. Main St.

6:25 a.m., MV stop, Mill Ln.

6:32 a.m., MV stop, Mill Ln.

6:40 a.m., MV stop, Mill Ln.

6:49 a.m., MV stop, Mill Ln.

7:04 a.m., MV stop, Mill Ln.

7:30 a.m., assist other agency, Elm St.

8:45 a.m., vandalism, Ripley Rd.

10:54 a.m., medical aid, Flintlock Ridge Rd.

11:29 a.m., by-law violation, Jerusalem Rd.

11:51 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

11:58 a.m., fire (misc), Pond St.

1:18 p.m., suspicious person, Sohier St.

2:35 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

3:05 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

3:27 p.m., suspicious person, Atlantic Ave.

3:55 p.m., arrest, HQ., Edward Goodfellow, 51 L. St. Hull, DOB: 3/13/70,. arrested on WMS warrant, exp. lic., un.ins. MV, rev. reg.

5:04 p.m., abandoned auto, CJC Hwy.

8:22 p.m., medical aid, Hill St.

10:17 p.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd.

11:37 p.m., disturbance, White Head Rd.

11:45 p.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd.

Thursday, June 13

12:31 a.m., MV stop, King St.

1:15 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

4:07 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

7:04 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

7:45 a.m, info, general, N. Main St.

11:49 a.m., open door, window, Pond St.

2:01 p.m., fire alarm, Surry Dr.

3:27 p.m., E911 call verification, Sohier St.

3:39 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

4:22 p.m., larceny, CJC Hwy.

5:31 p.m., MV violations, Brook St.

5:54 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

7:07 p.m., suspicious (other), HQ.

7:16 p.m., MV accident, N. Main St.

8:01 p.m., disorderly conduct, Elm St.

8:04 p.m. protective custody, HQ.

8:33 p.m., disturbance (family), Norman Todd Rd.

9:43 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

10:48 p.m., disturbance, Ripley Rd.

11:35 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

Friday, June 14

12:43 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

12:52 a.m., disabled auto, Atlantic Ave.

Public Notice

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application No. W93-2664
Michael J. Abbruzzese

Notification Date: July 5, 1996

Public Notice is hereby given of the application by Michael J. Abbruzzese to maintain a bulkhead, groins and dock at 155 Border Street, in the Municipality of Cohasset, in and over the waters of The Gulf. The proposed uses of the structure(s) and/or fill is to provide shoreline stabilization for the protection of existing structures and non-commercial docking and boating access to navigable waters.

The Department will consider all written comments submitted thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date" in order to decide whether to grant authorization for the proposed activity pursuant to G.L. Chapter 91. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted written comments may also petition to intervene to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. Further information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Division at (617) 292-5695. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be submitted to: John A. Simpson, Program Chief, DEP/Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

7/4/96

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cohasset Board of Health will conduct a hearing on July 23, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. at the Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset to consider changes to its supplemental regulations to the State Environmental Code, Title V, 310 CMR 15.000, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage. The hearing will focus on the creation of Onsite Wastewater Management Districts that would eliminate the inspection requirement at time of property transfer to one of systematic inspections based on prioritized Onsite . Wastewater Management Districts. Revisions to the existing regulations dealing with the requirement for designing soil absorption systems for garbage grinders; providing alternating pumps for residential septic systems as well as other related issues will be discussed.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the POWER OF SALE contained in a certain mortgage given by CURTIS W. SMALZEL of 165 Atlantic Avenue, Cohasset, Massachusetts and DONEEN A. PRIDE of Post Office Box 26, Spanish Fort, Utah to CURTIS W. SMALZEL dated December 29, 1986 and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 7390, Page 532, which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder by Assignment dated October 12, 1989 and recorded with the Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 10785, Page 399, for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 A.M. on the 24th day of July, AD 1996, on the mortgaged premises at 30 Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, Norfolk County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage.

To wit:

shown as Lot 7 on a plan entitled, "Plan of Lots, Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, MA" dated June 8, 1954 by Lewis W. Perkins & Son, Engineers, said plan recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds and said parcel being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 8, as shown on said plan, 155.95 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by a curved line by Hammond Avenue with two lines measuring respectively 31.89 feet and 23.19 feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 6, as shown on said plan, 173.64 feet; and

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Property address: 30 Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, Massachusetts 02025

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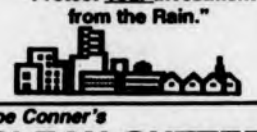

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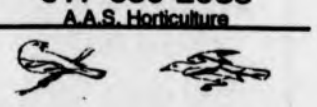

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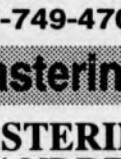

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Hingham Shipyard is sold

Cohasset man is new owner

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Paul Trendowicz, the owner of the Cohasset Harbor Marina, has purchased the Hingham Shipyard and Tern Harbor Marina in Weymouth.

Trendowicz said Monday the deal was closed on June 28, and he intends to continue "focus on marine operations" at both locations, while considering development options for the Hingham property.

'It was the right people at the right time.'

— Paul Neelon on his decision to sell.

"This is a long-term investment," he said.

Trendowicz purchased the Cohasset Harbor Marina on Parker Avenue less than two years ago. He lives with his family on Beach Street in Cohasset.

The Hingham Shipyard is comprised of 47 acres, with up to two dozen businesses presently leasing buildings there. Those businesses include an auto body shop, several marine supply stores, a cabinet maker, and a restaurant.

Trendowicz would not disclose the purchase price, but other sources said this week the sale price was "in the vicinity" of $11 million for the Hingham Shipyard and $2 million for Tern Harbor Marina.

According to the Hingham assessors' recent revaluation of real estate, the 47 acres at Hingham Shipyard have an assessed valuation of almost $10.8 million.

Hingham planning administrator Tom Cox said the shipyard is zoned in the industrial district, but the new owner could apply for a "mixed use special permit" which is allowed in that district.

Employing the mixed-use special permit, the shipyard could be developed with a variety of uses: commercial, industrial, and residential, including up to 200 condominiums or a hotel.

Sewer commissioner John Brandt said the entire shipyard is connected to the sewer system, however, any development is likely to require upgrades.

Paul Neelon, who had owned the shipyard for 30 years until last week's sale, said the property had not been "put

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Lucas Panos Casey performs the Greek "evzone" dance during the annual Taverna last week at the Panagia Greek Orthodox Church on Jerusalem Road. The popular event includes Greek food, entertainment, and dancing. For more photos, see page 11.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

August special town meeting could be rerun

Music Circus big top site considered

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

As the Aug. 12 special town meeting shapes up, voters could find themselves with a severe case of déjà vu.

Not only is the March 30 town meeting article approving the proposed $9.9 million new elementary school up for reconsideration but voters may be asked to reconsider the $6 million Strait's Pond sewer project as well.

Both issues drew throngs of supporters at the annual town meeting in March.

In anticipation of a big crowd and hot, humid conditions, the town may hold the special town meeting at the Music Circus because the high school gym is not air conditioned, officials said.

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Tues. 16	12:11	10.3	6:31	12:45	9.3	6:37
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Occupation: Manager, Marylou's News.

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Biggest worry: Customer complaints.

Best day of your life: The day I met my boyfriend.

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Favorite movie: 'Pretty Woman.'

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Favorite season: Summer.

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Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Pet peeve: When the store's a mess.

Person you'd most like to meet: Elvis.

Landfill contract awarded

Selectmen awarded the contract for capping the town landfill to the low bidder, C. Spirito Inc. of Hingham which bid $869,760. The highest bid of the five submitted was $1.12 million from G. Conway, Inc. of Charlestown.

The money for the project will come from $1.3 million in appropriations approved at two separate town meetings several years ago.

Engineers with Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. (CDM), who recommended C. Spirito, contacted client references provided by the company; bank references; and reviewed whether bid items were balanced. CDM is the consulting engineer on the project.

To cap the dump, Cohasset will use a 1/4 in.-thick membrane over a sand layer. The membrane will be topped with another sand layer and top soil.

There will not be enough room to build a soccer field at the landfill but selectman Nan Roth suggested a wild-flower meadow at the site.

Construction is expected to start later this month and be completed in October. The landfill closed seven years ago. A recycling/transfer facility is operated there and the town pays to have its trash is hauled to SEMASS in Rochester, Mass.

No clay from the Central Artery will be used. Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said the town did apply for the free clay offered by the state but no contractors showed an interest in bringing it to Cohasset. Doyon also noted a down side to having the clay is that the clay pile would have to be maintained until used.

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Best vacation: Mexico.

Favorite book: Anything by Mary Higgins Clark.

Favorite movie: 'Pretty Woman.'

Favorite TV show: 'Seinfeld.'

Most embarrassing moment: Being caught singing to myself when a customer came in.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite junk food: Pasta!

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Pet peeve: When the store's a mess.

Person you'd most like to meet: Elvis.

Landfill contract awarded

Selectmen awarded the contract for capping the town landfill to the low bidder, C. Spirito Inc. of Hingham which bid $869,760. The highest bid of the five submitted was $1.12 million from G. Conway, Inc. of Charlestown.

The money for the project will come from $1.3 million in appropriations approved at two separate town meetings several years ago.

Engineers with Camp, Dresser & McKee, Inc. (CDM), who recommended C. Spirito, contacted client references provided by the company; bank references; and reviewed whether bid items were balanced. CDM is the consulting engineer on the project.

To cap the dump, Cohasset will use a 1/4 in.-thick membrane over a sand layer. The membrane will be topped with another sand layer and top soil.

There will not be enough room to build a soccer field at the landfill but selectman Nan Roth suggested a wild-flower meadow at the site.

Construction is expected to start later this month and be completed in October. The landfill closed seven years ago. A recycling/transfer facility is operated there and the town pays to have its trash is hauled to SEMASS in Rochester, Mass.

No clay from the Central Artery will be used. Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said the town did apply for the free clay offered by the state but no contractors showed an interest in bringing it to Cohasset. Doyon also noted a down side to having the clay is that the clay pile would have to be maintained until used.

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Cohasset residents keep function

Couple passes Lantana business to son

Cohasset Mariner

Several years ago, there were two classic cars parked in the lobby of Lantana: a Model T and a DeLorean.

Maurice and Joan Hart, who owned Lantana, promised their seventh and youngest child, Paul, that he could have the DeLorean, which he loved, when he graduated from college.

They weren't exactly true to their word. When they remodeled the function facility they had owned and operated in Randolph for more than 20 years, they moved the cars to their home in Cohasset, where they have lived for 32 years.

It is Paul's now, though. He can drive the car the few short blocks to his home, which is also conveniently located in Cohasset.

As Lantana celebrates its 25th anniversary, Paul Hart, now 32, has bought the business. So as of July 1 Maurice and Joan have taken a well-deserved retirement.

"I'm glad it is staying in the family," said Maurice.

"I hope he learned something from us," he added with a chuckle.

Paul who calls himself a mold of his two parents, is no stranger to the business. He has watched it grow, albeit sometimes with young eyes, from a successful catering company in Dorchester (Hart Brothers) to the Lantana we know today.

Hart Brothers Catering started before Paul was born, over 40 years ago in a Roslindale kitchen where Maurice and Joan opened their own catering company (there is no brother).

It grew to be one of the biggest catering companies in Boston, and they moved to a bigger location in 1960: the old HP Hood milk plant in Dorchester.

"Everyone had Harts for their wedding. You got to have Harts," Paul said, remembering their slogan.

In the late 60s, Paul said, his father noticed that there weren't any function facilities on the South Shore where large groups of people could get together.

So the Harts built Lantana, which has five large functions rooms, the largest one holding 750 people, and several smaller bride, or board, rooms.

Paul credits his parents with picking a great location.

"Randolph was almost out in the boonies 25 years ago. Now it is perfect," he said, mentioning its proximity to Routes 24, 3, and 93.

In 1974 Harts Catering, which Paul's brother Michael has owned since 1989, was brought under the Lantana roof. It is now in Rockland.

Paul started at Lantana at a young age because his parents had no baby-sitters. He was paid in M&Ms and doughnuts.

"I think I first started with garnishes, breaking up parsley and washing it off. Then I moved up to the fruit cup. Big responsibilities," he said. "Most kids were involved in Little League. I was making vanilla balls and desserts."

Although Paul worked at Lantana on and off during the years, it wasn't until he graduated from Boston College (his father's alma mater) that he really became involved.

He started off as an assistant night manager and then became general manager in 1992.

Paul, who majored in business, said he had no plans to take over Lantana until recently.

"I just didn't see my parent's retiring," he said.

For their part, his parents didn't think he was interested.

"He is the last one I thought would take over," said Maurice.

When he became general manager, his parents began traveling a lot. It was then that Paul started asking if they would sell the business to him.

It wasn't quite that simple, Paul said. It took some time.

He added that he learned a lot during his time as manager.

His father, who did all the behind the scenes work, taught him to see a room through the customer's eyes and make sure it was perfect.

The intricacies of scheduling and ordering the food, which can be tricky with 2000 people

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Joan and Maurice Hart, founders of Lantana in Randolph, congratulate their youngest son, Paul, and his wife, Trish, on his recent purchase of Lantana from them. The Harts, who began catering functions 40 years ago, built the Lantana in 1971.

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facility in the family

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expected in the course of a weekend, were also explained, said Paul.

His dad wasn't easy to work with in the beginning.

"He has mellowed to the point that you can talk to the guy," Paul said with a grin.

He added that his father was intimidating because of his wealth of knowledge and experience.

From his mother Paul learned how to run the front office and how to sell banquets.

After many years under his parents' tutelage, Hart is implementing several ideas of his own.

He installed a state-of-the-art computer system, which keeps track of current market trends and is specifically tailored to Lantana's needs.

Paul said he also plans to expand the ballroom so it can accommodate 1000 people by the year 2000.

An obvious difference between the older and younger generation is that Paul works with a management team which helps him make decisions.

His parents worked alone.

"The business was extremely dependent on my parents. They were the entrepreneurs,"said Paul.

One sign of his success is that bookings are up 10 percent and expected to increase.

No matter how "modern" the running of Lantana becomes, it still has the Hart stamp.

"It is in the family blood. It was what our family was meant to do," Paul explained. "On a night off, me and my wife entertain 20 people."

He and his wife, Patricia, are expecting a child whom they hope might want to carry on the tradition, too.

Paul inherited his parents' concern for the community.

"My parents have taught me that community involvement is important," Paul said emphatically.

Lantana has hosted a holiday party for 500 senior citizens for many years, and is also involved with the schools and Little League, as well as charitable organizations such as Easter Seals.

Paul has asked his parents to be on the board of advisors for Lantana and admits he already misses them.

The feeling might not be as strong on his parents' side.

"We are doing things we have never done before, like playing bridge in the afternoon. We've taken up golf," said Maurice.

Students present concert

June 16, music students from Joan Jensen's studio in North Cohasset presented a concert for family and friends at Old Ship Church in Hingham. Included were performances by Jody and Rachel Doyle, Emilie Sullivan (piano) and Sarah Bertovich, Ali Kinchla (piano and singing) and Ron Nichynski (voice) all of Cohasset. There were also four-part renditions of light jazz pieces by a small group of Jensen's more advanced singers and a grand finale, which included all 18 students singing, enhanced by Kristen Fitzpatrick of Hull, tap-dancing the rhythm. Other students came from Hingham, Hull and Scituate.

This was the culmination of a half year's hard work in private and semi-private lessons of piano, voice, music theory and music appreciation. Ms. Jensen, concert artist and educator, maintains a music studio in her home. Information about lessons may be obtained by calling her at (617) 383-2240.

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Cohasset man is new owner of shipyard

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on the market" when he was approached several months ago by Trendowicz. Neelon, also a Cohasset resident, said he will continue his other property management business at his office in Waltham.

"It was the right people at the right time," he said this week of the decision to sell.

Although several proposals for development of the shipyard have been discussed over the years, Neelon said the project never materialized due to a number of factors.

Various public works improvements were needed before any development could begin, Neelon said. The Route 3A railroad bridge had to be demolished, the highway and intersection redesigned, and Shipyard Drive constructed. Those projects were completed by the mid- to late-1980s, but the economic recession that followed precluded development.

With financing difficult to obtain during the last five years, Neelon said, "It was a matter of hanging on until the economy improved."

That improvement has come in the last year, and new development plans were being formed to address the changing real estate market, when buyers approached Neelon about purchasing the property.

Ron Palermo of Modern Continental, a large real estate and construction company, said it had investigated buying the shipyard and the adjacent General Services Administration building. Negotiations had gone on intermittently over a two-year period, and company officials had even consulted with the Hingham planning board earlier this year about development options.

The GSA building is perhaps the largest building in Hingham. Situated behind the Weber Dodge, next to the Bradley Woods neighborhood, the total square feet of the building equals 25 acres. It was purchased in the mid-1980s by PX Realty Trust, which is leasing space to a number of industrial and engineering concerns, including Harris Rebar and a group from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Palermo said Modern Continental wanted to buy both properties, but PX Realty Trust did not want to sell its property.

"One didn't make sense without the other," Palermo said.

Planning board member Peter Bickford agreed, adding that he is "disappointed" that the shipyard sale does not include the GSA building. He noted that the master plan for the shipyard anticipated that the GSA property would be part of the entire development project.

The key to development of the shipyard is ownership of the entire area, he said.

"Otherwise, it will have to be done piecemeal."

Bickford said he hopes to see "a creative development—not a concrete mausoleum," that provides "a fair mix of recreational and residential uses," with commercial uses that maintain public access.

"I'm willing to work with any developer that wants to do something to enhance that area," he said. "I just don't see how anyone can do that without the GSA building."

In addition to PX Realty Trust, the state Department of Environmental Management and the MBTA own approximately 13 acres which were taken by eminent domain. DEM took seven acres in 1981 for commuter boat parking, docking, and the ticket office. In 1992, the MBTA took another six acres to expand the available parking. This land remains under state ownership.

History behind the shipyard

The property that came to be known as the Hingham Shipyard was originally owned in the early 1900s by Peter Bradley, which used the site for a polo field, stables, greenhouses and a private airport. To mark Hingham's tercentenary in 1935, more than 1,200 people attended a three-day celebration at the Bradley Estate.

Mindful of the war in Europe, the United States Navy encouraged Bethlehem Steel to construct a new shipyard. With its deep water harbor, proximity to railroad, and available manpower, Bethlehem Steel chose Hewitt's Cove at the Bradley Estate where destroyer-escorts would be built, as an annex to its Fore River Shipyard in Quincy.

In 1942, the property was seized for the war effort, paying the Bradley family $174,772 for 123 acres. The first ship was launched from the Bethlehem-Hingham Shipyard in September of that year.

By October, 1942, the shipyard employed 10,000 workers.

When World War II ended, the shipyard was turned over the Navy, which offered it for sale to the town. The property was then valued at $26.5 million. Hingham turned down its option to buy the shipyard, which was turned over to the General Services Administration.

The GSA sold the shipyard to the Grossman Lumber Company in 1961 for $553,000, but retained 35 acres, including the cavernous GSA building.

In 1966, Paul Neelon, in the name of Bear Hill Investment Corporation, bought the Hingham Shipyard, and began rebuilding the waterfront for Hewitt's Cove Marina. Those piers were destroyed during the Blizzard of 1978, and rebuilt with a state loan with slips for 350 ships.

An attempt to rezone the property to allow construction of high-rise apartments failed at town meeting in 1972. In 1983, town meeting unanimously approved the mixed-use special permit for the shipyard.

At various points between 1970 to 1987, the Hingham Shipyard was the subject of a variety of studies and "master plans" by Hingham, the shipyard owners, the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, and land-use and design students from Harvard.

Music Circus big top site considered

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cost was defeated at the May 4 special election.

But overturning the school article will effectively nullify the successful $9.9 million April 6 override, which authorized the town to pay for that project.

And in both cases, state money hangs in the balance. Sewer and school officials worry loss of state subsidy if the projects don't move forward.

The school project is on the list for 60 percent state reimbursement and nearly 50 percent of the cost of Straits Pond sewer project will be 75 percent funded by the state.

Ted Guild, chairman of the sewer commission, is used to wrangling with the state.

But after the town and state reached a settlement in 1994 to resolve Cohasset's sewer problems which have plagued the town for 20 years, Guild hoped things would move ahead more smoothly.

"It's extremely frustrating," he said about the article submitted by some North Cohasset residents.

Monday, Maria Plante of Jerusalem Road submitted a citizens' petition with 156 signatures asking that the sewer project be reconsidered.

As it stands now, the 345 homeowners in North Cohasset will pay for the sewer project with no subsidy from the town. The same people are facing 155 percent increases in their water bills to pay for a new water plant and upgrades to that system. North Cohasset is on Hingham water. That increase is being appealed by the towns of Hingham and Hull (see related story).

Plante said the entire town sewer undertaking should be handled as one.

"We want this addressed as a total municipal project," she said.

But the entire town is being addressed in the wastewater improvement plan with improvements tackled in phases. Strait's Pond, which is an Area of Critical Environmental Concern, is slated to go first.

"What's at stake (if the sewer article is overturned) is if we stop spending money and halt the project, we'll be in violation of the agreement for judgement," Guild said.

"The state will take whatever measures it deems appropriate to put us back to work."

The town could face fines of up to $10,000 a day for failing to comply with the agreement with the state.

After the May 4 override was defeated, North Cohasset citizens said they planned to join forces with their counterparts in the 400-430 homes in the central Cohasset area to bring a similar 50/50, user/town shared payment plan before the voters.

Plante said the group may still do that and withdraw the Aug. 12 article if Guild can convince them the $6.6 million central Cohasset sewer project will proceed as planned.

The sewer commission will meet at 7:30 p.m. tonight (July 11) at the Second Congregational Church next to town hall to discuss the project.

Guild said the central Cohasset project has been delayed a few months because some additional environmental testing has been required but every effort would be made to bring it before the October town meeting for approval.

"We intend to bring the Central Cohasset project to special town meeting and then give North Cohasset another crack at an override," he said.

This week, another article was submitted to selectmen regarding the school. Sources said some abutters are behind the article which asks for certain performance criteria for the school relating to siting concerns such as detention ponds, fire lane, retaining walls, and parking.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown, who was "faxed" the article and brought it to town hall, said selectmen would discuss whether or not to accept the article at their meeting on Monday.

Citizen petition articles with 100 or more signatures must be accepted if in by the warrant closing deadline but other articles are included at the selectmen's discretion.

Another article asking for funding for the next town history was also submitted before the warrant closed.

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Hingham, Hull to appeal water rate hike

Cohasset plans no action

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

While North Cohasset residents continue to oppose the Massachusetts-American Water Company rate hike through an aggressive letter-writing campaign, town officials say Cohasset has no plans to launch an appeal.

"At this point we don't anticipate any further action by the town," said Town Administrator Greg Doyon, who noted that the town could be limited on what it can do legally as it missed the deadline to be an intervener and served as only a limited participant in the recent rate hearings before the state Department of Public Utilities (DPU).

Many water company customers have already received bills reflecting the new, higher rates which went into effect June 1. While the latest bills reflect only a small portion of the large rate increase to come, Mass-American customers can expect to see their average annual water bills increase from $250 to $650.

Neighboring Hingham and Hull which are also served by the private water company filed a joint appeal in Supreme Judicial Court this week.

Officials in both towns hope that by reopening and reviewing the rate case, the DPU's decision, which allowed a more than 150 percent water rate hike, will be overturned in court and customers will receive a lower, more equitable rate increase.

Much of the increase approved will cover the construction and operation costs of Mass-American's new $39.5 water treatment facility located off Main Street in Hingham.

In their appeal, Hingham and Hull argue that the costs to construct the plant are excessive as compared to similar projects in other communities. The two towns also take issue with the high rate of return allowed for the project (Mass-American requested 14 percent return on the investment, the DPU allowed 13 percent) and the fact that the project was offered to only one bidder, eliminating the possibility of more competitive bids and the likelihood of lower construction costs.

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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More birthdays, babies and grads this week!

We begin by sending two very special ladies belated birthday greetings — **Kim Litchfield,** whose birthday was Monday, July 8, and **Anita Bernstein,** whose birthday was Tuesday, July 9. Hope both of you had the best celebrations ever, and that there will be many more for both of you!

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The University of Chicago awarded a bachelor of arts degree in biological sciences to **John Kisiel,** son of **Jack** and **Kathy Kisiel** of Pond Street, at a June 8 ceremony in Rockefeller Memorial Chapel on the University of Chicago campus.

While at the University of Chicago, John, a 1992 CHS grad, was a member of the crew team, member of the band "Grip Tongue" and was involved in musical drama. He plans to work as a research assistant at the University of Chicago hospitals before doing graduate work in the biological sciences.

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We are ever-so-proud of **Alison Welz,** daughter of **Bryan** and **Eloise Welz,** a member of the Class of 1996 at Skidmore. She earned honors during the spring semester.

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Colby College, Waterville, Maine, announced **Rebecca L. Golden** was named to the dean's list for outstanding academic achievement during the second semester of the 1995-'96 academic year. Becky, daughter of **Steven** and **Amy Golden,** is a member of the Class of 1998, majoring in international studies.

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Colby College also sent us word of another Cohasset student, **Laurie B. Bronstein.** Laurie, a member of the Class of 1996, majored in sociology. She is the daughter of **Barry** and **Judith Bronstein.**

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Junior **Brett MacQuarrie,** son of **Jane** and **Chris Kyricos,** earned academic honors for the spring term at Northfield Mount Hermon School, an independent, coeducational college-preparatory school in Northfield. A student leader and member of the varsity lacrosse and soccer teams, he served as co-captain of the Southeast Team in the 1995 Bay State Games. He also has been a member of the NMH "As Schools Match Wits" academic TV quiz show team.

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Here is an inspiring story if we ever heard one! **Angela Parisi,** daughter of **Bruce** and **Georgine Butman,** has been chosen to receive the Merit Achievement Award in recognition of having her achievements published in "Who's Who Among American High School Students." Angela is a student who chose to attend South Shore Vo-Tech to study electrical engineering and will very probably be one of our nation's leaders someday!

Hat's off to Carole J. Smith on her graduation from Williams College.

She has received the Youth Recognition Certificate from the U.S. Army; Certificate of Achievement from the Secretary of Defense, William Perry; and the Certificate of Achievement from the National Aeronautics and Space: Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, from Kathryn Thornton, NASA astronaut. Angela's family is very proud to have such a goal-reacher in their family! And isn't it nice to know that with all the crime and corruption we hear about among our youth, we do have kids who reach for the stars! We are all proud of you, too, Angela!

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Speaking of wonderful news, **John** and **Joan Conte** have some to share. His name is **John Carmelo Conte III,** born June 13 at 1:24 p.m. at South Shore Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, one ounce. His siblings are **Mike** and **Bill Kearney,** and **Jenna Conte, Caitlin** and **Kerin Kearney.** Maternal grandparents are **Joan** and **Bill Higgins** of Hull, and his paternal grandparents are **Barbara** and **Carmelo Conte** of Cohasset. Our congratulations to all of you!

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Carole J. Smith, daughter of **Peter** and **Mary Ellen Smith** of Cohasset, received a BA degree from Williams College at its 207th commencement exercises June 2. The commencement address was delivered by George Bush, 41st President of the United States. Carole majored in biology and graduated cum laude.

Her activities included serving as a teaching assistant, on the college council, rugby, yearbook staff; Gull editor, peer health counseling and crew. What a busy lady! Congrats go out to you, Carole, along with best wishes for a great life in the business world!

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A gala celebration was held Sunday, June 23, at the Commandant's House, Charlestown Navy Yard, to honor the retirement of **Henry Dormitzer,** longtime Cohasset resident and president of the New England historic seaport. Henry founded the seaport more than 20 years ago, and is responsible for building the Spirit of Massachusetts, a 125-foot, two-masted schooner and sailing school ship renowned for its beautiful appearance.

Spirit sails year-round, traveling the Eastern Seaboard from Nova Scotia to the Gulf of Mexico and into the Caribbean for the winter months.

Henry also bought the Tall Ships to Boston in 1976, 1980 and 1984. In addition to family and friends from afar, Cohasset guests at the retirement party were **Rod** and **Marilyn Hobson, Deborah Trachtenberg** and **Carol Bonnar.**

The Dormitzers are also celebrating their 63rd wedding anniversary. Congratulations and smooth sailing to **Henry** and **Julia Dormitzer!**

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Engagements

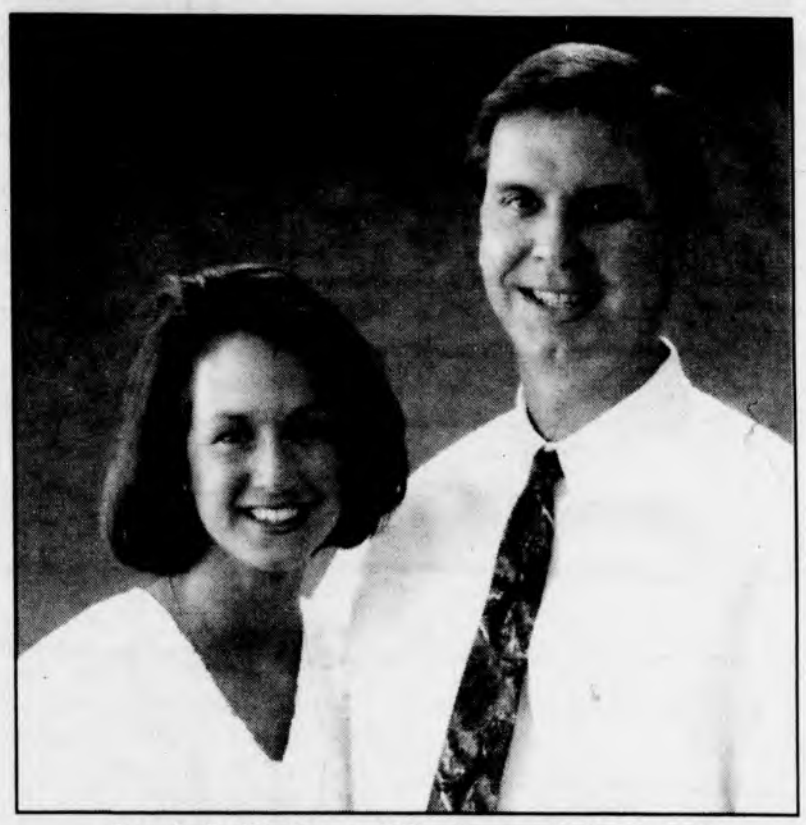
Ripley/ Devanney

Elizabeth B. Ripley and Robert G. Ripley, both of Cohasset, announce the engagement of their daughter, Carrie Louise Ripley, to Dr. James Frederick Devanney, son of Dr. and Mrs. William J. Devanney of Exeter, R.I.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of South Florida, Tampa, and holds a degrees in special education. She is employed as an instructional aide at Joseph Osgood School, Cohasset.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Maryland and Boston University Dental School and is employed as a dentist in private practice in Warwick, R.I.

A November wedding is planned.



Carrie L. Ripley and Dr. James F. Devanney

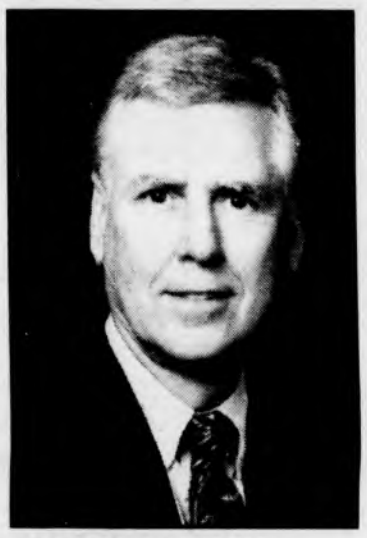
Obituaries

James G. Story

James G. Story, 53, of Cohasset, died June 30 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth, after being stricken at home Sunday.

Born in Dallas, Texas, Mr. Story was a graduate of the University of Texas and North Texas State University. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity. He lived in Cohasset 18 years.

He was vice president for sales and marketing at Claflin Equipment Co., a Providence, R.I., medical supplier, and a member of the Independent Medical Distributors Association.



JAMES C. STORY
18 year resident

Mr. Story was the husband of Claudia (Judson) Story and leaves a son, Ryan Story, and a daughter, Karin Story, both of Cohasset; his father, Jason L. Story of Dallas; and a brother, Robert G. Story of Dallas.

A memorial service was held July 5 at Second Congregational Church, Cohasset.

Donations may be made to Second Congregational Church of Cohasset, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home of Cohasset.

Piano recital

A piano recital by the students of Florence Jerome was held at her home, 268 Beechwood St., Cohasset, on Thursday, June 20. Among the selections performed were arrangements of Bach, Dvorak, Massoud and Thompson plus a Russian Gypsy folk song, a duet and a selection from Disney's "Aladdin."

The children who participated in the recital were Kelsey Henderson, Abby Murphy and Nick Murphy, all from Cohasset, and Brianna Naab from Hull. After the children had played their selections, Mrs. Jerome performed "Fantasie Impromptu IV in C# minor" by F. Chopin for the audience.

After the program a small reception was held for the students and their guests.

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EDITORIAL

A second chance for a responsible decision

To those of you who are on the fence about the proposed new elementary school, the weeks ahead will provide the opportunity to get the facts you need to make a reasoned decision.

There's a month before the August 12 Special Town Meeting where voters will again have the opportunity to decide whether the project should move forward.

And while there has been a plethora of meetings and news articles on the subject over the past year — we're now back at the starting gate.

Sadly, a project that should be looked forward to with great expectation for the future of the town's children has divided Cohasset.

In an unprecedented move to rescind a town meeting action that was contingent on a successful override vote — a group of angry citizens has organized to stop the project. A simple majority at the special town meeting in support of overturning the annual town meeting vote will be able to send the school project back to the drawing board.

As voters, the responsibility now falls on each and every one of us to separate anti-tax rhetoric from legitimate concerns about the project itself.

Don't be fooled into thinking that the town doesn't need a new school, it does.

The questions that now remain are: when, where and at what cost? The school building committee and school committee have answered these questions ad nauseam. Can you accept what they have proposed? If you have questions over the site, the design, how the funding mechanism works, the impact on your tax bill — then by all means call a committee member or attend a meeting and ask.

There is a lot at stake, not the least of which is the possible loss of millions of dollars in state reimbursement for the project.

So like it or not, Aug. 12 will provide another chance to vote on the school. Please mark your calendars and *come to listen.*

We hope the North Cohasset homeowners who decided to bring their sewer project before the voters for reconsideration in August will change their minds. They will lose nothing by waiting until the October special town meeting — and a lot might be gained. By that time the central Cohasset sewer project could be ready for approval and both groups could work together for an override to share the projects' cost with the town.

The August special town meeting should be allowed to focus on the school.

— Mary Ford

Support for new school urged

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

It is time to begin to set the record straight in the fight for a new school for Cohasset's youngest children.

Representing the proponents of a new school are the School Committee (unanimous), the School Facilities Committee (unanimous), the Board of Selectmen (unanimous), and the Advisory Committee (overwhelming majority). Representing the opponents of a new school are a very small group of people whom I shall call The Vocal Minority. I shall confine my observations in this letter to two of these groups: the School Committee (of which I am chairman) and The Vocal Minority.

My colleagues and I on the School Committee have absolutely nothing to gain from our support of the new school. None of us has a child who will benefit from this project. All of us will see our property taxes rise at the same rate as everyone else in the town. None of us is in any way connected with the building trades industry, so none of us will benefit financially from the project.

So ask yourself: why is it that we favor a new school? The answer is simple: *because it's the right thing to do.* Cohasset's youngest children are being educated now in a woefully inadequate physical facility that would be unacceptable in most urban areas of America. There is no cafeteria. There is no gymnasium to speak of, only a play area that doubles as storage space. Classrooms are far below minimum standards, both in size and adequacy of storage and other spaces. The building is not accessible to persons with physical disabilities. The library and the computer lab, such as they are, are squeezed into the basement. Most of the mechanical and electrical systems do not meet current codes.

Now ask yourself: what motivates The Vocal Minority? One member, who also serves on the Advisory Committee, stated in writing in two local newspapers that the School Committee would not seek state funding, thereby sticking the residents of the town with an additional 60 percent cost for the project. Was this a fabrication? a scare tactic? That same member of The Vocal Minority also stated that the 60% state reimbursement was simply our own state taxes being returned to us. There are about 5,000 taxpayers in Cohasset. There are millions of taxpayers statewide. Does anyone really believe that it is "our state taxes" coming back to us? Was this a fabrication? A scare tactic?

Another member of The Vocal Minority was rebuked by the Local Affairs Committee at the state house recently when she was unable to produce a shred of evidence that the outcome of the override election was in any way affected by failure to post a notice. Of course, failure to post a notice is a serious problem, one which I'm certain the selectmen will correct. But virtually no one, as this member was forced to admit, reads those notices anyway! Was this a fabrication? a scare tactic?

A third member of The Vocal Minority demanded repeatedly at Town Meeting, in the very few School Facilities Committee meetings he attended and in writing that $1 million dollars should be cut from the project, but that the new school should be air conditioned, thereby adding back most of those savings. Am I missing something here?

It is clear that The Vocal Minority will say anything, grasp at any straw to defeat the new school. Why? What do they stand to gain from its defeat?

Most importantly: who speaks for the children of Cohasset? Who is looking out for the 5- and 6- and 7-year-olds who every day, 180 days a year, are forced to spend more than five hours of their lives in one of the oldest, most inadequate school buildings in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in one of the most affluent towns in the state?

I submit to you that it is time for the people of Cohasset to do the right thing. Attend Town Meeting Aug. 12. Don't let The Vocal Minority speak for you. Give our children what they deserve: an adequate physical plant to go along with the excellent teaching and caring they already receive from the Cohasset Public Schools.

Ralph D. Kidder
2 Cushing Rd.

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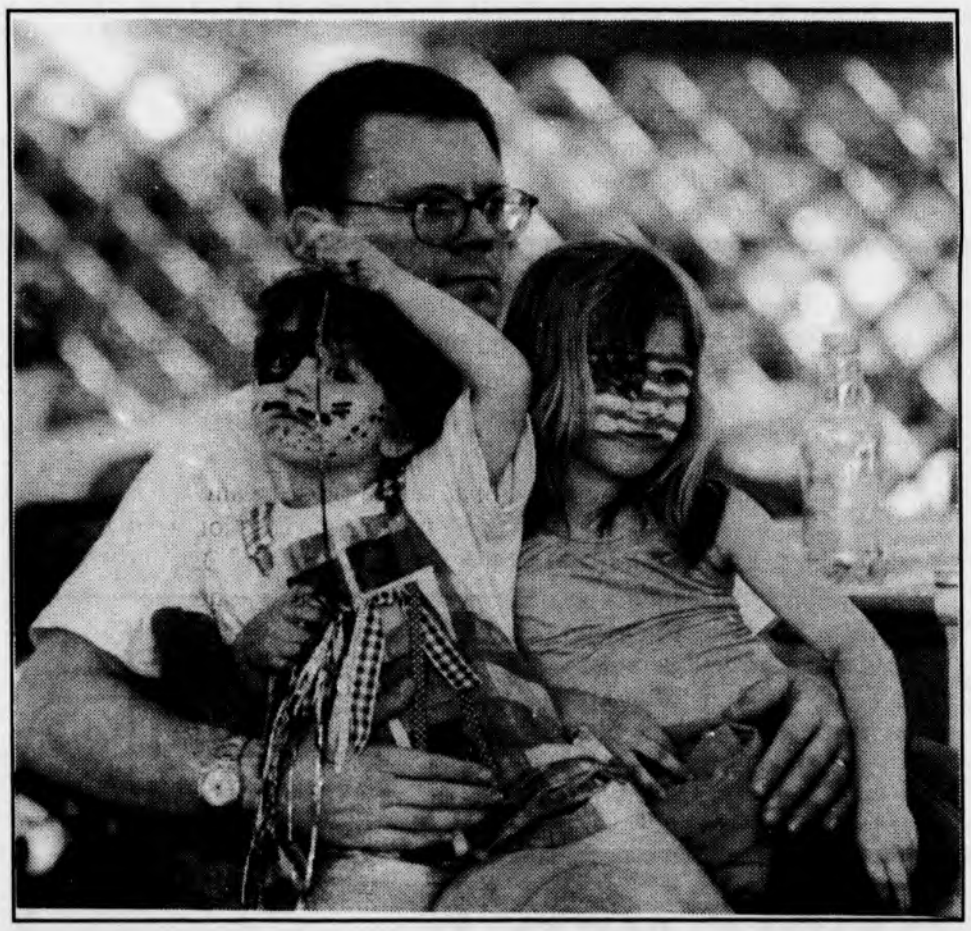

Clockwise from top left: Patrina Pappas performs a Greek folk dance at the annual event held last week at the Panagia Greek Orthodox Church on Jerusalem Road; Marion Pappas explains Greek traditions to Taverna visitors; Joan Cara Donna sells religious iconography; Al Bocham bastes the lamb; and Grace and Lisa Barlow enjoy the folk dancing with their dad, Peter.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Reader outraged at two selectmen

To the Editor:

I attended a selectmen's meeting Monday, July 1, fearful that the taxpayers group of which I am a member would be treated like pariahs, which is what happened at the disruptive and thoroughly unpleasant town meeting of March 31 and April 1.

What I experienced was an appalling lack of knowledge on the part of two selectpersons.

The list of 500 citizens' names presented to call for a special town meeting was received by a few selectpeople as if it were a letter bomb. Voting against the petition was not an option of the board.

We are in the midst of a taxpayers' revolution, repeated in hundreds of towns throughout the commonwealth and the country. Responsibility in government and prudence in fiscal matters is the watchword.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Putting off debt for a questionable future is not in our budgets.

The "old" people who "cannot attend a meeting because it is too hot in August," as Ms. McMorris claims, are in fact the signers of the petition and are willing to schedule it in the Mojave Desert if it would protect the fixed incomes so carefully nurtured most of their lives.

Mrs. McMorris accused the taxpayers of having adopted an immoral stance. I ask her — how moral is it of citizens to build a school in the middle of wetlands, with one access road, and with deep-detaining pools that place the school children in jeopardy?

The taxpayers' intent is to protect our children and avoid town indebtedness well into the next century.

A school, yes. That particular school, no.

Our taxpayers' group represents 10 percent of the voting population of Cohasset, and many more people who have finally been alerted to the secretive and sloppy planning on the part of those responsible for the school plans — presented and revised many times — and still dangerous and unacceptable.

In the spirit of cooperation and nonpartisanship, let us suggest that all those responsible for the government of Cohasset begin to act in the interests of the entire population, not just of a few vested interests. Only then will we praise ourselves for the choices we make in our town elections.

Joanne Young
264 N. Main St.

School board backs school site

To the Editor:

Much of the recent discussion in your newspaper regarding Cohasset's new elementary school has focused on the site chosen for this project. The School Committee strongly endorses the School Facilities Committee in its selection of this site and in the thoroughness of their site selection process.

The location of the new school was chosen after careful review of a number of sites in Cohasset. Information about and a listing of those sites is available to the public in the Sept. 19, 1995, report by Earl R. Flansburgh and Associates, Inc., titled *The Cohasset Public Schools*, which is available at the Superintendent's office. In the course of the site selection process, input was solicited from the Housing Authority, the Cemetery Study Committee, the Advisory Committee and the Conservation Commission. Sites were evaluated based on the following criteria:

Cost: the need to be fiscally responsible.

Size: a contiguous parcel of 15 to 20 acres.

Access: ability to access the property easily.

Of the many sites reviewed, only one, the town-owned land behind the Deer Hill School, met all of those criteria. This parcel of land was purchased by the Town in 1969 for the sum of $135,000; it was bought specifically for the purpose for which it will now be used. Thus, selection of this site did not add to the cost of the project. Size and accessibility are both more than adequate. Further, locating the new school near the existing Deer Hill facility creates a campus atmosphere, which is desirable from an educational standpoint.

As with any major construction project, several issues have arisen with respect to this site. The School Facilities Committee, in concert with the Conservation Commission and the Design Review Board, is addressing, and will continue to resolve, these issues. It is clear to us that the chosen site is indeed the best location for Cohasset's new elementary school.

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SAFE wins 'crabgrass' award for organizing to protect environment

SAFE won the annual "Crabgrass" award from Clean Water Action for the best organizing to protect the environment. SAFE, Stop Any Further Expansion, the five-year-old Cohasset environmental group, won the award for its successful efforts to stop the proposed Area 5 expansion of the private Cohasset Heights Ltd. (CHL) landfill.

"We had stiff competition for this award," said SAFE vice-president John K. McNabb Jr., who accepted the award for the group at the Clean Water Action awards ceremony June 11. "But, other successful environmental activists from across Massachusetts recognized that we have been very successful in educating the people of Cohasset and preparing them to take effective action."

SAFE won the "Crabgrass" award for its steady organizing of the people of Cohasset, which resulted in an ever-increasing number of people in Cohasset who have written a letter or taken other action to stop the expansion, from about 18 in 1991 to more than 800 today.

"Clean Water Action," said McNabb, "was particularly impressed with the fact that 150 people signed up with 10-citizen groups to intervene in the Site Assignment Hearings and that 267 people signed up to participate in the hearings."

SAFE was awarded a copy of a book, "For Earth's Sake, The Life and Times of David Brower," by David Brower, which SAFE will donate to the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. Clean Water Action is a statewide alliance of local environmental groups like SAFE.

Dragging depletes lobster stocks

To the Editor:

As a lobsterman, I was very interested in your article "Local lobstermen are opposed to dragging for lobsters," (June 20). However, the article was very one-sided by frequently quoting supporters of draggermen and ignoring all the work my state senator, Bob Hedlund, and others, have done on behalf of lobstermen.

Dragging for lobsters kills many, many lobsters in the process. Soft shell lobsters and immature lobsters cannot stand being dragged over cobble rocks for long distances. If the state allows draggermen to land lobsters, then whatever the limit or daily catch is will be just a portion of the lobsters lost to draggers.

Lobstermen understand that some lobsters are going to be caught by draggers. But we should keep the allowable catch low, very low. Otherwise, some draggermen may go after lobsters when they cannot find any groundfish, even though they have already fished them to near extinction. Draggers are already targeting lobsters as evidenced by comments in the article. Once the stricter bans on groundfish go into effect, we can only guarantee that more draggers will set their sights on a greater amount of lobsters.

The long-term health of the lobster stocks and preserving the future value of one of the state's most valuable resources are the reasons why the Mass. Lobstermen's Association, along with sympathetic legislators like Sen. Bob Hedlund and Sen. Bob Durand, are fighting to prevent draggermen from unintentionally, or intentionally contributing to the depleting of lobster stocks.

John Anderson
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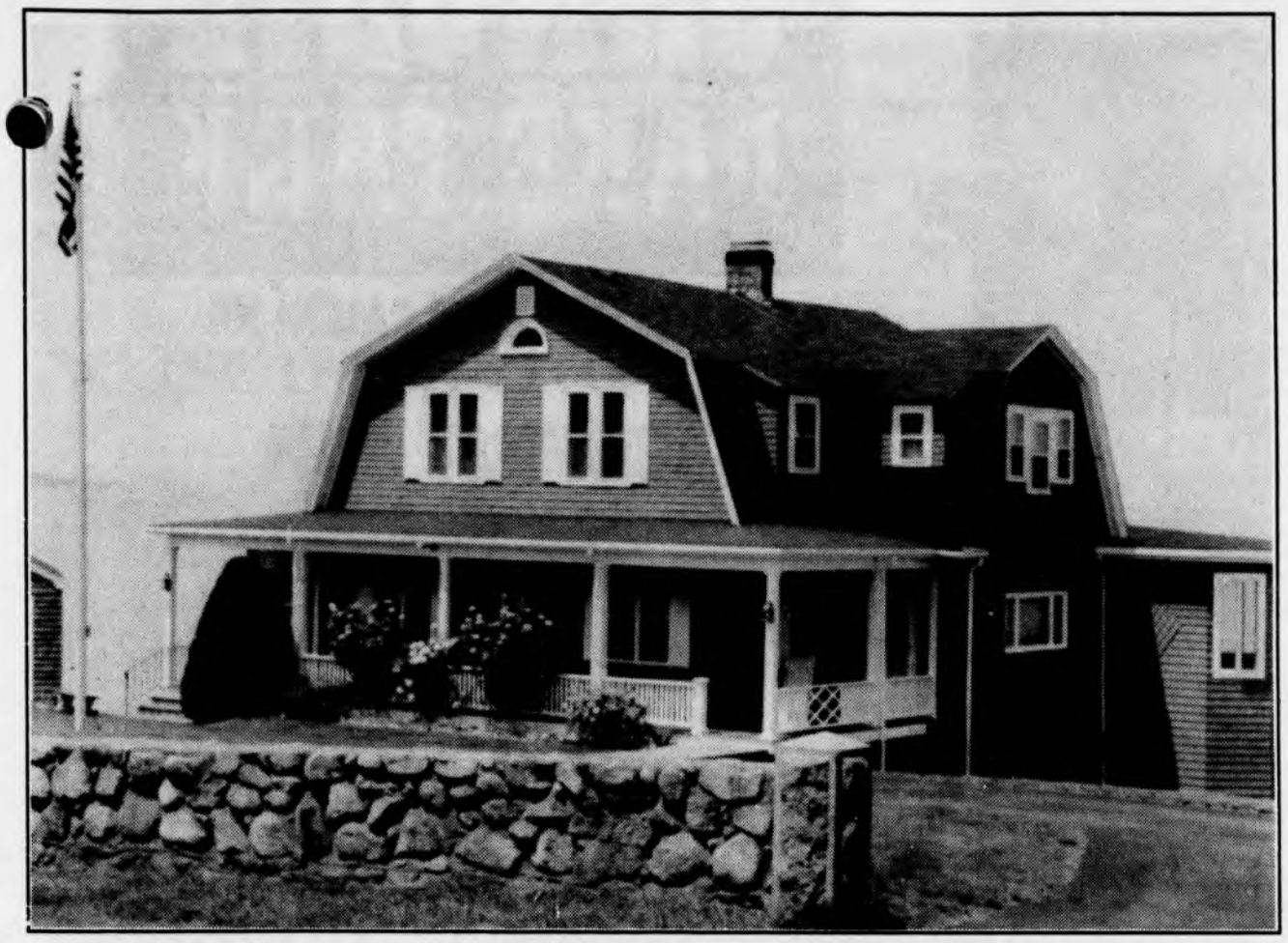

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Sailing Club Lobsterfest

The Cohasset Sailing Club is sponsoring its annual clambake for members and their guests from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 20. (This event is scheduled in July this year as the Sail Club is co-hosting the Mass. Bay Junior Sailing Regatta in August — 300 kids to race!)

Cohasset's Dan Anderson will provide the clambake, and DJ With Class will be there for music and dancing.

The menu includes New England clam chowder with oyster crackers, steamers with drawn butter, native corn on the cob, sweet sausage, coleslaw, assorted rolls, chilled watermelon, and a choice of a select steamed lobster (1-1/4 lb.) or a 12 oz. sirloin steak. The cost is $26 per person and participants should bring their own beverages. This event will be held under the tents as usual, rain or shine. Casual attire.

Tickets must be paid for no later than Thursday, July 18. Payment may be brought to the sailing club and given to the instructor in the office (there will be a designated box on the desk to put your checks) or dropped off to the front step mail box of Lyn Previte, 38 Summer Street. Checks MUST indicate the number of steak or lobster dinners desired. For questions or information, call Lyn at 383-9723.

Poker night at teen center

The Teen Center will host a Poker Night Friday, July 12, from 7 to 10 p.m., for seventh- to ninth-graders. Come to play a few hands of cards, eat pizza and have some fun.

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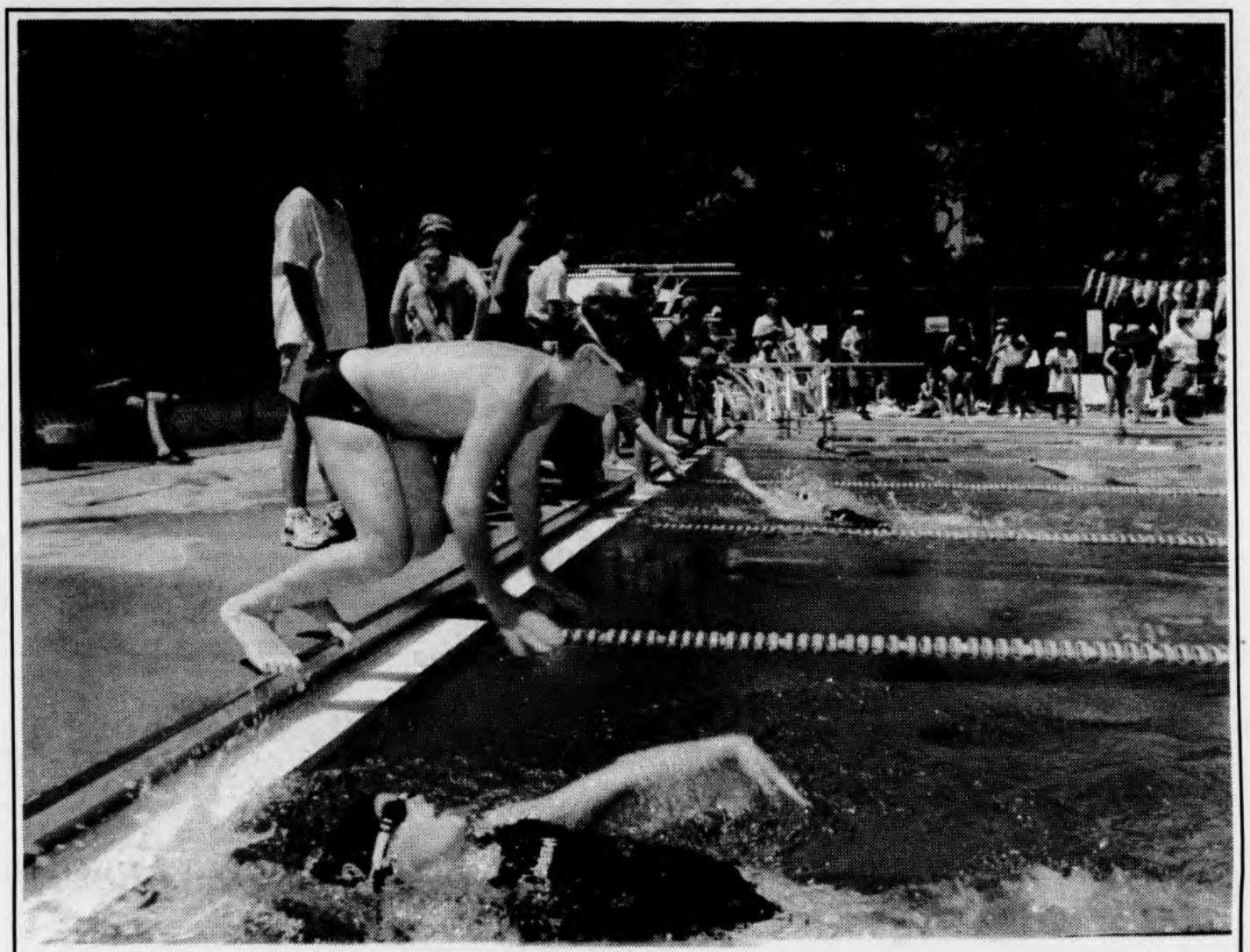
Mariner Sports

Swimmers swamp Hanover

Season-opening win sets stage for Scituate meet



Cohasset's Tommy Anderson takes off for the second leg of the medley relay in last Friday's South Shore Swim League season-opening victory over Hanover.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Cohasset Swim Center team couldn't have asked for a better start to its South Shore Swim League season than last Friday's overwhelming win over the Hanover YMCA club.

There's power in numbers and Cohasset had just that as all 130 swimmers contributed to the victory.

"Allison (Hughes) and I were both very happy," said head coach Becky Golden. "It was a great start to the season.

"What was so outstanding was that we had 130 swimmers out there and they were able to add something to the meet."

Cohasset had strong performances in all of its age groups. In fact, there wasn't a single event where the swimmers didn't shine.

Melissa Crowley Buck, Cally Ernst, Emile Shea and Parker Berg led a clean sweep in the mixed 8-and-under medley relay. Cohasset won the 10-and-under mixed medley relay as well with the squad of Nicole Plante, Yasmine Afshar, Becca Lehr and Teddie Straughn.

Cohasset also took the medley relay in the boys and girls divisions in every age group through the 17-and-under category.

In the individual races, Mike Ernst, Derek Bugley, Chris Golden and Parker Berg were just a few who sped to victory on the boys side, while Ali Dempster, Sarah Case, Allison Berg, Kate O'Brien, Alexis Bugley and Ernst swam to wins. Also finishing in first place in their respective events for Cohasset were Rob Lehr, Terry Hurley, Justin Buckley, Bryan Bilton, Kerry O'Hart, Lisa Musto, David Ingler, Matt Farley, Derek Bugley, Zach Markert, Courtney McDonald, Sarah Harknesst Afshar and Elizabeth Ingber to name a few.

Golden said Friday's meet at the Scituate Yacht Club should prove to be more of an even competition than the Hanover match-up.

"I expect it to be one of the closest meets of the summer," said Golden. "It's definitely going to be a harder one for us. Scituate only has four lanes so we won't be able to show off our (team) depth."

Cohasset may not be able to "show off" its deep squad, but you can bet it will be plenty ready to pick up where it left off from the first meet.

Selma Ingber contributed to this article.

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Time for adults to grab the coffee can

Your palms get sweaty as you near the entrance to Super Stop & Shop.

You reach into your pockets and fumble for some loose change, anything so you can come out of this particular predicament without feeling like Ebeneezer Scrooge.

You think back quickly in your mind to the charities you have made donations to over the year and the money you put into the collection box at church every week.

But this is different. Unlike the envelopes you put a check in and mail away without seeing the people you are donating to, The Collector stands just a few feet away as you near the door, dressed in his game uniform.

You take what you have in your pocket and slide it through the slit cut out of the plastic cover of the coffee can.

Bless you sir. See you on the way out.

It's that time of year again when Little League baseball travels out of New England to locations across the country and we're expected to dig down into our pockets and pay for the two-way plane ticket.

The Ken Griffey Jrs., and Roger Clemens of tomorrow are suddenly the meek of the earth for a few weekends. Give them a cockney accent and you'd swear Oliver Twist and his lads were in town.

Reardon

I haven't played baseball since the eighth grade, but over the last six years I've stuffed enough dollar bills and odd change into enough cans to buy my own minor league team.

Call me an ogre, but I'm tired of paying a toll just to get into supermarkets. And for what? So some kids can go spend a week playing baseball in Oklahoma, Texas or God knows where.

Don't get me wrong. I think baseball's the epitome of American sports and a great game for kids. But I have a big problem when parents, coaches and the rest of the crowd turn the youngsters from the Boys of Summer into panhandlers.

A cynical attitude on my part? Maybe. But before you call me a cynic answer me this question. Why aren't the parents putting money away for a rainy day, in this case, sending their sons and daughters on a trip to play ball against the best in the country?

You have to admit, the adults are onto something here. But why stop with Little League and the rest of the youth sports. This is the United States after all, free enterprise is what made this country great. I want a piece of the American dream too. I'm going to grab a coffee can this afternoon and hit the supermarket circuit myself. By Monday I should have enough for a new antenna for my car and a pair of hub caps.

Now that I think of it there's a trip to Bermuda I've had my mind set on for quite a while now. This one will take some serious cash, so you can expect to see me around the South Shore for a few months. Remember, when you do see me outside CVS, Super Stop & Shop and Dunkin Donuts have a heart. I have to go on this trip. That's all there is to it. You have your baseball diamonds, I have the white, sandy beaches of Nassau on my mind.

Then again, maybe I'll bring my story to the local businesses around town. I'm sure the various stores in Cohasset Village have enough loose change lying around to get me that much closer to paradise.

But I can't forget the expenses. Sure, I can collect enough from an afternoon working the Hanover Mall to pay for my plane ticket. Once I get to Bermuda, however, I have to have some spending money for postcards to send to those friendly businesses that paid for my vacation. Plus I have to buy T-shirts for the relatives.

The more I think about it though, the closer I'm coming to actually taking some initiative. How about an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner? Charge $5 a head and let the masses have a pastafest. Doubt it won't work? It did the trick in sending a teammate of mine to the National Junior Olympic Cross-Country Championships in Cheyenne, Wyoming back in 1978. And what's more you got something in return.

Still, I'm pretty much a softie when it comes to aspiring baseball players collecting money in the hot sun. So guys, and gals, don't worry. You'll get what I can spare.

But mom and dad, shame on the both of you. While your kids are in the hot sun you call us to put in a blurb for donations. Well don't call me. You're wasting your breath. Go grab a coffee can and join your kids.

Mariner Sports

The Rookie Crop

Cohasset 5-year-olds Christopher O'Grady and Graham Sinclaire (right) look like a pair of seasoned veterans during a break at the South Shore Baseball Club's "Head Start" instructional camp. The camp is designed to introduce new-comers to baseball and the overall concept of team sports. Chris (left) gets some pointers from coach Kevin Greer of Hull in the photo on the right. Like many of the 200 youngsters who attended the June camp, Chris got his first taste of the "Great American Pastime."

Hatherly Ladies Member Guest Golf results

Low Gross - 74

Penny O'Brien, Marilyn Abraham, Laura Jean McDonald, Jody Fiore

Low Net - 53

Judy Murray, Ellen Foley, Susan Haley, Jane Fallon

Second place - 54

Laura McAuliffe, Gigi Meehan, Sue Cameron, Joan Salitz

Third place - 55

Mary Ann Devine, Joan Cole, Pat Flaherty, Ceci Hanlon

Fourth place - 56 (tie)

Barbara Elliott, Barbara Malley, Fran Ducey, Betty Whelan

Greta McGourty, Nancy Farrell, Nancy O'Toole, Mary Jeanette Murray

Adult evening tennis lessons

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept ongoing telephone registrations for adult evening tennis classes for all levels of instruction by phone at 383-6791.

Classes are scheduled as follows:

Beginners: Mon., 6 to 7 p.m. and Weds., 7 to 8 p.m.

Intermediates: Mon., 7 to 8 p.m.

Advanced: Weds., 6 to 7 p.m.

Other classes will be scheduled as demand necessitates.

All sessions run for four weeks and cost $35 per person per session. John McGrory of the Cohasset Rec. Dept.'s tennis staff will teach. Participants who do not own or have access to a racquet should indicate this at registration.

Non-residents will be accepted on a space-available basis.

Jade Forest offers Chi Kung

Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi/Internal Arts is offering a new class. Each Monday evening from 7 to 8 p.m., owner/instructor John Loupos will lead a special Chi Kung class in which the empasis will be on "opening the body" to improve flexibility, combined with simple breathing and meditation practices to engage the mind and calm the spirit.

The new class is open to the public on a drop-in basis. Attendees should wear loose, comfortable clothing. No experience is necessary.

For more information including cost, call Jade Forest at 383-6822. Jade Forest is located on Route 3A in Cohasset.

Summer fun with Ruthann

Registration is now being taken for the summer program. Call 383-0088.

TEAM WORKOUTS

Level 4, Wednesdays through August 28, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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Tuesdays and Thursdays at the high school through August 29, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER CLASSES

Classes run for six Wednesdays through August 14.

Intermediate boys and girls ages 8 to 11,1:30 to 2:30 p.m

Beginner boys and girls ages 6 and 7, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Preschool boys and girls ages 4 and 5, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

SUMMER CAMPS

Preschool Sports and Stuff Camp for boys and girls ages 4 to 6 will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays through Thursday, Aug. 1.

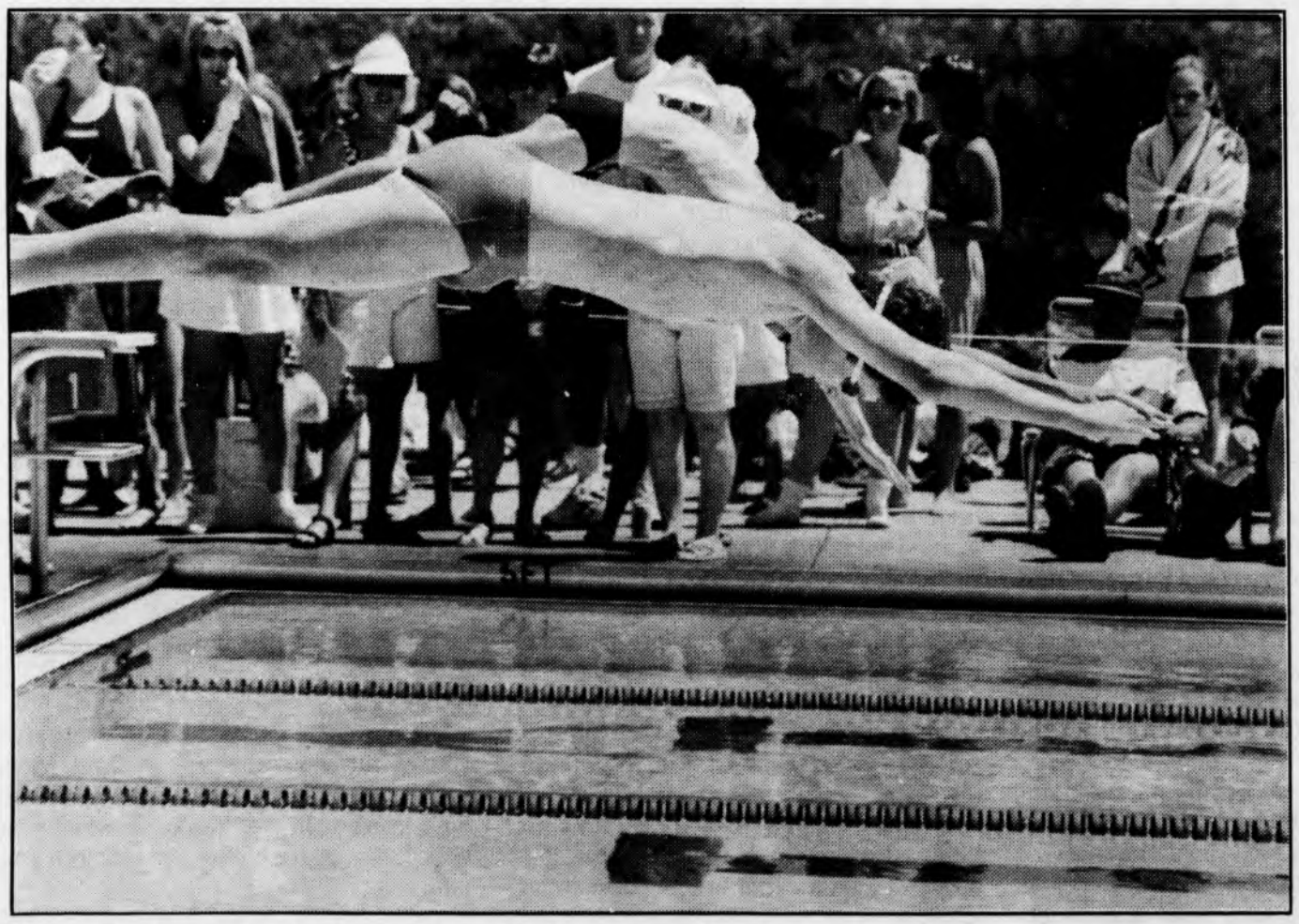
Gymnastics camp for girls ages 6 to 13 will run in two sessions: August 20, 21 and 22, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; and August 27,28 and 29, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Enjoy rotations on uneven bars, vault, dance. floor exercise, balance beam, bowling, and contests for prizes. This will be a great opportunity to learn new skills. Bring a snack and juice daily.

Fall classes resume on Monday, September 9.

For more information call the center at 383-0088 (9-11:30 a.m.), or call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3068.

All courses must be pre-registered.



Derek Buckley dives in for the start of the 50-meter freestyle race.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Mariner Sports

Outdoor golf lessons

The Cohasset and Scituate Recreation Departments will co-sponsor outdoor golf lessons throughout the spring and summer months, to be taught by the Cohasset Golf Club assistant pro Rick Altham.

Five-week sessions will be offered at various evening and morning times and days for one hour weekly. The fee for the five-week session is $65 per person. Registrations are currently being accepted.

To register, call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791, or the Scituate recreation Department at 545-8738. Should you need to borrow clubs to participate in lessons, please indicate this at the time of registration. All classes will be held at the Jenkins School Field, Scituate.

Soccer camp registration

The Cohasset Recreation Department is accepting registrations for VIP Soccer Camp for children ages 4 to 7 years.

VIP Soccer Camp offers two programs for boys and girls. ABC Soccer is especially designed for 4 and 5 year olds and meets from 8 to 9:30 a.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26. The cost is $50 for the week.

Also offered by VIP is a three-hour per day program, meeting from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, July 22 through July 26, for 6 and 7 year olds. The cost is $80 for the week.

Both VIP programs will be held this year at the front field of Cohasset High School.

Yacht and sailing clubs to host junior championships

This will be an exciting August on the water when the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships are co-hosted by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club. This big event is expected to draw more than 300 junior sailors, ages seven through high school, from the Boston, North Shore and South Shore areas.

The participants will launch from Cohasset Harbor and proceed to designated areas. There will be class events for Optimists, Turnabouts, Lasers and Club 420's during the three days of stiff competitive racing on the bay. The hosts will conduct green fleet races as well.

In addition to the wonderful sailing during this regatta, the hosts have planned many social events to make the guests and their parents, instructors, and the whole planning force feel welcome. There will be a pizza party, cookout, a dance party for the sailors, a cocktail party Tuesday evening for the adults at Bancroft Hall above the harbor; and morning snacks and lunches will be provided on race days. Many families of local Cohasset sailors will help out by opening their homes to wayward sailors from north of Boston who need a place to stay during the regatta.

Mark your calendars and set aside August 13 through 15 for the BayBank Junior Championships outside of Cohasset Harbor, where the sailing promises to be fast and exciting on open bay waters, and the social gatherings hosted by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club will be just as memorable and fun.

Cohasset American Legion schedule

Thurs., July 11, 5:45 p.m. Cohasset at Milton, Kelly Field

Fri., July 12, 5:45 p.m. Cohasset at Weymouth, Libby Field

Tues., July 16, 5:45 p.m. Braintree at Cohasset, Cohasset High School

Notre Dame to Hold Girls' Hoop Clinic

Notre Dame Academy will hold a basketball clinic this summer for girls in grades 6, 7 and 8.

The clinic will address the areas of shooting, guard play and post play. There will be instruction designed for individual development in ball handling, passing, shooting and team play Monday through Thursday, July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The clinic will be held in the Notre Dame Academy gymnasium, 1073 Main St., Hingham. The fee is $75.

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Cohasset Business

Cohasset is a coffee lovers' town

Drive-throughs keep 'caffeinated' commuters moving

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

With Dunkin Donuts, Quikava and Marylou's News conveniently located on Route 3A and all within a stone's throw of each other, Cohasseters have learned a whole new meaning to the phrase "wake up and smell the coffee."

Not only do these coffee shops offer commuters their daily caffeine fix, but all three offer convenient drive-through service which has helped boost business and keep the morning rush hour rushing.

Bright pink Marylou's News which boasts "the best coffee in town," opened its drive-through window last Monday, just five months after Dunkin Donuts at Cohasset Plaza did the same and less than a year after Quikava set up shop behind Paul Vercollone's Mobil station on King Street.

But despite the copious coffee shops and close-by competition, none of the participants in the on-going Cohasset java war seem concerned.

There's enough coffee business for everyone, said Quikava Manager John Brewster, who noted that commuters have several choices and go where they want to go on a particular day.

"We fill up a lot of Dunkin Donuts coffee mugs with our coffees," Brewster noted.

Specialty drinks and coffees like cappuccino, espresso and cafe latte set Quikava apart from its coffee cohorts as do extended hours which keeps the window jumping nearly 24 hours per day.

"It helps out the community to have a place to get a coffee all day and practically all night," Brewster said.

For hungry commuters Quikava offers bagels, biscotti, sandwiches and muffins and despite the nearby competition, Brewster says business is booming. And its connection to the gas station has been mutually beneficial as commuters often choose to fill up their gas tanks along with their coffee cups.

Dunkin Donuts owner John Bellas, who has operated the shop in Cohasset Plaza for seven years and another in Cushing Plaza for 16 years, says the newer competition in town hasn't cut into his business at all.

"Dunkin Donuts customers are Dunkin Donuts customers," said Bellas, who estimates that since opening his drive-through window at the Cohasset Plaza store in February, business has picked up nearly 40 percent. Bellas said he's also added bagels to the Dunkin Donuts menu helping it better compete with the Atlantic Bagel and Coffee Company which coincidentally is also right up the road.

Marylou's News owner Mary Lou Sandry, who has opened 10 South Shore shops in her 10 years in business, said the Cohasset store continues to be one of the busiest.

The drive-through window has brought in new business and new faces, said manager Lisa Morris, who maintains that the "regulars" like to come in to the store and see Marylou's employees' friendly faces.

"They come back again for the good service," Morris noted.

While helping it compete with Dunkin Donuts and Quikava, Morris said the drive through was opened primarily for the customers' convenience.

"It's a sign of the times," said Sandry. "Mothers like to drive through rather than having to take their children out of the car seats and commuters prefer to stay inside a cool car during the hot summer months."

In addition to coffees, juice, muffins, bagels, soft drinks and cigarettes, Marylou's offers customers a chance to try their luck with full-service lottery.

"We have all the staples you need to get your motor running in the morning," Sandry said. The lottery contributes a lot to the business and also sets Marylou's apart from other quick coffee stops. A new espresso machine planned for the Cohasset store could convert even the most staunch Quikava devotees, and Sandry notes that the shop's new sitting room will give people on the go a place savor their cappuccinos.

"Most people like to sit and fondle their cappuccino. It's pretty to look at too," said Sandry who noted either is hard to do when your racing down the highway at 90 miles per hour.

Like her competition, Sandry too feels there is enough customers and coffee to go around in Cohasset.

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Farmer's market to start soon

The Chamber of Commerce is working with the Village Renaissance Committee in establishing a farmer's market in the village.

The farmer's market will be held from 4 to 8 p.m, Thursdays from Aug. 1 through the end of September in the town parking lot behind the village.

Six local vendors have signed up and will provide shoppers with a variety of goods including fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, plants, oils and vinegars, Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said.

Additional vendors are welcome. Call Rizzo at 383-1994 for more information.

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Police Log

Friday, June 14

1:01 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.

1:31 a.m., officer wanted, King St.

1:34 a.m., fire alarm, Gammons Rd.

2:25 a.m., MV stop, King St.

4:25 a.m., ambulance, CJC Hwy.

[illegible] a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

[illegible] a.m., property (found), S. Main St.

7:05 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:09 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

7:10 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:20 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:45 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

10:42 a.m., E911 call verification, Highland Ave.

1:36 a.m., fire (misc), Highland Ave.

2:09 p.m., property (lost), Jerusalem Rd.

2:40 p.m., parking violation, N. Main St.

2:53 p.m., property (lost), CJC Hwy.

5:42 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

6:47 p.m., assist other PD, Atlantic Ave.

8:04 p.m., parking violation, N. Main St.

8:12 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.

8:25 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

9:11 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

9:18 p.m., suspicious person, Pleasant St.

10:16 p.m., suspicious auto, N. Main St.

10:35 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.

11:09 p.m., suspicious (other), Stockbridge St.

Saturday, June 15

12:27 a.m., MV stop, Elm St.

12:33 a.m., medical aid, Parker Ave.

1:35 a.m., public service (other), Sohier St.

9:27 a.m., info, general, CJC Hwy.

9:55 a.m., MV accident, Elm St.

10:04 a.m., property damage, Elm St.

11:00 a.m., parking violation, Highland Ave.

12:11 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

12:50 p.m., parking violation, Lighthouse Ln.

1:03 p.m., assist citizen, Sandy Beach.

1:15 p.m., parking violation, Parker Ave.

1:22 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

1:26 p.m., fire alarm, Nichols Rd.

1:33 p.m., assist citizen, Sandy Beach.

2:01 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

2:38 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

4:54 p.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

5:19 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:04 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

6:39 p.m., fire, brush, Government Island.

7:09 p.m., vandalism, Howard Gleason Rd.

10:06 p.m., assault, Stockbridge St.

10:13 p.m., arrest, Stockbridge St., Ptl. Quigley in with 16-year-old male juvenile arrested for assault by means of a dangerous weapon, malicious destruction of property over $250, illegal possession of Class D substance, and assault & battery.

10:15 p.m., noise complaint, Elm St.

10:59 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

11:17 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

11:25 p.m., disturbance general.

Sunday, June 16

12:40 a.m., noise complaint, Bow St.

1:03 a.m., disorderly conduct, Elm St.

1:22 a.m., MV stop, Tower Ln.

1:44 a.m., arrest, Ptl. Lennon in with Catherine Bowes, 47 Hardin Ln., Duxbury, DOB: 12/27/74, under arrest for possession of Class D.

1:53 a.m., medical aid, Nantasket Ave.

2:34 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.

2:35 a.m., suspicious (other), Border St.

3:36 a.m., loitering, Elm St.

9:05 a.m., fire (electrical), S. Main St.

9:09 a.m., property (lost), The Square.

11:42 a.m., animal complaint, Elm Ct.

12:52 p.m., ambulance, Blackies on the Rock.

4:04 p.m, violation of restraining, Parker Ave.

5:14 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

5:31 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

5:34 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

6:58 p.m., MV stop, King St.

7:13 p.m., MV accident, Jerusalem Rd.

7:34 p.m., arrest, Elm St., Ptl. Yocum in with Joseph Figueiredo, Jr. DOB: 10/11/72, 12 Margin St., Cohasset. arrested for operating a MV negligently as to endanger, leaving accident scene after property damage, operating under the influence of liquor, illegal poss. of a class D substance.

7:34 p.m., protective custody.

7:54 p.m., ambulance, Forest Ave.

10:14 p.m., MV stop, Cohasset.

10:31 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:35 p.m., MV stop, Sohier St.

Monday, June 17

12:00 a.m., assist other agency, Sheldon Rd.

7:06 a.m., animal complaint, Oak St.

7:18 a.m., assist other agency, Forest Ave.

7:57 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Nichols Rd.

8:06 a.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave.

10:19 a.m., fire (misc), Little Harbor.

11:06 a.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

11:19 a.m., officer wanted, HQ.

12:34 p.m., medial aid, Pond St.

1:56 p.m., parking violation, N.Main St.

8:19 p.m., well-being check, Forest Ave.

8:29 p.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln.

10:58 p.m., motor vehicle stop, King St.

Tuesday, June 18

12:16 a.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Lane.

1:42 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

5:34 a.m., animal complaint, Smith Pl.

5:53 a.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

614 a.m.,assist citizen, Elm St.

6:20 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Mill Ln.

6:23 a.m., medical aid, Atlantic Ave.

6:43 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Bound Brook Ln.

7:21 .m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

7:32 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Pond St.

7:40 a.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

9:11 a.m., MV accident, Lamberts Ln.

9:20 a.m., property (found), Elm St.

10:48 a.m., medical aid, Sohier St.

11:35 a.m., escort, S. Main St.

12:52 p.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave.

4:35 p.m, MV accident, CJC Hwy.

5:05 p.m., suspicious auto, Forest Ave.

10:12 p.m., fire alarm, S. Main St.

Wednesday, June 19

2:38 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

3:26 a.m., abandoned 911 cal, CJC Hwy.

6:10 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:16 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

9:41 a.m., MV stop, Brook St.

9:57 a.m, fire (misc), Elm St.

11:51 a.m., suspicious person, Sandy Beach.

1:34 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:57 p.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd.

2:21 p.m, ambulance, Scituate/Cobb Lane.

2:44 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.

3:45 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

5:06 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:43 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:36 p.m., e-911 call verification, Pleasant St.

Route 3A break-ins under investigation

Police are investigating three break-ins in Route 3A businesses that were discovered early Monday morning.

Det. Rick Grassie said a total of about $1250 was stolen from Chief Justice Cushing Highway shops Atlantic Bagel, Hancock Paint and the Good Sport, which are adjacent to one another in the small, Route 3A shopping area.

Grassie said police found a hole cut through the sidewall between Hancock Paint and Atlantic Bagel and believe the thief or thieves entered through a rear, second-floor window in Hancock Paint and then cut their way into the bagel shop. They broke through an outside wall into Good Sport, Grassie said.

Police said the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) has dusted for fingerprints and secured the evidence for Cohasset police, Grassie said.

The burglaries, which police think occurred after hours on Sunday evening, are the first breaking and entering in a commercial building in Cohasset in quite some time, Grassie said.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

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To wit:

shown as Lot 7 on a plan entitled, "Plan of Lots, Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, MA" dated June 8, 1954 by Lewis W. Perkins & Son, Engineers, said plan recorded with Norfolk Registry of Deeds and said parcel being more particularly bounded and described as follows:

NORTHEASTERLY by Lot 8, as shown on said plan, 155.95 feet;

SOUTHEASTERLY by a curved line by Hammond Avenue with two lines measuring respectively 31.89 feet and 23.19 feet;

SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot 6, as shown on said plan, 173.64 feet; and

NORTHWESTERLY by land of John J. Hayes, Jr. and Anne M. Hayes, 142 feet.

Containing 15,312 feet of land.

Together with the rights of way in common with other entitled thereto over all streets as shown on said plan for all purposes for which said streets are commonly used.

For title, see deed of Curtis W. Smalzel and Doneen A. Pride dated December 30, 1986 and recorded with Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 7394, Page 360.

Property address: 30 Hammond Avenue, Cohasset, Massachusetts 02025

TERMS OF SALE: Said premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes and assessments, tax titles and municipal liens, if any, and to a first mortgage. A deposit of Ten Thousand Dollars ($10,000.00) in cash or certified check will be required of the purchaser at the time and place of the sale and the balance of the purchase price within thirty (30) days thereafter, at the office of Richard A. Henderson, Esquire, Law Offices of Richard A. Henderson, 76 South Main St., Cohasset, Massachusetts 02025. The deposit paid at the time of the sale will be forfeited if the purchaser does not comply strictly with the terms of the sale.

The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale.

In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of this Notice of Sale and/or terms of the Memorandum of Sale executed at the time of foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right but not the obligation to sell the property by foreclosure deed to the second highest bidder providing that said second highest bidder shall deposit with Mortgagee's attorneys, Law Offices of Richard A. Henderson, 76 South Main Street, Cohasset, Massachusetts, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) business days after written notice of the default of the previous highest bidder and title shall be conveyed to the said second highest bidder within twenty (20) days of said written notice. Other terms to be announced at sale.

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St. Stephen's Carillon concerts on the Common

The 72nd series of summer carillon recitals will be given on the 57-bell carillon in the tower of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset, on Sundays, through Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers to Cohasset Common or the church courtyard on Highland Avenue.

The best listening place is the sunken terrace in the middle of Stagecoach Way (pedestrian walk beside Coldwell Banker on Main Street, opposite the tower). Printed programs will be distributed at all locations. The concerts take place rain or shine. The music may also be heard from parked cars. All concerts are free of charge.

Carillonneurs for the remainder of the series are: July 14, Matthew J. Buechner of Baltimore, Md.; July 28, Gideon Bodden, carillonneur of the Mint Tower, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Aug. 4, Daniel Kerry Kehoe, carillonneur of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Aug. 11, J. Samuel Hammond, carillonneur of Duke University; Aug. 18, R. Robin Austin, carillonneur of Princeton University; and Aug. 25, Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset and Phillips Academy, Andover.

The final concert will include requests previously submitted by listeners. The deadline for requests is Sunday, Aug. 11, following Mr. Hammond's recital.

For further information, or to submit requests for the Aug. 25 program, call Sally Slade Warner at (508) 475-2599; the church at 383-1083; or Mary Kennedy, assistant carillonneur of St. Stephen's at 383-9599.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96D0588D1
Summons By Publication

JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE,
Plaintiff
v.
JAMIE LYNN BEARDSLEE,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE, seeking judgment of divorce, to prohibit defendant from imposing any restraint on plaintiff's personal liberty, grant her sole legal and physical custody of minor child, Sarah Louise Beardslee, suitable support for wife and minor child, equitable division of marital assets, to resume former name of Jennifer Marie Hynes.

You are required to serve upon George M. Ford, Esq. plaintiff's attorney - whose address is Conn, Kavanaugh, Rosenthal, Peisch & Ford, L.L.P., Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 your answer on or before SEPT. 25, 1996. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Dedham.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this 25th day of JUNE, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate Court
7/11, 18, 25/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Hampden Division
Docket No. 96A0098-TM
Citation M.G.L. c.210, §3

In the Matter of
EMILY MARIE GARCIA TEJEDA otherwise
EMILY GARCIA,
minor

To MARITZA GARCIA, 5 Marathon House, Madison Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts and MICHAEL TEJEDA, Parts Unknown and any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.

A petition has been presented to said court by the COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, 1537 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, praying that said court finds that the — mother — father — of said child lack(s) the current ability, capacity, fitness and readiness to assume parental responsibility for said child; that the petitioner's plan for adoption of the child will serve the child's best interests; and, under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 210, Section 3, dispense with the need for the consent of or notice to the within named — mother — father — on any petition for the adoption of said minor child subsequently sponsored by the petitioner.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT 50 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts before TEN O'CLOCK in the forenoon (10:00 A.M.) on August 12, 1996.

You are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC RULE 3:10. Determination of indigency will be made by the Court. Contact the Assistant Register — Adoptions Clerk of said Court.

Witness David G. Sacks Esquire, First Justice of said Court.
Date May 10, 1996
Thomas P. Moriarty, Jr.
Register of Probate
7/11, 18, 25/96

TOWN OF COHASSET BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cohasset Board of Health will conduct a hearing on July 23, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. at the Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset to consider changes to its supplemental regulations to the State Environmental Code, Title V, 310 CMR 15.000, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage. The hearing will focus on the creation of Onsite Wastewater Management Districts that would eliminate the inspection requirement at time of property transfer to one of systematic inspections based on prioritized Onsite Wastewater Management Districts. Revisions to the existing regulations dealing with the requirement for designing soil absorption systems for garbage grinders; providing alternating pumps for residential septic systems as well as other related issues will be discussed.
7/4, 11, 18/96

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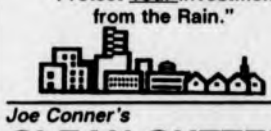

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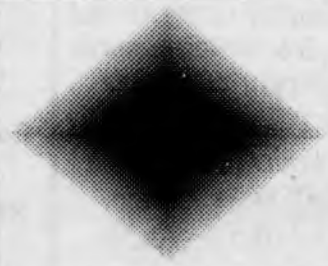

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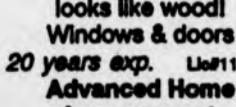

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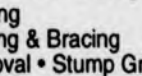

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Many residents, business owners, and town officials are rallying around the call for a train station in Cohasset Village.

And the MBTA is listening.

In a crowded town hall meeting room Tuesday, the town's railroad mitigation committees and a handful of private residents, met with officials from the MBTA to discuss a myriad of topics.

But their number one priority was changing the location of the town's railroad station currently planned for Route 3A at the former skating rink site.

Monday, selectmen unanimously endorsed the village as the preferable site for a train station.

Staff Railroad Mitigation Committee member Bob Sturdy, in speaking for a downtown stop, stressed that Route 3A is already overdeveloped and that adversely affects Cohasset Village shops. (There are two mitigation committees in Cohasset, one primarily made up of town officials and the other consists of residents who

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Cohasset Swim Team members Tommy Anderson, Courtney McDonald, Laura Kondrat, Rob Lehr (top), Scotty Faber, Yasmine Afshar and Arianna Dedes have reason to smile with the squad's 2-0 start in South Shore Swim League competition. For the latest results see page 17.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Town subsidies for Title V repairs are floated

North Cohasset heartened by hope of cost sharing

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Future North Cohasset sewer users are encouraged by a number of developments that might gain broad-based voter support for cost sharing.

At last week's sewer meeting, commission chairman Ted Guild offered a proposal that would include subsidies for homeowners with failing septic systems under a state-subsidized loan program with possible further subsidy from the taxpayers.

For the most part, those facing expensive repairs or replacements of their septic systems under Title V (the state environmental code) have not wanted to share the cost of installing sewers in other parts of town. An override representing half the cost of sewering 345 homes in North Cohasset failed at the ballot box May 4.

Since then, North Cohasset residents hope that by joining forces with the 440 homeowners slated for sewers in central Cohasset — a 50/50, user/town shared-payment plan might pass muster with voters in another override.

In a draft resolution proposed for the

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Cohasset's Week

Greenbush mitigation meeting is set for July 30

The Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad line has scheduled its second public meeting Tuesday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall. The meeting will focus on the issues facing Cohasset with the restoration of the railroad. The committee wishes to solicit comments from the public relative to mitigation measures.

Station location, traffic and parking, air and noise pollution, wetlands and herbicides and safety and financial issues will be discussed. Abutters and all interested Cohasset residents are urged to attend.

To make comments or to request further information, contact the committee: James A. Mullen, chairman; Peter Pearce, John Rafferty, Edward F. Woods, Barbara Canney, Nancy J. Butler and Mary A. Foley; or write the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line c/o Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset, 02025.

Voke representative named

David M. Kneeland, 60 Doane St., will represent Cohasset on the regional school committee that oversees South Shore Regional Vocational High School in Hanover.

Kneeland replaces Laurence Mitchell who recently stepped down from the post.

"I talked with (school) Supt. James Hager and to Larry Mitchell," Kneeland told selectmen this week.

"I am interested as a way of serving the community," said Kneeland ,whose background is in architecture and construction.

Selectmen unanimously approved Kneeland's appointment.

Snow plowing service for condos possible

Selectmen agree that it is inequitable that condominium projects, Wheelwright Farm and Cedar Acres, are not plowed by the town.

They promised residents this week that they will take the matter up with DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield "before the snow flies" because the streets involved are the only two private ways in Cohasset not plowed by the town.

But having the streets accepted as public ways is another matter, they said.

Selectmen recently appointed a committee to examine the issue of private ways and the criterion for town acceptance as public ways.

One-half the roads in town are private ways, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

Assisted-living complex planned for Route 3A

A three-story, 62-unit assisted-living complex for the elderly is being planned for 125 King Street (Route 3A), selectmen learned this week.

The 49,500 square foot building with associated parking will be at the site where the Deck Point affordable housing project was planned in 1989 but never built. About three years ago, a supermarket was proposed there.

Selectmen will pull the file on the Deck Point project to glean any environmental concerns they had about that project, such as curb cuts and traffic, and send their concerns on to the state.

The state environmental office posted the project and the town must comment within 20 days.

King St. widening sought

The town will investigate adding a sidewalk and widening the stretch of King Street from 310 King St. past the town water plant all the way to Peppermint Brook including the culvert, selectmen said Monday.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said the street is only 19 feet wide and has no shoulder. Plans are to widen the road to 24 feet and add a five-foot wide sidewalk.

Selectmen will ask the Norfolk County Engineers to develop a concept plan including estimated costs. As an interim step, they will pursue a heavy-truck exclusion on the road because of safety issues even though that part of King Street does not meet the minimum of 5 percent truck traffic required by the state for such exclusions.

"The narrowness drives home the safety concern," Doyon told the board.

Doyon said 20-25 vendors have already been asked to direct their truck drivers not to use that section of King Street.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

July 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 18	1:29	10.2	7:46	2:01	9.4	7:58
Fri. 19	2:09	10.1	8:25	2:39	9.4	8:40
Sat. 20	2:49	9.9	9:04	3:19	9.5	9:23
Sun. 21	3:31	9.6	9:46	4:00	9.5	10:09
Mon. 22	4:16	9.4	10:29	4:43	9.6	10:57
Tues. 23	5:04	9.2	11:16	5:30	9.7	11:49
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PHENOMENON (PG)
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Town subsidies for Title V repairs are floated

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August 12 special town meeting, sewer commissioners had asked that selectmen embody funding for the two sewer projects and Title V repairs into a single override.

But because more information is needed, selectmen will not include the resolution or a similar article on the warrant.

"Because town money would be used for some percentage of an upgrade of a septic system, we're not ready to go with this yet," Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said this week.

But Brown said the board wanted to assure the people of North Cohasset than a future sewer override would include, at the least, a town/user shared financing plan for the North and Central Cohasset sewer projects. Selectmen voted unanimously to go on record that they expect to combine overrides for the Central Cohasset sewer expansion and the North Cohasset sewer project in a single Prop. 2-1/2 override question when the Central Cohasset project is brought to town meeting (probably next spring).

An Aug. 12 article asking for reconsideration of the North Cohasset sewer project (approved at the March 30 annual town meeting) may be indefinitely postponed or withdrawn, proponents said following the sewer meeting last week.

Guild warned that overturning the annual town meeting sewer article could stop the project and put favorable state funding in jeopardy.

Howe Road resident James Laggrotteria, who is chairman of the board of assessors, said wastewater difficulties are a town-wide problem.

"Tying Title V in is smart," Laggrotteria said.

He noted that the assessors sent letters to those who pulled permits for septic system repairs. Of those who replied, the average new septic system cost $28,860 and the average repair was $17,600.

"When you look at these numbers, it's a hell of a lot cheaper to go sewer," he said.

Without cost sharing, North Cohasset homeowners will pay $870 a year for 20 years in betterment charges for the sewer and Central Cohasset will pay $850. This does not include maintenance and operation costs of the system.

At the Aug. 12 meeting, an article will make $1/2 million in subsidized loans available at below market rates for those facing septic system repairs. Cohasset has been approved for $3 million over six years in need-blind loans for private septic system repairs or replacements. Town meeting action is needed to allow the town to borrow the money from the state. The town would then lend the money to homeowners. This plan is not part of the override proposal now, but could be at a later date.

In all probability, the override proposal offering subsidies to those to be sewered and possibly those with on-site systems will not come before voters until next spring, Guild said.

Sewer users will not pay betterment charges until construction is completed in mid-1998 for North Cohasset and the spring of 2000 for Central Cohasset.

Another special possible

Two abutters to the proposed new school may take their case to the people.

Selectmen did not accept an article for the Aug. 12 special town meeting dictating design and siting criteria for the new school.

Andrew Foster and Dick O'Brien, both of Old Pasture Road which will run behind the new elementary school, said they'd be forced to gather 200 signatures and call another special town meeting if selectmen didn't include their article on the Aug. 12 warrant.

Foster and O'Brien said they want the school moved up next to the Deer Hill School.

But Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said that wouldn't be fair to other residents who would have to look up at the school. Brown said the location of the new school, which as been moved further away from Old Pasture Road, "is not that much of a detriment."

O'Brien said in his 15 years in the school supply business he'd "never seen a site like this in all his travels."

The men showed selectmen a map of the area and placed cardboard cut-out where the proposed school is and where they'd like to see it relocated. They also displayed photographs of woods and vegetation at the site.

Music Circus site objected to

At least one resident is vehemently opposed to using the 2,300-seat Music Circus as a site for the Aug. 12 special town meeting on the proposed new school.

"It is the worst possible thing that could happen," Nancy Snowdale, 52 Mill Lane, told selectmen Monday.

Opponents of the school forced the special town meeting to reconsider the $9.9 million project. Supporters and opponents of the project are expected to turn out in force on Aug. 12.

She said the flaps would have to be open due to heat and "we'd have every mosquito on the South Shore."

She asked how if the crowd couldn't be controlled at the annual town meeting then how could they expect to control the expected throngs at the Music Circus.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said he found it cumbersome to split people up at the high school and have the overflow crowd watch the proceedings by closed-circuit television.

He said the board would check into having the area "fogged" during the day for mosquitos.

Selectmen will meet with Town Moderator George Marlette at their July 29 meeting to iron out a logistical plan.

They said babysitting would be provided for parents of young children. At the annual town meeting, children disturbed the proceedings and so did citizens who used cellular phones.

Bob Sturdy, 270 Jerusalem Rd., said the back of the gymnasium at the annual town meeting was "Bedlam."

He said children and cellular phones should be banned from the hall.

Selectman Peter Pratt said it was paramount that the "electoral process be preserved." He defended parents with young children and said providing child care was the answer.

"I don't think parents bring children to town meeting because they want to," he said.

Snowdale warned selectmen to do their homework.

"If you don't control it, it's going to be a circus," she said.

Town Moderator George Marlette said Tuesday that the Music Circus was the only workable location for a large crowd. He is in the process of addressing the logistical concerns and said he secured a place in the selectmen's July 29 agenda to discuss the matter.

"I will not permit children in the area when debate is going on," he said. "The disruption is not appropriate."

He explained that the use of cellular phones was primarily by those on both sides of the issues at the last town meeting trying to get the vote out. He said phones would not be allowed and will ask that those with beepers put their signals on vibrate and not beep.

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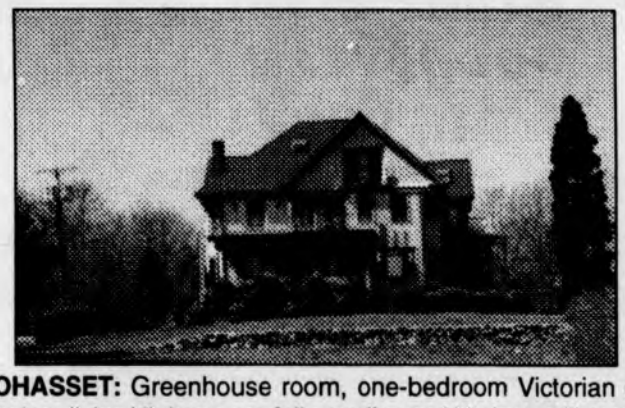

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Favorite holiday: Fourth of July.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: The French news on cable TV.

Favorite movie: "Nell."

Favorite book: Any good historical novel.

Favorite junk food: Nachos.

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The eclectic world at Carousel Antiques

Shop celebrates 20 years

By SHIRLEY KAWA-JUMP
Special to the Mariner

Visitors to Carousel Antiques, 93 Ripley Road, will find a unique shop, dedicated to making the sometimes dull world of antiques exciting and fun. On constant guard are Doris, Maude and Edith, three mannequins the owners dress in keeping with the current season. There's even a cat darting in and out among the wicker furniture and books.

"It's a fun business to be in," said Amanda Burgoon, one of the shop's owners. "If you like to work for yourself and meet interesting people, it's a great job."

The business was "handed down" to Burgoon by her grandparents and mother. "My mother used to sell antiques out of her home, and my grandparents owned a furniture and antiques business," she said. "My husband just sort of married into it!"

Burgoon opened Carousel 20 years ago with her mother, Norma Kravette. Today, Kravette is semi-retired, working part-time in the shop. Burgoon's husband, Tom, travels frequently as the main buyer.

The shop is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, yet they find they often end up working seven days a week. Burgoon wouldn't have it any other way. "We're having fun, and I think our customers know that when they come in."

The name Carousel Antiques derives from Kravette's love of carousels. "My mother sees this business as a carousel," Burgoon explained. "People use things for awhile, then send them back around to let other people enjoy them." The antiques that were loved years ago are purchased and given a new life, and often a new use, until they are sold again for someone else to treasure.

Carousel Antiques doesn't specialize in any one period or style of furniture. "Specialization just wasn't as much fun as carrying different types of furniture and attracting different types of customers," Burgoon stated. She describes their selection as "eclectic," and finds that a varied mix of styles allows for a wider client base. "We have everything from young people just starting out and looking for inexpensive used furniture to serious collectors searching for a particular piece."

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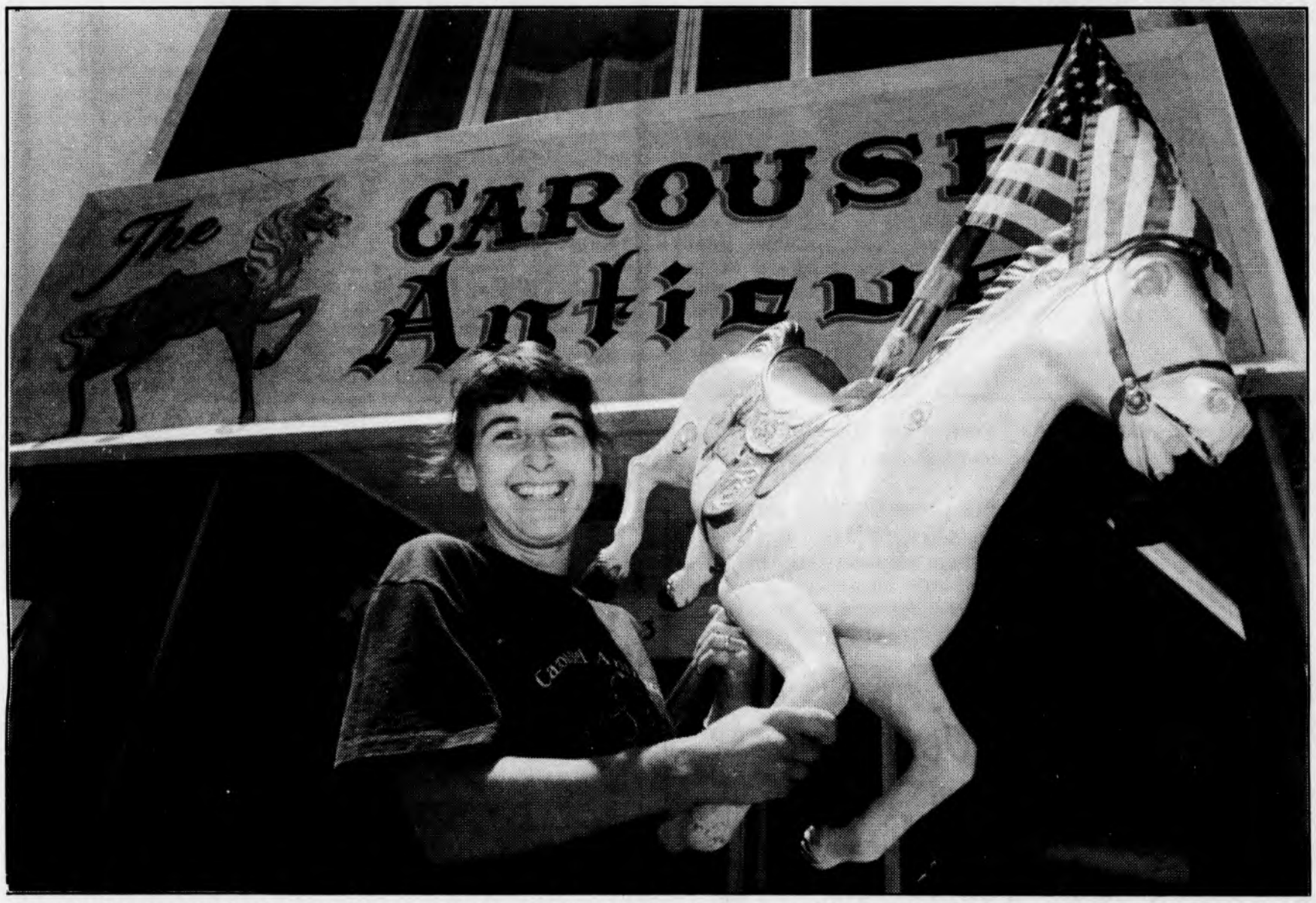
— Amanda Burgoon.



Amanda Burgoon with a carousel horse, a trademark for her family business, Carousel Antiques, on Ripley Road across from the post office.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

She has found that keeping some gently used and moderately priced furniture in her inventory is an added bonus for customers. "Anything good in period always sells," Burgoon said. "However, the demand for quality used furniture has grown every year."

Burgoon has also learned not to be surprised by the things people consider collectible. "We're selling pieces now that we didn't even carry before," she said.

Popular among some of her clients are McDonald's toys, for instance. Their inventory includes Victorian, mahogany and oak furniture, post cards, comic books, paintings, pottery, toys and oriental rugs. They do buy single items from customers, but acquire most of their pieces through estate sales, finding the historical area of New England a prime source.

One of the most unique pieces that Burgoon recently sold is a Mansard Colonial doll house. "What made this different is that every room had a swinging door, rather than the typical open back," stated Burgoon.

The shop also sold several pieces of furniture to the set decorator for "The Witches of Eastwick," which was shot locally a few years ago. "It was fun to see our merchandise in the movie," said Burgoon. She added that many of the celebrities performing at the nearby South Shore Music Circus are frequent customers, adding "a whole other dimension" to the shop.

Burgoon keeps a file of "want lists" for her customers, and calls them when pieces come that fit their specifications. She finds that sometimes it's hard to keep track of everything. "Our stock changes daily. We don't have a day that goes by without a new piece coming in."

Burgoon describes her store and her approach to customers as "very laid back. We love to have browsers. We're not afraid to have children come in and handle things."

She has found that between mannequins and the cat, the store has a unique feel and approach. This atmosphere is planned to reflect the Burgoon and Kravette philosophy on antique stores. To the owners of Carousel Antiques, shopping for collectibles should be an enjoyable experience. "When it stops being fun," she said, "it's time to shut the doors."

Carousel Antiques, located at 93 Ripley Road, is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. They can be reached by phone at (800) 670-8818, 383-9654 or 383-6513.

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Bertha drenches Cohasset

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Tropical storm Bertha had petered out by the time she arrived in Cohasset on Saturday, downgraded from the hurricane that came ashore a day earlier in North Carolina with 80-mile-per-hour winds.

Arriving in Cohasset, Bertha's winds were measured at 40 miles per hour, but the storm did manage to drench the area, with more than 3-1/2 inches of rain recorded at the nearby Hingham Weather Station, according to Mariner Newspaper weather observer Bob Skilling.

This set a new record for the single wettest July day, surpassing the 3.20 inches measured on July 13, 1981.

Assistant Harbormaster Bob Baggs the rain was the only problem in Cohasset Harbor, where water had to be bailed from several small open boats.

He said there was no wind damage and no broken moorings as a result of the storm.

The Cohasset Mariner Almanac

Official National Weather Service data, compiled by Bob Skilling, Hingham Weather Station at Clifford Court.

Temperature

	High	Low	Precipitation
Wed. July 10	79	61	0.05
Thurs. July 11	82	54	0
Fri. July 12	81	58	0
Sat. July 13	72	64	3.47 inches
Sun. July 14	86	67	0.21
Mon. July 15	79	68	0
Tues. July 16	86	71	trace

The July Thermometer

Mean temperature	72.3 degrees
Departure from normal	1 degree above normal
warmest temperatures	86 degrees on 7/6, 7/8, 7/9, 7/14 & 7/16
coolest temperature	58 degrees on 7/1 & 7/7

Precipitation

Total for July	4.75 inches
Departure from normal	3.02 inches above normal
Normal July precipitation	3.34 inches
Total 1996 precipitation	31.08 inches
Departure from normal	5.82 inches above normal

Superlatives

"wettest" July—1988	10.38 inches
"driest" July—1968	0.53 inch
"wettest" single July day	**3.47 inches—7/13/96**
(previous record)	3.20 inches in 1981

Bertha sets a new July one-day rainfall record (but we can't seem to break 86 degrees)

A rapidly weakening Tropical Storm Bertha brought 3.68 inches of rainfall in just 18 hours on Saturday, July 13. A category 2 hurricane when it moved inland in North Carolina, Bertha was quickly downgraded to a tropical storm, with top winds of 50 to 60 miles per hour by the time she reached New England. There were a few wind gusts to around 70 mph reported along the south coastal areas of Massachusetts and in Rhode Island. Here, though, it was a little breezy, but nothing unusual. The rainfall for the day of more than 3-1/2 inches surpassed the previous record of 3.20 inches for any one July day on the over 40-year record of the weather station. A large band of thunderstorms moved through early in the morning, well in advance of Bertha. We had about 2-1/2 hours of frequent cloud-to-cloud lightning and the thunder kept rumbling from 3 a.m. to 6 a.m.

Rainfall for the month of July is now almost three times the normal amount for the first half of the month and for the year, we're running almost 6 inches above normal.

Temperatures are averaging slightly above normal and the maximum thermometer seems to be stuck at 86 degrees. The mercury has stopped at that point on July 6, 8, 9, 14, and 16. Considering that the high temperature for June was also 86 degrees on two dates, we have a 7-way tie for the summer's high temperature—at least through July 16.

That may change later this week, with readings in the 90s predicted, as we reach what is normally the warmest time of year. That period stretches from July 18 to August 1.

Who can remember the warmest days we've recorded so far this year were in May, on the 20th and 21st, when the mercury reached 92 degrees?

St. Stephen's Carillon concerts

The 72nd series of summer carillon recitals will be given on the 57-bell carillon in the tower of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset, on Sundays, through Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers to Cohasset Common or the church courtyard on Highland Avenue.

The best listening place is the sunken terrace in the middle of Stagecoach Way (pedestrian walk beside Coldwell Banker on Main Street, opposite the tower). Printed programs will be distributed at all locations.

Carillonneurs for the remainder of the series are: July 28, Gideon Bodden, carillonneur of the Mint Tower, Amsterdam, The Netherlands; Aug. 4, Daniel Kerry Kehoe, carillonneur of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Aug. 11, J. Samuel Hammond, carillonneur of Duke University; Aug. 18, R. Robin Austin, carillonneur of Princeton University; and Aug. 25, Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset and Phillips Academy, Andover.

The final concert will include requests previously submitted by listeners. The deadline for requests is Sunday, Aug. 11, following Mr. Hammond's recital.

For further information, or to submit requests for the Aug. 25 program, call Sally Slade Warner at (508) 475-2599; the church at 383-1083; or Mary Kennedy, assistant carillonneur of St. Stephen's at 383-9599.

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Happy birthday to several Cohasset nonagenarians

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In the whoops department, last week we wished **Carole Smith** all the best for a future in the business world!

Carole, daughter of **Peter** and **Mary Ellen Smith** of Cohasset, is a recent graduate of Williams College. She plans to attend the University of Mass. Medical School in Worcester. Sorry about the mix-up, Carole.

❒

Let's start off the week by wishing three amazing ladies a very special birthday greeting. On July 9, **Marjorie Leavitt** turned 93; on July 13, **Helen Livingston** turned 91; and **Olive Weisenfluh** turned 93 July 23. Hope your celebrations were very special ones indeed!

❑

Lots of you may have noticed a change in the streets recently. That's because **Bill McAuliffe** isn't there to give a wave or smile while working for the Water Department. Bill retired June 28 after 36 years of service.

He is still working parttime for Cohasset Water Services Inc., but it really seems funny not seeing him in the white Water Department trucks. Here's to a healthy and happy retirement, Bill. Now you really have time to enjoy all your beautiful grandchildren!

❑

Had a nice chat with **Anna Abbruzzese** the other day, and she wanted to be sure to remind everyone that the **Farmer's Market** will begin Aug. 1, continuing every Thursday through the end of September. It will be located in the town parking lot behind the village, and six local vendors have signed up, promising to provide lots of great things—veggies, fruits, herbs, flowers, plants, oils and vinegars. Won't it be grand to buy locally grown produce?

Chamber Vice President **Dean Rizzo** says additional vendors are welcome — so, if your garden is looking prolific, give him a call at 383-1994 for more information.

❑

Trinity College sent out its list of grads, and Cohasset's **Christopher Henderson** made the grade — he received a bachelor's degree in psychology. Christopher is the son of **Mr. and Mrs. Richard Henderson,** North Main Street. Congrats go to you!

❑

Entertainer Bill Cosby urged Boston College's Class of 1996 to be grateful to its professors at the university's 120th commencement May 20. Cosby was the recipient of an honorary doctor of humane letters degree. Four Cohasset residents earned degrees of their own. **Nicole Lynn Bieryla,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. William J. Bieryla,** Old Coach Road, graduated with a BS from the School of Management, where she majored in finance and marketing.

Donald Ross MacLeod III, Cedar Acres Lane, received a BS from the School of Arts and Sciences, where he studied chemistry, and **Corrina G. Minnar,** Ledgewood Drive, a nursing major, was awarded a BS from the School of Nursing. Corrina's parents are **Mr. and Mrs. Peter Richard Minnar.**

Oliver C. Nivaud, Atlantic Avenue, a marketing major, received a BS degree from the School of Management. Our congratulations go out to all of you, along with our hopes for the brightest of futures for you all.

❑

Bates College sends us news to end all student news for this week, and it comes in the form of the dean's list for the second semester of the 1995-'96 academic year. **Nicholas B. Terry,** a sophomore history major, was named to the dean's list. He is the son of David and Suzanne Terry of Margin Street, and a 1994 CHS grad.

❑

Did you happen to see a plane in the Sandy Cove area July 8? It had a banner holding Happy Birthday greetings for **Tony Catlin,** who was celebrating his 60th birthday. Tony's wife, **Shifi,** hostessed a gala party for the event, and his family and friends came from all over to attend. **Sally Wood** came up from Florida! Carmine catered, and was grand as usual. People are still talking about the fun they had, and we extend our best wishes to you, too, Tony.

❑

Don't forget the perfect way to end your weekend is to go down to the Common and listen to the carillon concerts put on by **St. Stephen's Church** Sundays at 6 p.m. Bring your blanket or lawn chairs, and perhaps even a picnic supper. Then just enjoy a nice evening. The carillonneurs come from all over the world to play summer carillon recitals for us. We really are lucky!

❑

Alex and **Donna Fulton,** Windy Hill, are proud grandparents of a baby girl, **Lily Craig Zildjian,** born last October in Shaoyang, China. She traveled halfway around the world to her new home in Duxbury with her adoptive parents, **Andy** and **Debbie Zildjian.** Her paternal grandparents are **Robert** and **Willi Zildjian** of Norwell.

That's the news for this week. Please get in touch if you have an event to report!

— Sallyann
383-0560

Rose and Mike O'Connell join Ann Bunstein at the 1995 Cohasset Sailing Club Lobsterfest.

Sailing Club Lobsterfest is July 20

The Cohasset Sailing Club is sponsoring its annual clambake for members and their guests from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, July 20. (This event is scheduled in July this year as the Sail Club is co-hosting the Mass. Bay Junior Sailing Regatta in August — 300 kids to race!)

Cohasset's Dan Anderson will provide the clambake, and DJ With Class will be there for music and dancing.

The menu includes New England clam chowder with oyster crackers, steamers with drawn butter, native corn on the cob, sweet sausage, coleslaw, assorted rolls, chilled watermelon, and a choice of a select steamed lobster (1-1/4 lb.) or a 12 oz. sirloin steak. The cost is $26 per person and participants should bring their own beverages. This event will be held under the tents as usual, rain or shine. Casual attire.

Tickets must be paid for no later than Thursday, July 18. Payment may be brought to the sailing club and given to the instructor in the office (there will be a designated box on the desk to put your checks) or dropped off to the front step mail box of Lyn Previte, 38 Summer Street. Checks MUST indicate the number of steak or lobster dinners desired. For questions or information, call Lyn at 383-9723.

Come to a concert on the Common

The Cohasset Recreation Department will present a concert on Cohasset Common, Tuesday, July 23, at 7:30 p.m. The event is made possible by matching grants from the South Shore Playhouse Associates and the American Federation of Musicians.

The South Shore Concert Band, under the direction of Richard Whitmarsh, will perform. The concert is free of charge, and those attending are encouraged to bring lawn chairs or blankets to sit on.

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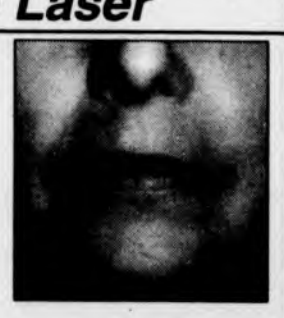

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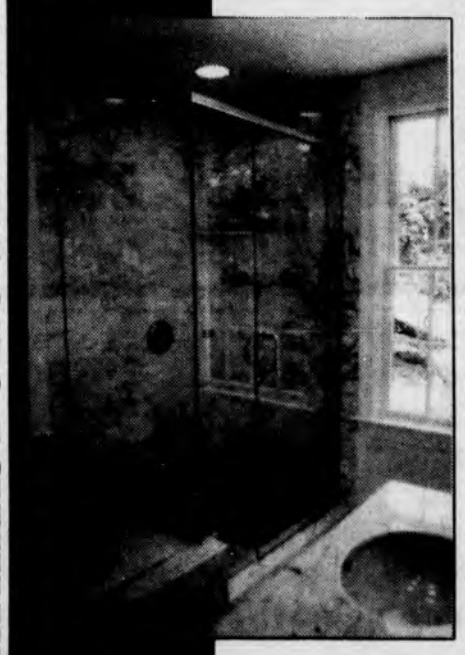

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Engagements

Manchester/ Bailey

Sarah Gardner Manchester

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Manchester of Cohasset and Davidson, North Carolina, have announced the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Gardner, to Dr. Earle Duff Bailey. He is the son of Mrs. Edward Clark Bailey of North Olmsted, Ohio, and the late Mr. Bailey. A November wedding is planned.

Ms. Manchester, a graduate of Milton Academy and Dartmouth College, received a degree of doctor of law from Cornell Law School. She is an associate in corporate law at Ropes and Gray in Boston. Her father is chief executive officer of Kewaunee Scientific Corporation, a manufacturer of equipment for scientific laboratories. For 20 years he was chief executive officer of BIW Cable Systems in Boston. Her mother is a gallery instructor in the education department of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston.

Dr. Bailey, who is known as Duff, graduated from the University of Michigan and the University of Michigan Medical School. He is a psychiatrist at Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital and has a private practice.

Music Circus registration

The Cohasset Recreation Department will hold its fourth Music Circus registration Thursday, July 18, for playground program campers wishing to see "Pocahontas." The showdate is Thursday, Aug. 1.

For details, call 383-6791.

Teen Center on hiatus

The Teen Center will be closed on weekends for the rest of the summer. Please check for announcements in the Cohasset Mariner and for signs at the Teen Center for special summer events.

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EDITORIAL

A new venue

Plans are to hold Cohasset's August 12 Special Town Meeting on the proposed $9.9 million new elementary school at the Music Circus.

While this location for a town meeting may seem bizarre to some, we agree with selectmen and Town Moderator George Marlette that the Big Top can work.

Depending on the town business at hand, Cohasset's routine town meetings usually draw just a couple hundred citizens over the course of a six-to-eight hour day . Those numbers can easily be handled in the high school auditorium.

Those special and annual town meetings, with controversial issues to address, have moved to the high school gym. The largest in recent memory was the special town meeting on the train which drew slightly more than 600 voters.

While the spring town meeting drew hundreds of sewer and school supporters, no more than about 500 occupied the gym at any one time.

But Aug. 12 could be different. For one thing, it's August. There's a good chance it'll be hot and humid. While sitting in the tent isn't ideal — it's a lot cooler than the high school gym which isn't air conditioned.

Also, this special is bound to draw a huge crowd.

Five hundred signed the special town meeting petition to force a new vote on the school. So if all of those people come, plus 500 or more school supporters — they'll be 1,000 — far too many for the gym.

Satellite sites work in Hingham where routinely town meeting attracts more than that town's high school gym can accommodate. In Hingham, they are used to having closed-circuit TV screens providing coverage in the auditorium and other locations in the school.

But because this vote is so important — and Cohasset would be a virtual rookie in dealing with multiple sites, the Music Circus is the best alternative.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said the area would be "fogged" early in the day to keep most mosquitos at bay.

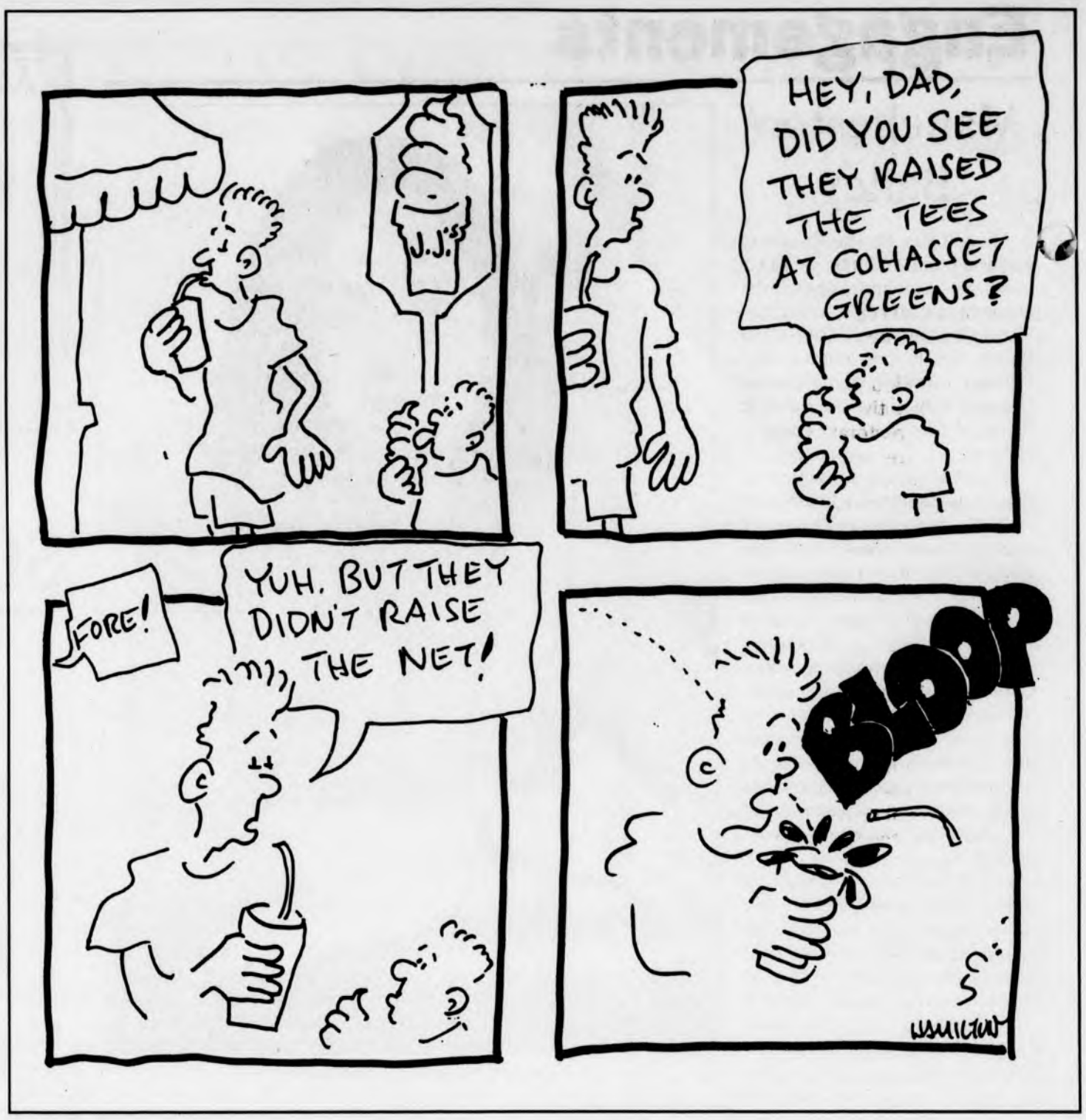
But most importantly, all of us will be able to see and hear the debate and presentations firsthand.

Thanks to the directors of South Shore Playhouse Associates for their community spirit in allowing the town to use the Music Circus.

Selectmen will meet with Mr. Marlette on July 29 to iron out any logistical details including what baby-sitting arrangements can be made for parents with small children.

Now all that's left for us, is to attend — and bring along some bug repellant just in case.

— Mary Ford
Editor



Citizens' voice must be heard

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Competition improves products in the marketplace, and concerns and constructive criticism will improve Cohasset's new primary school. When citizens of this town criticize the new school, it is because they want the very best for our children and see serious flaws and inadequacies in its design and site.

In fact, that process of vocal and written comment has already started to force changes in those deficient areas. It shocks me to read letters and hear comments of elected officials, committee members and public employees who would want the citizens of this town to simply be quiet and take what they are given. This is exactly the kind of arrogant attitude and philosophy that we abhor, and is totally contrary to the free democracy that so many thousands of our citizens have sacrificed so much to defend.

This is a representative government, and the First Amendment of our Bill of Rights guarantees the people the free voice to protest and petition change. There are no potentates allowed here, and no public official or town employee has the right to muzzle the voice of even one citizen.

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New school opposition urged

To the Editor:

Cohasset taxpayers are in a "school daze" over a primary school to be built in town. This "school daze" has evolved because issues have become muddled. Town officials, citizens and newspaper reports have tried to turn this monumental project into a moral and educational issue by declaring that this is "the right thing to do" and that we must "show support" for committee decisions.

Stop! This is not an educational or moral issue. What we have here is a monumental building project. Buildings alone cannot improve our children's education. What takes place within that building can.

The citizens of Cohasset have been told that taxes will increase by a substantial amount if this school is built, because so many other projects are already being funded by this town of only 2,700 taxpaying properties. Upcoming projects include a $16 million sewer project, a $9 million dump capping project and the proposed $16 million ($9,980,000 plus interest) for the new school project.

If this school is built as planned, people who would like to buy homes in our community may hesitate to assume a property's huge tax bill, much higher than comparable homes in nearby towns. In order to sell our homes, prices would be lowered, and property values decreased.

Yes, we must be fiscally responsible. No, we must not mortgage the future of our town — and the future of those 5-, 6- and 7-year-olds. Attend Town Meeting Aug. 12 and vote yes to reconsider the April 1 vote. Then, after carefully and responsibly listening to and weighing the facts, vote no on this very expensive building project. Instead, let the townspeople work together to find the best reasonable solution for improving our schools' educational facilities.

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Greenbush not so green, local foe claims

Says MBTA creates smoke screen on amount of train pollution

By ALICE C. COYLE
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Usin_ detailed pollution facts and emission figures, environmental activist Kevin O'Keeffe is working to derail the Greenbush restoration project.

South Shore resident and architectural designer, O'Keeffe says he can prove that in its environmental impact reports on Greenbush, the MBTA has omitted and misrepresented facts about how much more diesel-powered commuter trains will pollute the air than the automobiles they divert from area highways.

And O'Keeffe's opposition to diesel commuter trains is not limited to the Greenbush project. He is out to block all MBTA diesel commuter rail expansion including lines planned for Fall River/New Bedford and Worcester.

To help educate citizens and spread awareness, O'Keeffe founded the non-profit, Milton-based organization, Technical Resources for Environmental Quality, Inc. (TREQ), which lists as its purpose "research, education and public interest legal actions in support and defense of the constitutional right of the citizens of Massachusetts to clean air and water, freedom from unnecessary noise; and the natural, scenic, historic and esthetic qualities of their environment."

O'Keeffe's findings directly contradict what the MBTA and the state Executive Office of Environmental Affairs officials have long touted as the air quality benefits of restoring the rail lines. The Old Colony project is required mitigation for the increased air pollution that will result when Boston's Central Artery Project is completed. According to "T" officials, if the rail lines are not built, the state will face another lawsuit by the Conservation Law Foundation, a national environmental law organization.

But according to O'Keeffe, there is such political pressure to reconstruct the Old Colony rail line which went out of service in 1959, that if the Conservation Law Foundation threat did not exist, "the MBTA would have had to make one up."

MBTA officials refute O'Keeffe's claims, question his qualifications in air quality analysis, and maintain that nothing is being concealed from or misrepresented to the public.

MBTA Director of Environmental Affairs Andrew Brennan said that in meeting with O'Keeffe on these issues and reviewing his studies, it appeared that O'Keeffe had pulled some of his numbers out of the air and left out major sections of the MBTA's reports.

As to the MBTA's figures on air quality, Brennan said all of the emissions' figures will be included in the final environmental impact report which is due in the spring of 1997.

Construction work is nearing completion on both the Old Colony Plymouth and Middleboro lines with service expected to begin in Sept. 1997. The MBTA hopes to restore service to the 17.7-mile Greenbush rail line by some time in 1999.

O'Keeffe got into the Greenbush fray last year when he proposed the Accord Terminal, a centrally located regional commuter train station that could offer express train service, eliminating the intrusion of heavy diesel trains and the pollution they cause in residential neighborhoods. Criticizing the proposal for allowing regional automobile use which would result in increased air pollution, the MBTA did not seriously consider the Accord Terminal alternative, O'Keeffe said.

O'Keeffe then set out to study and quantify the actual air quality implications of automobiles versus diesel trains and came up with figures that differed greatly from those included in the MBTA's environmental impact studies.

According to O'Keeffe, the MBTA was able to show that the trains would improve air quality by completely omitting locomotive emissions from the air quality analyses for all three lines — Plymouth, Middleboro and Greenbush — of the Old Colony Railroad.

In addition, O'Keeffe said the "T" overstated the amount of automobile emissions to be diverted when train service begins, by a factor of five. Other misapplications of data and misrepresentations of emissions' figures and locomotive fuel consumption were used in analyses of the Worcester extension project and the the New Bedford/Fall River lines, he said.

And in none of the studies, did the "T' consider what O'Keeffe calls "induced highway use" or"backfill," the cars that will replace those initially diverted when rail service begins. O'Keeffe maintains that area roadways and highways will temporarily improve when rail service is restored making it more attractive for commuters to drive to work. Within a year, O'Keeffe predicts that the automobiles diverted will be replaced by new ones and the pollution they previously caused, restored.

But Brennan said the MBTA did indeed factor this information into its ridership studies in the draft environmental report, and again he noted that all of this information will be included in the final environmental impact study.

The pollution to worry about is ground level ozone and particulate emissions, said O'Keeffe who noted that the proposed MBTA diesel expansion will result in a ten-fold increase in the pollutants which create ground level ozone, and one-hundred times the out put of cancer-causing particulate emissions. By 2005, O'Keeffe charged air pollution from these new MBTA rail projects will be twice that off all the cars diverted by the trains.

But Brennan explains that there are differences in the types and acceptable levels of pollutants involved and said that O'Keeffe is not equipped or qualified to follow the analyses.

Brennan said diesel train emissions produce NOx, oxides of nitrogen, and according to state environmental officials, Massachusetts does not have a major problem with NOx.

"This does not give a license to dump as much NOx as you want, but it means the state is not in violation of clean air standards for it," Brennan said.

Volatile Organic Compounds — VOC, however, which are primarily emitted by automobiles, are a problem for the state, and that is what public transit will help reduce, Brennan said.

When NOx emissions are combined with VOC emissions at a certain ratio and mix with sunlight, the result is smog. In order to lower VOC emissions, higher NOx emissions could be the result. Brennan used the analogy of a sick patient who takes medicine to cure his illness with the knowledge the drug may have some side effects.

"O'Keeffe is saying that the side effect of the medicine is worse than the disease itself," Brennan noted.

O'Keeffe, who says he has no ties to the Coastal Coalition, a group of citizen activists who oppose the Greenbush rail restoration, hopes to derail all of the MBTA's current diesel rail projects, and see them redesigned to include cleaner, electric-powered trains. He is willing to launch a lawsuit if necessary to do so.

In a TREQ informational paper, O'Keeffe wrote, "Willful misrepresentations which are material to the environmental impact of a project, and presented in any required environmental document or proceeding, allow legal actions which are neither limited in time nor limited by any regulatory certifications."

Misrepresentation of data and figures can also jeopardize federal funding for state projects, O'Keeffe noted.

But Brennan is confident legal challenges will not derail Greenbush.

"We would not have brought this forward if we thought we were opening the MBTA to a lawsuit," said Brennan, adding "we're confident we have good legal standing and good case law behind us."

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The last council meetings for the Cohasset school year 1995-96 were held recently. A synopsis of the agenda covered by each follows.

Joseph Osgood: The school improvement plan was reviewed and additions and deletions made. Discussion about the kindergarten move to the Deer Hill, which will be overseen by the Osgood principal, special teachers and adjustment counselor. The council is still seeking a community member to complete this group.

Deer Hill: It was reported that Supt. Hart is beginning the search for a new principal to be hired this summer. The Harborfest float was postponed until next year. Money received from Jean Driscoll, athelete who recently spoke at the school, is targeted for playground improvement. Goals for next year include increasing parent involvement, improving school climate, maintaining communication and assisting the new principal.

Jr./Sr. high school: New members Ron Ford, Tom O'Neil, Liz Kidder, Jared Batts and Pat Baird were introduced. CHS is now a member of the National Alliance of High Schools, which will provide networking capabilitites with more than 400 schools. Summer plans were discussed, with possibilities being the English and social studies depts. working on cirriculum frameworks; technology/math lab rehab to improve reliability; and maintenance work, including sprucing up the building with some carpeting and paint.

Village train stop, better sidewalks top survey responses

So far the Cohasset Village Revitalization Committee, made up of interested citizens, the Chamber of Commerce and local merchants, has received 81 responses to its village survey distributed last month.

Some of the responses are as follows:

• Would you like the train to stop in the village?
Yes: 59 No: 13

• Do you think the village needs to improve sidewalks and parking areas?
Yes: 50 No: 13

• Do you think the village needs public restrooms?
Yes 44 No: 20

• Would you like to have special events, such as sidewalk sales?
Yes: 34 No: 30

• Would you recommend Cohasset to friends or family as a place to establish their business?
Yes: 37 No: 23

The most popular answers to what kind of businesses would you support in Cohasset were: clothing store (19), restaurants (16), gourmet food mart (17), pharmacy (10), fabric/linen store (9), gift store (8), book store (7), movie theater (5), pub (5), gourmet coffee (3).

The most common answers to what kinds of beautifcation efforts would you like to see in the village were: flower planters (22), improved signs (10), benches (7), antique lighting (6), and trash recepticles (7).

Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said responses are still being accepted at Aquarius Sunrooms, 22 Depot Court; Cards 'n Shards, 45 South Main St.; and The Artist's Son, 130 King St. (Route 3A).

Station would help revitalize downtown

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are soliciting the concerns of citizens).

"There is tremendous pressure on the downtown area," Sturdy said. "And any further business development in the area of the former ice rink site would be the death knell of Cohasset Village.

"This (a downtown station) would revitalize the area," he said.

MBTA Manager of Environmental Affairs, Andrew Brennan, said the T was not looking to put a second stop in Cohasset. If the town consensus was for a different station site other than the one proposed, the MBTA would listen to ideas.

"If we can find a way of locating a station that fits the needs and goals of the MBTA, than I'm willing to pass that on. If it's something that works, I'll do all I can to sell it to my boss. We are very open to taking a look and moving this," Brennan said.

Brennan's only concern about a downtown location was the existing curve of the railroad right-of-way. He said anything greater than a four percent curve would be looked at as unacceptable by MBTA engineers and, as of now, the downtown site has a double curve of eight and six percent. He said unless something could be done to alleviate this situation, there could be some problems.

On-site parking for the village site could encompass a two-story garage. The lower level being underground and the top level being on a plane with the train platform thereby meeting requirements set up for persons with disabilities. The entire parking facility would be out of sight from adjacent roadways due to the configuration of the surrounding geographic area.

Brennan said that MBTA officials are taking a radically different approach from past policies in working with communities that will be impacted by the restoration of the rail line.

This included going into each town, talking to officials and residents and saying: "We want to develop a mitigation plan with you."

To this end, Brennan lauded town officials.

"Cohasset, more so than other towns, has taken the approach of seeing what can be done by planning this through."

He said MBTA officials have identified the following four problem areas: traffic, noise, public safety, and miscellaneous issues such as wetlands, property sales and maintenance of equipment.

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> **— Andrew Brennan, MBTA environmental affairs manager.**

Brennan cautioned that while he is open to opinions there is only so much he can do.

"There are things I can do, things I can't do and we'll sees."

He announced MBTA plans to establish a Mitigation Tracking System to keep the town informed on the status and schedule of noted concerns. An updated bulletin will be issued monthly. Town Administrator Gregory Doyon will be the liaison for Cohasset, he said.

The next step in the train process is the MBTA's filing of permits within affected towns and the holding of more meetings with town boards. MBTA noise experts are scheduled to meet with local officials at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, July 23 at the Lightkeeper's Residence on Government Island.

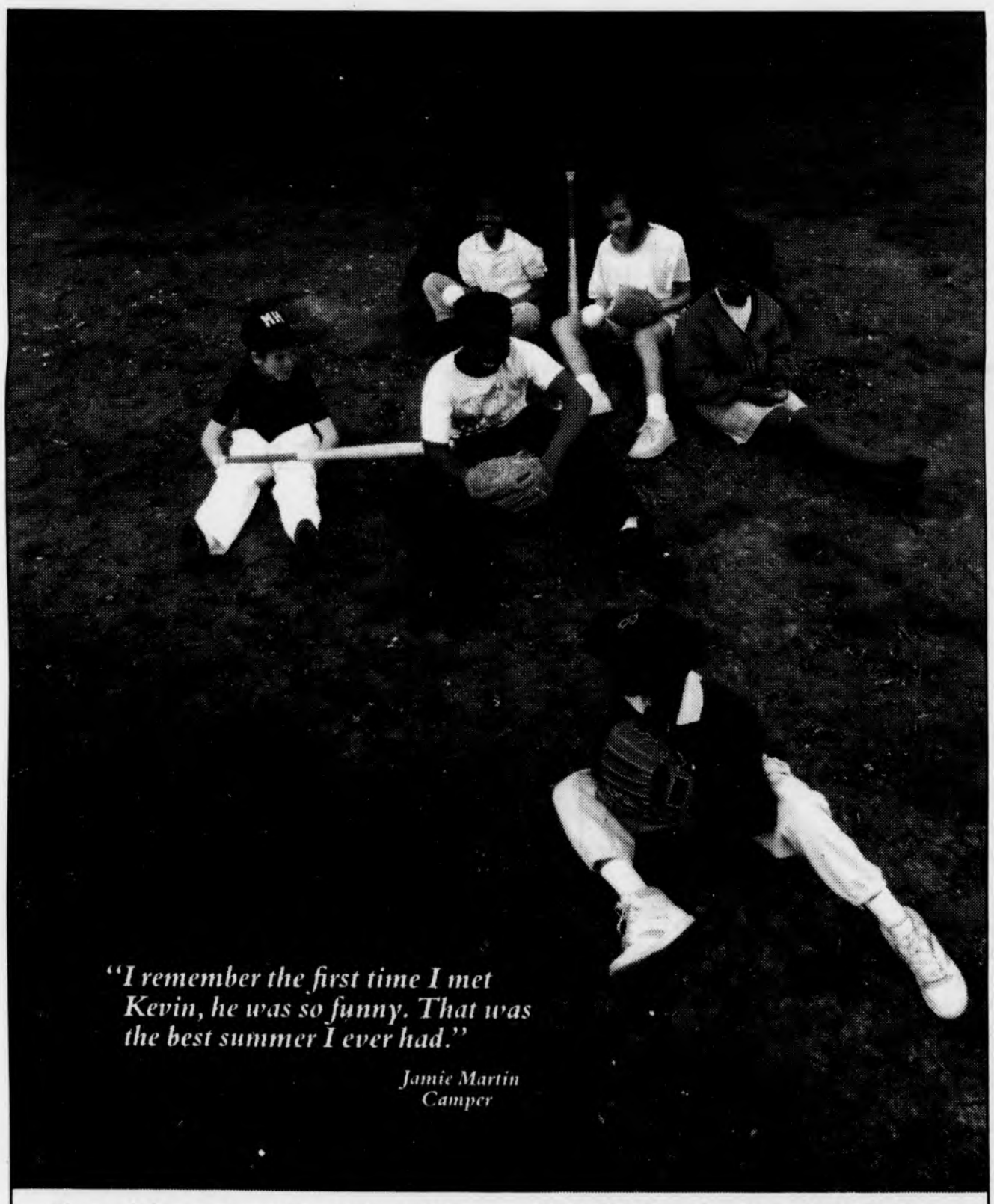
Farmer's market to start soon

The Chamber of Commerce is working with the Village Renaissance Committee in establishing a farmer's market in the village.

The farmer's market will be held from 4 to 8 p.m, Thursdays from Aug. 1 through the end of September in the town parking lot behind the village.

Six local vendors have signed up and will provide shoppers with a variety of goods including fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, plants, oils and vinegars, Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said.

Additional vendors are welcome. Call Rizzo at 383-1994 for more information.



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More citizen input sought at July 30 rail hearing

Village stop gains momentum

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

Unless there is a decided shift in opinion of Cohasset residents at a final public hearing to be held later this month, the Citizen's Mitigation Committee for the restoration of the Old Colony Railroad's Greenbush line is set to recommend to the town's Railroad Mitigation Committee that Cohasset Village be the primary location stop once the commuter train begins operation anew in 1999.

Whether the MBTA's location of a commuter stop along Route 3A, at the site of the former Cohasset Winter Gardens ice skating rink, and now a recycling company, will remain as a second town location will be left up to the judgment of state transportation officials, committee members agreed last week.

The citizen's committee will meet Tuesday, July 30, at 7:30 p.m. in Cohasset Town Hall. Committee Chairman Jim Mullen requested that all residents with any type of concern attend, as the public hearing will be their last opportunity to express to state authorities, by way of Cohasset officials, their opinions, as well as offer suggestions on impact issues such as station location, air quality, noise, safety, wetlands and rail construction.

The selection of a downtown train stop appears to have caught both local and state officials off guard. The MBTA was under the impression that the Cohasset stop would be situated along the less populated Route 3A border with Hingham. Equally, Cohasset town officials felt a village stop would be completely out of line with community thinking.

But at the May 20 Citizen's Mitigation Committee hearing, the majority consent was if the commuter train is to travel through the center of town anyway, then it would be only logical to have a village stop, with shop owners believing they would significantly benefit. Locating a stop in Cohasset Village would also eliminate the community fear of a train speeding through the center of town.

Even this scenario may not be without its problems or options.

A North Cohasset/Route 3A 5.5-acre site would provide parking for 300 vehicles. Consequently, if the MBTA were to eliminate this location in favor of a downtown Cohasset stop, commuter parking would have to be established adjacent to the rail facility, and to that end, the town's parent Railroad Mitigation Committee has passed on to the citizen's committee one such rendition of what this may entail.

The drawing depicts a 790-foot raised railway platform with proposed parking for 350 vehicles at the town center stop. Approximately 200 vehicles would be in the area directly behind the Red Lion Inn on North Main Street. This portion of the parking facility would have to be excavated, and two highway department buildings would have to be demolished. The remaining 150-vehicle parking area is the existing town lot off Pleasant Street.

If the North Cohasset location were to remain as a second stop, thereby providing the bulk of commuter parking, the question of additional morning and evening traffic clogging an already congested downtown could be rendered moot by restricting vehicles to a "drop-of and pick-up" zone.

Another station possibility revolves around the use of the Osgood School site. Committee members pondered the idea of using the facility as the downtown stop. This way, parking could be provided just outside of the downtown area, but still within walking distance for commuters/residents who did not wish to drive to the rail terminal. The downtown area would also be spared excess congestion, as overflow commuters from the Scituate station would use Route 3A, as opposed to North Main Street, to get to this location.

Though committee member Peter Pearce wondered whether or not the school facility could be made available to meet the Greenbush schedule, he said the option would be presented to residents for their discussion at the July 30 meeting.

There was also clarification from the MBTA on its statement that only 5,000 square feet of wetlands would be impacted by rail construction in Cohasset.

MBTA estimates did not originally include wetlands that were encompassed by the Greenbush right-of-way. Therefore, these 5,000 square feet would be in addition to whatever that figure might be.

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Kindergarten to go to Deer Hill in fall

New Osgood principal hired

By DOREEN LEGGETT
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As plans for the new elementary school are discussed, staff at the Osgood School is gearing up for next year, which may pose a bit of a challenge.

Due to space constraints, the four kindergarten sections will be moved from the Osgood to the Deer Hill School.

In addition, Osgood Principal Linda Whitney has resigned after six years to spend more time with her family.

"It is a great loss to the system. She did an excellent job," said schools' Supt. Stephen Hart during the July 11 school committee meeting. "She implemented a number of new programs. She was conscientious and extremely devoted to her job."

Merilee Cantelmo of Marshfield will replace her, Hart said.

Cantelmo has most recently been a principal for an elementary school in Bedford, a post she held for the past two years.

Prior to that she was an assistant elementary principal in Plymouth for four years.

Six years ago, Cantelmo was the curriculum coordinator for Cohasset schools.

School council member and kindergarten teacher Sharon Moody said there would be a "smooth transition with the new principal. Coffee hours (with the parents) may be scheduled monthly."

Cantelmo will not be the only new face at Osgood.

Teacher Barbara Buckley has decided to stay home with her new baby, and Frank Fitzgerald, an adjustment counselor, has taken a position in a different system.

They will be replaced, Hart said.

Lynn Silva is the new director of student services. She is based at the high school.

There are already 106 students signed up for kindergarten.

"There is no question that there could be five sections," Hart said.

One objective in the school improvement plan, which Moody outlined, is to make the move to Deer Hill as easy as possible for students and parents.

Several mailings have already gone out informing parents of the change. There was also a parent orientation in March; a similar one will be held in September.

Kindergartners will not be completely separated from Osgood.

"We need to make the communication with Osgood very open," Moody said.

She added that the staff and parents don't want the students to have to transition again when they enter the first grade at Osgood.

Kindergarten teachers hope to involve the older children at Deer Hill in the caretaking of the younger children.

The school improvement plan also addressed the issue of the limited play areas at the Osgood School.

Staff members have been talking with other schools to see how they "handle a lot of children in a limited space. (We hope) to optimize our space and minimize our conflicts," Moody said.

There is a respect code at the Osgood School, and children are told to stop, think and plan.

There are now 442 students projected for grades kindergarten to third.

One of the goals of the school council is to reduce class sizes. Council members said they are very concerned about the number of children in the kindergarten for next year.

"The space at Deer Hill isn't as appropriate as it should be," said Moody.

"The committee as a team continues to support the efforts to get a new school," Moody added.

In other business, the committee:

- received an additional $99,000 from the state for Chapter 70 school funds. Other communities on the South Shore also received additional funds.
- reported that materials for the ropes course at the high school had been stolen some time in June. Jack Buckley, who teaches the course, said earlier that the individual, or individuals, had to have a certain amount of knowledge about climbing to be able to reach the equipment.

TV debate flap upsets school chief

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Hearing about a move to ban him from a TV debate on the school because he doesn't live in town, Supt. Stephen Hart fired back at those responsible.

Hart, a Hingham resident, said that "excluding the person who has been the most intimately involved in the process is a gutless initiative (on the part of those) opposed to quality education in Cohasset."

School opponents and proponents were tentatively scheduled to debate issues on Wigmore Pierson's show on Aug. 4.

The format has since been changed. As it stands now, both sides may each have their own hour-long segment.

There is a special town meeting to reconsider the April positive school vote on Aug. 12.

Roy Fitzsimmons, the president of Cohasset Concerned Taxpayers (the group which circulated the position that drove the special town meeting) put the precondition on the debate that no non-Cohasset residents, except for the architects, could participate.

"(The forum) was for the people of Cohasset. We are the ones paying the taxes; we are the ones voting," Fitzsimmons said on Tuesday.

He added that School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder and School Facilities Chairman Bob Beggan should know as much about the new school as Hart.

Hart said that he had "full confidence" in school committee members, the school facilities committee and the architects, but questioned Fitzsimmons' motives.

"One might ask, what does he have to fear? There is a fear that someone might ask some pointed questions," said Hart. "(The fear of) someone speaking about the education program they have been associated with for 27 years."

"It is somewhat off-putting to suggest who ought to be on our team," agreed Kidder at the July 11 school committee meeting.

School Committee Member Rick Shea suggested that the committee tell Pierson that they wouldn't except that precondition, but would be interested in the forum.

"I think the people deserve to have this opportunity," said Kidder.

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New school plans forge ahead

Design Review Board to provide input

By DOREEN LEGGETT
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There is at least one definitive statement that can be made about the new school: it is a work in progress.

On Wednesday, July 10, at what officials state was the 87th school facilities meeting, that fact was again evident as town boards worked with architects and citizens on the new school.

Architect Sid Bowen and landscape architect Joseph Geller, presented a revised plan that created more space for play areas and moved the school further away from abutters on Old Pasture Road.

The structural design and materials for the exterior of the school were also discussed.

Work on the $9.9 million school will continue despite questions raised by the special town meeting set for Aug. 12 to reconsider the positive school vote, said Bob Beggan, chairman of the school facilities committee.

"We are going to build a school," added David Chase, who also sits on the committee.

The town meeting was set by selectmen after they received a petition that had more than 500 signatures.

Schools Supt. Stephen Hart said "people ought to know" that it would cost the town approximately $4 million to renovate the Osgood School to meet state standards.

Due to the 60 percent state reimbursement figure, the town is paying that amount for a new school.

The changes made to the plans for the new school, such as moving the school an additional 40-feet from abutters and 20 feet to the west, were the result of previous comments made by the design review board and citizens.

The shift moved the school further into the wetland, but it is still within the town's wetland bylaw, which allows 2,500 square feet of wetlands to be filled without a waiver.

Members of the conservation commission had suggested this move to accommodate the concerns of abutters.

Bowen cautioned that this does not mean that the commission as a whole will approve the new plans. The school facilities committee is scheduled to meet with the commission tonight in Town Hall, at 7:30 p.m.

Andrew Foster, 84 Old Pasture Road, still had some qualms with the site and drew up a plan which placed the school near Evergreen Road, about 60 feet from the Deer Hill School.

Foster is one of the proponents of a citizen petition that is being circulated that calls for the school to be moved to this location.

He asked the facilities committee why they hadn't studied the site he proposed.

Members replied they had, and listed several reasons why it wasn't suitable, such as its proximity to Deer Hill, and lack of play areas.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said that residents and boards should work together.

"Look at the global picture and don't be hung up on your own particular issue," he said.

Additional changes to the plans were discussed, based on comments made that evening and on costs.

"We are going to make (the school) $9.9 million. That is fact," said Bowen.

He added that to meet the figure the facilities committee may have to make some trade-offs. Lead-coated copper, which is long-lived, and brick for the exterior walls are in the plans now.

Design Review Board (DRB) Member Max Pounder said that he was concerned with the amount of natural light available on the North side of the building because of an overhang.

Bowen replied that the increased size of the windows will offset the affects of the overhang.

The DRB will look at the exterior and interior plans more closely in the coming weeks and make comments to the facilities committee and the architects.

Bowen said suggestions are welcome.

"We are not here to say that we have the only answers," he said.

The school facilities committee won't sign off on the architects' plans until they get the DRB's report.

Beggan asked residents of Old Pasture Road to get together and decide whether or not they wanted a fence or a 10-foot vegetation buffer separating them from school property.

The 10-foot buffer of trees would infringe on the playing fields.

As the plans stand now, behind the school there is a 38,000-square-foot area which can be used for two youth-size soccer fields, and a 28,000- square-foot parcel to the side of the school that could accommodate a T-ball field.

The allotted play area is almost twice the size of the playing fields at Osgood.

Additional playing fields were possible because the two detention basins were combined into one adequate enough to accommodate a 100-year storm.

The basin will only have water in it during a rainstorm.

The school sits on a ridge and has two-stories in the front and one in the back, which faces Old Pasture Road.

"This building has a low profile. From the Old Pasture side it is one story and has a profile not unresidential," Geller said.

The physical site of the new school, which will have 24 classrooms, is 7.8 acres. If the nature trails and the vernal pool are included the site encompasses 13 acres.

Osgood School sits on 4.1 acres.

Paul Pratt Library Corner

Earn summer reading credits

In an effort to encourage summer reading, the faculty at the Deer Hill School has developed a plan. Next September, in each corridor of Deer Hill, there will be a section called the "Read" wall. This wall will be covered from ceiling to floor with a piece of red paper,. The children will attach index cards, which will be color-coded for each grade level. The card will show their name and books read during the summer. Each index card will list the titles of five books they have read and will be worth 100 points toward their class' Merit Award. These same five books can also be used for credit in the Paul Pratt Library Summer Reading Program, "Catch the Summer Spark, Read!"

Experience has shown that reading is a basic ingredient for success in school and summer is an ideal time to expand that skill and have fun doing it.

Story hour and puzzle club debut

A story hour for pre-school children will take place every Friday throughout the summer from 10-10:45 a.m. in the Children's Room of the Paul Pratt Library. Children must be 3-1/2 years of age. There is no registration required.

Deer Hill School librarian Marge Murphy is conducting the very popular Puzzle Club on Monday and Tuesday from 7-8:45 p.m. through the last week of August. Children from grades two through six are welcome. They should be sure to bring their library cards. Popsicles, courtesy of the Friends of the Paul Pratt Library, will be served at 8 p.m. Parents must pick their children up no later than 8:45 p.m.

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A ceramic village

Art Center campers dig clay project

At right, Jamie Nichols shows off the head of a citizen to be in the historic ceramic village being built at art camp.

Bottom left, Art Center faculty member Nancy Connolly works with Robert Silvio; bottom right, Mariss Delferro works busily on her creation; and below, Giselle Robinson approves of Taryn Martin's work of art.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Zach Etkind admires his man with a bird on his shoulder.

Mariner Sports

Coach pleased with squad

Golden has seen 'drastic improvements' from 2-0 swim team

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The Scituate Yacht Club escaped damage from Hurricane Bertha last weekend. Unfortunately, the club's swim team felt the full brunt of the Cohasset Swim Team's power as Becky Golden's squad improved its record to 2-0 in the South Shore Swim League with its second consecutive lopsided win.

Unlike the victory over Hanover, where Golden pretty much knew Cohasset had the stronger of the two clubs heading into the meet, she was surprised by the relative ease at which Cohasset disposed of a tough Scituate squad.

"They're one of the largest teams we swim against," Golden said. "We rose to the occasion and a number of swimmers stepped up for us. It was wonderful."

With the season now in full tilt, Golden has been concentrating on increasing the team's overall stamina by upping each individual's yardage during the daily workouts. The interval length has also increased and Golden is still emphasizing the swimmers' stroke form.

The work has obviously paid off for the overwhelming majority of Cohasset's swimmers. Golden saw significant improvements from the Hanover meet by Ali Dempester, Jen Chastian, Tim Ulmber, Dan McCarthy, Kate Kuppens, Karen Garber, Bryce Rafferty and Colin Regan.

When Golden means improvements she is talking about a whopping five seconds or so over 25 yards and nine for 50 yards.

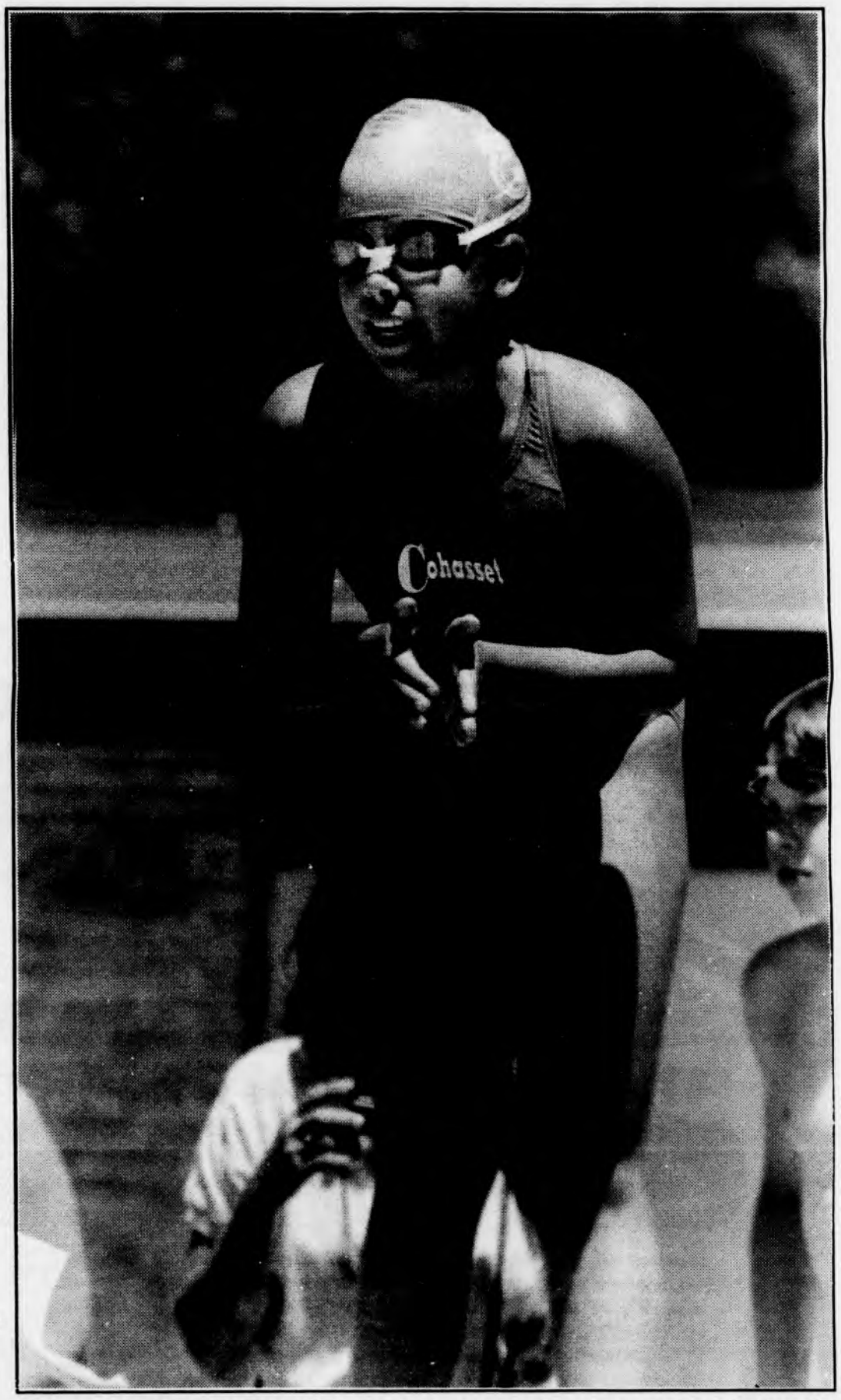
"We've just seen incredible improvements in their times," Golden said. "Some real drastic drops."

The two wins and the faster times have done a lot to motivate the team even more than it had been at the beginning of the season. Each swimmer is keeping a log of his or her times, workouts and races. The swimmers are better able to follow their progress as the season continues using the log-book format.

Golden is confident Cohasset will face a strong AquaDux team (Duxbury) at home on Friday. The squad is affiliated with the Gators Swim Team and Golden isn't sure just how many will be at the meet.

"They have a ton of swimmers," she said. "The Gators usually train together during the winter then swim with the AquaDux in the summer, but I have no idea how many swimmers will show up."

With the strides the Cohasset swimmers are taking, Duxbury should call the troops together and attack swiftly. It just may be their only chance.



Cohasset swimmer Sera Genovese cheers on her teammates during the squad's victory over Scituate Yacht Club.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

Swimmers remain undefeated

BY SELMA INGBER
Special to the Mariner

Cohasset Swim Team defeated Scituate Yacht Club in its second meet of the season which took place on Friday, July 12, at Scituate Yacht Club.

Next week Cohasset takes on Duxbury Aquadux. This meet is scheduled for Friday, July 19, at the Cohasset Swim Center.

In the mixed 8 and under medley relay, the team of Dickenson, Markert, Berg and Musto came in first and the team of Plante, Sida, Garber and Sanchez came in fourth.

In the mixed 10 and under medley relay, the team of Jerome, Anderson, Larson and Bilton came in first and the team of McCarthy, Faber, Erkind and Straughn came in second.

In the boys 12 and under medley relay, the team of Berg, Buck, Lehr and Carr came in first and the team of Hurley, Roche, Ogrodnik and Farley came in third.

In the girls 12 and under medley relay, the team of Bugley, Grimm, O'Brien and McDonald came in first and the team of Ulmer, O'Brien, Genovese and Shea came in fourth.

In the boys 17 and under medley relay, the team of Schneider, Bugley, Golden and Buckley came in first.

In the girls 17 and under medley relay the team of O'Brien, O'Hart, Berg and Harkness came in first and the team of Zerendow, Habershaw, Case and Almer came in third.

50 YARD FREE STYLE
10 and under

Boys: Teddie Straughn, first; Mike Ernst, third; Chris Flynn, fourth.

Girls: Casey Anderson, Becca Lehr.

100 YARD I.M.
17 and under

See page 18

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Don't sweat hot-weather running

Like extreme cold, hot humid weather can cause runners a great deal of discomfort if they don't prepare for the conditions they will be logging their miles in.

Runners needn't cut back on their mileage if they follow a few hints as to how to keep their fitness up during the sweltering summer months in preparation for the fall cross country and road-racing season.

The most important thing to remember when it comes to summer running is that you can't drink enough water. People are supposed to drink at least six glasses of water per day. Runners, on the other hand, should be downing as much water as possible and start drinking early and often in summer road races. The best way to tell if you are properly

Reardon

hydrated is if your urine is clear. The darker the color, the more water you need.

It's also important to remember to run during the coolest times of the day. The warmest hours of the day in the summer months fall between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Getting up early or running at dusk allows the runner to avoid the hot sun, though it still may be muggy. Also, if you are thinking of changing your running schedule by getting up and packing in the miles in the morning, the summer is the best time to start. It gets light out as early as 5:10 a.m. and the weather is agreeable. By the time the cold winter weather rolls in, you should be used to waking up ready for a good morning workout.

It's best to run in light colors rather than dark because they reflect the sun's rays, making you less likely to feel as hot as you would if wearing dark running clothing.

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Mariner Sports

Swimmers remain undefeated

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Boys: Justin Buckley, first.

Girls: Jenny Chastain, second; Ashley Ulmer, third.

14 and under

Boys: Jeff Schneider, first; Chris Golden, second.

Girls: Allison Berg, first; Hilary Habershaw, second.

12 and under

Boys: Alex Berg, first; David Crowley Buck, third.

Girls: Kate O'Brien, first; Courtney McDonald, fourth.

FREE STYLE

8 and under

Boys: Zach Markert, first; Noah Wilcox, third.

Girls: Callie Ernst, first; Lisa Musto, third.

10 and under

Boys: Bryan Bilton, first; Teddie Straughn, second.

Girls: Jenna Larson, first; Casey Anderson, second.

12 and under

Boys: Rob Lehr, first; Chris Carr, second.

Girls: Cara Foley, second; Courtney McDonald, third.

14 and under

Boys: Chris Golden, first; John Crowley Buck, second.

Girls: Gemma O'Brien, first; Hillary Habershaw, third.

17 and under

Boys: Justin Buckley, first; Justin Golden, second.

Girls: Kerry O'Hart, first; Alice Case, second.

BUTTERFLY

8 and under

Boys: Noah Wilcox, first; Parker Berg, second.

Girls: Lisa Musto, first; Emilie Shea, third.

10 and under

Boys: Bryan Bilton, first; Tom Anderson, second.

Girls: Elisa Jerome, second; Jenna Larson, third.

12 and under

Boys: Rob Lehr, second; Scott Faber, third.

Girls: Kate O'Brien, first; Carlie Carer, fourth.

14 and under

Boys: Chris Golden, first.

Girls: Sarah Harness, second; Ashley Ulmer, fourth.

17 and under

Boys: Justin Buckley, Justin Golden.

Girls: Sue Gill, first; Jessie Zerendow, second.

BREASTSTROKE

8 and under

Boys: Zach Markert, first; Reed Dickenson, second.

Girls: Callie Ernst, first; Caitlin Sanchez, second.

10 and under

Boys: Tommy Anderson, first; Chris Flynn, second.

Girls: Ashley Faber, first; Elisa Jerome, second.

12 and under

Boys: David Crowley Buck, first; Chris Carr, second.

Girls: Kate O'Brien, first; Kate Grimm, third.

14 and under

Boys: John Crowley Buck, first.

Girls: Allison Berg, first; Sarah Harkness, second.

17 and under

Boys: Derek Bugley, first; Mike O'Hart, second.

Girls: Kerry O'Hart, first; Alice Case, second.

BACKSTROKE

8 and under

Boys: Parker Berg, first; Reed Dickenson, second.

Girls: Caitlin Sanchez, second; Melissa Crowley Buck, third.

10 and under

Boys: Tommy Anderson, first; Will McCarthy, fourth.

Girls: Jenna Larson, Delia Regan.

12 and under

Boys: Alex Berg, Matt Farley.

Girls: Alexis Bugley, first; Carlie Carter, third.

14 and under

Boys: Jeff Schneider, first; John Crowley Buck, second.

Girls: Gemma O'Brien, first; Hilary Hakershaw, second.

17 and under

Boys: Mike O'Hart, first, Brian Hurley, second.

Girls: Sue Gill, second; Jenny Chastain, first.

Diving team takes first place at all-league meet

The Cohasset Diving Team had their first all-league meet last Wednesday at Duxbury Yacht Club. This year's team, coached by Dawn Meehan and Amy Wojtasinski, is 40 members strong. At the meet, Cohasset took first place, defeating strong teams from Scituate and Duxbury.

Placing first in their events were: Maura Duffy (17&U Girls), David Crowly-Buck (12&U Boys), and Haley Wojtasinski (12&U Girls). Eric Moore and Bob Meehan placed second and third respectively in the 17&U Boys competition, while Amy Wojtasinski placed second in the 17&U Girls competition.

For the 12&Us, Ashley Faber took third place for the girls, and Mac Chase placed second for the boys.

This week's Divers of the Week were Kim Ulmer, Alex Dempster and Kristin Sheerin.

Don't sweat running

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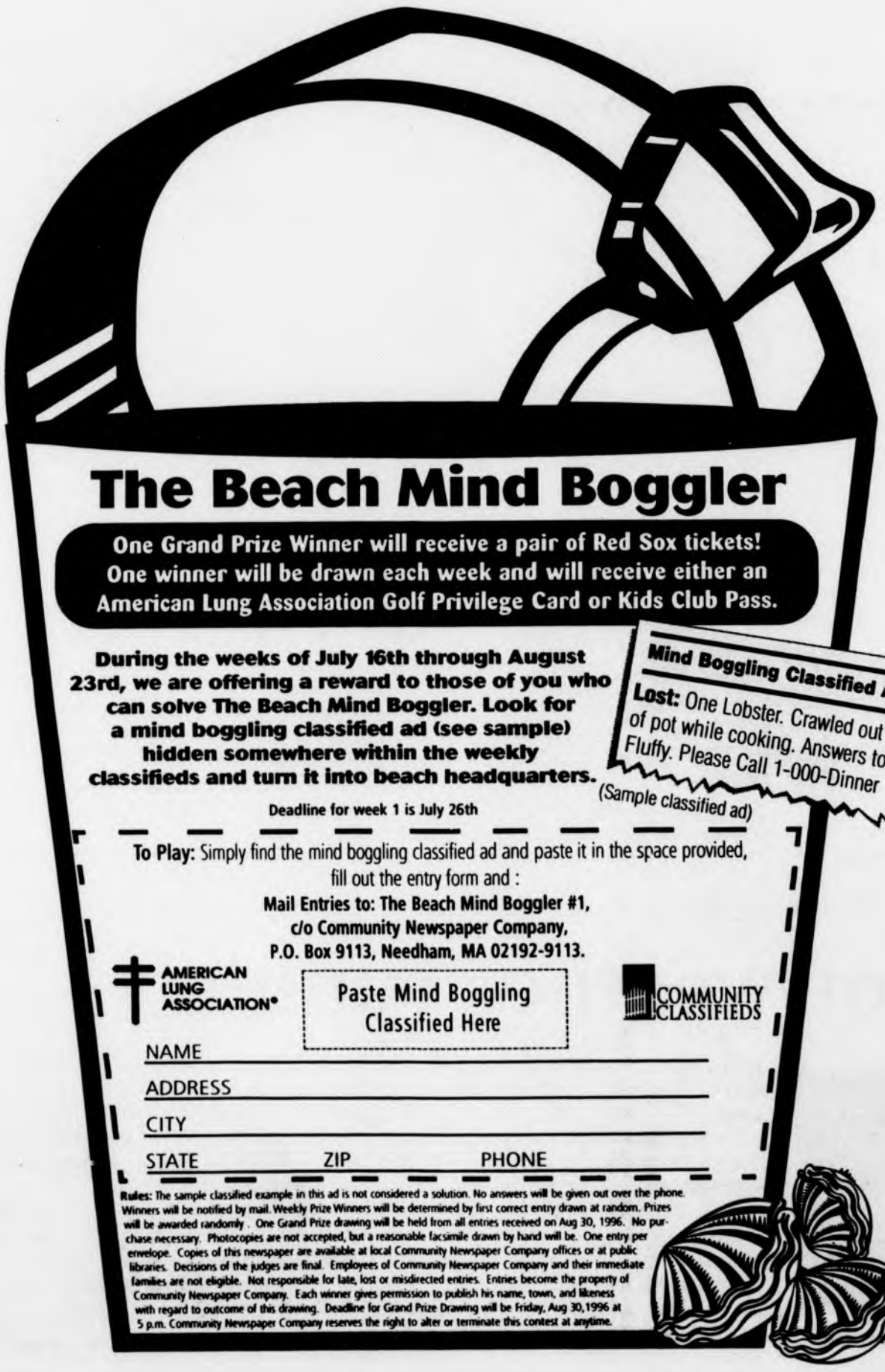
Despite your precautions, you still may experience some problems in the heat. Don't try to push through the warning signs of possible heat prostration or heat stroke. Save your strength for another day and concentrate instead on staying out of the sun and drinking water and juices for much of the day.

Signs of heat problems include dizziness, lightheadedness, clammy skin with little sweating, disorientation, dehydration, nausea and vomiting. Just stop. No workout is worth the risk of putting yourself in a dangerous situation.

Remember, even the best runners in the world have their problems with hot weather. Bill Rodgers ran with the leaders for much of the 1977 Boston Marathon, but the 80-degree temperatures sapped his strength and he wound up dropping out of the race near Boston College. Three-time New York City Marathon winner Alberto Salazar had a very scary experience in the 1978 Falmouth Road Race. Salazar, a 20-year-old college student at the time, drank very little water before the race and none during the race. He ran directly behind Rodgers for six miles, but faded to 10th place over the last 1-1/2 miles.

After the race Salazar was brought to a medical tent where his temperature shot up to 108-degrees. The situation looked so grim that a Catholic priest administered the last rites. However, Salazar pulled through once fluids were administered to him through an intravenous tube and he recovered. Salazar later said he didn't remember running the last 1-1/2 miles of the race.

As good a runner as Salazar is, he didn't follow the guidelines to running in hot weather. Be smart and you should have a long, productive summer on the roads.



The Beach Mind Boggler

One Grand Prize Winner will receive a pair of Red Sox tickets! One winner will be drawn each week and will receive either an American Lung Association Golf Privilege Card or Kids Club Pass.

During the weeks of July 16th through August 23rd, we are offering a reward to those of you who can solve The Beach Mind Boggler. Look for a mind boggling classified ad (see sample) hidden somewhere within the weekly classifieds and turn it into beach headquarters.

Deadline for week 1 is July 26th

Mind Boggling Classified Ad

Lost: One Lobster. Crawled out of pot while cooking. Answers to Fluffy. Please Call 1-000-Dinner

(Sample classified ad)

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Rules: The sample classified example in this ad is not considered a solution. No answers will be given out over the phone. Winners will be notified by mail. Weekly Prize Winners will be determined by first correct entry drawn at random. Prizes will be awarded randomly . One Grand Prize drawing will be held from all entries received on Aug 30, 1996. No purchase necessary. Photocopies are not accepted, but a reasonable facsimile drawn by hand will be. One entry per envelope. Copies of this newspaper are available at local Community Newspaper Company offices or at public libraries. Decisions of the judges are final. Employees of Community Newspaper Company and their immediate families are not eligible. Not responsible for late, lost or misdirected entries. Entries become the property of Community Newspaper Company. Each winner gives permission to publish his name, town, and likeness with regard to outcome of this drawing. Deadline for Grand Prize Drawing will be Friday, Aug 30, 1996 at 5 p.m. Community Newspaper Company reserves the right to alter or terminate this contest at anytime.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Hampden Division
Docket No. 96A0098-TM
Citation
M.G.L. c.210, §3
In the Matter of
EMILY MARIE GARCIA TEJEDA otherwise EMILY GARCIA,
minor

To MARITZA GARCIA, 5 Marathon House, Madison Avenue, Springfield, Massachusetts and MICHAEL TEJEDA, Parts Unknown and any unknown or unnamed father, parent(s) of the above named child.

A petition has been presented to said court by the COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, 1537 Main Street, Springfield, Massachusetts, praying that said court finds that the — mother — father — of said child lack(s) the current ability, capacity, fitness and readiness to assume parental responsibility for said child; that the petitioner's plan for adoption of the child will serve the child's best interests; and, under the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 210, Section 3, dispense with the need for the consent of or notice to the within named — mother — father — on any petition for the adoption of said minor child subsequently sponsored by the petitioner.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT 50 State Street, Springfield, Massachusetts before TEN O'CLOCK in the forenoon (10:00 A.M.) on August 12, 1996.

You are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC RULE 3:10. Determination of indigency will be made by the Court. Contact the Assistant Register — Adoptions Clerk of said Court.

Witness David G. Sacks Esquire, First Justice of said Court.

Date May 10, 1996
Thomas P. Moriarty, Jr.
Register of Probate
7/11, 18, 25/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96D0588D1
Summons By Publication
JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE,
Plaintiff
v.
JAMIE LYNN BEARDSLEE,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE, seeking judgment of divorce, to prohibit defendant from imposing any restraint on plaintiff's personal liberty, grant her sole legal and physical custody of minor child, Sarah Louise Beardslee, suitable support for wife and minor child, equitable division of marital assets, to resume former name of Jennifer Marie Hynes.

You are required to serve upon George M. Ford, Esq. plaintiff's attorney - whose address is Conn, Kavanaugh, Rosenthal, Peisch & Ford, L.L.P., Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 your answer on or before SEPT. 25, 1996. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Dedham.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this 25th day of JUNE, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate Court
7/11, 18, 25/96

TOWN OF COHASSET BOARD OF HEALTH PUBLIC NOTICE

The Cohasset Board of Health will conduct a hearing on July 23, 1996, at 7:00 P.M. at the Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., Cohasset to consider changes to its supplemental regulations to the State Environmental Code, Title V, 310 CMR 15.000, Minimum Requirements for the Subsurface Disposal of Sanitary Sewage. The hearing will focus on the creation of Onsite Wastewater Management Districts that would eliminate the inspection requirement at time of property transfer to one of systematic inspections based on prioritized Onsite Wastewater Management Districts. Revisions to the existing regulations dealing with the requirement for designing soil absorption systems for garbage grinders; providing alternating pumps for residential septic systems as well as other related issues will be discussed.
7/4, 11, 18/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 87P2268GM2
NOTICE OF GUARDIANSHIP - MINOR - WITHOUT SURETIES
NOTICE

To DARLA ANDERSON OF PARTS UNKNOWN AND TO STEVEN ANDERSON OF SCITUATE IN THE COUNTY OF NORFOLK AND to all persons interested in the estate of Danielle M. Anderson and Keri E. Anderson of Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk, Minors.

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that Donna L. Herbert of Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk and Richard H. Herbert of Cohasset be appointed guardians of said minors without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before September 11, 1996.

WITNESS, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-eighth day of June, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
7/18/96

Police Log

Wednesday, June 19

2:38 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.
7:00 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:34 p.m., MV stop, Lower King St.
9:37 p.m, suspicious auto, River Rd.
9:55 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
9:55 p.m., warrant of apprehension, Atlantic Ave.
10:37 p.m., arrest, Atlantic Ave., Ptl Treanor in with Virginia M. Dunphy of 53 Packard Ave., Hull, DOB: 12/08/59, arrested on outstanding warrant issued by Weymouth PD.
10:47 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Thursday, June 20

12:40 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
2:04 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
3:01 a.m., open door/window, Lamberts Ln.
12:12 p.m., public service, Highland Ave.
1:11 p.m., fire alarm, Stagecoach Way.
2:27 p.m., abandoned 911 call, S. Main St.
3:07 p.m., property damage, Clay Spring Rd.
5:30 p.m., MV stop, CJC Way by Scituate Line.
8:40 p.m., suspicious auto, Whitehead Rd.
8:54 p.m., disturbance general, behind Red Lion Inn.
8:56 p.m., disturbance general, Black Rock Beach.

Friday, June 21

6:24 a.m, vandalism, S. Main St.
6:34 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.
7:35 a.m., animal complaint, Cushing Plaza.
10:25 a.m., property damage, Clapp Rd.
10:57 a.m., property damage, Sohier St.
12:02 p.m., larceny, CJC Hwy.
1:15 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
2:04 p.m., abandoned 911 call, Pond St.
2:26 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
4:32 p.m., MV accident, S. Main St.
9:29 p.m., suspicious (other), off Sandy Beach.
9:47 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.
11:47 p.m., medical aid, Lamberts Ln.
11:55 p.m., disturbance, Mill Ln.

Saturday, June 22

4:08 a.m., e-911 call verification.
5:47 a.m., open door/window, S. Main St.
9:05 a.m., animal complaint, Pond St.
10:22 a.m., assist citizen, Sohier St.
11:50 a.m., MV accident, King St.
1:48 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
2:57 p.m., MV violations, Border St.
3:10 p.m., medical aid, Beechwood St.
4:22 p.m., investigation, Lamberts Ln.
5:16 p.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
6:26 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:51 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.
6:59 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
7:03 p.m., Medical aid, Church St.
7:48 p.m., MV accident, Border St.
8:50 p.m., disturbance, Border St.
9:15 p.m., arrest, Border St., Ptl. Quigley in with Steven C. Leonard, DOB: 3/29/77, 35 School St., Hingham, arrested for three counts assault & battery dangerous weapon, affray.
9:48 p.m., medial aid, Elm St.
10:00 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
10:38 p.m., disturbance, N. Main St.
11:01 p.m., disturbance, N. Main St.

Sunday, June 23

12:38 a.m., MV stop, Lower King St.
2:58 p.m., medical aid, Glades Rd.
6:05 a.m., MV stop, Lower King St.
8:08 a.m., assist other police dept., Surry Dr.
8:19 a.m., property (lost), Windy Hill Rd.
8:45 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.
9:24 a.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.
10:44 a.m., MV stop, Sohier St.
10:52 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.
11:22 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
12:33 p.m., e-911 call verification, King St.
2:24 p.m., MV accident, Cushing Rd.
3:23 p.m., officer wanted, Border St.
3:31 p.m., notification, Reservoir Rd.
4:36 p.m., notification, Beechwood St.
6:20 p.m., suspicious activity, HQ.
6:34 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:41 p.m., vandalism, Ash St.
8:32 p.m., notification, Beechwood St.
11:38 p.m., suspicious (other), Lamberts Ln.

Monday, June 24

12:23 a.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.
12:43 a.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln.
2:16 a.m., officer wanted, Elm St.
2:55 a.m., suspicious person, N. Main St.
7:29 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Beechwood St.
7:48 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Beechwood St.
1:04 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
2:23 p.m., larceny, CJC Hwy.
2:37 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
3:31 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
4:52 p.m., missing person, Reservoir Rd.
5:43 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.
10:45 p.m., suspicious auto, Windy Hill Rd.
10:48 p.m., disturbance, Beechwood St.
11:18 p.m., protective custody, Beechwood St.

Tuesday, June 25

12:00 a.m., medical aid, Hawley Rd.
12:44 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St.
4:49 a.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.
7:12 a.m., fire alarm, Country Way.
7:25 a.m., assist other agency, CJC Hwy.
7:31 a.m., disabled auto, Sohier St.
7:35 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
7:41 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
8:35 a.m., MV theft, Jerusalem Rd.
9:47 a.m., summons service, Beechwood St.
11:32 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
12:44 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd.
4:55 p.m., well being check, Jerusalem Rd.
6:53 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:02 p.m., notification, Ripley Rd.
9:55 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:05 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.

Wednesday, June 26

1:14 a.m., assist other PD, out of town, Hingham.
1:32 a.m., vandalism, S. Main St.
3:04 a.m., suspicious auto, King St.
3:32 a.m., recovered MV, Quincy MBTA station.
5:29 a.m., noise complaint, Beechwood St.
7:39 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:48 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
9:12 a.m., property (lost), Elm St.
11:55 a.m., MV accident, Sohier St.
4:20 p.m., suspicious auto, Atlantic Ave.
5:07 p.m., property damage, S. Main St.
5:23 p.m., animal complaint, Hillside Dr.
7:50 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

Police arrest 22 in June

In his June status report to selectmen, Police Chief Brian W. Noonan said the police department made 22 arrests last month including two for operating under the influence of alcohol; five for outstanding warrants; three for minors transporting alcohol; two for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon; two for illegal possession of a Class D controlled substance (marijuana); one for assault; and one for illegal possession of a dangerous weapon.

There was also one breaking and entering incident reported to the department, Noonan said.

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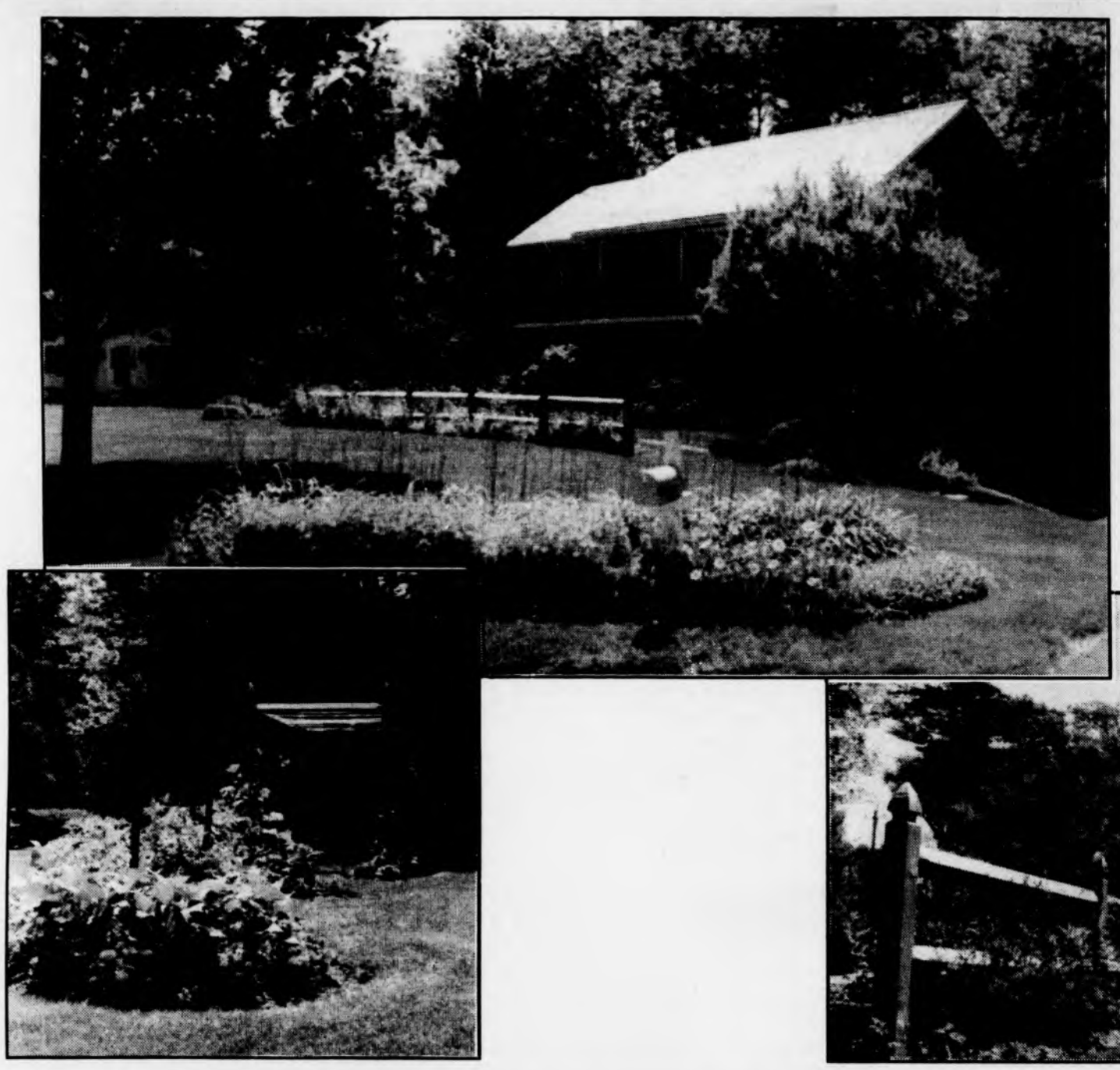
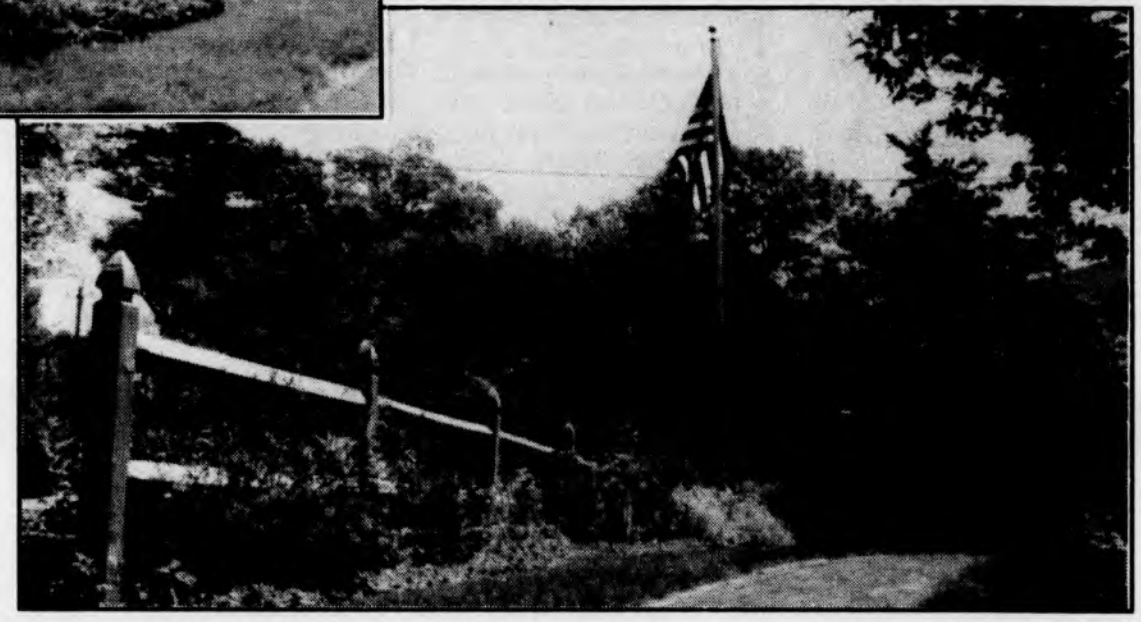


Anne and Dick Avery, 22 Surrey Dr., have created one of the most colorful and abundant perennial borders in Cohasset. By using a formal split-rail style fence as the center anchor, Sue and Dick have planted beds on either side curving to conform to the front brick path. Every imaginable color is represented — purple pincushion astilbe; stately deep purple, royal blue and pale blue delphiniums; pink astilbe; bright pink coneflower; pink, orange and yellow oriental lilies; bright yellow yarrow; Coral Bells; Bleeding Heart; blue Veronica with a soft drift of pale pink babies'- breath to soften the bed's edge. A shade garden to the left of the perennial border is home to a dogwood under planted with Hosta, ferns and deep magenta astilbe. Dick has recently finished building the latest addition to the garden — a pergola shading the birdbath, under planted with zinnias and bright yellow marigold. The mailbox is engulfed in an island of intense summertime color — deep yellow day lily, blue Lobelia, deep salmon-colored "Marina" rose, bright yellow Coreopsis, tall dark fuchsia flowered lamb's-ear with its furry grey leaves, back by orange oriental poppies and day lily. Two corner islands accent the front lot lines — these are filled with tall Shasta daisy, day lily, pink oriental poppy, white astilbe, lamb's-ear and variegated ornamental grasses. Be sure to view this garden in all its glory — this one is not to be missed! Many thanks to Anne and Dick for inviting the Grand Tour to photograph and share their labor of love.



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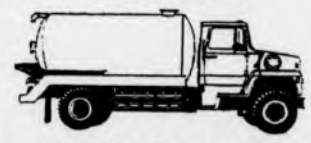

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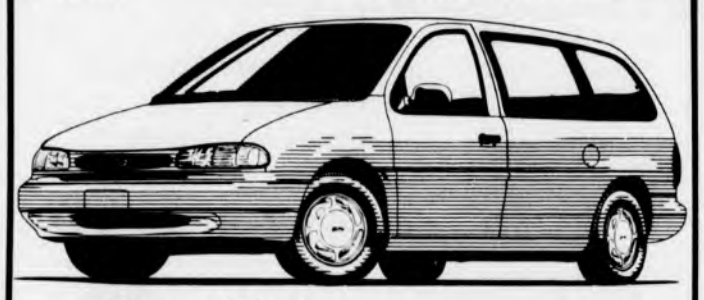

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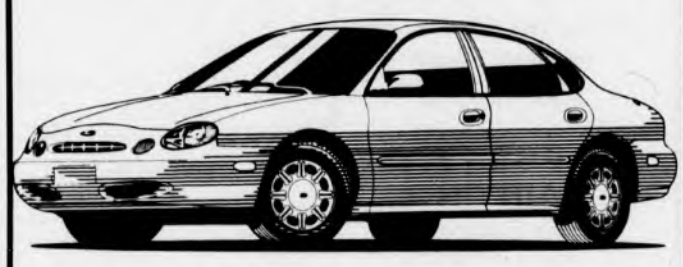

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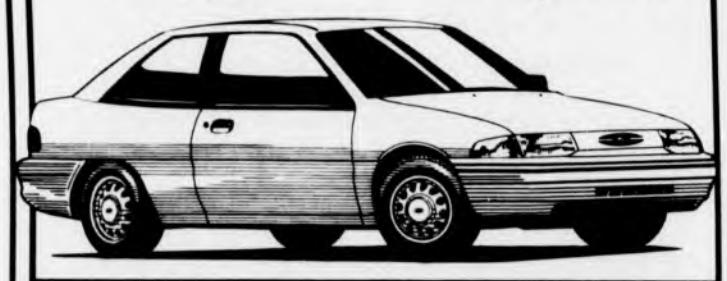

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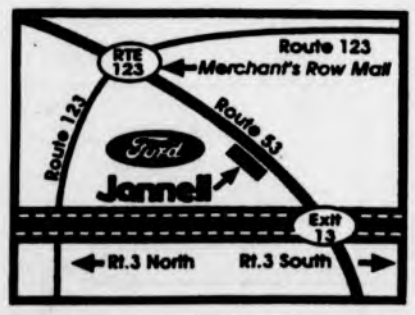

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Voters to decide new school site

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Hoping to avoid a second special town meeting, selectmen decided to include an article in the Aug. 12 special town meeting warrant which moves the site of the new school.

The article proposes that the new school be built next to the Deer Hill School.

Selectmen had previously decided not to include the article because petitioners had missed the July 8 deadline.

However,petitioners maintained that they would gather the necessary 200 signatures to force the selectmen to call another special town meeting.

As the plans stand now, the new $9.9 million elementary school is to be located 500 feet behind the Deer Hill School.

Some abutters on Old Pasture Road, whose lot lines are approximately 140 feet from the new school site, say that the school is too close to their property.

In an emergency meeting Friday night, Selectman Roseanne McMorris said that although she supported the article's inclusion, she didn't believe that town meetings were an appropriate forum for every citizen concern.

"I am in hopes that people understand that this is not the way to run a good town," added Selectman Chairman Merle Brown, after he approved the addition of the article.

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder and School Facilities Chairman Bob Beggan voiced their opposition to the board's decision.

"I ask you to rethink this," said Kidder. "To ask people to take the school and move it to

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At the Cohasset Council on Aging cookout at the Lightkeepers House, Rose Kearce surprised Virginia Anderson with her furry friend. For more photos, turn to page 13.

Staff photo/ Alan Chapman

Noise impacts aired at tri-town train meeting

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

The complexity involved in understanding rail impacts became abundantly clear this week as representatives from Cohasset, Hingham, and Scituate met with MBTA consultants for a noise and vibration workshop.

Noise and vibration are considered two of the most adverse effects on homes and businesses that abut the 17.7-mile right-of-way for the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad.

While the $215 million rail restoration project has met with considerable opposition in several South Shore towns, mitigation committees have cropped up throughout the Greenbush corridor and have begun to work on finding ways to lessen the train's impact on area property owners.

Some of the towns have hired their own noise experts to help determine and debate the accuracy of the MBTA studies.

Mitigation committee members and rail liaisons from all three communities attended the meeting which was held Tuesday evening at the Lightkeeper's House in Cohasset.

While Chairman James Mullen of Cohasset's citizen mitigation committee raised several technical questions on noise, Conservation Commission member Michael Dick had concerns about the impact of noise and vibration on wetland habitats and

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Osgood School renovation options weighed by officials

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

If the new school proposal is ultimately rejected, how much would it cost to keep Osgood School open?

At the school facilities meeting July 17, School Supt. Stephen Hart walked the audience of town board members and concerned citizens through several possible scenarios.

"These are not my recommendations," Hart cautioned. "Most of these are fraught with problems. They are a very illogical approach."

The positive school vote will be reconsidered at a special town meeting Aug. 12. A citizen petition with over 500 signatures spurred the town meeting.

At the July 17 meeting, the facilities committee voted unanimously to reaffirm their support of the new school.

Hart said that none of the Osgood options are state-funded. The state is funding 60 percent of the capital and interest costs of the new school.

Based on the median value of a house in Cohasset, which is $242,000, the cost for the new school would cost the taxpayer

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Swimmers eclipse nine-year-old relay record

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

With the skill and depth of its team, the Cohasset Swim Team has been able to experiment with swimmers in different relays and events to get an idea who belongs where.

But after last Friday's victory over the Aqua-Dux of Duxbury, head coaches Allison Hughes and Becky Golden won't be juggling swimmers in and out of the 17-and-under girls 200-meter freestyle relay.

The team of Allison Berg, Gemma O'Brien, Kerry O'Hart and Sarah Harkness raced to a pool record time of 2:06.21, breaking the standard set back in 1987.

Hughes, for one, wasn't surprised by the record swim.

"Usually the relays win by a lot," she said. "These girls are all winter swimmers also."

Berg, O'Brien and O'Hart regularly competed together in the relay. Harkness joined the threesome in order for Hughes and Golden to get a look at how the squad would do as a team in a competitive meet. Harkness' times had been improving in her freestyle event and the two coaches believed she'd be a definite asset to the relay.

Although the group will stay together in the relay, Hughes said the individual members' workouts won't change. They'll continue to work on starts, but Hughes was quick to point out that part of the swim team's training is done by everyone on the roster.

Hughes wasn't overly concerned with a supposed moved by the Aqua-Dux to put together as strong a relay team as possible to challenge Cohasset at the All-League meet on August 10 at Wheaton College.

"It's definitely a concern," she said, "but we will have our fastest swimmers in the race. We'll just have to see what happens."

Cohasset's Week

Farmers' Market begins Aug. 1

The Village Farmers' Market, sponsored by the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce through the efforts of the Village Revitalization Committee, will be held every Thurday evening from 4 to 8 p.m. beginning Aug. 1, and continue through Sept. 26.

The market will be held in the town parking area behind Cohasset Village and offer fruits, vegetables, herbs, fresh and dried flowers, plants, oils and vinegars, breads, and more from many vendors.

Internationally known Irish instrumentalists Tommy McCarthy on fiddle and Louise Costell on banjo and accordian will be on stage in the market area from 5 to 7 p.m. These musicians recently joined The Chieftans on stage at Harborlights.

Planners approve walkway, dock

The planning board last week unanimously endorsed a proposal by Dr. Ruth Kirschner-Hermanns and her husband, Norbert, for a walkway and dock leading from their Howard Gleason Road home, off of Atlantic Avenue, out into Cohasset Harbor.

The four-foot wide, 270-foot long walkway would be constructed over and through what is presently marsh area, past the inter-tidal zone and finish out in the harbor. The actual boat docking facility would be 12-feet wide by 48-feet long.

The Hermannses, who live in the area of the Cohasset Yacht Club, have a 43-foot boat they would moor adjacent to their home.

Chairman Al Moore told Mr. Hermanns the planning board would forward its approval for the project to the town's board.

In their only other piece of business, board members provisionally approved the appointment of fellow member Robert Sturdy to the town's Private Way Committee.

Sturdy, who was not present for the board session, would have to accept the appointment.

With many town committees on a shortened summer schedule, the next session of the planning board will be Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 8 p.m. in town hall.

Lobster bill approved

The state Senate approved this week a compromised version of a bill which limits the daily allowable catch of lobsters by draggermen to 100.

The bill was delivered to the Governor for his signature. The original bill passed by the Senate would have limited the allowable catch to 50 lobsters per day due to a substitute bill offered by Senator Robert L. Hedlund (R-Weymouth).

The House version originally provided for a 150 daily limit on lobsters.

After weeks of negotiating and discussions with the leadership of the Scituate-based Massachusetts Lobsterman's Association, a compromise was reached and the limit was set at 100. Hedlund accepted this compromise and said it would be a good first step in protecting the valuable lobster stock and in the best interest of the lobstermen. "Many of these men and women are having their livelihoods challenged on a daily basis. This limit is the start of a program that will protect the vital resources beneath the ocean surface, and also protect the careers of many hard-working people," Hedlund said. This compromise has the support of the Massachusetts Lobsterman's Association, who worked with Hedlund in preparing the original language.

Hedlund backs Title V tax credit

Sen. Robert L. Hedlund, R-Weymouth, sponsored an amendment that was one vote shy of having a tax credit for Title V reach the Governor for his expected signature. Hedlund offered an amendment that would have provided a 40 percent tax credit for Title V repairs, up to a maximum of $6,000. Hedlund's amendment failed by a vote of 18-19.

"The time should have been right for a victory, since today's discussions included refunding the taxpayers a $150 million state surplus and giving mutual fund companies a $40 million tax break. A tax credit would have provided more equitable means to provide relief to impacted homeowners and provide them with real money in their pockets instead of debt for a home they no longer own, like the low-interest loan program would do," Hedlund said.

"I believed giving homeowners relief from Title V, while providing savings for the state by eliminating an ineffective $13 million loan program, would be an easy vote. But I faced 'Murderer's Row,' with Senate leadership twisting arms to get their votes," said Hedlund.

"The Senate Chair of Ways & Means pledged to meet me within the week to change the low-interest loan program criteria to allow South Shore towns, like Scituate, Marshfield, Cohasset, Hingham and Duxbury to qualify. He promised to use the conference committee as a vehicle to change the program for the benefit of towns who didn't qualify for this program," Hedlund concluded.

Aug. 2 last day to register to vote

The last day to register to vote in the Special Town Meeting on Monday, Aug. 12, is Friday, Aug. 2.

The Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session at the Town Clerk's office from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration forms also are available at the Cohasset Post Office and the Paul Pratt Memorial Library. These forms may be mailed or hand-delivered to the clerk's office, but must be received or postmarked on or before August 2, 1996.

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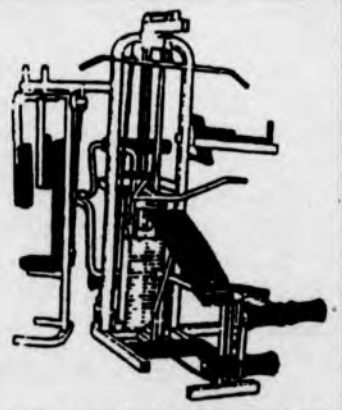

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Voter to decide school site

the other side of the hill and put it on top of a rock and a flag pole: this is 11-hour craziness."

Beggan added that the proposed site puts the school 40 feet from a different set of residents. "Don't you think they will want their own special town meeting?" he asked.

Jill O'Donnell, a resident of Old Pasture Road and a proponent of the article, said that she wasn't only supporting the article to move the school further from her home.

"I honestly feel it is a better site. It is lighter and there are less wetlands," she said.

There are six articles on the warrant.

Selectman Peter Pratt said at this point essentially all of the citizen petitions are flawed.

"All three may be cured with properly crafted (language) on the floor of town meeting," he added.

Warrant order changes

The order of the warrant was changed after North Cohasset sewer hookup proponent Maria LaPlante said it put her group's article at a disadvantage.

North Cohasset residents submitted an article, Article 3, that asks town meeting to reconsider its March 30 vote which supported a $6.3 million sewer project.

The project would connect North Cohasset to the treatment plant in Hull.

Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild submitted an article, Article 2, which would authorize the town to make $500,000 in subsidized loans available at below market rates for residents who need septic system repairs.

LaPlante said that if Guild's article was placed first, it would further divide the town and undercut the support for her group's article.

The selectmen decided to switch the order of the two articles.

Selectman Peter Pratt said that the purpose of Guild's article was to gather support for the sewer projects by showing septic system owners that their needs were being addressed as well.

An override representing half of the cost of sewering 345 homes in North Cohasset failed at the ballot box on May 4.

North Cohasset residents are concerned that they will bear the entire cost of the project over the 20-year pay period.

Selectmen earlier voted unanimously to go on record that they expect to combine the Central Cohasset sewer expansion override and the North Cohasset sewer project override in a single Proposition 2 1/2 override question when the Central Cohasset project is brought before town meeting– probably next spring.

LaPlante said that the North Cohasset project would have already begun by then, and if the selectmen's plans go awry or the article is postponed, North Cohasset residents will end up paying the total cost.

Her group believes that the North Cohasset project should be postponed and that all the sewer projects should be undertaken simultaneously.

Pratt said that the board signed a court agreement which mandates, under penalty of fines, that the town start sewer repairs.

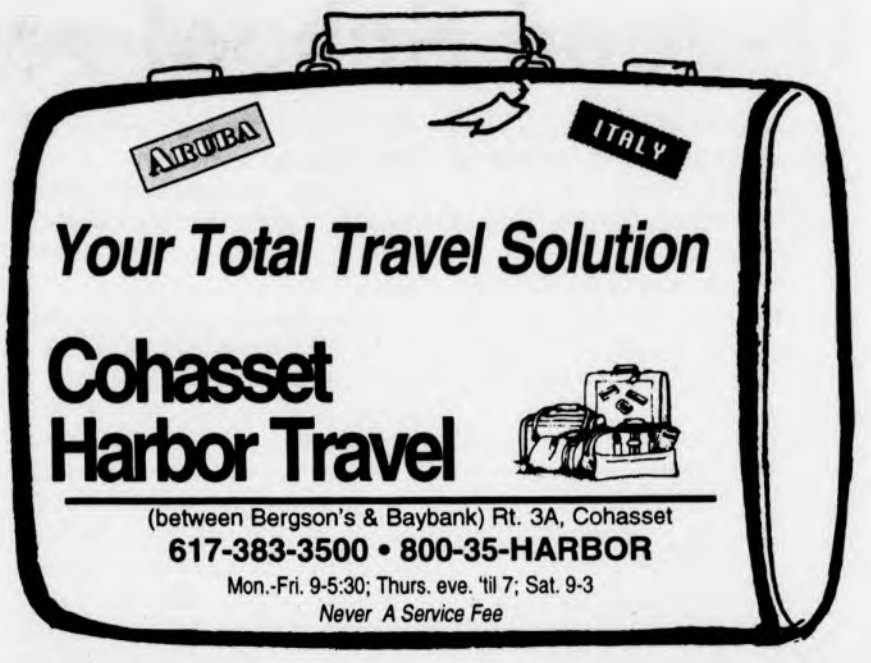
Since the central project is delayed due to harbor testing, he said, this is the project that should go forward.

June DPW constuction project completed

The following Cohasset Department of Public Works projects were completed in June, according to Superintendent Harold W. Litchfield:

Repaired the stone wall on Border Street near the Chart House; cleaned and patched the sidewalk on North Main Street at the Common Pond; emptied and cleaned the Common Pond; removed and replaced signs at Common Pond area before and after Harborfest; provided sawhorses for Harborfest; cleaned basins on Red Gate Lane; repaired basins on Brook Street, Linden Drive, and at Cohasset Post Office; swept Cohasset High School in preparation for asphalting the area; performed grader patching on Stoneleigh Lane, Hobart Lane, railroad bed and and Lamberts Lane.

Resurfaced a section of Lamberts Lane and the gutter lines on Oak Street and Reservior Road; turned over compost pile at the R.T.F.; spread gravel at the fuel depot site on Cedar Street; prepared site for the aluminum bin and the Goodwill boxes; put up "Caution Road Narrows" sign on King Street; unplugged drainage pipe on Jerusalem Road Drive that was full of willow tree roots — more work to follow in the road; removed existing tennis posts and sleeves and replaced with new posts, sleeves and nets; installed 150 ft. of drainage at the high school, consisting of 4-inch pipe, 3/4 inch and pea stone; cleaned side of road at Windy Hill and Jerusalem Road; mowed and trimmed parks, common and cemeteries.



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Osgood School renovation options weighed

approximately $205 a year until state reimbursement begins in three or four years.

The cost would then drop to $95 a year.

The town would get additional money from the state after the 20-year bond is paid for (to make up for the lag time in state payments.)

Because Osgood sits on such a small site, Hart said that the department may have to purchase an additional acre of land for parking and drop-off.

The land would have to be purchased by eminent domain.

Hart said students now play on the same asphalt that buses and cars use.

The least expensive Osgood option would cost $3.9 million. This option doesn't include land purchase.

The cost of the new school, after state reimbursement, most closely matches this figure.

"It is the same $4 million," said Hart.

Some audience members questioned the administration's figures.

Hart replied that the cost of the options was determined by professional engineers.

Town Accountant Michael Buckley figured out the effect the projects would have on the tax rate.

It would initially cost Cohasset taxpayers $130 a year if $3.9 million worth of work is done to Osgood, which Hart describes as a minimal option. The cost would then drop to $96.

This option includes partial rehabilitation of the school, which would basically make it safe, said school officials.

In order to gain additional classrooms, which are necessary to meet the needs of a growing population, portable classrooms would have to be purchased.

"They are basically mobile homes," said architect Sid Bowen.

The option does not include an additional $554,000, which is the amount that would be spent by the school architects by Aug. 12.

The architect's fee (which is included in the cost of the new school) is figured into the tax rate.

Advisory Board Member Lee Jenkins suggested stopping the project now, until Aug. 12, to save the town money on architectural costs.

School Facilities Member Robert Spofford saidhe already got his direction from the community and wants to move forward.

It is estimated that the architects would do $100,000 worth of work between mid-July and Aug. 12.

Another option Hart suggested would cost $5.9 million, which would increase taxes by $179 a year. The figure would then drop to approximately $100.

In this scenario, Osgood would be partially rehabilitated and an addition would take the place of portable classrooms. A total of 24 classrooms are needed; there are 13 available now.

The three classrooms in the middle of the building would be turned into a gymnasium/cafeteria/ auditorium.

Hart said that although the gym is preferable to the small play area students have now, the location isn't ideal because it borders classrooms and the noise could be distracting.

The faculty room would be moved from the attic to a lower level.

If Osgood was completely rehabilitated, up to state standards, Hart said that it would cost $7.68 million.

This option doesn't include acquisition of land. It does include the enlargement of classrooms and an addition to the school.

Hart said that even with the new acre, Osgood is only 60 percent of the triangular site of the new school and 38 percent of the entire 13-acre site, which includes nature trails and the vernal pool.

Architect Sid Bowen said that there was a fourth option. He said Cohasset could "accept their lot and do nothing."

If the town didn't provide for educational programs, he said, and just put the students in a building it would cost $2.9 million. This includes portables, more furniture, and basic wiring and other repairs.

This option would not comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, a federal law, so the town does run the risk of being sued, Bowen said.

Hart said that there would be no accessibility to any levels except for the ground floor.

Officials said that the options have less than a 50-year life span, which the new school has.

If the town loses its spot on the state list for reimbursement, the wait for state funding could increase two-fold or more, say officials.

Hart said that if the Osgood property is left on the tax rolls, it could make money for the town.

"I could be dramatic and say that the (Osgood property) would pay for the cost of the school," said Hart.

Hart and Bowen also addressed some of the concerns the advisory board had with the new school, including the sewering.

Bowen said that the school would be hooked up to the sewer line before it opened. There had been some question in the past that the area wouldn't be sewered until a later date.

Traffic patterns and the lighting in the building will be further looked into, said School Facilities Committee Chairman Bob Beggan.

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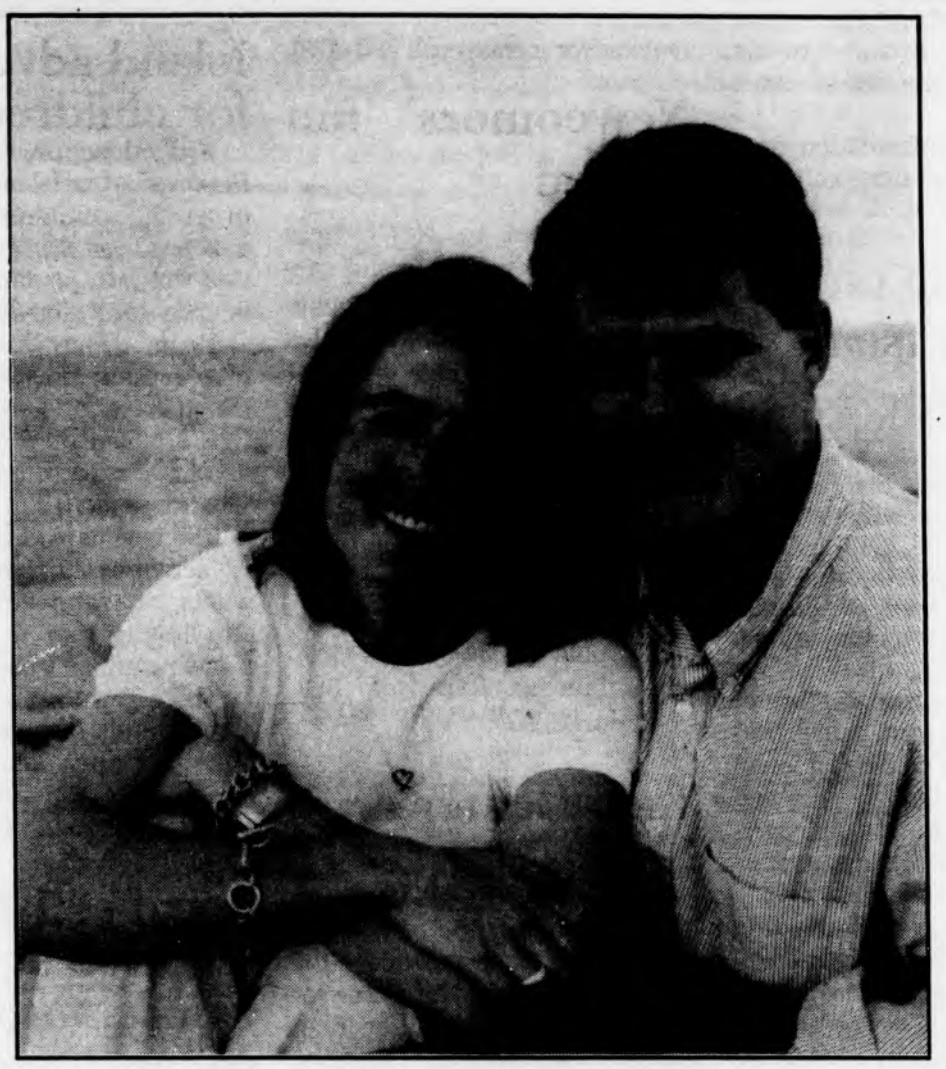

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Sherbrooke/Apruzzese

Katherine Cerefice Apruzzese and Patrick Ross Sherbrooke were married July 20 in North Chatham. The Honorable H. Lee Sarokin performed the ceremony.

Lynn Tetrault was Matron of Honor for her sister. Thomas Mottur served as Best Man.

The bride, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent J. Apruzzese of Mendham, N.J., and North Chatham, graduated from the Pingry School and cum laude from Dartmouth College. She received a master's of business administration degree from the Stanford Graduate School of Business in 1994 and is co-founder of Circle Company Associates.

The Groom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ross E. Sherbrooke of Dedham and Cohasset, graduated from Tabor Academy and Connecticut College. He works for the Boston-based investment banking firm of Adams, Harkness & Hill.

The couple will reside in Boston.

Fitzsimmons named officer of nurses association

Judy Fitzsimmons, a member of the Cohasset Board of Health, was named secretary of the Mass. Municipal Public Health Nurses Association at the organization's annual meeting.

The next meeting of the association will be held Thursday, July 25, at 2 p.m. at the Braintree Board of Health.

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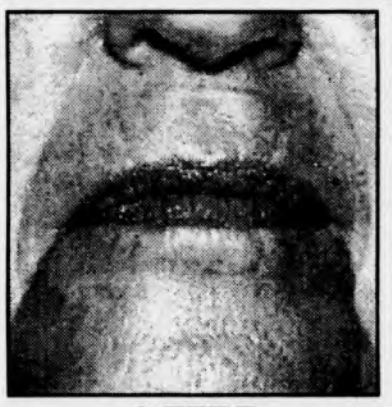
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The Cohasset Recreation Department will hold the fifth Music Circus regisration for "Beauty and the Beast" on Thursday, July 25, for playground program campers. "Beauty and the Beast" will be performed Thursday, Aug. 8

Final band concert Aug. 6

The Cohasset Recreation Department will sponsor the final band concert on Cohasset Common, Tuesday evening, Aug. 6, at 7:30 p.m. The 30 piece South Shore Concert Band, under the direction of Richard P. Whitmarsh, will perform.

Concerts are free and open to the public, made possible by grants from the South Shore Playhouse Associates Inc. and the American Federation of Musicians.

Bring your own blanket or chair. Insect repellent is sometimes a good item to have on hand.

Gideon Bodden performs on Cohasset carillon

The fifth recital in the current Sunday evening summer series will be performed by Gideon Bodden on the 57-bell Taylor carillon at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Sunday, July 28, at 6 p.m.

Bodden is City Carillonneur of Amsterdam and in charge of the Mint Tower Carillon in that city, as well as City Carillonneur of Oudewater, The Netherlands.

He currently is recording and producing a compact disc that will feature several carillon compositions and transcriptions played on various European and American carillons, including the instrument at Cohasset.

The recital is open to the public free of charge and will take place rain or shine. Printed programs, schedules of coming recitals, and the new brochure describing the Cohasset Carillon will be distributed on the common and at the entrance to Stagecoach Way, the pedestrian walk between the former Village Fare restaurant and Hunneman Realty. A program stand with all the materials is on Highland Avenue at the entrance to the church courtyard.

Listeners are invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers to all listening locations. Following the recital, a tower tour will be offered.

For more information, call St. Stephen's Church at 383-1083 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the carillonneur of St. Stephen's, Sally Slade Warner, at (508) 475-2559; or the assistant carillonneur, Mary Kennedy, at 383-9599.

Art center news

South Shore Art Center's Bancroft Gallery is presenting "Rhythm in Landscape: Three Interpretations," featuring the acrylic paintings of Nan Hass Feldman; papier mache reliefs, sculptures and collages by Carolyn Harvey; and Judy Rossman's pottery pieces and charcoal drawings.

In Dillon Gallery, there is a "Featured Gallery Artists Exhibition." Both exhibits run through Aug. 4. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. The galleries are wheelchair accessible.

Adult courses, both day and evening, are being offered, including summer sketching, drawing for the beginner, watercolor for the beginner, outdoor watercolor, life drawing & painting, monoprinting, waterbase monotypes, clay and raku. One-night seminars in composition, underpainting and anatomy are also taking place.

Children's classes include a Young Artist Summer Camp, painting, drawing, papier mache, wearable art, rubberstamping, photography, mixed media, sculpture and the art of homemade cameras.

For further information or to request a brochure, call 383-ARTS.

Clambake on George's Island set for July 27

The Harbor Islands League, Inc., is offering its inaugural Boat Trip and New England Clambake on George's Island, Saturday, July 27. Boats will leave Hewitt's Cove (Route 3A, Hingham) and Boston's Long Wharf (next to the Aquarium) at 10 a.m.

There will be guided tours of historic Fort Warren, games, raffles and prizes. The old-fashioned clambake will include steamed lobster, New England clam chowder, corn-on-the-cob and watermelon.

Advance tickets, including transportation and the clambake, are $32 for members, $37.50 for non-members, $35 per person for groups of five or more, and $5 for children under 12 (boat transportation only). An island snack bar will be available. Proceeds benefit the continued restoration of the historic chapel on Peddock's Island.

For reservations, send check or money order to: Harbor Islands League, Inc., P.O. Box 472, Hingham, Mass. 02043, or call 925-4794 for more information.

Try a class at SSCC!

South Shore Community Center is offering classes throughout the summer.

Other classes include a **Summer Team Workout** (level 5 through high school and level 4 and unsanctioned level 5); **aerobics** throughout the summer; and **tennis lessons** at Scituate Tennis Club (July 9-Aug. 22).

For further information or to register for a class, call 383-0088.

Newcomers' fun offered

In addition to Newcomers Club monthly meetings and special parties the club offers members a variety of social activities including book, bridge, gourmet dinner, Sip 'n' Stitch, lunch bunch and tot's play groups.

All new residents of Scituate and Cohasset or residents experiencing a change in life style are invited to join.

For more information, please call Bonnie at 383-0643 or drop us a line at P.O. Box 623, Cohasset 02025.

Teen Center on hiatus

The Teen Center will be closed on weekends for the rest of the summer. Please check for announcements in the Cohasset Mariner and for signs at the Teen Center for special summer events.

Art center exhibits listed

"Rhythm in Landscape: Three Interpretations" features Nan Feldman, Carolyn Harvey and Judy Rossman in South Shore Art Center's Bancroft Gallery, located at 119 Ripley Road.

Other exhibits include Featured Gallery Artists in Dillon Gallery and a student exhibition in the Passage Gallery.

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. The center is wheelchair accessible.

Summer classes and workshops for all ages and abilities will run through August and include pottery, drawing, painting, photography and clay.

For information or to request a brochure, call 383-ARTS.

Island adventures for children

Kidliedoscope, a popular Boston Harbor Islands State Park program for children ages 3-6 and a favorite adult, features activities on Grape and Bumpkin Islands during July and August.

Boats depart from the commuter dock at Hewitt's Cove, Hingham, taking participants to Grape Island on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and to Bumpkin Island Thursdays at 10 a.m. Interpreters on the islands will lead a variety of activities, including sensory walks, arts and crafts projects, storytelling and nature games. Boats return at 1 p.m.

There is a $3 per person boat charge, and advance registration by the previous Friday is required. Call 727-7676 to register or for additional information.

Local artist featured at Conservatory gallery

The paintings of Hanover artist Stephanie Roberts will be featured at South Shore Conservatory's Staircase Gallery through the end of August.

"The images I paint are either inspired or objects I have had for years that have developed personal meaning for men," Roberts said. "My paintings center around internal conflicts that only growth and time will heal."

Her most recent work focuses on transformation and regeneration, the vehicle for change being one of the four elements —earth, water, fire and air.

Roberts, a graduate of Rhode Island School of Design, has exhibited nationally, and her paintings have won numerous awards in Massachusetts and other states.

Staircase Gallery hours for the summer are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibit is free of charge and open to the general public.

Picture this/Susan Ploss

Name: Susan Ploss.

Occupation: Teacher and Co-Director of Summer Arts Camp at Derby Academy.

Goal: To continue expanding our music program at Summer Arts.

Best vacation: Israel.

Best day of your life: My wedding day.

Biggest worry: The well being of children these days.

Favorite season: Fall

Favorite holiday: Easter.

Favorite T.V. show: Masterpiece Theatre.

Favorite movie: "Glory."

Favorite book: Jane Eyre, by Charlotte Bronte.

Favorite junk-food: Ice cream.

Most embarrassing moment: When teaching high school history, I couldn't remember the name of the first Supreme Court Justice.

Person you'd most like to meet: Mozart

Pet peeve: Littering.

Cancer society volunteer drivers honored

Eleven residents of South Shore communities who drove cancer patients to area and Boston hospitals for treatment 15 or more times during the past year have been cited by the South Shore Unit of the American Cancer Society for their volunteer service. Awards were presented by Susan McVeigh of Cohasset, chair of the unit's service committee, at a reception held at the Lightkeeper's House in Cohasset.

The Barbara McDonald Award for outstanding volunteer driver of the year went to Joseph Oliver of Scituate, who made 40 trips in the course of the year.

Those cited for driving 15 or more times are: Cohasset residents Ed and Priscilla Long and Osborne Ingram and Hingham resident Albion Drinkwater.

Noise impacts aired at tri-town train meeting

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wildlife.

MBTA Environmental Manager Andrew Brennan asked the assembled group to consider the meeting as "a noise tutorial," focusing on how noise is measured, what standards are applied and what regulatory hurdles the MBTA must cross in designing the Greenbush project.

"We felt it was important to give everyone a good level of understanding on noise issues," Brennan said.

"This is critical information to have in order to make informed decisions and come to informed conclusions on this," he added.

In a series of on-going meetings with the MBTA, Brennan said he will work together with individual towns to tackle mitigation impacts at specific grade crossings and intersections along the line.

Carl Hanson, an accoustical engineer and principal in the noise consulting firm Harris, Miller, Miller and Hanson, led the workshop and guided the group through a hand-out full of charts, graphs and complicated logarithmic equations measuring existing or "ambiant" noise levels as well as the noise impact commuter rail will have on surrounding properties.

The addition of these two noise levels shows planners what institutes "no impact," an "impact" or a "severe impact" on a home or business. Mitigation measures like noise walls, new windows, insulation and airconditioning must be implemented if a property is severely impacted, Hanson said.

If your home or buisness falls along the "impact" curve, mitigation measures must be considered, and if feasible implemented. In areas where no impact is determined, no mitigation is required, he said.

In very technical terms, Hanson explained how engineers determine the maximum noise level (Lmax) of the train as well as the day-night sound level (Ldn) the total sound energy emitted by the train averaged over a 24-hour period. Mitigation measures are designed for the maximum noise levels, Hanson noted.

Hanson, who has worked as a noise consultant on the Old Colony project for 10 years, explained that while noise studies and standards used for the Middleboro and Plymouth Old Colony lines pre-date the recent Federal Transit Administration handbook of noise guidelines released in September, the new, stricter standards will be applied on the Greenbush spur.

Hanson, in fact helped develop the new handbook which Brennan said is considered "the Bible of noise for transit planners."

Hanson also discussed in general terms how noise walls and natural barriers work to buffer the noise of the train and how rubber mats below the tracks can help lessen the vibrations.

With two noise sources on a diesel locomotive – the wheels and the diesel engine exhaust – completely blocking noise will be difficult, said Hanson, who noted that with the exhaust noise source at 13-1/2 feet "not much except buildings and houses are high enough to shield that noise."

On the other hand, Hanson said a noise wall only four-feet high could block the sound of the wheels. What the wall is made of - brick, wood or concrete – makes little difference as long as it is solid, has no gaps and can withstand wind and other elements.

While complicated and technical, the workshop was planned to lay the ground work for the more detailed and specific mitigation negotiations ahead, Brennan said.

"We want to walk with you though this process," he said.

For anyone who missed Tuesday's meeting, Brennan said the same workshop will be held for Weymouth and Braintree residents tonight (July 25) at the South Shore Chamber of Commerce in Quincy starting a 7 p.m.

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School fourth quarter honor roll

HIGH HONORS

GRADE 7

Christopher Golden, Kate Henderson, Victoria Hurley, Alicia Laas, Kelly Lordan, Karen McMorris, Sarah Pease, Clara Sceery, Erik Shea.

GRADE 8

Eric Hanian, Kate Stone, Brian Tracy, Caitlin Stansell.

GRADE 9

Catherine Brister, Susana Candia, Lauren Genovese, Justin Golden, Karyn Gray, Tara Hettstrom, Benjamin Littauer, Alyssa McNamara, James O'Sullivan, Stephen Reynolds, Steven Sceery, Megan Waal.

GRADE 10

Kathleen Buckley, Jane Flaherty, John Flanagan, Christopher Laas, Eric Moore, Aaron Sawchuk.

GRADE 11

Rachel Begley, Justin Buckley, Burke Davis, Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Erica Hettstrom, Jacqueline Hurley, Rebecca Jenkins, Ely Kahn, Ryan McWilliams, Karen Niessink.

GRADE 12

Chloe Chittick, Caitlin Connolly, Erin Devine, Lauren Devito, Megan Fahey, Tafana Fiore, Amber Hopeman, Jessica Hurley, Stephanie Lubitz, David Marr, Megan McNamara, Kaylen Medinger, Andrea Mercurio, Patricia Pinto-Bull, Allison Ritts, Gina Rosano, Katherine Ross, Ryan Sawchuk, Amie Theriault, John Whitehouse.

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Melissa Bates, Benjamin Bixby, Stephanie Cook, Devon Coleman, John Crowley-Buck, Robin Cunningham, Kelly Devine, Catherine Flaherty, Lane Forrer, Lydia Guild, Heith Heinz, Elizabeth Ingbar, Sarah Kidder, Brian Krupczak, Justin Langham, Nick Lavigne, Julia Lavallo, Kathleen McCarthy, Cameron Nugent, Doug O'Brien, Maggie O'Connor, Andi Shaughnessy, Lauren Smith, Ashley Ulmer, Megan Whiteley.

GRADE 8

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GRADE 9

Jami Butman, Lucius Caldwell, James DeMichele, Tamara DeVaughn, Kayleen Devine, Jordan Fiore, Edward Goff, Kelly Kilkuskie, Justin Maitland, Ronald Nicynski, Caitlin O'Neil, Sean Parkinson, Alison Patenaude, Jamey Watts.

GRADE 10

Ivan Chang, Nate Cotter, Lauren Dooley, Susannah Gill, Amanda Gontarz, Alison Kinchla, Sarah MacDonald, Paul-Michael Quintin, Andrew Ross.

GRADE 11

Holly Brennock, Robert Buckley, Aja Campbell, Catherine Campbell, Jodi Colwill, Loni Colwill, Mark Connolly, Monique DeVoe, Kevin Duffy, Thomas Forbes-Kittle, Andrea Freeman, Courtney Goff, Andrea Grew, Emily Henderson, Brian Kilroy, Elizabeth Mahoney, Kevin McKenna, Kelley O'Donnell, Megan Pratt, Nichole Santoro.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Dr. Keefe named to new R. I. hospital post

David Keefe, a 1972 graduate of Cohasset High School, has been named director of the in vitro fertilization program and the Infertility/Reproductive Endocrinology Service of Women and Infants' Hospital, Providence, R.I., and associate professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Brown University Medical School.

Dr. Keefe completed his obstetrics and gynecology training and fellowship in reproductive endocrinology/infertility at Yale, where he held a faculty appointment before attending Brown. He also trained in psychiatry at Harvard and the University of Chicago and in reproductive biology research through an NIH National Research Training Award at Northwestern University.

Dr. Keefe plans to open an office offering infertility services on the South Shore. He and his wife, **Candy Hasey Keefe,** have seven children, ages one to 13 years.

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Jill Hamilton of Cohasset has been initiated into the Vermont Alpha Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. She received a bachelor's degree in English, with a minor in women's studies from the University of Vermont, Burlington. Jill, a CHS graduate, was also a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society and volunteered at Women Helping Battered Women while at UVM.

The PhiBeta Kappa Society honors high academic achievement by liberal arts students. Members must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 upon graduation. UVM was the first college or university in the nation to admit women to full membership in Phi Beta Kappa. We congratulate you, Jill!

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Be on the look-out for two very special young met who are returning to Cohasset July 26! **Lane Forrer** and **Ben Bixby** have been traveling all over Western Europe for the past three weeks as part of the People to People Student Ambassador Program. Both boys are truly a credit to their parents, town, school and country — the type of young men who make everyone proud!

Both Lane and Ben are students at CJSH, and hopefully they will tell all of the students there how wonderful things are in France, England, Holland and Germany. Actually, wouldn't it be great if they did that for all of us, too — perhaps they will be willing to give us a firsthand story soon, after they get over jet lag!

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We are proud to tell you that a Cohasset resident made a name for herself at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga. **Colby R. Lawrence,** daughter of **Dr. and Mrs. Robin M. Lawrence,** made the dean's list for the spring semester.

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Middlebury College sent us some "hometown news" this week. **Rebecca Kirk,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. James C. Kirk,** received a bachelor of arts degree in economics form Middlebury. She graduated with honors in economics.

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Kristine A. Pozatek, daughter of **Dr. and Mrs. Zigmunt Pozatek,** received a bachelor of arts degree in environmental studies/geography at Middlebury's 1996 commencement exercises. We want to send good luck to both ladies as they enter the business world!

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Erin M. Lennon of Cohasset was one of 213 seniors to graduate at commencement exercises last month at William Smith College, Geneva, N.Y. Erin, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. John Lennon,** majored in an individual study titled "Public Policy," and received a bachelor of arts degree. Here's to a splendid future for you, Erin. We wish you the best!

Meet the Keefe family: Candy and David with Kimmie CeCe, Davy, Timothy, John ("J.B."), Adam, Tory and dog, Dasher.

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Let's all give a great big Cohasset welcome to **Derek Aleksander Benson,** the brand-new baby son of **Diane** and **Robert Benson,** Forest Avenue. Derek was born June 24 at 2:49 a.m., weighing a hefty eight pounds, 11 ounces. Paternal grandparents are **Esther** and **Bob Benson** of Dedham. His maternal grandparents are **Helen** and **Harold Hickman** of Ocala, Fla. Hope everyone gets to enjoy the new bundle of joy. Derek will surely bring you tons of fun and joy!

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More news from the University of Vermont let's us know **Julie A. Larrabee,** a sophomore, made the dean's list for the spring semester. Julie is in the College of Arts and Sciences.

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That's the news from here. Hope to hear from you with your news real soon!

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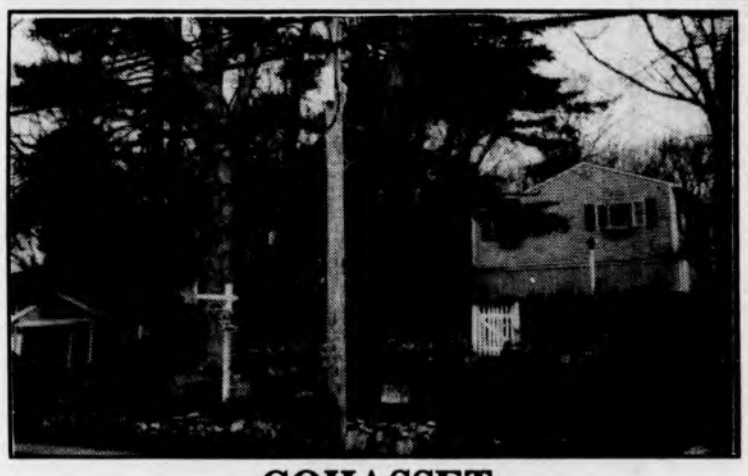

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On May 6 at Brockton High School during the Special Olympics Competition for the Southern Massachusetts area, **Matt Kardok** received the Elmer P. Ladouceur Competition Scholarship Award. This scholarship was awarded to help further his athletic skills at the Massachusetts State Special Olympic Games. Matt represented Massachusetts at the World Games last summer in New Haven, Conn. He is the son of **Barbara** and **Charles Kardok,** Hoover Road. Best of luck, Matt, for many future wins.

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Congrats to **Scott Hadayai,** son of **Richard** and **Sheila Hadayai,** an 11th-grader at St. Thomas More School, Gardner Lake, Oakdale, Conn., who achieved the distinction of honors for the recently completed third marking term.

Baby-sitting course concludes

South Shore Community Center and Mary McElroy announce the conclusion of the spring baby-sitting course. This course includes basic first aid, safety and child development.

The following girls successfully completed all the requirements of the four-week course:

Carlie Carter, Katherine Coyne, Jamie Dugan, Nicole Knobloch, Jenna Lowe, Amanda Maynard, Maura McKenney, Libby Meickleham, Brenna O'Donnell, Delia Regan, Alicia Sanchez, Julia Scribner, Emily Simmons and Cally Speed.

Earn Deer Hill School summer reading credits

In an effort to encourage summer reading, the faculty at the Deer Hill School has developed a plan.

Next September, in each corridor of Deer Hill, there will be a section called the "Read" wall. This wall will be covered from ceiling to floor with a piece of red paper,. The children will attach index cards, which will be color-coded for each grade level. T

he card will show their name and books read during the summer. Each index card will list the titles of five books they have read and will be worth 100 points toward their class' Merit Award. These same five books can also be used for credit in the Paul Pratt Library Summer Reading Program, "Catch the Summer Spark, Read!"

Experience has shown that reading is a basic ingredient for success in school and summer is an ideal time to expand that skill and have fun doing it.

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EDITORIAL

A safe summer

Unfortunately, last week's news in Randolph about an unprovoked pit bull attack and an apparent drowning in a Foxboro camp show the potential pitfalls of the warm weather.

After an unforgettable winter, we were so happy to hear that summer's here. School's out and so are the kids.

They're bike riding, rollerblading, splashing in pools. Fun activities - as long as parents take a few precautions.

Summer can mean long sunny days for kids, but it also means long, busy nights for pediatric emergency medicine staff.

"When kids go unsupervised, their chances go way up for drownings, broken bones and head trauma from bike and skating accidents," noted Mariann Manno M.D. director of pediatric emergency medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical Center in Worcester.

"More children die or are seriously injured as a result of accidents than any other cause," noted Dr. Manno. The fact, many of these accidents are preventable." Bike helmets top the list of smart moves for kids. Bike helmets can reduce the risk of head injuries as much as 85 percent, according tot he National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

The new bike helmet in law in this state requires all children under 12 years old to war a helmet while riding a bike.

After a long, hot bike ride, backyard swimming pools can look very attractive. Yet they pose another serious hazard for children. Kids should be closely supervised around the water. They should not be left alone for a moment around a pool, not even to run inside to answer the phone.

On a hot summer night, many parents open the windows in their kids' rooms. Open windows lead to falls which are a major source of injury to small children in warm weather.

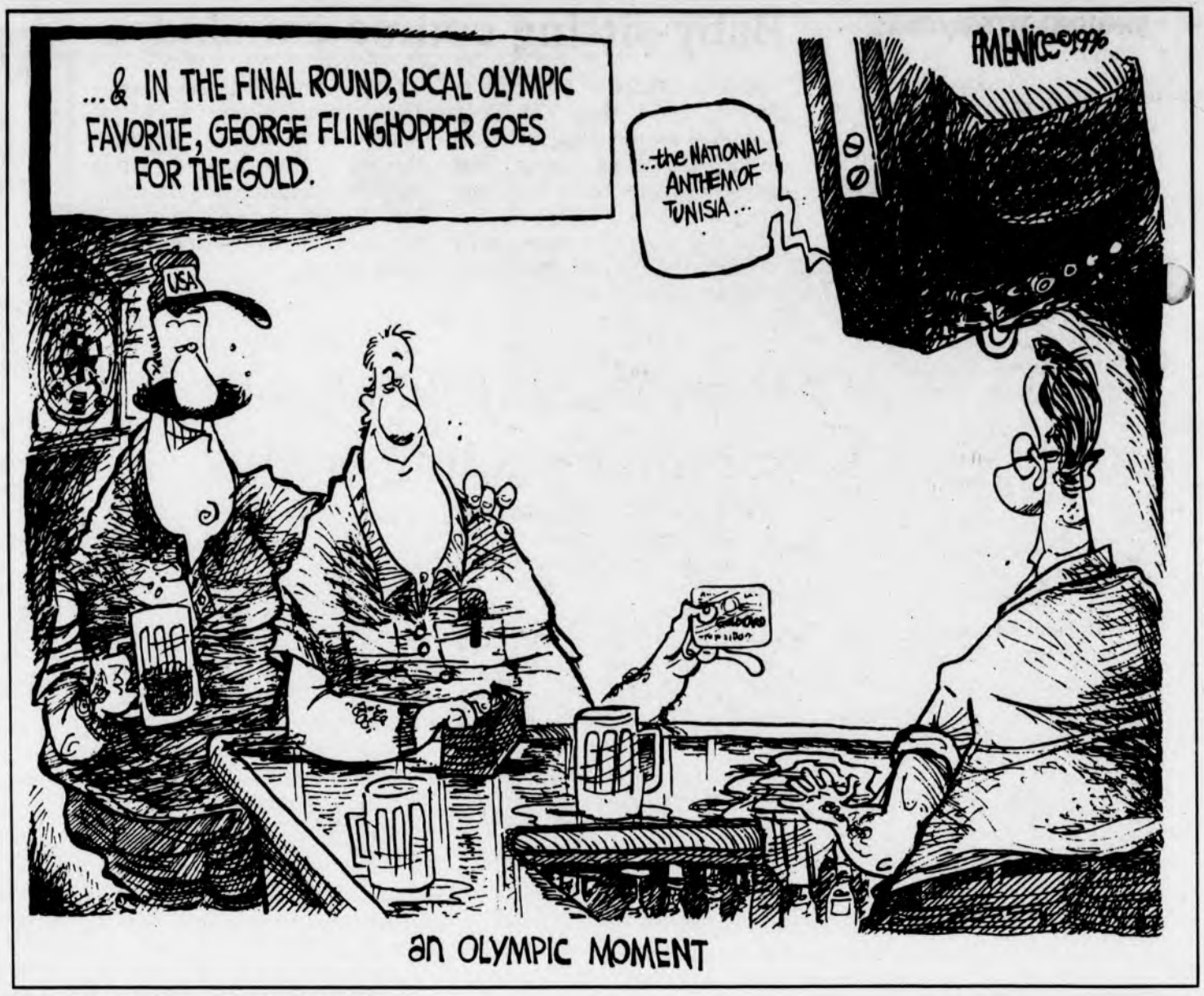
It's important for parents to teach their children traffic safety, while on their bikes and as pedestrians. Drivers should always be on the lookout for kids darting out into the streets.

Summertime also means more time in the car for kids, who willingly or unwillingly accompany their parents on errands or shopping trips.

There's the temptation, when you are rushed and it's only a couple of blocks to the convenience store, not to hassle with seat belts or a car seat.

But short rides in the car can be just as hazardous as long trips. Seat belts for children are a must, even if you're only going around the corner.

Please make it a safe and happy summer for you and your children.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Education has changed here since the '60s & '70s

To the Editor:

I have lived in Cohasset for more than 25 years, attending all the schools from 1960 to 1973. The educational experience provided to me in our schools was excellent. When my wife, Shelly, and I moved back to Cohasset from England, we looked forward to the opportunity of raising our family in this wonderful community. Clearly schools were an important aspect of relocating here, and I was thrilled that my children would attend the same schools I attended.

When I first heard about the idea of building a new school, I was against it. After all, my class, the class of '73 was one of the largest ever, and we seemed fine at Osgood.

However, having spent time as a volunteer, and attending several parent-teacher meetings at Osgood over the last two years, there is no question in my mind that we need the proposed new school.

Education has changed since my days at Osgood. Today the classroom itself is often split into several working groups during the course of the day, requiring ample space for a few teachers to work concurrently with these groups. These "inclusion" groups did not exist in the '60s. Today's curriculum is more varied; for example, computer education is a must, and didn't exist in my day.

I've worked in the Osgood's computer room, tucked away down in the basement in a confined and unsafe place (relative to evacuation).

When you cut to the core, the opponents of the new school have only one problem – they do not want to see higher taxes because of it. Yet, they raise any issue they can think of to deter the proposed school, besides their true main reason.

It seems that this core issue of taxes is not very well understood as well. We know that minimally we are looking at a significant investment in renovating the Osgood if the new proposed school is not pursued. When the figures are evaluated for both options, the resulting difference between the tax cost for a new school versus a renovation of Osgood, is minimal if any.

Despite my sentimental feelings about the Osgood School, our children and their children require a new school that is contemporary with the requirements of education today.

As Dr. Sceery so aptly stated at this past spring's town meeting, "vote with your head and your heart (in favor of a new school)."

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COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER COMPANY

If project is important, let's do it right

To the Editor:

The controversy surrounding the proposed new Cohasset grade school makes one wonder.

The chairman of the School Committee says that "our 5- to 7-year-olds are forced to spend more than five hours of their lives in one of the oldest, most inadequate school buildings in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts." Why was it allowed to become that bad?

It's interesting to note that a few Cohasset children were sent to the charter school in Hull this past year and that quite a few more are enrolled for the coming year. That school will be housed in a modified restaurant.

We witnessed a film at the 1996 Annual Town Meeting showing boxes of supplies crowded into work areas. No other storage space in town? Careless housekeeping? Inept management?

Haste seems to be the hallmark of this project, together with a lack of shared information. The Capital Budget Committee seems to have been late to become aware; the Design Review Board was apparently put off; the town as a whole seems not to have been made fully aware of the magnitude of the project.

These things are understandable in the light of deadlines, money pressures, and the excitement and enthusiasm that goes with a building project.

The people already involved tend to think that everyone is in the know and are as keen about it as they, and are amazed that the average citizen-taxpayer is surprised by it.

Despite the generous guarantees of its fees by private citizens, the architect's plans were incomplete at the time of the state's filing deadline. The design review board, when finally informed, called attention to a possible conflict of interest as well as problems experienced by other towns with this architect, problems that the Facilities Committee either excused or was unaware of. These included cost overruns. (The architect has suggested that our project will remain within the budget.)

The site chosen belongs to the town and appears to be assessed to be cost-free. Not so; it's money in the bank, and it will become money spent and therefore part of the cost. It has real money value; ask any developer.

Despite the fact that roughly 10 percent of the town's electorate voted overwhelmingly for the new school at the annual meeting, the burden of paying lies upon all of the citizen-taxpayers who generally can be relied upon to make reasoned and reasonable decisions.

Like the fabled old man who planted a fruit tree to benefit future generations, even taxpaying octogenarians cherish children, for in them they see the future, and they like to dream of helping to craft a better world.

Our having spent a lot of money, time and effort seems a compelling reason to maintain momentum and stay the course. But we will be spending an awful lot of additional money, time and effort from here on to be paid out over 20 years and lived with for at least double that.

Have not enough questions been raised to justify a review, even at substantial additional cost, rather than risk sending good money after bad?

If this project is as important as we think, it's worth doing right and knowing that it is right. Sheer determination may secure a new school; it will not assure a wise choice.

Daniel C. Cotton
King Street

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Selectmen should not forget about Greenbush

Dear Selectmen,

Over the past several months I have been reading dozens of articles in the local papers concerning our town's fight against CHL expansion and the need to build a new elementary school and expand our sewer system.

I fully understand and support our town spending time and money on these very important issues. What I do not understand is why a similar effort has not been devoted to studying the Greenbush train's effect on our town. Forming a mitigation committee isn't going to cut it.

Whether or not the individuals serving on this committee are for or against Greenbush, they are neither experts on this issue nor should they be looked upon by the MBTA as spokesmen for our town.

Speak to Abington selectmen and residents and see how successful their mitigation efforts were with the MBTA. The MBTA "talks" mitigation to pacify towns but they seldom follow through with their promises.

Please do not be naive enough to think it will be different in Cohasset.

I know Greenbush is a very controversial issue due to the lack of public transportation alternatives on the South Shore. I worked in Boston for 10 years and I know firsthand how aggravating it is to sit in traffic on routes 3 and 3A.

But from the mouths of the MBTA comes the following:

From Route 3A, "890 a.m. peak-period auto trips would be removed daily and an additional 440 would be removed from Route 3 and the Southeast Expressway." An estimated 38,000 use Route 3A and 67,000 use Route 3 during this same time.

With respect to how Greenbush would impact commuting congestion on our highways, "In the aggregate there would be no more than a marginal change in highway traffic volume."

(Source: Draft of the Environmental Impact Report — copy at the Pratt Library)

If the MBTA states Greenbush will not have a material impact on highway traffic volumes then why is our state prepared to spend an estimated $215 to $300 million to build this rail line? I know this is not a question you can answer but as leaders of our town, why aren't you urging our local and state politicians to explore public transportation alternatives that are solutions and not just financial burdens?

I am distressed to read in the draft of the Environmental Impact Report that the MBTA can lease the Greenbush tracks to freight companies during non-commuting hours. When Andrew Brendan of the MBTA was asked this very question during his meeting with Cohasset selectmen, he could not confirm or deny that this would or would not happen on Greenbush tracks. That makes me more than a little bit nervous since ticket sales and town assessments are not expected to cover Greenbush's estimated $20 million annual operating cost.

If Cohasset were to lose the fight against CHL expansion what would stop a trash company from leasing Greenbush tracks to haul waste to CHL?

In closing, my purpose of writing you this letter is to urge you not to forget about Greenbush during a time in which our town is immersed in several costly issues.

Do not concede that Greenbush is coming because despite what our politicians and the media may say the MBTA has many hurdles yet to clear. Please take a moment and take a ride to Abington and see the impact the MBTA is having on that town or carefully reread the literature you received from the Coastal Coalition when they made their presentation at the June selectmen's meeting.

I am confident that once you study the FACTS you will come to the conclusion that regardless of where you live, everyone in Cohasset will be negatively impacted by this train.

I know the special vote held on Greenbush was very close but I can guarantee you that if this train comes through our town, residents will be yelling and screaming, "Why didn't you do anything to stop this train?" Do you want to live in infamy as the selectmen who allowed Greenbush into Cohasset without so much as a fight?

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter.

Carol Davis
Rocky Lane

Current facility is major hindrance to a quality education

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to several recent comments in your newspaper regarding the new elementary school building project.

We agree with Alexander C. Koines (Mariner, July 18, 1996) that "competition improves products in the marketplace and concerns and constructive criticism will improve Cohasset's new primary school."

Indeed, citizen comments and suggestions at four town meetings (all of which overwhelmingly supported the new school) and more than 100 public meetings of the School Facilities/Building Committee, the School Committee, the Board of Selectmen, the Conservation Commission, the Design Review Board and others have shaped and re-shaped the new school project.

In fact, the project continues to evolve even now, with citizen input at every turn.

Far from expecting the citizens of Cohasset "to simply be quiet and take what they are given," elected and appointed town officials – your own neighbors, friends and fellow taxpayers – have made this arguably the most openly debated public works project in the history of the town.

While we have consistently opposed the efforts of some residents whose only intention is to kill the project by whatever means they find useful at the moment, we have just as consistently sought – and acted on – the wise counsel of a much larger group of citizens whose expertise, genuine concerns and constructive suggestions have made this a much better project. We continue to seek such involvement.

On the other hand, we must respectfully disagree with the comments of Florence Jerome (Mariner, July 18, 1996). Constructing an elementary school is never simply "a monumental building project." In the case of this particular primary school, we are certainly grappling with both an educational issue and a moral issue.

The educational issue is simple to explain. We agree that "buildings alone cannot improve our children's education." The current Osgood School, however, is a major hindrance to our children's education. Classrooms are crowded and far below minimum standards.

The library and the computer lab, ordinarily hallmarks of an adequate educational facility, are squeezed into the basement, are much too small and have inadequate ventilation. The building is not accessible to persons with disabilities. There is no cafeteria, gymnasium or space for performing arts. Most of the mechanical and electrical systems do not meet current codes. The building's deficiencies create an educational issue because the educational process is now, and will continue to be, negatively impacted. We are asking our professional staff to provide twenty-first century education in a building designed and constructed to meet the needs of children in the 1920s.

The building of our new elementary school is also a moral issue. Each prior generation of Americans has seen fit to make sacrifices for their children and the generations to follow. But no new school building project has occurred in Cohasset for more than 40 years.

The need for a new elementary school to replace the Osgood was first identified more than 25 years ago through a comprehensive investigation similar to the one in which we have been engaged. At that time our town chose not to replace the Osgood, but to make due with what even then was an inadequate facility. We believe that continuing to house very young children in a facility that denies them the best education this town can provide is shortsighted from every perspective.

We again encourage you to attend town meeting Aug. 12 and to reaffirm the commitment this town has made to build a new elementary school for our children. Not because we say so, but because it's the right thing to do.

The Cohasset School Committee
Ralph Kidder, Chairman
Maureen Jerz, Vice-Chairman
JoAnne Chittock, Secretary
Jim Kirk
Rick Shea

Vote 'No' to the reconsideration vote

To the Editor:

Though site issues have brought us back to town meeting for a vote on the new school, the original issues of overcrowding, safety and educational standards have not changed.

In less than six weeks, Cohasset's elementary students will return to school. Regrettably, the Pre-K collaborative will be housed at the Jr/Sr high, and our kindergartners must attend Deer Hill in classes of up to 28 children.

Osgood will house first- through third-graders, though the fire chief still views the school as a "lethal combination of fire hazards."

As to educational standards, the children will still be in undersized classrooms which double as their eating space and also lack a full-size gym, auditorium and classroom computers, to name a few of the educational inadequacies.

Given all of the above and the precedent of two overwhelming majority votes at previous town meetings, few among us are likely to still argue with the need for a new school. The questions instead are 1) "should we build new or renovate?" and 2) "are we getting the best school for our money?" In answer to these:

Though any number of renovation plans can be drawn up and "costed," the lack of state reimbursement on any such project makes these options cost prohibitive. Cohasset would spend 100 percent to Band-Aid an ailing building. The cost of maintaining the renovated Osgood would remain high. Moreover, the inadequate parking and playspace as well as the unsafe traffic conditions would not be improved. It is far wiser to spend just 40 cents on the dollar for a safer, larger, improved facility built for education in the 21st century.

Regarding the best use of our money ... The new school will be approximately 60 percent larger than Osgood, provide classroom sizes of 900 sq. ft. on average (vs. 680 sq. ft. now), and double the acreage from four to eight acres. Parking will be increased and the traffic congestion that we live with at the Osgood will be greatly improved.

The school will be wired for in-class computers as well as a lab, have a full-size gym and a cafeteria. Of course, it will be handicap accessible and comply with ADA requirements. Reasonably, none of these are far-fetched wishes for our children and the town's school. They are basic needs.

The questions concerning the site are being addressed by the school facilities committee at their frequent meetings. They are meeting with the design review board, the conservation commission, the abutters, selectmen, the capital budget committee and others.

The site was chosen because it was the best space available for the price. It is topographically superior to other, more expensive options. The school facilities committee is not looking at this for the first time. They have done exhaustive research which has been presented to us already.

Let us all get back to the basic issues that compelled us to vote for the new school in the two previous town meetings. Be sure to be there Aug. 12. We need you to vote no to the reconsideration.

Kathy Ofsthun and Cassandra Rioux
The Cohasset Quality Education Committee

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To stop the school project will result in gridlock

Dear Cohasset resident:

Based on: a 155 percent water rate increase, 25 percent property assessment increase, 100 percent sewage betterment vote, the new school project, landfill capping, Hagerty Property acquisition, new DPW garage, new ballfield, etc.; the cost to live on my street (Windy Hill Road) will double during the next three years.

It is part of the 11 miles of private ways, in Cohasset, that are disintegrating due to lack of repaving funds. The last abatement increase for Cohasset's 45 disabled veterans was during 1939, yes 1939.

The selectmen, planning board and various responsible town committees have failed abysmally to put together long-term budget projections and a Master Plan. It is inexcusable that a $10 to $14 school project was not on the 1995 Capital Budget Plan. We are constantly asked to vote spending articles based on incomplete and inaccurate information.

Prior to the January Special Town Meeting, I went to the proposed site for the new Osgood School, and concluded that the School Facilities Committee Plan inadequate. At the town meeting, 500 flyers were distributed suggesting a preferable alternative. It acknowledged that the Osgood School needed replacement at a new location. However, it suggested that an addition to the Deer Hill School, making it PK-6, was preferable to the school's proposal. PK-6 is probably the most common elementary school grade range in Massachusetts.

The school facilities committee acknowledged that construction costs for a Deer Hill expansion would be $1M less than their proposal. I pointed out that we could avoid a duplication of common use facilities such as gymnasiums, cafeterias, and libraries(to name only a few). Over the 50-year projected life, overhead, staffing and maintenance costs would also be substantially less.

The school administration has argued that a separate PK-3 school is necessary for quality education. That is not true and it is a luxury considering other financial pressures. Despite major "damage control" concessions by the conservation commission and other boards; expansion of the Deer Hill School remains the most cost-effective alternative.

Even if the current $554,000 in "sunk" engineering costs are written-off; a PK-6 alternative offers quality education at less cost. Remember, considerable space can be "freed-up" at the Deer Hill with the pending sewage hookup, and relocation of parking and playing fields to the "back forty."

The currently proposed location of the new school is so close to the Deer Hill that the school administration's objective of separateness; albeit unjustified, is not accomplished. It also entails a very costly second line sewage hook-up.

It is understandable that parents, the PSO, school committee and related organizations are strongly committed to the current plan. Perhaps so committed that emotions sometimes override logic.

I urge you to continue to accept constructive criticism and not repudiate all those who disagree as "anti-education." The Town of Cohasset has many major concerns. In particular, I do not want to see a repeat of what is happening with the DPW garage which is being downsized to keep within budget.

I am already hearing discussions about school cost cutting measures such as compromises on quality materials(brick, copper, concrete etc.) to less maintenance free alternatives. The architect has publicly said that cost considerations will (quote) "result in more trade-offs than we'd like"(end quote). Let's not be penny wise and pound foolish. Maintenance is not a strong point with either the schools or the town. We deserve to know what "trade-offs" are in the offing. Let's assure that cosmetics, not quality construction, will get the ax. If we can't bring the project in at or below cost; we need to know that.

I am also concerned that both the Deer Hill School and the high school have an extensive list of backlogged maintenance needs that are not in the town's budget. I insist that the selectmen, school committee, and related departments identify those pending significant costs.

Despite all the concerns that I have enumerated; I very reluctantly urge you to support continuance of the school project with the aforementioned provisos. I believe that to stop the project now will result in gridlock, a failure to address serious Osgood School problems, probable lawsuits and a loss of 60 percent state funding.

Joseph R. McElroy
Windy Hill Rd.

What is town's commitment to the future of education?

To the Editor:

When our family moved back to the South Shore we chose Cohasset, not only for its beauty but because of the quality of the school system. I was pleased to find all Cohasset K-3 children attended the quaint Osgood School and, at first, did not see a need to replace the school. Over the last six years, I have volunteered in many areas at the Osgood School. I have worked with the teachers and support staff and have spent many hours in the Osgood building. The caring teachers and support staff provide excellent educational opportunities for our children. The same cannot be said for the building.

The additions made to the Osgood are numerous: the creation of a computer lab, the expansion of the library, a publishing center in the attic and offices for the staff in the basement.

Although each of these projects was well done, maximizing the limited space available, they are still cramped, windowless rooms with severe safety issues. The corridor through which the children leave the computer lab and library is three-feet wide. The thought of 25 frightened children exiting in an emergency should frighten us all!

This year the kindergarten was moved out of the Osgood because there was simply not enough room for one more classroom. The decision to move the kindergarten was made by the administration and supported by the Osgood School Council. Mrs. Moody and Mrs. Price will continue to provide quality education to Cohasset's children.

Extensive efforts have been made to minimize the disruption, but this move is not without costs – time lost through transporting support staff and supplies between the Osgood and Deer Hill and replication of playground equipment to name a few. This temporary solution to the space problem should not become a permanent one.

Every town requires its residents to pay taxes; not every town has had the commitment to and quality of education we enjoy. To deny that the quality of the schools does not add greatly to all property values in Cohasset is naive.

If I were to be looking at South Shore communities and found that Cohasset chose to spend a million dollars to renovate a 70-year-old building to meet minimum mandatory requirements, rather than use town owned land and state funds to build a school that would not only meet the needs of today's children but also future generations, I would question the town's commitment to public education.

I would also question the town's commitment to its future.

Linda Nash
Doane St.

Municipal sewer project must be treated as one project

To the Editor:

It is critical at this time to inform the residents of the town of Cohasset, the reason for the Citizen's Petition asking the voters of the town to reconsider the vote of the Special Town Meeting held March 30, to borrow the sum of $6,326,800 for the construction of a sewer project in the Strait's Pond/Hull Street area.

The majority of the 345 residents in this area do not address this issue as sewer vs. non-sewer. We are one town, working together, in the best interest of all its residents to solve a critical problem.

When the Board of Sewer Commissioners adopted their original article (Article 4 — Special Town Meeting — 3/30/96) asking for 100 percent funding from less than six percent of the town's homeowners, we were grateful for the unanimous support at town meeting for an amendment to Article 4 sharing the cost 50/50.

When Cohasset's sewer treatment plant was constructed almost 30 years ago, there was no question that 100 percent of the cost was shared by every taxpayer, even though the benefit of this plant included few homeowners. Since this time, there have been economic changes and Title V mandates, so we felt the shared costs (50 percent paid by the town and 50 percent paid by the users) are not unreasonable.

All taxpayers have been burdened with the operation and maintenance costs of the present plant since 1968. Expenses each year far exceed the revenues, and the total amount of $2,068,853 from general revenue has been used to supplement the central sewer plant.

When the ballot election of May 4 to support the 50/50 cost of the new sewer project did not pass, we looked to our town officials for guidance.

Our hopes are to have the entire sewer project treated as one municipal project — (Phase I — the Strait's Pond/Hull Street area — Phase II — the Central/Hillside area — and a component part for the non-sewered residents). The Board of Sewer Commissioners promised to act in good faith in assisting us, but it appears that this board is further dividing the town of Cohasset. It is imperative to inform the citizens of Cohasset that the aAmended final judgment from the Superior Court does not document the mandate of the Strait's Pond/Hull Street as priority one.

The mandated areas are Cohasset Harbor — Little Harbor — and James Brook. Violation of this court order is against the entire town, and in fairness to all the taxpayers in Cohasset, the municipal sewer project must be treated as one!

Maria A. Plante
Jerusalem Road

School debate topics outlined for local cable program

The following letter was sent to Wigmore Pierson of the local cable channel)

Dear Wig:

On behalf of the Cohasset School Committee, I have been authorized to accept the precondition requested by Mr. Roy Fitzsimmons enjoining Steve Hart from appearing on the Aug. 4 debate you are sponsoring on Pierson-to-Person.

While we are all appalled by Mr. Fitzsimmons' behavior in this case, we feel it is essential that the people of Cohasset be given another opportunity to hear the facts about the new elementary school building project.

Consequently, our debate team will consist of Maureen Jerz, vice-chairman of the Cohasset School Committee, David Chase (or his alternate) from the School Facilities/Building Committee, Sid Bowen of Earl Flansburgh (our architects) and me.

At your request, we suggest the following topics for the debate:

The history of the project. Questions could include how the project came about, who has been involved in it, the four town meetings that have reviewed it and other such questions that will provide background and context for the voters.

How were the architects chosen? Questions here would be aimed at establishing the credentials of the consultants, the process by which they were chosen and could include items from the recent Design Review Board meetings.

How was the site selected? Questions here would center on the process by which the current site was selected, why other sites were rejected and what, if any, problems still must be resolved. You could include questions that have been raised by the abutters in this segment.

Why can't we just recycle the old Osgood School? Questions here might include: is the enrollment problem real? in what ways, if any, is the present Osgood inadequate? are the safety problems real? so what about state aid, anyway?

What motivates the proponents and the opponents? Questions here would center on why each side has taken the position it has and what each side hopes to gain, that is, what is the ultimate goal in each case.

Is there an alternative to building a new school? Questions here would be aimed at establishing or debunking any or all proposed alternatives to building a new school, including financial considerations.

So what will this new school cost me? Here you would attempt to clarify the actual costs of the project, their impact on taxpayers, and the costs of any alternative proposals.

I also want to confirm the format for this debate. As I understand our agreement, there will be opening and closing remarks by each side We hope you will consider giving us the last closing remarks, given our accommodation of Mr. Fitzsimmons' request, but we will live with the original agreement to determine order of speaking by lots if necessary.

There will be segments of about 15 minutes each on the topics which we and Mr. Fitzsimmons' group have provided you, plus, I presume, any that the reporters present see fit to address. There also will be two break periods where the proponents will be able to ask questions of the opponents directly, and vice versa. There will be no audience in the studio and you doubt whether you will take calls from the viewing audience, although at our last conversation this was not settled.

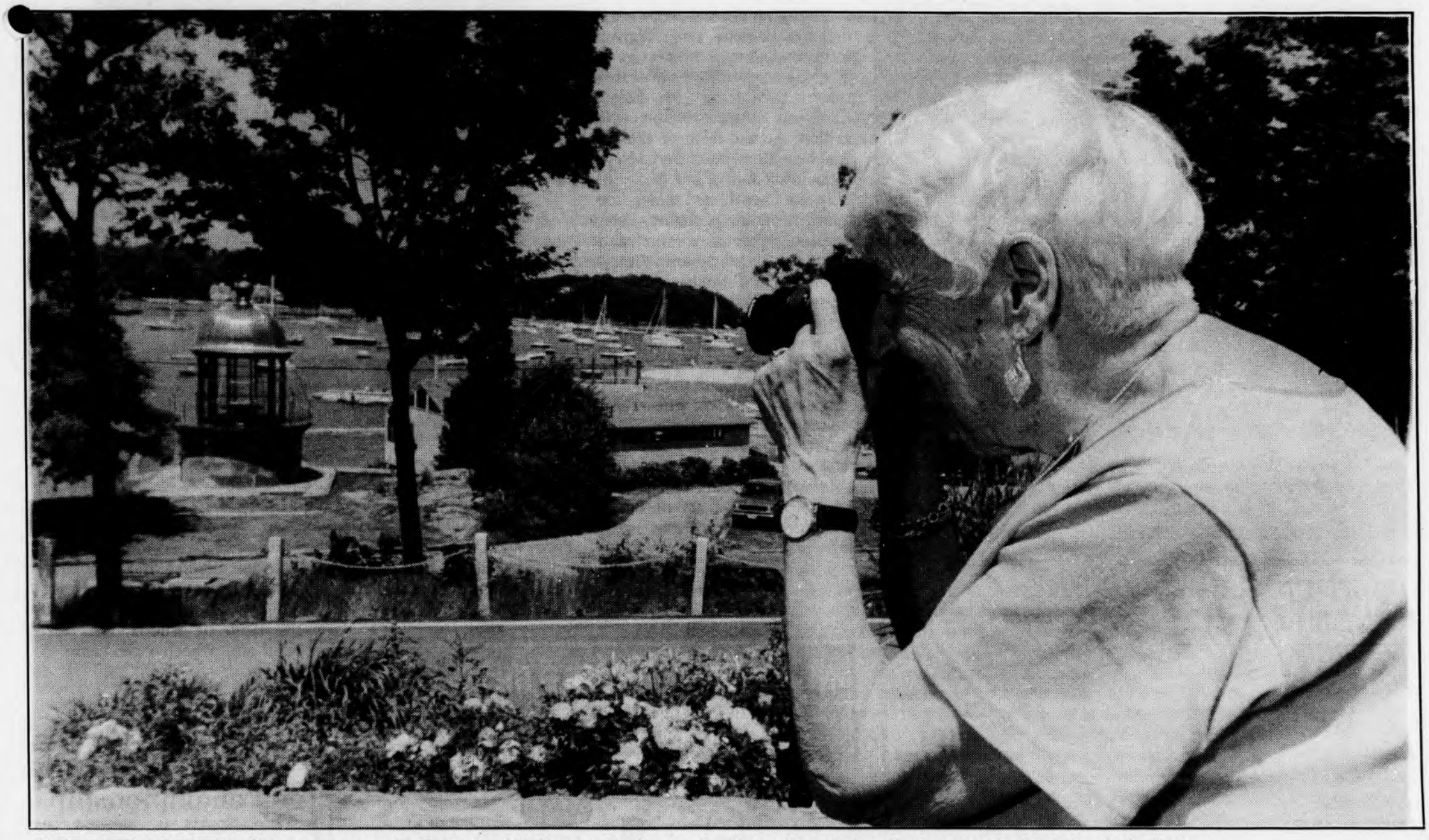
We are open to taking calls if you think this best. We are pleased with the proposed format, because we believe it will provide the voters of Cohasset with an excellent opportunity to understand the real issues associated with providing a new elementary school for Cohasset's youngest children.

I again want to express the outrage of the School Committee that Mr. Fitzsimmons has demanded as a precondition to appearing on your show the right to help us choose our team. But this project is of such importance that we are willing to take the high moral ground here and accept Mr. Fitzsimmons' demand rather than risk scuttling the entire debate.

Thanks for your efforts in putting together this timely show. I look forward to being with you Aug. 4.

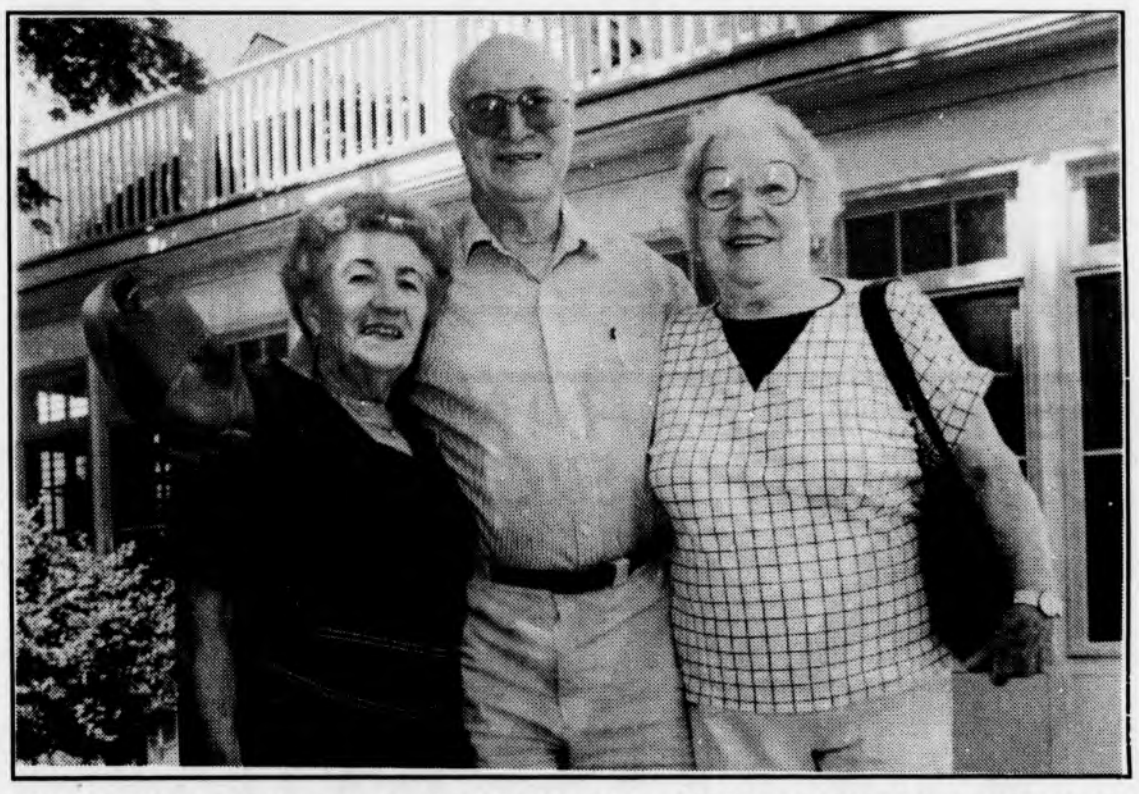
Ralph D. Kidder
Cushing Road

Cohasset Council on Aging Cook-out, July 17, at the Lightkeeper's House.



Picture perfect! Jackie Moore captures the beauty of Cohasset Harbor at the Council on Aging Cookout at the Lightkeeper's House.

Ann Hayes, Betty Maree and Louise Ward share a laugh harborside.



Fran and Roy Conn share the shade of the Lightkeeper's House with Irene Porter.

Blanche and Leslie Thompson head home after a great day, great food and good friends.

(Staff photos/Alan Chapman)

Junior Erica Hettstrom works on her beam routine during a recent practice at the community center.

Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni

Relay teams come up big against Scituate

BY SELMA INGBER
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Swim Team defeated Scituate Yacht Club in its second meet of the season.

In the mixed 10 and under free relay, the team of Foley, Anderson, Ernst and Bilton came in first and the team of Etkind, Sanchez, Henderson and Myers came in second.

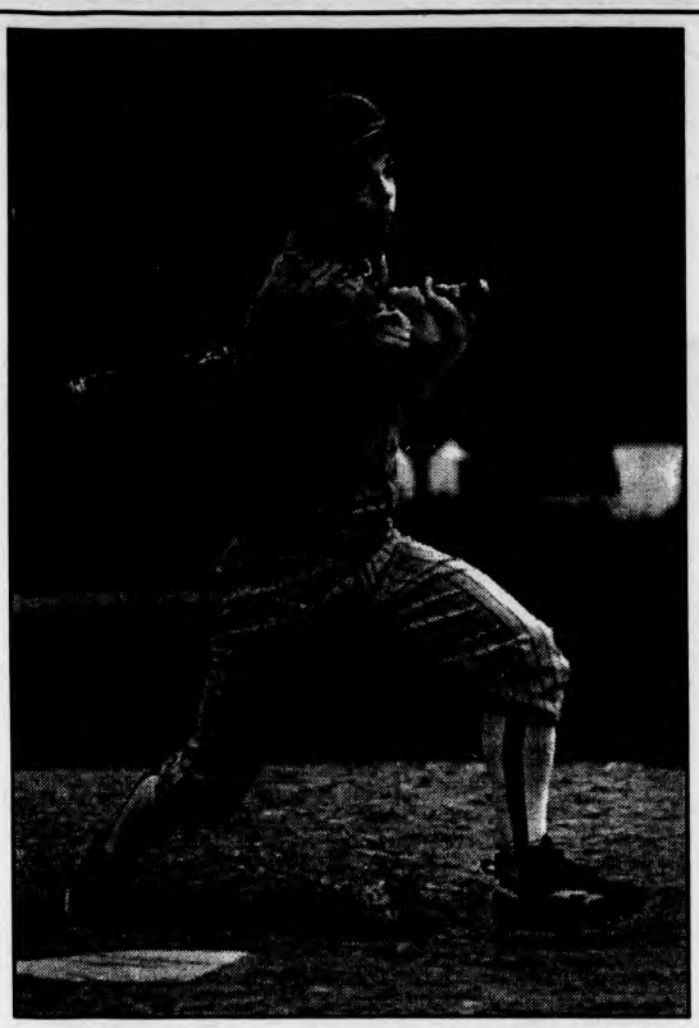
In the boys 12 and under free relay, the team of Ingber, Lehr, Berg and Faber came in first, and the team of Blackburn, Farley, Ogrodnik and Roche came in second.

In the girls 12 and under free relay, the team of Kondrat, McDonald, Carter and Foley came in second, and the team of Henderson, O'Brien, Roche and McKenney came in third.

In the boys 17 and under free relay, the team of Schneider, Golden, Bugley and Golden came in first and the team of Buck, O'Hart, Hurley and Hurley came in second.

In the girls 17 and under free relay the team of Berg, Harkness, O'Hart and O'Brien came in first and the team of Gill, Chastain, Duffy and Osterberg came in second.

In the mixed 8 and under free relay, the team of Markert, Ernst, Musto and Berg came in first and the team of Wilcox, Sanchez, Shea and Wheelwright came in second.



Jonah Berger follows the flight of a line-drive base hit during an American Legion game.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

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Carr looks to '97 season

Three-win summer showcased Legion's talent

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

There was just one occasion all season when Cohasset American Legion baseball coach John Carr remembered his team being blown out early without a chance of coming back.

The rest of the time was completely different as the 3-17 squad had its problem holding onto late-inning leagues.

Cohasset led Canton 4-0 after six innings and wound up on the losing end, 6-5. Twice the locals dropped close 4-2 decisions to a strong Morrisette Post team. And against Weymouth and its four Boston Globe All-Scholastics, Cohasset gave the powerful club a strong run, before falling short, 10-6.

All told, Cohasset led after the fifth inning 66 percent at the time.

Carr wasn't as much frustrated with the late-game collapses as the way his team handled the early-season contests. It wasn't until halfway through the season that Cohasset began to loosen up and believe it had a chance at winning every time the players took the field.

"There were probably 10 games we could win next season," he said. "We were in the games and that's a major accomplishment for a new team. It took us a while to realize we could play at this level. We stopped beating ourselves and went after the other team."

Carr is already looking forward to the talent coming back next summer and, though he isn't making any predictions, believes the squad's record will be greatly improved.

"The future is bright and you gotta wear shades," Carr said optimistically. "We'll be much more competitive."

Carr is looking to upgrade the pitching to eight or nine arms on the mound. Matt Lewis, won two of Cohasset's three games, will be back, along with a staff which includes Eric Zukauskas, Rob Moody, Richard Dane, Rich Harrington and Ben Ketchum.

Ketchum came on strong as the season wore on and became a consistent middle reliever for Cohasset. Harrington was also solid and Carr is looking to him as a possible starter next year.

Kevin McKenna proved to be the best all-around player on the squad and it didn't go unnoticed by Carr. As one of the oldest players on the team, with Grant Emde and Jonah Berger, the younger members of the roster looked to him for guidance.

"Game in and game out he was a force," Carr said.

Steve Martin, left fielder Matt Lane and Dane all brought their talents from Scituate and made big contributions to the team. Hard-hitting third-baseman Rob Buckley put up good numbers on what was by far the youngest team in the league.

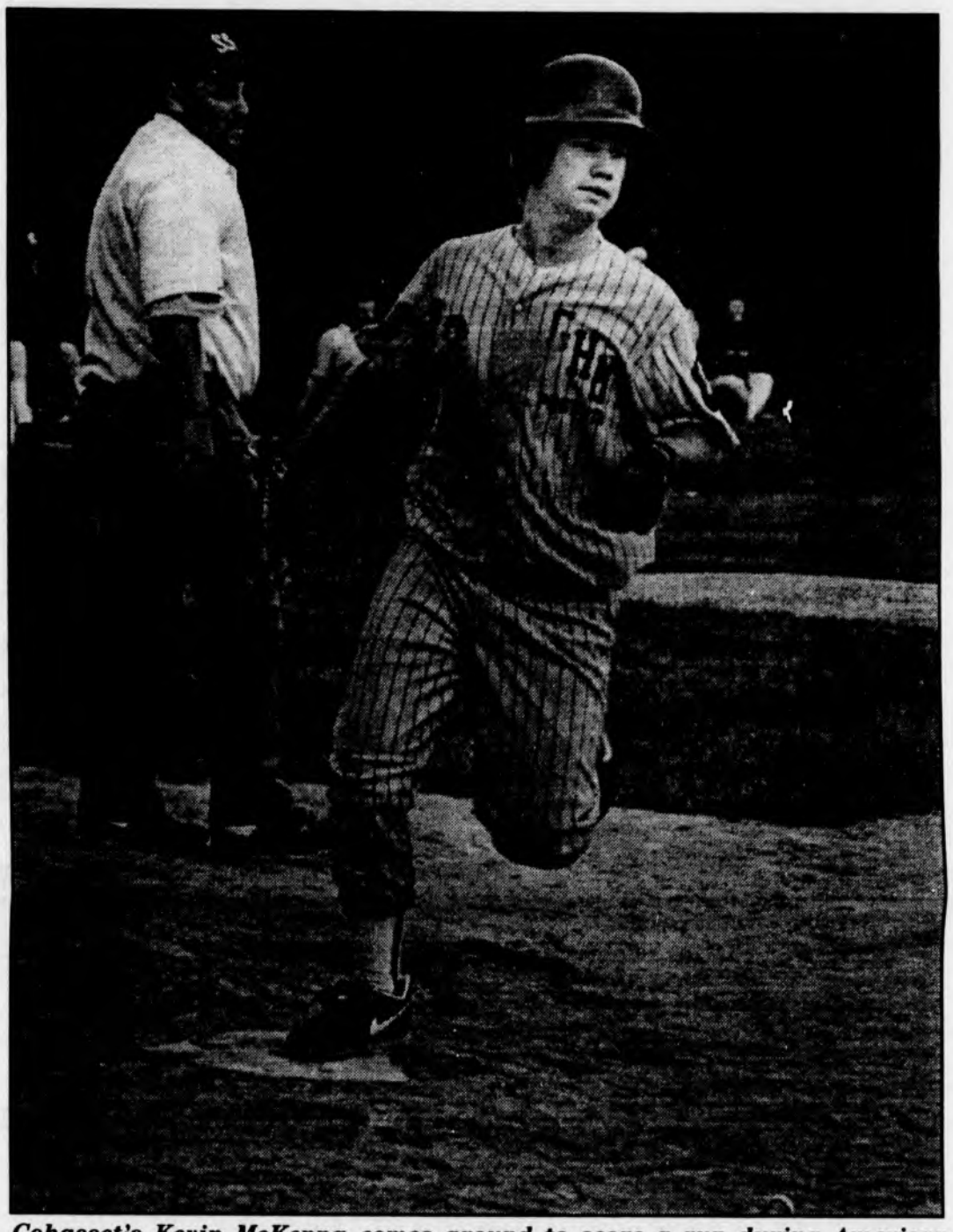
Cohasset provided plenty of offensive punch and out-hit its opposition in several games. "It was a good season for us and I'm looking forward to next year," Carr said.

Ben Smoot and Al Schwerin both swung the bat well, while Eric Arnold of Scituate slammed a pair of doubles in Cohasset's 3-0 loss to Braintree in the final game of the season.

Brian Wagner provided excellent defense in the outfield and should be a key player in Carr's plans for next summer.

"There's some hope on the horizon," he said. "You can virtually guarantee every team had one to four All-Scholastics on us."

The competition was tough, but Cohasset's biggest lesson was that its players realized they can play with the South Shore powers toe-to-toe. And with the added experience this season gave Cohasset, everyone may have to wear shades.



Cohasset's Kevin McKenna comes around to score a run during American Legion action.

Staff photo by J. Paul MacDonald

Medley relay leads Cohasset swimmers

By SELMA INGBER
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset Swim Team remained undefeated after its third meet of the season by beating the Duxbury Aqua-Dux by a wide margin.

Kudos to Gemma O'Brien, Allison Berg, Kerri O'Hart and Sarah Harkness for setting a new pool record in the 17-and-under girls medley relay with a time of 2:05.24.

Cohasset takes on Duxbury Yacht Club July 26 at Cohasset.

The results are as follows:

In the mixed 8-and-under medley relay, the team of C. Sanchez, P. Berg, L. Musto and C. Ernst came in second; the team of L. Durkin, C. Sida, M. Crowley-Buck and D. McCarthy came in third; and the team of V. Plante, B. Flynn, A. Speed and B. Rafferty came in fourth.

In the boys 12-and-under medley relay, the team of M. Farley, D. Crowley-Buck, A. Berg and E. Lehr came in first; the team of T. Hurley, M. Ogrodnik, S. Faber and C. Carr came in third.

In the girls 12-and-under medley relay, the team of A. Bugley, K. Grimm, K. O'Brien and C. Foley came in first; the team of J. Shea, A. Dedes, T. O'Brien and C. Carter came in third and the team of L. Kondrat, E. Larson, S. Genovese and M. Henderson came in fifth.

In the boys 17-and-under medley relay, the team of J. Schneider, D. Bugley, J. Golden and J. Buckley came in first; the team of B. Hurley, O'Hart, C. Golden and J. Crowley-Buck came in second.

In the girls 17-and-under medley relay, the team of G. O'Brien, O'Hart, A. Berg and S. Harkness came in first; the team of H. Habershaw, A. Case, S. Case and J. Chastain came in third and the team of B. Baker and Duffy and C. Osterberg and D. Meehan came in fourth.

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12 and Under

Rob Lehr
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14 and Under

John Crowley-Buck
Gemma O'Brien

17 and Under

Justin Buckley
Alice Case

BUTTERFLY

8 and Under

Parker Berg
Lisa Musto

10 and Under

Chris Flynn
Elisa Jerome

12 and Under

David Ingber
Kate O'Brien

14 and Under

Chris Golden
Allison Berg

17 and Under

Justin Buckley
Sarah Case

BREASTSTROKE

8 and Under

Noah Wilcox
Lisa Musto

10 and Under

Tom Anderson
Ashley Faber

12 and Under

David Crowley-Buck
Ashley Faber

14 and Under

John Crowley-Buck
Sarah Harkness

17 and Under

Derek Bugley
Kerry O'Hart

BACKSTROKE

8 and Under

Parker Berg

See page 17

Last call for soccer camp

The Cohasset Recreation Department will accept registrations for the South Shore Soccer Camp for youngsters aged 8-18 years for Week 1, which begins on Monday at Miliken Field. Week 2 begins Aug. 5.

There are only a few openings left in both camps. Those interested should call the recreation department office at 383-6791 immediately. The cost for one week of camp is $175. Registration forms and camp brochures are available at the recreation department on the first floor of the town hall.

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Tuesdays and Thursdays at the high school through August 29, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

SUMMER CLASSES

Classes run for six Wednesdays through August 14.

Intermediate boys and girls ages 8 to 11,1:30 to 2:30 p.m

Beginner boys and girls ages 6 and 7, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Preschool boys and girls ages 4 and 5, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

SUMMER CAMPS

Preschool Sports and Stuff Camp for boys and girls ages 4 to 6 will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays through Thursday, Aug. 1.

Gymnastics camp for girls ages 6 to 13 will run in two sessions: August 20, 21 and 22, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.; and August 27,28 and 29, 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

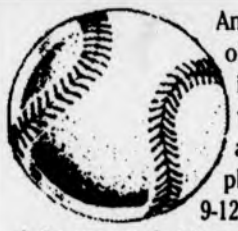
Enjoy rotations on uneven bars, vault, dance. floor exercise, balance beam, bowling, and contests for prizes. This will be a great opportunity to learn new skills. Bring a snack and juice daily.

Fall classes resume on Monday, September 9.

For more information call the center at 383-0088 (9-11:30 a.m.), or call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3068.

All courses must be pre-registered.

A girls softball camp with a catch!



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The clinic will be held in the Notre Dame Academy gymnasium, 1073 Main St., Hingham. The fee is $75.

For an application or more details, call (508)-238-0372.

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Mariner Sports

Medley relay leads Cohasset swimmers

Emilie Shea

10 and Under

Teddie Straughn
Jenna Larson

12 and Under

Alex Berg
Alexis Bugley

14 and Under

Jeff Schneider
Gemma O'Brien

17 and Under

Derek Bugley
Sarah Case

In the boys 10 and under free relay, the team of Bilton, Anderson, Etkind and Ernst came in first; the team of Flynn, Tehranian, Myers and McCarthy came in third.

In the girls 10-and-under free relay, the team of Anderson, Chase, Speed and Larson came in third; the team of Jerome, Simmons, Faber and Lehr came in second and the team of Sanchez, Ogrodnik, Henderson and Foley came in fourth.

In the boys 12-and-under free relay, the team of Crowley-Buck, Ingber, Lehr and Berg came in first; the team of Farley, Faber, Ogrodnik and Carr came in second and the team of Ryan, Blackburn, Musto and Hurley came in third.

In the girls 12-and-under free relay, the team of Foley, Shea, Carter and K. O'Brien came in first; the team of Kondrat, Genovese, Grimm and Bugley came in third and the team of Larson, Ingber, Carr and Henderson came in fifth.

In the boys 17-and-under free relay, the team of Schneider, Golden, Golden and Bugley came in first; the team of Meehan, O'Hart, Hurley and Crowley-Buck came in second.

In the girls 17-and-under free relay, the team of Berg, Harkness, O'Hart and O'Brien came in first; the team of Case, Ulmer, Habershaw and Chastain came in second; the team of Duffy, Myers, Baker and Meehan came in fourth.

In the mixed 8-and-under free relay, the team of Wilcox, Ernst, Shea and Berg came in second; the team of Faber, Sida, Speed and Roach came in fourth; the team of Dickenson, Campbell, Garber and Crowley-Buck came in fifth.

Youth coaches, we want to hear from you! Fax your team's results to Joe Reardon at (617) 837-4843.

Divers take All-League meet

The Cohasset Diving Team placed first at their second all-league meet of the season last Wednesday at the Cohasset Swim Center.

Placing first in their events were Maura Duffy (17 & U Girls), Trevor Brady (12 & U Boys), and Bob Meehan (17 & U Boys). Kristin Sheerin and KC Camacho placed third and sixth respectively in the 12 & U Girls competition, while Cere Osterborg placed third in the 17 & U Girls competition and Scott Faber placed second for the 12 & U Boys. This week's "Divers of the Week" were Kristin Osterborg, John Crowley-Buck, Jackie Flint and Emilie Shea. Congratulations to the Cohasset Diving Team!

Meredith Bixby and Carlie Carter recently competed in the 1996 AAU Regional Gymnastics Championships in Methuen. Carlie finished ninth on the bars, seventh on the balance beam and ninth in the all-around.

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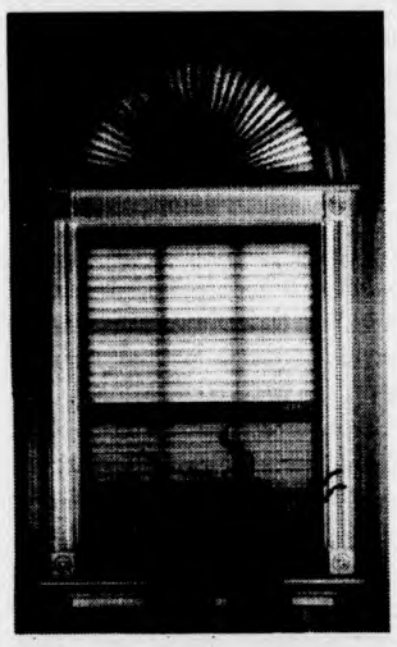

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Deadline for week 2 is August 2nd

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(Sample classified ad)

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COMMUNITY TRAVEL

Special Advertising Supplement

A Mystic-al experience in Connecticut

Attractions and history combine for wonderful vacation destination

By
Karen Nerney

New England's seacoast is an enticing place to spend a summer day or weekend.Nowhere is this more evident than in Mystic, Conn., where history and nature combine to create a pleasant vacation experience. Behind its stone walls and along its country roads, Mystic boasts a plethora of activities for the whole family. From Mystic Seaport and downtown Mystic to the Marinelife Aquarium and comfortable hotels or historic bed and breakfasts, Mystic appeals to a variety of tastes.

In the late 1800s, Mystic published a four-page weekly newspaper. Typesetters had to set a page in 10 hours maximum just to get a job. Since they were paid by how many pages they set, they learned to work very quickly.

That's just one of the lessons visitors can learn at MysticSeaport, an internationally recognized maritime museum and home to more than 400 vessels, including tall ships. The seaport brings to life a 19th century coastal community, complete with crafts, trades, and exhibits highlighting the period. Visitors can learn how sailors lived, sing a sea chantey (work song), or visit the captain's quarters of a 19th century whaling ship. And, kids can experience 19th century life in the children's museum, designed for would-be-sailors ages 7 and under.

"It's so many different things to everyone," said Tricia Wood, Mystic Seaport publicist. "A lot of people think it's boats and ships, and that's romantic and alluring. Then they get here and it's so much more. We have a variety of exhibits, including a rope walk from Plymouth, Mass., a working shipyard, an exhibit gallery with scrimshaw, marine heads, and more."

In addition to its regular exhibits and daily activities, the museum features "A Taste of History" beginning Aug. 1. The four-day festival features food and cooking from 19th century America. Visitors can watch ice cream-, butter-, and cheese-making demonstrations, as well as see a "fish split," the process of salting and preserving fish at sea.

Special programs include a marathon reading on July 31 of "Moby Dick" in celebration of author Herman Melville's 177th birthday, as well as the annual Mystic Seaport Antique & Classic Boat Rendezvous July 27 and 28. The rendezvous features costumed crews on approximately 50 boats whose design is based on or evolved from traditional fishing boats. The seaport also hosts its annual Chowderfest on Columbus Day weekend, Oct. 13 and 14.

Mystic Seaport is open year-round, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in July and August; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the off-season. Admission is $16 for adults, $8 for children 6-15; children 5 and under and members are admitted free. Some exhibits aren't terribly convenient for stroller-pushers, so you might want to bring along a backpack for those wee ones. For more information, call (203) 572-5315.

Mystic Marinelife Aquarium explores the secrets of underwater life. Forty indoor exhibits feature more than 3,500 specimens from around the world, including sharks, octopus, and Australian lion fish. Visitors can learn about how the Bluehead Wrasse changes its color and sex, as well as see a variety of marine animals in naturalistic habitats. There's a wonderful outdoor exhibit featuring Seal Island, home to harbor seals, gray seals, northern fur seals, and Steller's sea lions, as well as the Penguin Pavilion.

The Marine Theater offers daily entertainment, including a demonstration by Atlantic bottlenose dolphins and beluga whales.

The aquarium is open year-round (except Christmas Day, New Year's Day, and Thanksgiving) from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Summer hours (July 1 - Labor Day) are 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Admission is $9.50 for adults; $8.50, senior citizens; $6.50, children 3-12. For more information, call (203) 572-5955.

Olde Mistick Village is a shopper's delight, with a wide array of gift and other shops. The area replicates an early 18th century New England Village. You'll find everything from pottery and crafts to T-shirts and stuffed animals. Wander along the village's picturesque paths, or stop at one of the restaurants.

During the summer months, the gazebo is the site of free summer concerts, and children can enjoy feeding feathered friends at the duck ponds. The Village is located adjacent to the aquarium, at the junction of routes 27 and 95. For more information and a calendar of events, call (860) 536-4941.

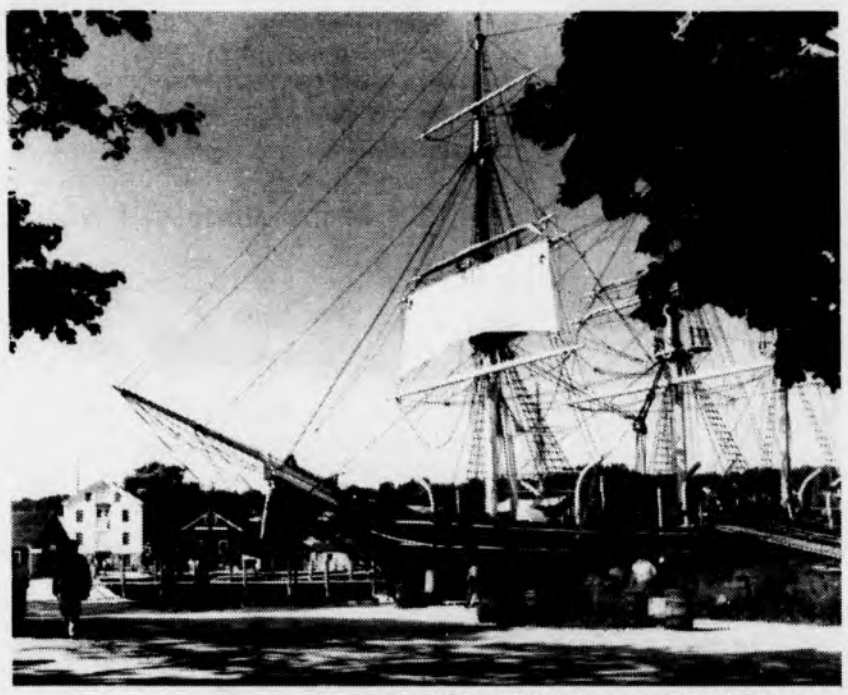
The folks at Mystic Hilton probably wish they had paid a little more attention to the attractive brunette staying at the hotel during the filming of "Mystic Pizza," the movie that gave Julia Roberts' film career a major boost. While Roberts has long since departed this little seaside community, the Hilton continues to offer luxury service to both families and business clientele.

"It's an interesting time for Mystic," said Peggie Cosgrove, public relations coordinator for the Hilton. "People who were here five or 10 years ago are going to see new things. It's worthwhile for families to come back again."

While the Hilton sees a good deal of business travel during the off-season, summer and school vacations are a big draw for families. As a result, the Hilton has a number of programs that cater to families with young children.

The hotel offers a "Vacation Station," which has a large selection of books and games young visitors can borrow. There's also a Teddy Turndown for Tots and free children's buffet, as well as a new outdoor playscape. The Mystic Minnow Club offers evening activities for kids, with art projects, stories, movies, and more at a slight charge.

Mystic is about a two-hour drive from Boston. For more information, call the Mystic Chamber of Commerce at (860) 572-9578; or Mystic & More at (800) 863-6569. Or, visit the Mystic Information Network at http://www.visitmystic.com.



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The wooden whaling vessel Charles W. Morgan is one of the attractions at Mystic Seaport.

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To our readers

This week, Community Newspaper Company introduces a monthly feature titled "Community Travel." Community Travel is designed to provide helpful information on trips close to home and far away. Whether you're planning a vacation or living vicariously, Community Travel offers entertaining reading about the places you want to see.

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Special Advertising Supplement

A popular course of attraction

Great golf vacation packages abound in New England

By
MaryAnn Flammia

Golf has become a favorite leisure activity for many. Whether it be in the morning, afternoon, or as the sun sets, many golf courses are full of anxious golfers. Many golf lovers vacation at resorts where they can play every day. And there is no shortage of golf resorts in New England and surrounding areas to provide a variety of amenities to fit one's lifestyle.

The end of the summer and fall season is a good time to take a golf vacation, as prices tend to decrease in the off-season. The weather is still pleasant, humidity is down, and temperatures are comfortable. Also, traveling mid-week usually results in lower prices compared to weekend travel.

The variety of resorts ranges from the prestigious to family-oriented.

If you want to be pampered at a facility that offers much more than golf, try one of the following resorts in the $170- to $290-per-night price range.

The Samoset Resort, located on the ocean in Rockport, Maine, was ranked America's seventh-most-beautiful golf course by "Golf Digest" in May 1995. It was also rated one of the leading destination resorts in the Northeast, according to Michael Lynch, Samoset marketing director.

The 18-hole course has six holes bordering the ocean, and magnificent views throughout the course.

Guests have the opportunity to take part in exciting packages such as golf clinics, and golf and putting tournaments. The resort offers 150 spacious guest rooms and suites, and most come with an ocean view and a private balcony or patio.

The resort also has a complete health and fitness center, as well as indoor and outdoor swimming pools, saunas, hot tubs, and other activities and programs available for guests. There are two dining areas. If you are looking for elegant dining, Marcel's is the place to go. For a more relaxed atmosphere, The Breakwater Lounge and Patio offers lighter dining, cocktails, and entertainment.

"At the Samoset, you can do absolutely nothing and have a great time. But if you're the active type, you can take advantage of what the surrounding area has to offer," said Lynch.

If you enjoy outdoor activities or just want to explore outside the resort, the Rockport area is the perfect place to be. There are many museums and shopping areas around town.

Another great getaway choice is Stowe Country Club, located in Stowe, Vt. Stowe is Vermont's top-rated mountain resort, with an 18-hole, par 72, 6,213-yard championship golf course. The course is set below Mt. Mansfield, Vermont's highest peak.

If you want to practice your game before hitting the course, you can do so at the 40-acre practice facility. It includes three driving ranges and four putting greens. There are also two- and three-day golf school programs that include everything you'll need, and more. Prices range from $250 for the two-day session to $350 for the three-day session.

Suite accommodations include breakfast and dinner during the fall season. There are also one- to three-bedroom condos. A meal plan starting at $85.40 can be purchased in addition to the room rate, and there is a fully equipped fitness center, sauna, whirlpool, and game room.

Stowe also offers an all-inclusive golf getaway package. This includes an inn room, green fees, and golf cart, as well as breakfast and dinner at the resort's restaurants, for $119 per person per day.

In Dixville Notch, N.H., is the Balsams Grand Resort and Hotel, a 15,000-acre private estate. The 18-hole championship golf course was designed by America's foremost golf architect, Donald J. Ross, in 1912. Built high on the west side of Keyser Mountain, golfers can enjoy the view of the Connecticut River Valley, Mt. Monadnock in Vermont, and the Canadian Hills.

Visitors can choose from select, superior, deluxe rooms, or the tower suite. The Balsams offers a rate that includes everything from three meals a day, to golf, to entertainment, to recreation fees, making it a true all-inclusive vacation.

The dining menu includes a variety of American and continental cuisine.

The resort and surrounding area has trails for walking, hiking, and mountain biking. There are also many areas of interest close by.

Going away on a golf vacation does not necessarily mean spending a lot of money.

The Bethel Inn & Country Club in Bethel, Maine, has packages that include two- to five-night weekend packages. You can choose to stay in the Traditional Inn's standard, superior, or deluxe room, where prices range from $89 to $180 per person, per night. Or, stay at the Fairway Townhouses in a one- or two-bedroom townhouse for $80-$130 per person, per night. Prices for midweek packages are even less.

These packages include unlimited use of all resort facilities, including golf. Other activities, such as the health club with pool, saunas, workout room, and game room, are on-site. There is also swimming, sailing, and canoeing.

Bethel Inn & Country Club's 6,663-yard, Geoffrey Cornish-designed golf course was rated among the top 10 resort courses in the Northeast by "America's Greatest Golf Resorts Magazine." It is the home of the PGA Fall Festival Pro-Am.

Bethel's golf school offers personalized and focused instruction, as well as proven teaching techniques, available in three- and five-day programs.

Get in the swing of things with a golf vacation.

The Sagamore, located in Bolton Landing, N.Y., is an island resort surrounded by the Adirondack Mountains and Lake George. The facility includes an 18-hole, par 70 course designed by Donald Ross in 1928. The course is on a 6,950-yard, beautifully landscaped piece of land. Golfers at all skill levels will enjoy the game.

Stay in the main hotel with prices starting at $99, or in the lodge where the prices are a bit lower, starting at $89.

"The Sagamore's setting is spectacular. We are a historical resort with modern conveniences. They're just not making places like this anymore," said Sagamore director of marketing, Hal Powell. "The fall season is a great time of the year to vacation here. The foliage is stunning, and we offer some terrific deals."

Enjoy the white-sand beach, pool, boating, waterskiing, or fishing in Lake George. The Sagamore Spa offers a health club, spa treatments and packages, and a diversity of dining selections, including a dinner cruise.

These are just a few suggestions from which to choose. Golf resorts tend to vary in what they offer. If you know what you are looking for, you are guaranteed to find the perfect place to spend your golf vacation.

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New cable show promises wide-open format

By JENNIFER R. HORAN
Cohasset Mariner

Flip on your TV any Wednesday at 8 p.m., tune to cable channel 53, and you just might see Ilana Marks asking five lesbians who marched topless in Boston's recent Gay Pride Parade why they did it.

Or, you may find one of President Clinton's drug policy advisers talking about whether drug and alcohol laws are strict enough in America.

And there's always a chance that a political debate may be heating up the airwaves.

Televised Wednesdays on Continental Cablevision's community access channel, Marks' new live call-in show, "On the Mark," will feature question-and-answer sessions between guests from the political and social realms and television audience members from six South Shore communities who can write, E-mail or call in questions. The show will air in Scituate, Cohasset, Hanover, Hingham, Hull and Norwell.

Unlike interview shows such as "Pierson to Person," Marks's will have more than one guest at a time from both sides of an issue to create a well-rounded dialogue, she said.

"I think it will be a good opportunity for people to find out what's going on," said Marks, a leader of the anti-rail Coastal Coalition and a selectman candidate this spring. "We will encourage discussion as opposed to keeping it tame. We encourage people to ask the tough questions. We want viewers to get the opportunity to see who the people are and what they're all about.

"I will always have the opponents on the show because, to me, that's what makes it compelling," she said. "I realize how nervous people get around here about controversy. They can't stand if someone has a different opinion. They get so uncomfortable. To me, the most exciting thing is to hear an opposing opinion. There is so much to learn, so much to discover. You leave the conversation feeling like you've learned something."

As the host of the show, Marks intends to remain neutral during discussions and debates, even during discussions of the Greenbush restoration, she said. At the end of each show, Marks plans to take a few minutes of air time for editorial comments and letters from the public.

"I want to show people the other side of town government, the real scoop," she said. "If somebody has something they really want to say I would let them come on."

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Hampden Division
Docket No. 96A0098-TM
Citation
M.G.L. c.210, §3
In the Matter of
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minor

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Witness David G. Sacks Esquire, First Justice of said Court.
Date May 10, 1996
Thomas P. Moriarty, Jr.
Register of Probate
7/11, 18, 25/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96D0588D1
Summons By Publication
JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE,
Plaintiff
v.
JAMIE LYNN BEARDSLEE,
Defendant

To the above named Defendant:

A Complaint has been presented to this Court by the Plaintiff, JENNIFER MARIE BEARDSLEE, seeking judgment of divorce, to prohibit defendant from imposing any restraint on plaintiff's personal liberty, grant her sole legal and physical custody of minor child, Sarah Louise Beardslee, suitable support for wife and minor child, equitable division of marital assets, to resume former name of Jennifer Marie Hynes.

You are required to serve upon George M. Ford, Esq. plaintiff's attorney - whose address is Conn, Kavanaugh, Rosenthal, Peisch & Ford, L.L.P., Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109 your answer on or before SEPT. 25, 1996. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer in the office of the Register of this Court at Dedham.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this 25th day of JUNE, 1996.

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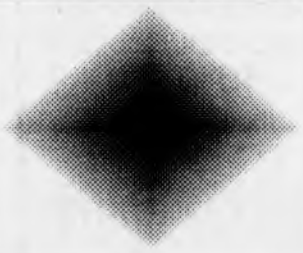

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Police Log

Thursday, June 27

12:21 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

12:31 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:36 a.m., assist other agency, Jerusalem Rd.

5:36 a.m., animal complaint, Mill Ln.

6:46 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:51 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:59 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:03 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:15. am., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:19 a.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

7:30 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:40 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:53 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:20 a.m., assist motorist, Sohier St.

10:58 a.m., assist other agency, King St.

12:08 p.m., suspicious person, Margin St.

1:03 p.m., medical aid, Rust Way.

3:01 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beechwood St.

3:35 p.m., medical aid, Clover Ln.

4:38 p.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

5:40 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.

6:15 p.m., suspicious person, King St.

9:19 p.m., assist citizen, Lamberts Ln.

10:43 p.m., drug/narcotics violations, S. Main St.

11:02 p.m., arrest, HQ., Sgt. Conte in with Cowden, Erik, 55 Summer St., Norwell. DOB: 7/14/70, poss of 94c Class DE.

Friday, June 28

12:03 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:37 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

7:12 a.m., disabled auto, Forest Ave.

7:32 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

9:30 a.m., medical aid, Beechwood St.

9:54 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.

10:57 a.m., larceny, Beechwood St.

1:22 p.m., assist other agency, Beechwood St.

2:51 p.m., larceny, Cedar St.

3:51 p.m., disturbance family, Stockbridge St.

5:30 p.m., suspicious person, Beechwood St.

5:55 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:35 p.m., suspicious auto, Mill Ln.

7:59 p.m., suspicious (other), Forest Ave.

8:39 p.m., annoying phone calls, Elm Ct.

9:06 p.m., suspicious auto, Church St.

9:13 p.m., suspicious person, Pleasant St.

9:16 p.m., loitering, S. Main St.

9:24 p.m., open door/window, Deep Run.

9:28 p.m., suspicious auto, Beechwood St.

10:13 p.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

10:26 p.m., annoying phone calls, Cedar St.

10:58 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

11:09 p.m., arrest, S. Main St., Ptl. McLean in with 15-year-old Cohasset, male juvenile, under arrest for carrying a dangerous weapon.

Saturday, June 29

12:32 a.m., officer wanted, Depot Ct.

12:35 a.m., medical aid, Depot Ct.

1:07 a.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

1:38 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

6:56 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave./Black Rock Rd.

8:45 a.m., assist citizen, Bates Ln.

8:58 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

10:23 a.m., By-law violation, Deep Run.

10:28 a.m., notification, Highland Ave.

12:12 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

12:24 p.m., MV accident, King St.

12:48 p.m., assist motorist, out of town UNK.

1:18 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic OCN.

1:24 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

1:59 p.m., medical aid, Pratt Ct.

4:25 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

4:26 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:23 p.m., missing person, Elm St.

7:03 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

7:39 p.m., disturbance, Summer St.

7:49 p.m., arrest, Summer St., Ptl. Quigley in with 16-year-old Cohasset, female juvenile, arrested for minor transporting/carrying alcoholic beverage.

7:49 p.m., arrest, Summer St., Ptl. Quigley in with Adams, Larry, DOB: 1/23/79, 4 Tupelo Rd., arrested for minor transporting/carrying alcoholic beverage.

8:08 p.m., officer wanted, Parking Way.

9:14 p.m., noise complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

10:12 p.m., noise complaint, Forest Ave.

Sunday, June 30

12:51 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A, Hingham Line.

1:58 a.m., noise complaint, Cedar Acres Dr.

2:22 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

6:19 a.m., medical aid, Smith Pl.

8:06 p.m., officer wanted, Howe Rd.

9:03 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Ave.

10:23 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

1:27 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

1:56 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

2:47 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

4:33 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

5:23 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

5:34 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:37 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:46 p.m., MV stop, Sohier St.

6:46 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

6:58 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:22 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.

8:00 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

8:36 p.m., medical aid, Forest Ave.

9:04 p.m., officer wanted, Mill Ln.

9:29 p.m., disturbance, Beechwood St.

10:49 p.m., disturbance, Summer St.

11:01 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

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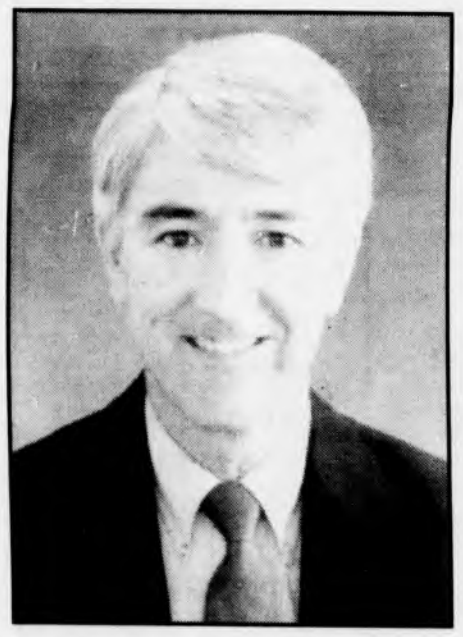

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A picture perfect day

Above, Dorthea M. Anderson works on a Cohasset Harbor scenic for a show opening this week at the Scituate Art Association gallery on Front Street. At right, Elizabeth Burke paints Cohasset's 'Motif #1.'

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Cohasset police seek charges against host

Party linked to teen's death

By MARY FORD and KIMBERLEY KEYES
Cohasset Mariner

Police will seek criminal complaints in Quincy District Court against a Cohasset resident who hosted a graduation party where minors allegedly were served alcohol.

Police began investigating the June 22 party after an alcohol-related crash claimed the life of one of the guests, 18-year-old Gregory Smith of Marshfield.

Marshfield police said Smith was estimated to be driving 56 miles per hour before he crashed his car into a telephone pole on Summer Street in Marshfield early on the morning of June 23.

Investigators alerted Cohasset police hours later that they believed Smith had attended a party in town, Cohasset Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

"But we were stymied until several witnesses came forward last week," he said. "The information the minors gave led us to seek these complaints."

Police are seeking charges of procuring alcohol for minors and contributing to the delinquency of a minor against John Lennon, 47, of Surry Dr., Cohasset.

Lennon hosted the party to celebrate his son's graduation from Thayer Academy and his daughter's college graduation.

Smith also graduated this spring from Thayer, where he was voted "Most Spirited" in his class. He served as a tour guide for four years and participated in the school's speech, hockey and lacrosse programs. He also played varsity soccer, for which he won a Coach's Award. He had received a scholarship to attend Norwich University in

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Baby-sitting offered during town meeting

But town will not pay for it

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The town will not subsidize a baby-sitting service for parents who would like to attend town meeting, selectmen said this week.

They stressed they have no problem with the school department allowing Deer Hill School to be used as a baby-sitting site but would not agree to appropriate the $200 requested to offset the cost of hiring baby-sitters.

The Aug. 12 special town meeting, which includes an article to rescind last spring's positive annual town meeting vote on the school project, is expected to draw

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Straits Pond complaints surface

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

A Windy Hill Road resident has complained to Cohasset officials about what she sees as neglect of the Straits Pond area.

Virginia Ferenz has written to the selectmen twice in the last month about litter and overgrown trees and bushes that obstruct the path to the pond, and other untrimmed plants that impede visibility on this winding section of Jerusalem Road.

She charged that town officials ignore this section of Cohasset while increasing real estate valuations because the homes there have water views of the pond.

In her July 8 letter to selectmen, Ferenz wrote that she must listen for oncoming cars when trying to turn onto Jerusalem Road because she cannot see far enough up the street.

On a walk to West Corner, she wrote that she observed "rags, buckets, cups, beer cans, donut boxes, soda cans and bottles, liquor bottles, and assorted paper debris."

Ferenz also said that when the public

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Cohasset's Week

Pre-town meeting conferences are slated

Selectmen will hold a meeting with town counsel, the town moderator, and the town administrator at 8:30 a.m. Monday (Aug. 5) at town hall to go over any amended special town meeting articles. Then at 10 a.m., selectmen will conduct a site visit to the Music Circus to go over the logistics of the Aug. 12 special town meeting.

Train forum postponed

The Citizens Advisory Committee on the train did not hold its scheduled second public forum July 30 as planned because the meeting was not posted with the town clerk's office. Chairman James A. Mullen said the meeting will be rescheduled.

Comments and concerns on traffic and parking issues, air and noise pollution, wetlands and herbicides, and safety and financial issues relating to the train may be sent to the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line c/o Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025. Citizens may also contact committee members: James A. Mullen, chairman; Peter Pearce, John Rafferty, Edward F. Woods, Barbara Canney, Nancy J. Butler, and Mary A. Foley.

Ambulance billing update

In June, the town collected $7,488.29 in ambulance bills out of a possible $13,985.56. In fiscal year 1996, which ended June 30, the town collected $100,226.49 out of a possible $121,513.45 for a collection rate of 68 percent.

Tide chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

July/Aug. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 1	12:49	12.3	7:09	1:24	11.3	7:29
Fri. 2	1:43	12.0	8:00	2:16	11.4	8:23
Sat. 3	2:37	11.6	8:51	3:09	11.3	9:17
Sun. 4	3:32	11.0	9:43	4:02	11.0	10:13
Mon. 5	4:28	10.3	10:36	4:57	10.6	11:11
Tues. 6	5:27	9.7	11:31	5:54	10.3	——
Wed. 7	6:28	9.1	12:12	6:52	10.0	12:28
Thurs. 8	7:30	8.8	1:14	7:51	9.8	1:26

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Information on vandalism is sought

Anyone with information on any damage to the high school track and field property or the equipment thereon is asked to call the Cohasset police at 383-1055.

Last Friday, the front and rear windows and lights of a backhoe/loader were smashed. Damage is estimated at $2,500, according to Wayne Sawchuk, who donated used of the vehicle and is serving as clerk of the works on the high school field project.

Sawchuk was restoring a wetlands buffer zone and preparing an area for the relocated ropes course next to the new track.

The machine was used Friday afternoon and was damaged that night, Sawchuk said. A street sign, taken from nearby Briarwood Lane, was used to do the damage, along with several large rocks. Unfortunately, the machine has no coverage for glass damage, he said.

Sawchuk said the project has been plagued by numerous incidents of vandalism to the general contractor's equipment and to the property. Several cars have been driven over newly seeded areas around the track. A line of buses was used recently to keep vehicles off the new pavement areas and this was successful, he said. Permanent gates have now been installed.

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Goal: To be successful at whatever I do.

Best vacation: A Caribbean cruise with my mother.

Best day of your life: The day I was accepted to Bucknell.

Biggest worry: The future.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite TV show: "E.R."

Favorite movie: "The Fugitive."

Favorite book: Anything by Mary Higgins Clark.

Favorite junk food: Chocolate.

Most embarrassing moment: Walking through a screen door at a family party.

Person you'd most like to meet: My maternal great-grandmother.

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Cohasset police seek charges against host

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Vermont and planned to pursue a military career.

Allan Tufankjian, a Brockton attorney representing Donald and Donna Smith of Marshfield, said his clients are devastated by the loss of their son.

He said they were particularly hurt by newspaper accounts of the tragedy which labeled their son a drunk driver. Chief Noonan said Smith's blood-alcohol level revealed he had been drinking, though he would not specify the blood-alcohol count.

"He had such a great life," Tufankjian said of Gregory Smith. "He shouldn't just be remembered as someone who died as a drunk driver."

Lennon's attorney, Bernard Hamill of Quincy, declined to comment on the case.

Noonan said there was a bartender at the party to serve adults. Police believe there was also a keg of beer in another area from which teens were drinking openly.

Tufankjian said the Smiths had "no idea" there would be drinking at the party.

He cited three reasons why he opposes allowing minors to drink in a home, a practice which some adults believe gives parents greater control over teen drinking.

First, "you can't control it," second, "you'll never control it," and third, it "validates something that's against the law," Tufankjian said.

Noonan said this was the first time he could recall an adult host being charged with serving alcohol to minors in Cohasset.

But that doesn't mean police look the other way, he said.

"Before, now and after (this case), if we have one shred (of information) that any adults in town are procuring alcohol for minors we will pursue prosecution on it," he said.

In recent months, police in Duxbury and Plymouth have charged adults with providing alcohol to minors at parties. Both cases are still pending.

The hearing on the potential charges against Lennon is at 8 a.m. The clerk magistrate will decide whether there is enough evidence to issue a criminal complaint, Noonan explained. If a complaint is issued, Lennon will be arraigned on the charges before a judge.

Complaints voiced about Straits Pond pathway

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works department has trimmed bushes in the past, the brush has remained piled along the side of the road, creating additional impediments for motorists and pedestrians alike.

Repeated calls to the DPW this year finally resulted in assurances that Straits Pond was on the list of projects, she said. She was told that the work there would be done when the workers finished working on the baseball fields.

"As far as I'm concerned, no one is going to get hit by a car crossing the baseball field," she wrote in her June 20 letter to selectmen.

Ferenz said the "eyesore" across the street from her house "is affecting the sale of our property."

"If the highway department can mow the town common and the triangle at the base of Forest Avenue near Black Rock Beach, why can't they mow this area on a regular basis?"

She added, "We do live in Cohasset out here, you know."

She noted that during World War II, the part of the area around the pond was all grass, and was used as a Victory Garden. While the town is spending thousands of dollars on an open space study, Straits Pond would be used by the nearby residents and is being overlooked.

Ferenz said that the conservation commission has so strictly adhered to state law that "nothing is done there."

Conservation agent Paul Shea said the commission gave permission last year to the public works department for periodic brush trimming, and maintaining a six-foot wide path to the pond.

He also noted that only a limited amount of trimming is possible along the road because the shoulder drops off down an embankment.

Conservation commissioner Veneta Roebuck said Ferenz has made these same complaints on numerous occasions, and remains dissatisfied with the answers she has been given.

A path to the pond is all that can be allowed, Roebuck said. "We can't allow unlimited cutting."

However, Ferenz has legitimate complaints about the trash and the curving section of Jerusalem Road is "horrendous," Roebuck allowed. But the conservation commission has no money in its budget for the maintenance of any conservation areas and the public works department has a limited amount of manpower.

Trimming trees to improve residents' view of the pond isn't allowed, conservation commissioner Susan Cope added.

But, the open space plan may help solve some of these problems, she said. An inventory of 55 sites has been completed; maps are being drawn, and the survey the commission distributed has been returned by more than 200 residents.

Town meeting approved $12,000 earlier this year for three consultants to prepare the plan. Although the plan is an outgrowth of the project to acquire Turkey Hill, once completed it will allow Cohasset to apply for state grants, which could include money for maintenance of other conservation areas.

Last spring, town meetings in Cohasset and Hingham voted to join three private conservation groups to buy the Turkey Hill property which straddles the two towns, for $835,000. Cohasset agreed to pay $109,600 for the 20 acres on its side; Hingham will pay $164,500 for 30 acres in that town. The Hingham Land Conservation Trust, the Cohasset Conservation Trust, and the Trustees of Reservations will contribute the balance. The two towns are eligible to receive up to $450,000 reimbursement from the state. The Trustees of Reservations will maintain and manage the property when the sale is completed.

Cope said applications for the state grants require the town to have an open space plan.

With that open space plan, the commission will have a documented plan for improving accessibility to and maintaining these public lands—including the Straits Pond area.

In the meantime, the conservation commission is encouraging neighborhood involvement, such as community clean-ups. The Windy Hill residents did a clean up of the area earlier this spring.

Roebuck agreed that the clean up was very successful, and "truckloads of trash" was removed from the area.

Public Works Supt. Harold Litchfield said, the DPW and tree departments have four workers each, who must care for all town property. He has sent crews to the Straits Pond area, and done the work that the conservation commission has allowed.

"We have to work in other places, too," Litchfield said.

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Thumbs are way up for new elementary school, board says

School proponents got some good news from town hall this week.

Not only do selectmen wholeheartedly endorse the proposed new school by urging rejection of the town meeting citizens' petition article asking to stop the $9.9 million project — but they said a new state law will help smooth out the financing.

"The position of the board is that we move forward on this project by unanimously, strongly rejecting Article 1," Selectman Nan Roth said Monday.

Five hundred citizens signed a petition to call a special town meeting, set for Aug. 12, to rescind the positive annual town meeting vote on the school. This citizens' petition is Article 1. There are six articles on the warrant including two other citizens' petitions.

Article 6, another citizens' petition article submitted by abutters and neighbors to the proposed school, asks that the site of the new school be moved nearer the Deer Hill School. Selectmen also unanimously urged rejection of this article at their meeting Monday.

They also said recent state legislation will allow the town to go out for short-term borrowing on the school project for five years as opposed to the two allowed now. State reimbursement (expected to cover 60 percent of the project) will kick in after five years.

The new allowable short-term bonding will take the spike out of the "bubble years" when residents' taxes would increase sharply to cover the lag time between receiving state funding and the previously allowed limit on short-term borrowing, town accountant Michael Buckley explained.

In a telephone interview Buckley also said through short-term borrowing, which has lower rates, the town can borrow as it needs money for the project and won't have to borrow the full $10 million right away.

Baby-sitting offered during town meeting

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throngs of parents.

Town Moderator George Marlette said he will not permit children at town meeting which will be held at the Music Circus. At the annual town meeting last March, many citizens complained that children ran up and down the aisles and were generally disruptive.

PSO president Kathy Ofsthun told selectmen this week that the PSO will have 12 teenagers and two-to-three adults supervising the children left at Deer Hill during the Aug. 12 town meeting. She asked if the town could contribute $200 toward paying the baby-sitters.

"The town should not supply babysitting," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown. "It is our responsibility to hold town meeting and it's the responsibility of the PSO to hold babysitting."

Selectman Nan Roth agreed but said she had no problem with the PSO using the school to provide the service. Roth also pointed out that baby-sitting is being offered to all parents regardless of their stance on the school issue.

Former selectman Diane Sullivan, who was present at Monday's meeting to discuss the North Cohasset sewer project, warned that the town would set a precedent if it agreed to the subsidy and would have to provide baby-sitting at all future town meetings. She also cautioned that the action could be seen as partiality because in her view, the subsidized service will benefit proponents of the school.

Peter Pratt argued for the subsidy because he felt no one should be denied the right to attend town meeting because of baby-sitting problems.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris suggested the PSO ask for donations from parents who utilize the service to help offset the cost.

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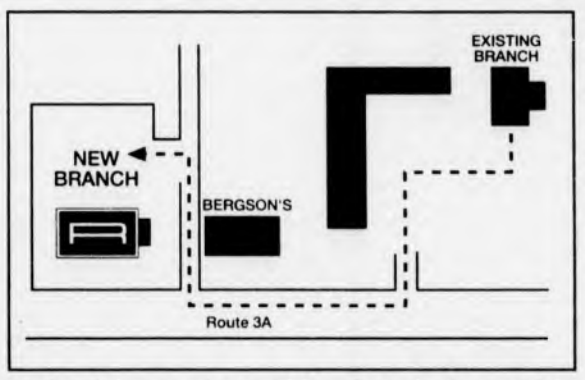

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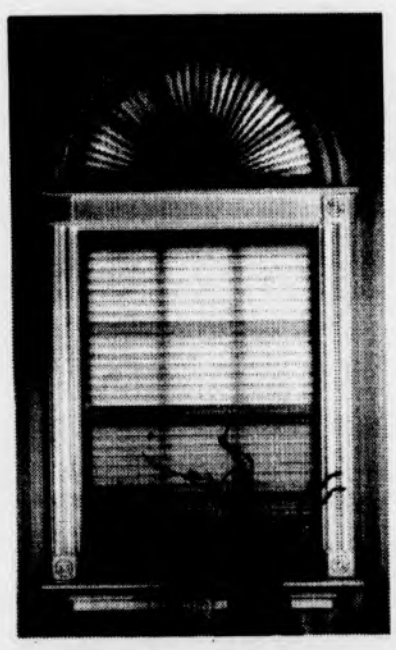
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Horn of plenty in North Scituate Village

Ancient Farmers' Market offers cornucopia

By JENNIFER R. HORAN
Cohasset Mariner

Entrepreneur Michelle Goodson had gotten so sick of supermarkets she would only go grocery shopping once a month.

"I was tired of going into those gargantuan stores. It was very sterile," she recalled. "I stopped going grocery shopping. There was really something missing."

Within the next two weeks, Goodson hopes to fill that void — as well as all of the hand-built shelves — at the Ancient Farmers' Market on Gannett Road.

"I have a vision and we're slowly but surely getting there," said Goodson, who has been renovating the store for the past three-and-a-half months.

Goodson's vision includes fresh produce from more than 80 New England farms; old-fashioned, homemade breads delivered daily; a salad bar with homemade dressings; microbrewed beer; gourmet wine and coffee; as well as all-natural olive oil and tortilla chips, which are now available at the just-opened market.

Soon, an organic produce section, a baked goods section and a deli counter — featuring prepared foods, deli meats, seafood and salami hanging from the ceiling— will round out the shop's selection of fine foods that cannot be found anywhere else in town, Goodson said.

"We're focusing on each individual area right now, to get it down," she said. "Then we'll have a grand opening. It takes a lot of work."

A Cohasset resident, Goodson rises at 5 a.m. every day to begin preparations for the market's daily operation, including making trips to Iggy's Bread of the World in Watertown and local farms for the day's freshest offerings. Food will be removed from the shelf after one day.

"Everything is fresh," she said. "It's a small, applied science."

Every season will bring its own fresh batch of fruits and vegetables. She described the upcoming season's harvest as over-bountiful, with apples from local orchards, pumpkins from local patches and the market's homemade soups. Goodson plans to set up a few small tables outside for customers to sit and sip espresso and capuccino as they watch the leaves fall this autumn.

> *'I have a real love for the old way of doing things. Today's world is a little bit over-processed. The purpose of the market is to get that community sense back.'*
>
> **— Michelle Goodson.**

"There's so much to look forward to season by season," she said.

The market also features customized gift baskets for all occasions.

Goodson hopes her old-fashioned attitude toward grocery shopping will attract customers who have tired of depersonalized supermarkets.

"I have a real love for the old way of doing things," she explained. "Today's world is a little bit over-processed. The purpose of the market is to get that community sense back."

Part of Goodson's plan to ensure a pleasant shopping experience involves special attention to customer service, which she found particularly lacking in the corporate chains.

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Michelle Goodson, a Cohasset resident and owner of North Scituate's new Ancient Farmer's Market, displays a selection of the produce available daily in her old-fashioned grocery store.

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Mosquito Committee gives advice

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Mosquitos breed in still water, and it only takes a few days of water stagnation for adult mosquitoes to hatch from previously deposited eggs. The Mosquito Control Committee urges residents to eliminate areas of standing water on their property, such as wheelbarrows, wading pools, old tires, pails, unused flower pots and clogged gutters. Short periods of summer rainfall can cause water to collect in any of these areas, creating a likely spot for mosquitoes to breed. If you remove the water, they cannot breed, and that means fewer mosquitoes hatch in yards and neighborhoods.

If there are large areas of standing water on an individual's property, or even a depression in the ground which repeatedly retains small quantities of water for three days to a week, try to drain the areas. If this is not possible, treat with Mosquito Dunks, available from local hardware stores and garden centers. One dunk will treat 100 square feet of water for a period of 30 days. These dunks will kill mosquito larvae without impacting people, wildlife or the surrounding environment. Preventing still water from collecting and killing mosquito larvae are the safest, most effective methods of controlling the adult mosquito population in neighborhoods.

While mosquitoes are mostly a nuisance to the South Shore area, in rare situations, certain species may transmit Eastern Encephalitis, a rare but serious disease caused by a virus. To monitor EE, the state Department of Public Health sets mosquito traps all over Eastern Massachusetts from May until the first frost. Mosquitoes are collected and brought to the state laboratory for counting and testing. DPH uses the data collected to develop preventive strategies and warn local boards of health of any threat of EE in their areas.

To protect oneself from biting mosquitoes, avoid outdoor activity during peak hours of mosquito feeding, in the early morning and early evening. If you are outdoors during these hours, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use insect repellents that include N-N-diethylmeta-toluamide (DEET). These repellents are available in varying concentrations, from 7.5 percent to 100 percent DEET. The state Department of Public Health recommends a low concentration of DEET, 10 percent or less for use on children, and products with less than 30 percent DEET for adults. DEET should never be used on infants. Proper use of repellent will repel mosquitoes for several hours. However, illness can occur with overuse of these products, and caution should be exercised when using them.

Current information about mosquito control from Mass. Department of Public Health, Audubon Society and general medical media is available to residents in a hang-pocket located in the entry area of Town Hall.

For further assistance in controlling mosquitoes in backyards, call the Mosquito Control Committee at the Board of Health, 383-9000, Ext. 121. A message, containing caller's name and telephone number, may be left. A committee member will return calls personally.

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"We're getting to know everyone's names," she said. "We're asking them what they'd like to see in the market and we're trying to get it for them. We will take that extra step."

The employees will help carry customers' groceries to their cars and will answer any questions or concerns about the market.

"We'd rather be minus an apple purchase, than minus a customer," she said, referring to the market's refund policy. "Our success depends on Scituate, on people at least giving us a try. I'm sure some people are conditioned to (shopping at supermarkets). But we have what supermarkets don't have."

The meats, produce, breads and products offered at Goodson's market are "the best around," she said. "Supermarkets don't buy from local farmers. Everything is mass-produced. You will not find any of this at Stop & Shop."

Supermarkets also don't have the Ancient Farmers' Market's historic building, the original site of the North Scituate railroad station, complete with the original conductor's doors and ticket window. The storefront had remained vacant since the Country Package Store closed in 1994.

Initially, Goodson had set her heart on opening her market at the former North Cohasset Fire Station on Hull Street in Cohasset, but at the last minute found out the town wanted to keep the building for a future sewer pumping station.

"I think everything works out for a reason," she said. "I was in love with that building, but the town decided it was in its best interest to use it to rectify its (waste) water problems. Unfortunately, I didn't get that building, but this is such a beautiful building as well."

Behind the bread counter, Goodson has displayed a 48-state American flag, in honor of her father. On the side of the building, a colorful mural painted by Massachusetts College of Art student Tom Grealy depicts a farmer at work.

"It's the icing on the cake for the market," Goodson said. "It really says what we're all about."

The market will be open during the summer from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday and noon to 6 p.m. on Sunday. In the wintertime, the market may close earlier.

Farmer's market to start soon

The Chamber of Commerce is working with the Village Renaissance Committee in establishing a farmer's market in the village.

The farmer's market will be held from 4 to 8 p.m, Thursdays from Aug. 1 through the end of September in the town parking lot behind the village.

Six local vendors have signed up and will provide shoppers with a variety of goods including fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers, plants, oils and vinegars, Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said.

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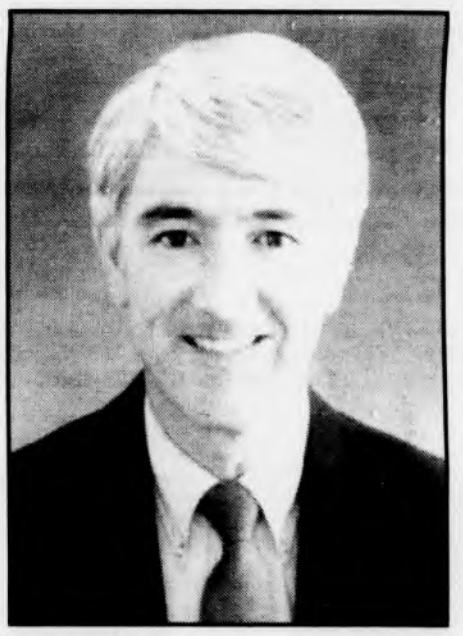

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Indeed he has. Ed Teague, for example, established the Environmental License Plate, which raised two million dollars to help our state's environment. He also wrotethe law cracking down on dead-beat parents and those convicted of domestic violence. "It's all about results," reflected Ed Teague in a recent interview. "My plan to create jobs, fight crime and reform welfare--not empty campaign promises. My record shows that when I set out to get something done, it usually gets done."

Of course, Teague's results are even more remarkable considering he has operated as member of the minority party in Boston. In Washington, however, he will be in the majority party. "It doesn't matter to me," Teague says flatly. "As long as its good for Cape Cod and the South Shore, I'm for it. Otherwise I'll fight them every step of the way."

You can order a free copy of Ed Teague's *Ten Point Plan* by calling Teague for Congress at 508-790-1200.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Visitors from Phoenix enjoy our Sandy Beach!

Here is some tennis news that all will want to hear. On June 16 in Baden-Baden, Germany, **Chum Steele** of Cohasset and Charlie Hoeveler of Ross, Calif., beat Hans Niels and Johan Stuch, both of Germany, with a score of 6-2, 6-1 to win the European 50-and-over doubles championship. For Steele, the victory was his first European title to add to one Canadian and 15 United States titles.

Now you know who to pick for your team when choosing partners in doubles tennis! Congrats go out to you, Chum!

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Amy Crafts, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Roger Crafts Jr.** of Cohasset, received a BA from Williams College at the school's 207th commencement exercises June 2. The commencement address was delivered by George Bush, 41st President of the United States. It was a memorable event indeed!

Amy majored in history, and her activities included soccer and squash. Here's to every success for you as you enter the business world, Amy!

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Everyone knows how lucky we are to have a beach like Sandy Beach. It is beautiful and loads of fun. July 14 was a great beach day, one that we all dream about. **Jason** and **Justin Fisher** of Phoenix, Ariz., were especially happy to be there. The boys were here for a visit with their cousins, **Stefanie** and **Ashley Cook.**

The Cook and Fisher cousins enjoy a great day at Sandy Beach!

Justin and Jason were so excited to be in our paper. Hopefully they will show everyone in Phoenix how great our beach is!

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Speaking of kids having fun, we were at **Osgood School Playground** last week and spend a great deal of time picking up broken glass, cigarette butts and other items dangerous for our children. Perhaps we should all get together one day and have a clean-up so that it will look like it did when it was first opened. Or if we find out who does the littering, let's make them do a big clean-up! Whatever, let's all concentrate on keeping the playground clean! and safe!

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Hats off to the American Legion, who sponsored two great boys to go to Boy's State, which was held at Stonehill College in June. **Patrick Hurley** and **John Kasameyer** were the two luck boys who attended the week-long program.

Both worked hard, attending lectures, civics classes and town meetings and learning about budget, political and management issues — all that sort of thing. They were really enthusiastic about their week there and certainly learned a lot about town government! Maybe someday one of them will be moderator or on our town council. Who knows?!

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Lots of people are excited today, Aug. 1, because it is the first day of the **Village Farmers' Market!** If you cannot make it this evening, just remember they will be held every Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. in the town parking lot.

There will be vegetables, herbs, flowers and breads — lots of items from lots of vendors, and there will even be some entertainment. Tommy McCarthy on the fiddle, and Louise Costello on the banjo and accordion, will perform. All that — and wonderful fresh veggies, too. Yummy!

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We extend hearty congratulations to **Judy Fitzsimmons,** who was named secretary of the Massachusetts Municipal Public Health Nurses Association at their annual meeting. As most of you know, Judy is on the Board of Health in Cohasset, plus being a busy mom — same old story, ask a busy person!

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I have been asked to remind teens that their center will be closed on weekends for the rest of the summer. Stay tuned for information on summer events that may be held.

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Ozzie Ingram makes the news again this week, this time because he was cited by the South Shore Unit of the American Cancer Society for his volunteer service. He must hold the record in Cohasset for the number of years served. He is a true gem of a gent!

Lest we forget, **Priscilla** and **Ed Long** were also cited for their volunteer driving. Hats off to you all!

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That's the news for this week. Hopefully there is some event in your family you want to share with us. Please give me a call.

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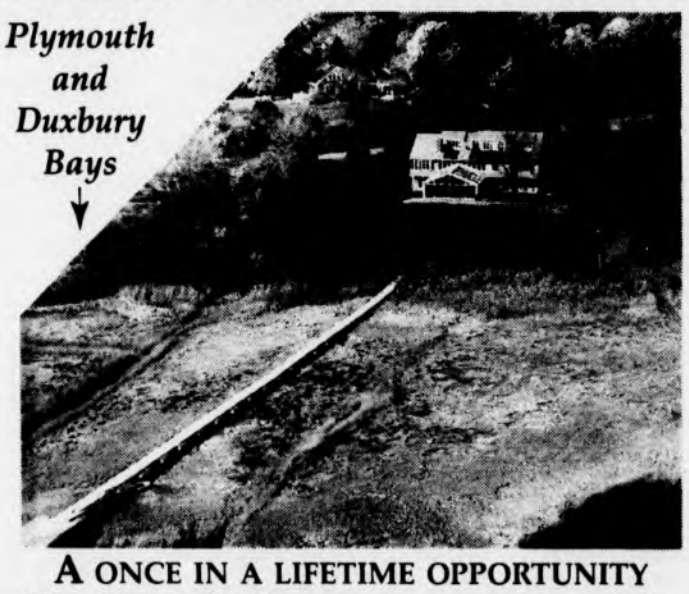

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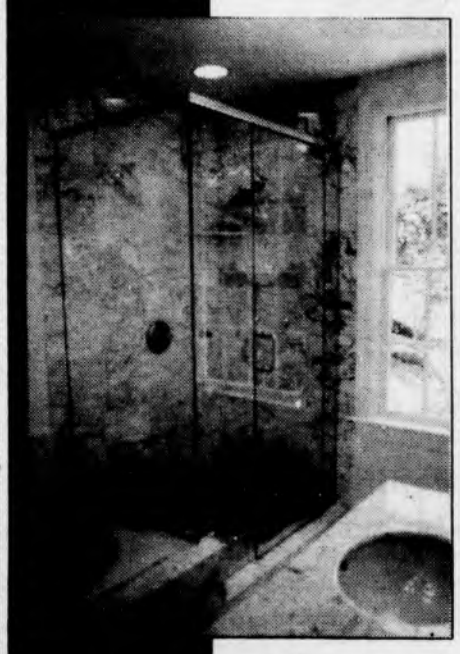

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The best listening place is the sunken terrace in the middle of Stagecoach Way (pedestrian walk beside Coldwell Banker on Main Street, opposite the tower). Printed programs will be distributed at all locations. The concerts take place rain or shine. The music may also be heard from parked cars. All concerts are free of charge.

Carillonneurs for the remainder of the series are: Aug. 4, Daniel Kerry Kehoe, carillonneur of Trinity College, Hartford, Conn.; Aug. 11, J. Samuel Hammond, carillonneur of Duke University; Aug. 18, R. Robin Austin, carillonneur of Princeton University; and Aug. 25, Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset and Phillips Academy, Andover.

The final concert will include requests previously submitted by listeners. The deadline for requests is Sunday, Aug. 11, following Mr. Hammond's recital.

For further information, or to submit requests for the Aug. 25 program, call Sally Slade Warner at (508) 475-2599; the church at 383-1083; or Mary Kennedy, assistant carillonneur of St. Stephen's at 383-9599.

Obituaries

Patricia V. Purcell

Patricia V. Purcell, 82, died July 19 at Norwell Knoll after a long illness. She was a long-time resident of Cohasset.

"Pat," as she was known to her friends, was a woman of many virtues and talents. Perhaps her highest achievement came in coping with the challenges of blindness that overtook her some 30 years ago. She was so successful in meeting the challenge that her impairment was hardly noticed by others. She continued to live her life to the fullest, with a smile on her face. She was often seen walking down the hill from her house on Sohier Street to the Village to take a bus to Boston or wherever she needed to go.

Mrs. Purcell was an excellent cook, mixing batter for cookies, picking blueberries and strawberries at nearby farms and making jams and jellies, which she enjoyed giving to her many friends.

Her one thought was always doing for others. She knit carriage robes for new babies, visited the sick and comforted the dying. She never grew weary of doing good, and her mind was always alert and eager to learn new skills.

Mrs. Purcell made a special contribution to society in recent years by working as a family counselor, particularly in helping alcoholic individuals. Clients, young and old, men and women, came to her home for counseling, and she became their trusted friend. She also served on several mental health boards on the South Shore.

Mrs. Purcell was the wife of the late Joseph M. Purcell, a former Boston newspaperman, and leaves two sons, Peter R. Purcell of Quincy and Kevin M. Purcell of Laurel, Md.; and a step-daughter, Jayne Purcell of Boxboro.

A funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Anthony's Church, Cohasset. Burial was in Mount Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge.

Donations in her memory may be made to the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind, Gift and Bequest Fund, 88 Kingston St., Boston 02111.

Funeral arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

Mary Ida McArthur

Mary Ida (Shomphe) McArthur, 88, formerly of Cohasset, died July 24 in New Jersey.

She was a resident of Cohasset for 55 years before moving to Florida and later to New Jersey.

Mrs. McArthur was an avid bridge player and was given the title master bridge player when she won the silver cup in duplicate bridge in Daytona Beach, Fla.

Mrs. McArthur was the wife of Earl R. McArthur and leaves two sons, Earl R. McArthur Jr. and William H. McArthur, both of Cohasset; a daughter Rhoda M. Jones of New Jersey; two sisters, Margaret Chaisson of Marshfield and Bella Dupont of Quebec, Canada; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was the mother of the late Robert E. McArthur.

A graveside service was held July 30 in Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

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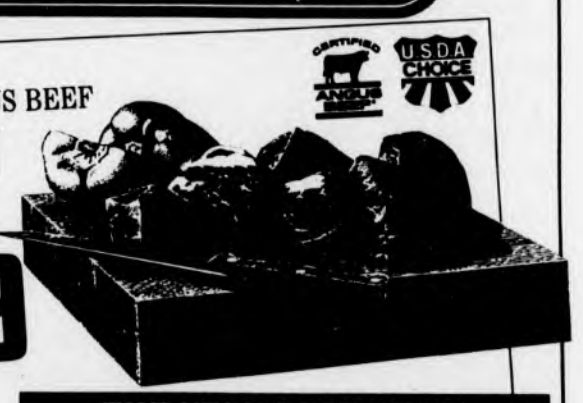

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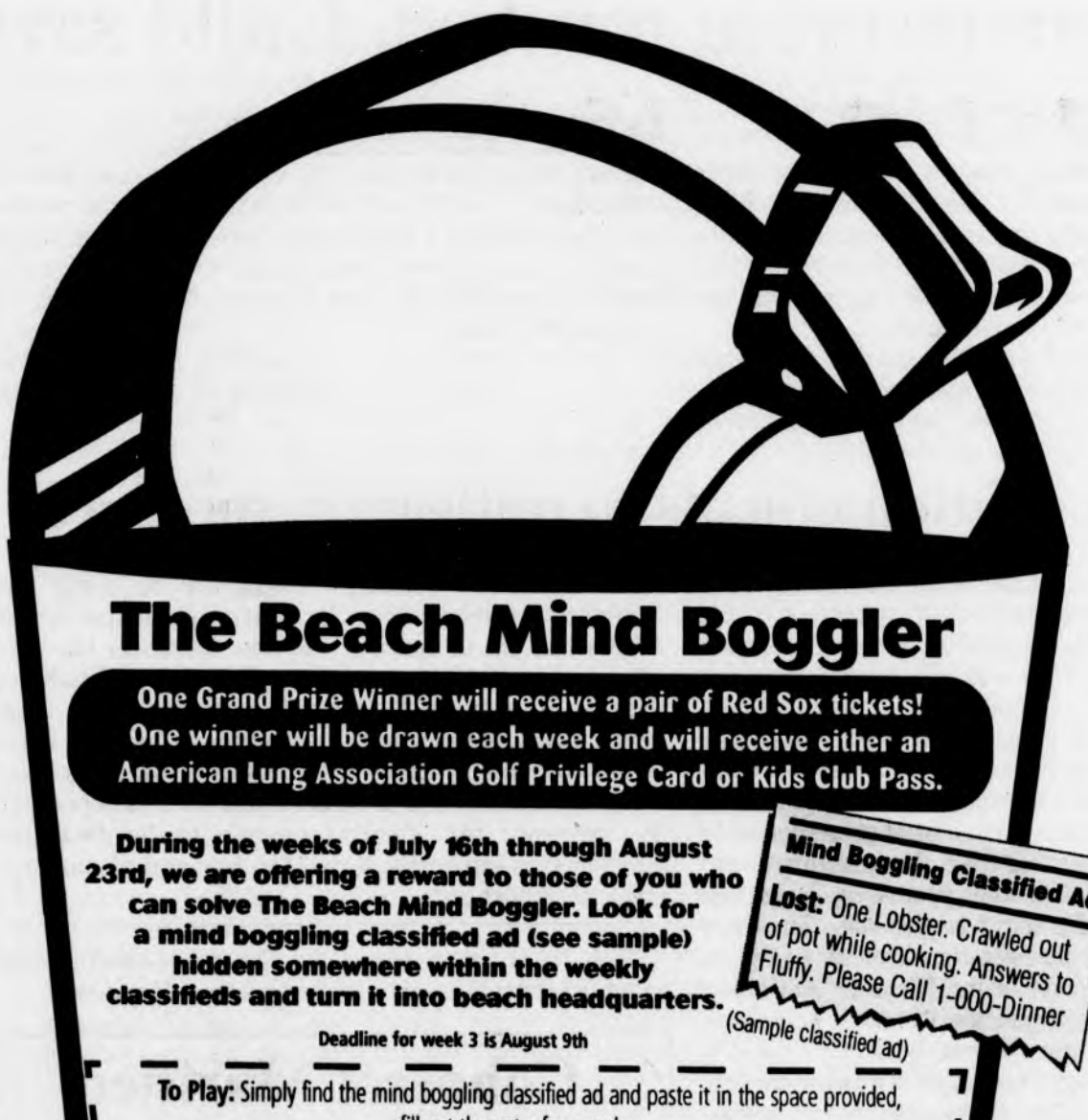

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EDITORIAL

Farmers' Market

From 4 to 8 p.m. this evening Cohasset Village will host its first Farmers' Market which promises to be a real happening.

Not only will Cohasseters be able to purchase herbs, fresh and dried flowers and fresh fruits, vegetables and breads — but organizers have arranged for Irish instrumentalists Tommy McCarthy on fiddle and Louise Costello on banjo and accordion to perform.

The Farmers' Market has been made possible through the efforts of the village revitalization committee made up of the Chamber of Commerce, Village Renaissance Committee, business people and ordinary citizens.

Just a few months ago, Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo conducted the first "brainstorming" session at French Memories with concerned folk about what could be done to give the Village a badly needed shot in the arm.

At that meeting, lots of ideas were hashed out and Anna Abbruzzese, a member of the Village Renaissance Committee which works on village beautification efforts, suggested a Farmers' Market and then, she and Mr. Rizzo took the necessary steps to make it happen.

In subsequent meetings more action plans emerged including drafting a town-wide questionnaire to solicit residents' opinions about the Village and a lobbying effort to persuade the MBTA that a village rail station is critical to the downtown area.

We're excited about the progress that the village revitalization group has made.

The Farmers' Market comes just at the right time. It's summer and we can all socialize while we shop and enjoy the Village atmosphere.

A clear policy

Selectmen need to come up with a clear, definitive policy on citizens' access to town counsel on town meeting matters.

Apparently, the wording of all three citizen petition articles for the Aug. 12 special town meeting is flawed. Two articles ask for reconsideration of prior, positive town meeting votes authorizing the North Cohasset sewer project and new school; and the third asks for the site of the new school to be changed.

Not being lawyers, we can't tell you what's wrong with the language in these articles.

This week, fearing abuse of the service and questioning if town counsel's help would be a conflict of interest, selectmen said use of town counsel to assist citizens' groups in drafting acceptable warrant articles is taboo. But because North Cohasset residents are working with sewer commissioners and therefore "the town" to come up with an article — employment of town counsel in that case is okay.

Some of you may recall at the special town meeting on the train last fall, the citizens' petition article was deemed illegal. The proponents didn't find out in time. So, former town counsel Richard A. Henderson helped them with the wording of a resolution to substitute for the article. In light of the controversial nature of the article, Mr. Henderson made the right decision — and the special town meeting, which drew a crowd of more than 600, went forward.

The proponents of the two flawed "school" articles will have to seek the help of private attorneys to make them right. Selectmen said they will review the amended articles with town counsel Monday morning.

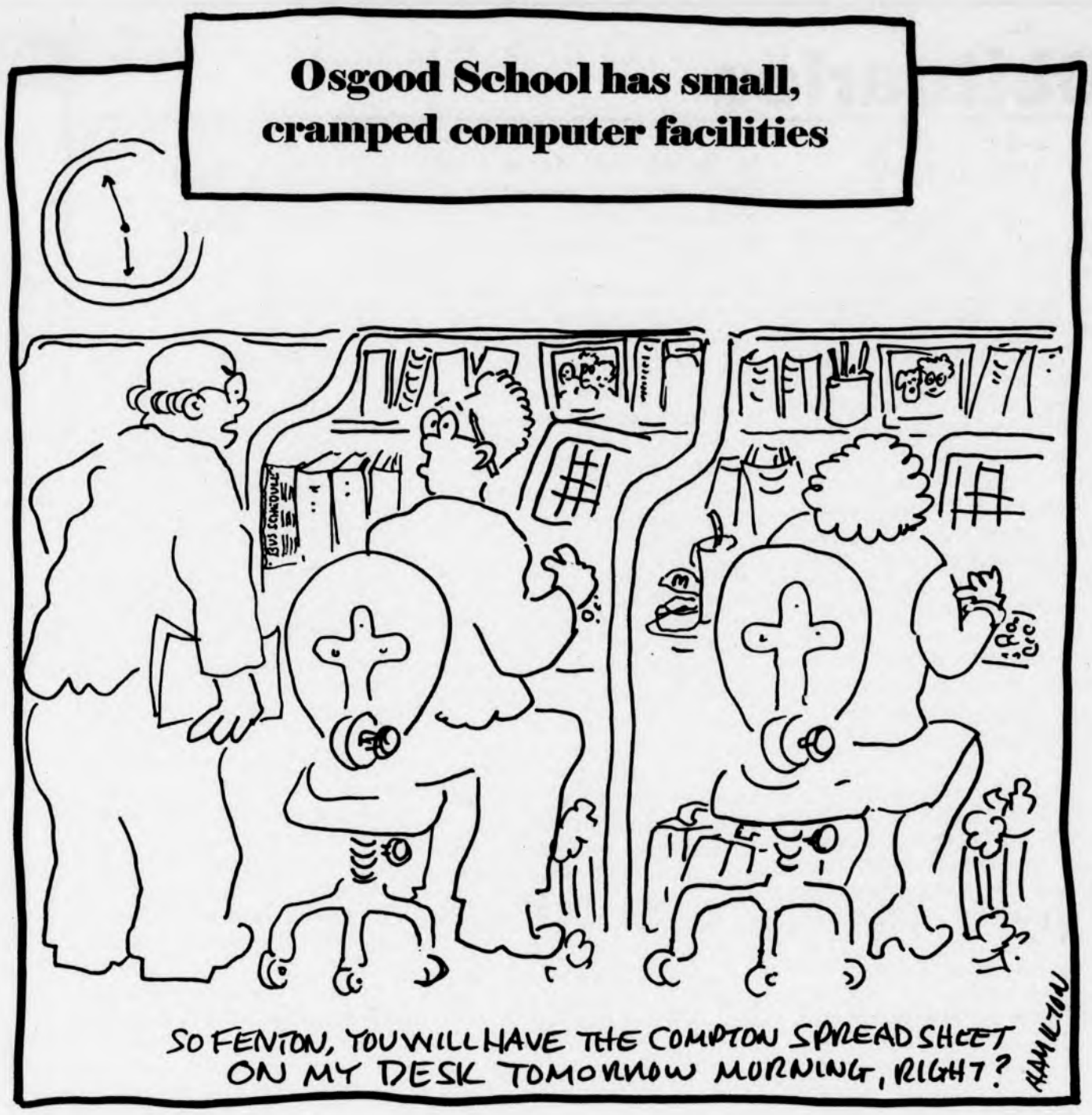
Of course, selectmen should rightly restrict the use of town counsel to "town" matters. But we don't see the harm in having town counsel assist with rewording of town meeting articles submitted by citizens. As with the train resolution, it can end up happening anyway on town meeting floor if proponents' don't get advice or the right advice.

Is it a conflict for town counsel, who represents the town and town boards, to assist proponents of an article that the "town" doesn't support? We're not sure. But, if it's just a simple case changing words or adding legal phrases, we can't see that it is. A municipal lawyer like our town counsel Paul DeRensis could probably suggest the appropriate phraseology in minutes.

This issue deserves further study and a clear-cut policy drafted so everyone is treated fairly.

— Mary Ford
Editor

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.



Sewer compromise reached, Guild says

To the Editor:

This is in reply to Maria Plante's letter in the most recent issue of the Mariner. I believe that several of her statements would normally require clarification, but subsequent to her letter, the proponents of the sewer article in the Aug. 12 Special Town Meeting have agreed with the sewer commissioners on a compromise.

Under the circumstances, I feel that specific comments on Maria Plante's letter would be counter-productive.

In summary, we have mutually agreed to postponement of the sewer article with satisfactory assurance to the proponents of the article incorporated in the motion for postponement. I believe that, from this point on, all parties expect to proceed positively and constructively to the completion of the North Cohasset Sewer Project on an equitable basis.

Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cohasset Coalition objects to mitigation measures

Leaders of the Cohasset office of the Coastal Coalition met July 21 and are sending a letter of protest to the town's Board of Selectmen regarding recent Greenbush mitigation discussions. They want to remind Cohasset selectmen that the train continues to be unpopular with residents of Scituate and Hingham as well as Cohasset. Last year's town meetings proved that at least 50 percent of Cohasset residents do not want the commuter rail.

Members of the Coalition made a brief presentation to the selectmen June 17. At that time, the selectmen were asked to write a letter to Gov. Weld protesting Greenbush restoration and to send a letter to the state Inspector General asking for an investigation into the project. Similar requests were made of the Hingham selectmen who acted immediately. So far, the Cohasset selectmen have refused to move on the request. Why?

The Cohasset Mitigation Committee are either experts on this issue nor should they be considered spokespersons for the entire town. Furthermore, the Coalition resents the media's use of the words "growing popularity" in respect to the proposed train station in the downtown area. A multilevel parking facility and an 800-foot platform are outrageous and its "growing popularity" is based on approximately 80 responses to a survey on the revitalization of downtown Cohasset. This option was never part of the original project. In a recent meeting with the MBTA project director, it was stated that the MBTA can move its proposed stations in terms of feet, not miles, leaving a train station in downtown Cohasset unlikely. He also made mention of the negative effects of pollution from idling trains to residents living in the downtown area.

Town selectmen are obligated to protect the town and its residents from severe impacts on the quality of life. Twelve grade crossings in town, chain link fence, 15-foot wooden walls, 110db horns, diesel pollution and freight of any kind are all severe and unacceptable.

The Coastal Coalition continues to fight the Greenbush project. The Secretary of Environmental Affairs has yet to approve the line. Members have led other concerned citizens to the first three Weld/Kerry debates. Both candidates are well aware that South Shore residents are unhappy with the governor's decision. Plans are to continue to make appearances at future debates including the next one to be held Aug. 19. It is hoped that the governor will finally concede to be fact that Greenbush is too costly, serves too few, and disrupts too many neighborhoods.

This press release from the Coastal; Coalition was provided for publication to the Cohasset Mariner.

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School decision should be reversed

To the Editor:

Would you buy a home without thoroughly inspecting it and the property and neighborhood where it was built? Would you buy a car without driving it and making sure it was in good mechanical condition? In fact, is it wise to make any substantial purchase without knowing what you're getting for your money?

I'm afraid that's what was done by the residents of Cohasset who voted for a new school on the April ballot. Now that the facts have been revealed about the proposed building and site, you have a chance to redeem yourselves and reverse the $16 million (includes interest) decision at the special town meeting on Monday, Aug. 12.

The abhorrent, undemocratic town meetings held March 30 and April 1, that were overcast with rudeness and unorthodox behavior, should have been, in my opinion, declared null and void. Since then, I have been questioning over and over the goings on in our town.

Since when is it the decision of a few individuals to personally put up money to keep a school project going without the townspeople's knowledge, opinion or consent? One architectural firm was selected to assess the Osgood School and the possibility of renovations and expansion. Does it surprise you that a negative report was given?

June 19, along with would-be abutters and townspeople, I walked the proposed wetlands site. There are serious deficiencies with the site which now have been revealed to the townspeople.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

On this same evening, at a meeting of the Cohasset School Facilities Committee, attended by those who walked the site and the School Design Committee, the superintendent of schools had the impudence to state that he believed the residents of Cohasset should be able to afford this project! He had the audacity to speculate the financial status of Cohasset residents. He doesn't live in our town. He doesn't pay our taxes.

I toured the Osgood School and it is in disarray. This is an outrage to the taxpayers of Cohasset and should be an embarrassment to the school administration who historically has not allocated the funding for the proper maintenance and repairs. The school budget is the most significant. Why the neglect? Envision a new multi-million building with a similar attitude by the administration.

Let's take a fiscally responsible look at our future. A non-bias evaluation of the Osgood School by someone interested in the town's well-being should be addressed. Stop the proposed building. Further investigation into reviving and expanding the Osgood School is critical at this time. You are fortunate to be able to reverse the April ballot decision. Be at the special town meeting Monday, Aug. 12. Your vote to correct a wrong decision will be decided there.

Lynn Eisenhauer
19 Hobart Lane

New school will increase property values, reader says

To the Editor:

As a Cohasset resident of 25 years, I would like to explain why a new elementary school is in my best interest as a taxpayer. (As a parent, I will not directly benefit from improved facilities, since my three children have graduated from Cohasset schools.)

As we all know, Cohasset is a beautiful seaside town with a very special quality of life. But within the South Shore, we aren't unique in having a pristine environment, colonial homes or ocean accessibility. The difference, I would submit, is due largely to our excellent school system.

The cost of a new school for taxpayers is, for all intents, the same as that of renovating the Osgood school. The very slight difference in dollars spent on temporarily extending the life of an unsuitable building, plus the cost of portable classrooms, is wasteful.... We can defer the inevitable but not avoid it. Regrettably, some of our citizens seem unwilling to learn from the past .... Deferring necessary changes (e.g. the sewer system) inevitably costs us more than does timely change, particularly when state funding is available to us.

Our elected officials and appointed board members have spent hundreds of hours studying our school needs. They, too, are taxpayers and care about the financial health of Cohasset. I find it disappointing and disturbing that many current opponents did not choose to get involved in the lengthy process which led to near-unanimous official support for a new school. It's easy to come up with simplistic alternatives at the eleventh hour, but these proposals seem to be self-serving and financially unsound. Unless we proceed with the school project now, I fear that our property values will be negatively impacted for years to come.

In the final analysis, my support for a new elementary school is selfish. The average tax cost of approximately $111/year (based on Cohasset's average home value of $300,000) is very small, indeed, to sustain and enhance my investment as a homeowner.

The decision to invest in a new facility that meets modern-day standards and requirements is financially sound. It has been made in the right way, by people who have spent months studying all alternatives. As a "selfish" taxpayer, I urge everyone to vote "No" on reconsideration.

Woody Chittick
98 South Main Street

'No' vote Article 1 urged

To the Editor:

In listening to the comments and questions raised by citizens, we've heard people express two major reasons for stopping the new school project with a "Yes" vote on Article 1. Some citizens continue to think that we will save money by fixing up the Osgood building. In fact, a minimal "fix up" of the Osgood (simply making the building safe and providing needed classroom space in portable classrooms) will cost Cohasset taxpayers $3.9 million. This is essentially the same price that we will pay for the new school with state funding. A more substantial renovation to meet projected educational needs will cost between $5.6 and $7.6 million. Regardless of what you may have heard, the facts are clear.

For $4 million we can get either:

— a brand new, $10 million, up-to-date facility or

— a partially renovated 70-year-old building which will still need to be replaced in a few years.

A renovation of the Osgood School is impractical from a fiscal standpoint.

The second concern that has been raised is that the site and design are flawed, and we must stop the project to keep from making regrettable mistakes. In fact, the design of the new school is an ongoing process, and the committees involved have and will continue to welcome questions and concerns of all residents. This input has already made a difference, and it will continue to do so. We can keep responding to citizens' concerns without stopping the process and jeopardizing our place on the state funding list. Just for the record, the current design has been planned and studied by experts including your elected and appointed Town Boards. The design conforms to every applicable regulation in the town, county, and state. Nonetheless, it's clear that active involvement from town residents has made a good design even better.

If you care about protecting your tax dollars from waste, vote "No" on Article 1. If you care about the design of the new school, vote to keep moving forward with this open and collaborative design process by voting "No" on Article 1 — and then keep making your concerns known to the school facilities/building committee. If you care about giving our children the educational environment they deserve, vote for the new school Cohasset so desperately needs by voting "No" on Article 1.

Cohasset School Committee
Ralph Kidder, Chairman
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School opponents are off base

To the Editor:

I have been trying to make sense out of the opponents to the new school and their opinions. I cannot. Here's why.

I have gone to many school facilities meetings since September 1995. These were all open public meetings which always encouraged questions or concerns to be aired.

There are five members on the School Committee and nine members on the School Facilities Committee. Out of 14 men and women, only one has children young enough to attend a new school. These men and women will also be paying taxes—so why would they want a new school?

Because the present Osgood School has too many costly and dangerous issues, i.e., not handicapped accessible, fire hazards, wood-framed building, no sprinklers, to name just a few. Then add to that list that there is no cafeteria, no real gymnasium and not enough classrooms.

To bring the present school up to state requirements for an adequate elementary school, the cost will be at least $3.6 million.

As already voted, a new building, including adequate parking and play areas, will be $9.8 million, less 60 percent state reimbursement, which gives us $4 million. And let's remember the possible sale of the old Osgood to reduce the $4 million debt even more.

So, as I sit here, I am confident of this — we will be paying higher taxes. There is no way out of this. We have to do something. But will it be: $3.6 million-plus in renovations or $4 million or less with the sale of Osgood?

There is another thing I am confident of — the men and women on both the School Committee and Facilities Committee and Superintendent Steve Hart are honorable. Their intentions are to do the best for this town with the least costly effect on us all. They have no vested interest in a new school. But, as we all do, they have a vested interest in this great town. That is why the best thing to do for our town and our tax dollars is to build, not renovate!

Please show your support to build by voting no on Article 1 at the Special Town Meeting Aug. 12.

Adrienne MacCarthy
85 Doane St.

New school not warranted

To the Editor:

Some of us who are opposed to the building of a new elementary school are not opposed to education or to progress, but we are concerned about the sudden and precipitous manner in which such a heavy spending item has been inflicted on the entire community.

But that concern alone is not enough. We are also concerned about the demographics of Cohasset, a town which has hundreds and hundreds of homes with no children at all, and many hundreds more with only one child, and this in a town of only 2,500 homes.

If a fence were built around Cohasset, so that no one could enter or leave, we would probably be a ghost town within a century.

With only a few families who are an exception to the rule, we are not even replacing ourselves as a town.

Such facts do not seem to warrant the building of a new school at the present time.

Owen O'Malley
Sohier Street

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Trees are priority with new school abutters

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Trees were the root of discussions at the July 18 conservation commission hearing on the new school site.

For different reasons, both commission members, and abutters on Old Pasture Road, say that a swath of trees behind the school is important.

The plans presented to the commission two weeks ago , which moved the school an additional 40 feet from Old Pasture Road, showed grassy playing fields extending from the back of the school up to the property lines of abutters.

Commission members said that wildlife uses the wooded area (located behind the school in the plans) to get to necessary habitat that would be located on the other side of the building.

The denseness of the woods would afford wildlife more protection than a grassy lawn, said commission members.

Abutters maintain that they were told there would be a 30-foot wooded area between their homes and the school, which would help screen their property.

"Why is it that when we are gaining area, we are losing trees?" asked Elaine Breslow, 90 Old Pasture Road.

Landscape Architect Joseph Geller said that the original plans depicted a flat area behind the school which extended almost up to property lines. The trees in the plan were new plantings.

He added that because of the slope of the property, a fair amount of grading, which requires tree and underbrush removal, had to be done behind the school.

Geller said it was unclear how many feet of trees they could include as a buffer, but would look into it and present suggestions at the next hearing.

Conservation Commission Chairman Thomas Callahan said that the additional playing fields closer to Deer Hill School, which were tentatively included in the plan, may be an answer.

Geller said that the area could be cleared for a Little League field and a soccer field.

"That might be an acceptable alternative to creating play space behind the school," said Callahan.

Commission member Michael Dick suggested eliminating the parking in front of the new school, and using that area for playing fields.

Additional parking could be created at the Deer Hill School.

The plans also showed that two detention basins were combined into one, which opened up more room for playing fields.

The commission said they needed further drainage calculations before they decided if one drainage basin would be sufficient.

Wetlands consultant Sandy Brock explained that she didn't want to undertake the extensive drainage calculations, until she knew whether or not the commission approved of the new location of the school.

At an earlier meeting, some members had suggested that the school be moved into the wetland buffer zone, which still falls under the commission's jurisdiction.

Callahan said the commission tentatively approved of the move, but needed the calculations and some time to study the wildlife survey.

He said he was particularly concerned with how the changed drainage would affect the vernal pool, which has a high habitat value.

Brock replied that the vernal pool had been taken into account.

Additionally, the detention basin could be valuable habitat. It would control storm water and replicate some lost habitat.

Callahan agreed.

"I'd like to see them made into creative wetlands," he said. "Then (the basin) would have habitat value as well as water quality value."

The new school proposal will come before the commission again on Aug. 22, at 8:30 p.m., in the town hall.

"You have to do some work to do, and so do we," said Callahan.

With The Candidates

Hedlund and Delahunt trade barbs

Incumbent accused of 'ineffectiveness,' challenger of 'opportunism'

By STEVE ADAMS
Cohasset Mariner

Democratic state senate candidate Robert Delahunt accuses Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, of "dropping the ball" on Title V relief for his constituents, who are struggling to meet the state septic code's requirements and pay for its cost.

But Hedlund describes the charges as "totally absurd" and motivated by "political opportunism."

Hedlund said he helped draft 19 proposed revisions to the Title V septic code last summer. Some of those were adopted by the state Department of Environmental Protection last fall.

The most important, Hedlund said, jettisoned "by definition" inspection criteria, such as inadequate setback from wetlands, in favor of performance-based standards.

"I was literally six months ahead of the curve. It took me pounding to get the attention of my colleagues," Hedlund said. "The urban legislators, for the most part, couldn't care less."

But Delahunt said as a Republican, Hedlund should have wielded more influence with the Weld administration in bringing about administrative changes to the Title V code.

"If he had influence with anyone, it would presumably be the Republican-controlled DEP," Delahunt said.

Delahunt also was critical of Hedlund's legislative record.

Two weeks ago, Hedlund sponsored an amendment — which failed by one vote — to provide a 40 percent tax credit for Title V repairs, up to a maximum of $6,000.

Delahunt offered that vote's failure as evidence of Hedlund's ineffectiveness as a senator.

"These communities have had to stand by while Bob Hedlund repeatedly fails to pass the legislation or amend the budget in a way that would provide the assistance these communities need," Delahunt said.

Along with Weymouth and Hull, Hedlund's district includes the towns of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Marshfield, Scituate and Cohasset, where the majority of the homes are on septic systems. Under Title V, homeowners cannot sell their properties until passing a septic inspection.

Hedlund met this week with Senate Ways and Means Chairman Stanley Rosenberg to discuss changes to the DEP low-interest loan program criteria to allow South Shore towns to qualify. Currently, the loans cannot be made available in towns which are partially sewered or exceed certain median income guidelines — excluding all of the towns in Hedlund's district.

Only $1.5 million has been expended from the $23 million DEP loan account established in 1994.

Hedlund said the tax credit would be a more effective relief measure for homeowners than the loans, but conceded the tax credits have a slimmer chance of passage.

Another amendment adopted by the Senate this week would no longer treat condominium septic systems as a single unit. Currently, if one shared septic system in a condominium development fails a Title V inspection, the entire condominium complex fails, holding up the sales of units.

That amendment needs to get through a House-Senate conference committee.

A question of qualifications

Delahunt's criticism of Hedlund's performance prompted a round of counter-charges by Hedlund, questioning his challengers' qualifications.

"For a guy who's never held a job outside of the one his cousin gave him to make those charges, is totally absurd," Hedlund said. "I'd suggest that the young Delahunt, having never paid a water and sewer bill or mortgage bill, probably doesn't know what he's talking about."

Delahunt defended his educational background and experience as more than sufficient to qualify him for the seat. A graduate of Thayer Academy, Colby College and Boston University Law School, Delahunt has been a prosecutor in the Norfolk County District Attorney's office for six years. His cousin, Norfolk County District Attorney William Delahunt, is a Democratic candidate for the 10th District congressional seat.

"I've always paid my bills and I'm not going to get into that discussion with Bob Hedlund. I'm not going to reduce this to that level," he responded.

Hedlund also criticized Delahunt for moving to Weymouth, the largest town in the district, from Norwell, which is in another senate district.

Delahunt stressed his family's deep ties to Weymouth. His great-grandfather moved to the town from Boston in 1919 and his grandfather was a Weymouth schoolteacher for 38 years.

"It isn't a question of moving back into the district," Delahunt said. "It's a question of returning to my roots."

Johnston campaign seeks volunteers

Volunteers are needed to assist the Phil Johnston for Congress campaign in Cohasset.

Johnston, a Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District, is running an aggressive campaign to succeed retiring U.S. Congressman Gerry Studds. Johnston's grassroots organization is reaching out into the 41 cities and towns in the district. Volunteers are needed for a variety of campaign activities.

Individuals interested in participating in the Johnston campaign may call Cohasset Coordinator Donna McGee at 383-9114.

Friends of Sen. Hedlund to host evening

Thursday, Aug. 22, Friends of Senator Bob Hedlund will host an evening with Broadway and TV star Harry Belafonte. There will be a reception at 7 p.m. at "The Ridges," home of Polly Logan, 121 Nichols Road, Cohasset, followed by the concert at the South Shore Music Circus, chairman Polly Logan announced.

Friends may attend the reception or concert only or may wish to attend both the concert and the reception Logan added. Sen. Hedlund will mix and mingle at the tent party and at intermission at the South Shore Music Circus with guest Harry Belafonte.

Belafonte world-wide concert tours have repeatedly sold out since 1956 and at the Music Circus he gives audiences a mix of traditional material like "Day O" (The Banana Boat Song), and "Island in the Sun" as well as new and redefined pieces.

Sen. Hedlund has effectively represented the towns of Weymouth, Hingham, Cohasset, Hull, Scituate, Marshfield, Duxbury, and South Braintree, Logan said.

Benefit information may be obtained from Polly Logan, 383-0031; Linda Glennon, 337-4138; Ann Collins, 749-0817; Carl Harris, 749-7715; Joan Francis, 545-1361 and Audrey MacDonald, 934-0366.

Mariner Sports

Aerobics with a smile

Gini Waterman brings youthful enthusiasm to fitness classes

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The toughest part of Gini Waterman's job is the traveling.

But given that the personable aerobics instructor does all of her traveling on the South Shore, there's not much the Hanover resident can gripe about.

"The work part of it is the driving," Waterman said with a laugh.

The 50-something instructor is as much a motivator as an exercise team for the senior citizens, ranging in age from 65 to the late 80's, in her classes.

Certified by the Aerobics Fitness Association of America (AFAA) in 1985, Waterman has established a strong following at the Cohasset Swim Center, Webb's Health Club in Norwell, the River Bay Club in Quincy, and a number of other facilities on the South Shore.

And Waterman has as much respect for the people in her class, and their determination, as they have for her.

"They're just amazing to me," she said. "It keeps a vitality. It's very important for people to remain active. If a person continues moving and finds something they like to do, they're much better off.

"My job is to make it fun for people."

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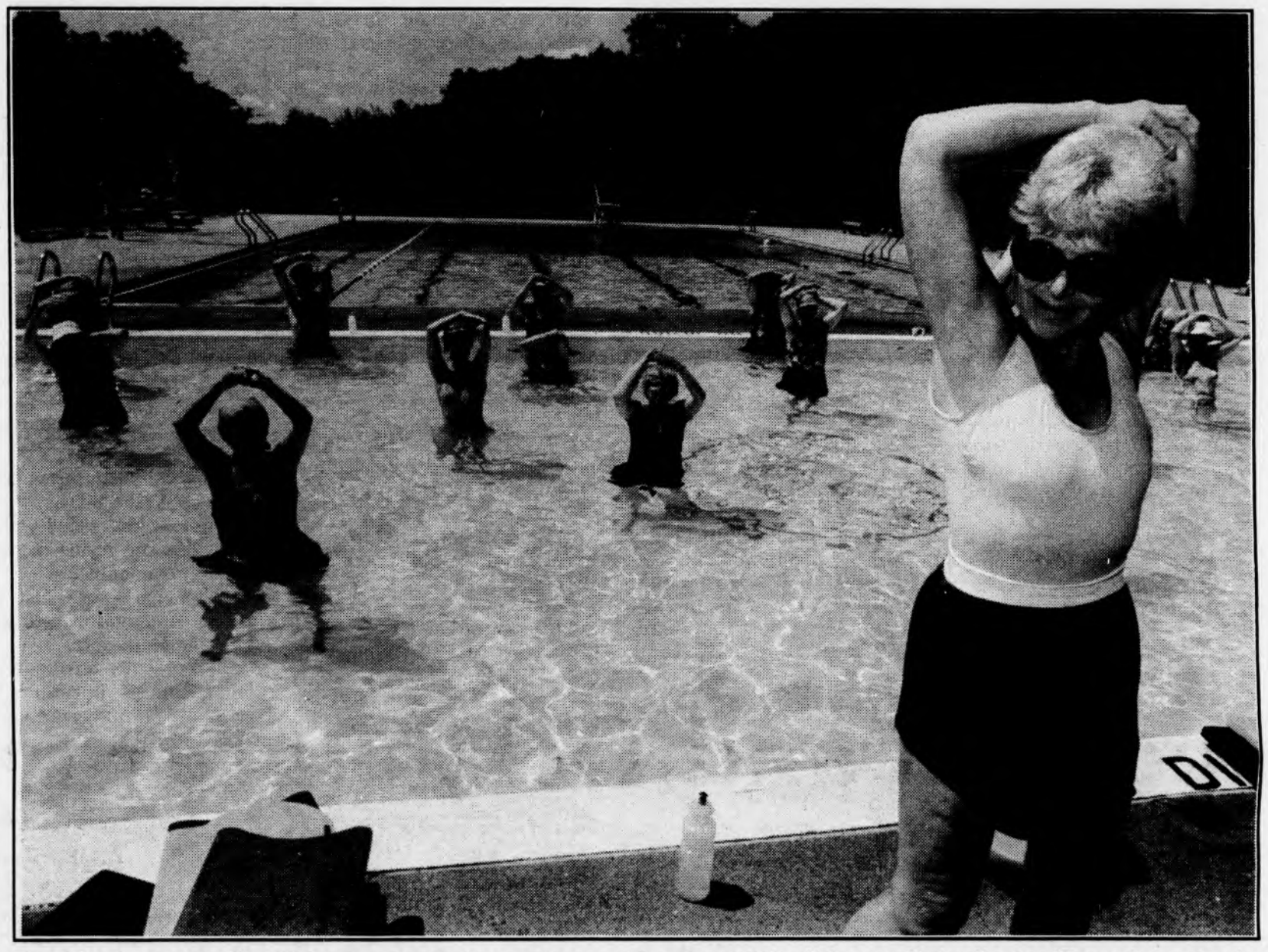

Aerobics instructor Gini Waterman conducts a water aerobics class at the Cohasset Swim Center. The swim center is only one of several locations on the South Shore where the Hanover resident conducts her popular classes to senior citizens.

Staff photo by Alan Chapman

SeaDog Diamond Kings set for nationals

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

When the South Shore Baseball Club SeaDogs take the field for their opening game in the AAU National Baseball Championships in Burnsville, Minnesota, they'll be well represented by a group of local youngsters who've earned the right to play on the elite 12-year-old squad.

Five of the 14-player roster which makes up the state championship squad hails from the South Shore. Four are from Cohasset.

Cohasset's Greg Smith, Brendan Byrne, Nick Bolster, Ben Maitland, and Scituate's Jesse Cole will be winging their way to Minnesota tomorrow for the Aug. 2-10 tourney.

The fact that four team members hail from Cohasset speaks volumes for the town's baseball program, according to SeaDogs' head coach Peter Nesseralla of Braintree.

"That says a lot for Cohasset baseball," said Nesseralla. "It says great things for the town and its youth program."

Nesseralla is no stranger to competitive baseball and "big game" pressure. An All-Scholastic at Braintree High School, he was part of one state championship squad, two more in Braintree Legion and three for the Braintree White Sox of the Cranberry League. All told, Nesseralla has competed in five national tournaments and is confident his 13-1 SeaDog team is ready to face the best young baseball squads in the country.

"I'm ecstatic," he said. "Instead of holding tryouts, we went out and recruited the best young baseball players we could. We stacked the deck.

"We want to prove the South Shore Baseball Club can play at the national level."

The players, too, are looking forward to getting on the field.

"I'm very excited," said Byrne, the squad's second baseman. "It should be a lot of fun. People have said we're the best team from the South Shore Baseball Club ever to go to the nationals and that we have the best chance to go deep into the tournament.

"I'm a little nervous because I don't have as much experience as the other guys."

Byrne has played an important part in the team's success. A member of the Major League championship Dodger squad, Byrne blasted six home runs during the Cohasset Little League season. Byrne continued his power hitting on the AAU squad with a huge tourney day during a doubleheader in Worcester.

Byrne crushed a home run in each game for the SeaDogs, leading them to a sweep over the Bay State Bandits and Worcester Heat in their quest to the national finals.

Nesseralla expects Byrne will pick right off where he left off in the state tourney. Byrne was deadly at the plate with four home runs and 20 RBI in 14 games, not to mention his .600 batting average.

"He's just a phenomenal athlete," Nesseralla said. "You put an athlete in this situation and he's going to strive."

Although he is admittedly nervous, Byrne is confident the butterflies will disappear once he takes the field. From then

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Clubs to co-sponsor sailing championships

The Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships will be co-hosted this month by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club just outside the the harbor breakwater. The competition is shaping up to be a dynamic sailing and social event. This regatta is predicted to draw over 300 junior sailors from around the Boston, North Shore and South Shore areas, all ranging from 7 years of age up through high school. There will be three full days of racing and social events covering from Aug. 13 to 15.

There will be class events for Optimists, Turnabouts, Lasers, and Club 420's during the three days of stiff competitive racing on the Bay. The hosts will be conducting green fleet races as well as a more competitive race series for the more experienced sailors.

Because of the wonderful sailing experiences during this regatta, the hosts have planned many social segments to help make the guests and their parents, the instructors, and whole planning force feel welcome. There will be a pizza party, a cookout, and a dance party for the participants, a cocktail party Tuesday evening for the adults at the Bancroft Hall above the harbor, and morning snacks and lunches will be provided throughout the race days. Many families of the local Cohasset sailors will be helping out by opening their homes to wayward sailors from north of Boston who require a place to stay during the regatta.

So, mark your calendars and set aside Aug. 13-15 for the BayBank Junior Championships outside of Cohasset Harbor, where the sailing promises to be fast and exciting on open Bay waters, and the social gatherings hosted by the Cohasset Yacht Club and the Cohasset Sailing Club will be just as memorable and fun for all of the participants.

Mariner Sports

Waterman brings enthusiasm to classes

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Waterman teaches low-impact aerobics both on land and in water. She's at Webb's four days a week during the winter months, but conducts classes every day in several locations.

Waterman believes in the power of physical fitness, no matter what a person's age. And because a person's overall metabolism begins to slow down at the age of 35, she can't stress enough the importance of people to find an activity they like and stick with it.

Waterman doesn't necessarily believe exercise will adds years to your life, but "it adds life to your years."

People over the age of 65, Waterman believes, come from an era when they thought doctors knew everything, including fitness. Because of that, they are reluctant to take charge of themselves to do some type of exercise.

"They're not in your body," Waterman said of the doctors. "Sometimes people stop doing things because they're getting older."

If possible, Waterman says its a good idea for people to do some kind of weight lifting. She explained more calories must be burned to keep muscles alive, weight is loss, people feel better and they are all the more healthier.

But not all people are able to use weights because they are too weak and in wheelchairs. Waterman conducts a 30-minute session at the Hollingsworth House in Braintree and is sure to keep the workout stress-free. Some of the people in the class have Alzheimer's Disease and others are restricted to wheelchairs. Waterman's classes, though, do serve an important purpose by keeping the elderly moving. And it is still an exercise program which can only benefit those in the class.

"It's movement to music for them," she said.

What is especially refreshing about Waterman's approach to her work is that she doesn't take it for granted. The energy she brings to the workouts is contagious and carries over to the members of classes.

"God has been very good to me," she said. "I have a job where I can dance and sing."

Waterman, however, doesn't take credit for the improvements in health students make through her classes. They have to want to become more fit and in-tune with their health. She can only get them started in the right direction to a more healthy lifestyle.

"I love it when people say 'Gini, you got me started'," Waterman said. "I can't take credit for it, but I can give them a step."

Waterman is having too much fun at her job to even contemplate ever retiring from it. She sees absolutely no reason why she can't continue through to where she's as elderly as those in the class.

"I can be an old women up there in front, teaching other old women," she said with a laugh. "I plan to teach for as long as possible."

That means the elderly have a fitness guru in their corner for several years to come.

Summer fun with Ruthann

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Intermediate boys and girls ages 8 to 11,1:30 to 2:30 p.m

Beginner boys and girls ages 6 and 7, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Preschool boys and girls ages 4 and 5, 3:30 to 4:30 p.m.

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Enjoy rotations on uneven bars, vault, dance. floor exercise, balance beam, bowling, and contests for prizes. This will be a great opportunity to learn new skills. Bring a snack and juice daily.

Fall classes resume on Monday, September 9.

For more information call the center at 383-0088 (9-11:30 a.m.), or call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 545-3068.

All courses must be pre-registered.

SeaDog Diamond Kings set for nationals

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on in, he plans to concentrate solely on doing what's good for the team.

"I want to get out there, play hard and help the team out," Byrne said.

Bolster pitched six games during the season after recording a 6-1 record for the Cardinals in Cohasset Little League play. His best outing came against Rhode Island when he combined with Seekonk's Jay Laturante for a one-hitter.

Bolster pitched three innings and gave up the hit, but the batter was quickly erased when he was called out trying to stretch his hit into a double.

Bolster isn't sure just what kind of competition he'll be up against in Minnesota.

"I'm not sure how good the competition is out there," he said, "but I'm pretty sure we'll do well."

Nesseralla had high praise for all the players. Bolster, he said, didn't allow a run all season. Though coming off a broken hand, Bolster contributed to the team's cause with a perfect 2-0 record.

Smith, who batted .400 with eight RBI, has "matured more than any kid on the team," according to the coach.

"It's hard to say how much a 12-year-old kid has matured," Nesseralla said, " but Greg has become a real leader of this team."

Smith has proven to be a tough out for opposing pitchers. He batted a solid .400 in the tournament, but even more importantly, didn't strikeout a single time in all his at-bats.

Maitland, the SeaDogs' starting shortstop, hit .430 from the lead-off spot and led the team in both walks and stolen bases. Nesseralla said he defines the squad's offense and is the player who makes things happen to score runs.

"Our offense totally revolves around what he does," Nesseralla said. "He's the one who gets it moving."

Scituate's Jesse Cole is in a tough position at the moment. He is currently playing on his town All-Star team with a chance to advance in the Williamsport Tournament in Pennsylvania. The Little League World Series is beckoning and Cole won't be able to make the initial trip to Minnesota with the SeaDogs. Depending on how the Scituate team fares, Nesseralla may or may not have him for the nationals.

Cole put up good numbers as the SeaDogs' No. 2 pitcher with a perfect 3-0 record. Cole wasn't a slouch at the plate either, hitting over .400 with a home run and 14 RBI.

Locally, Kerry Cole, Nesseralla's assistant coach is also making the trip. Nesseralla said Cole has done a "phenomenal job with the team," and gives him much of the credit for the team's championship season.

"He's a great guy," Nesseralla said. "What I like the most about him is that he's a winner."

Add Cole to the list of locals who also fit into that "winner" category and it looks like the SeaDogs are on the right track to take on the rest of the country.

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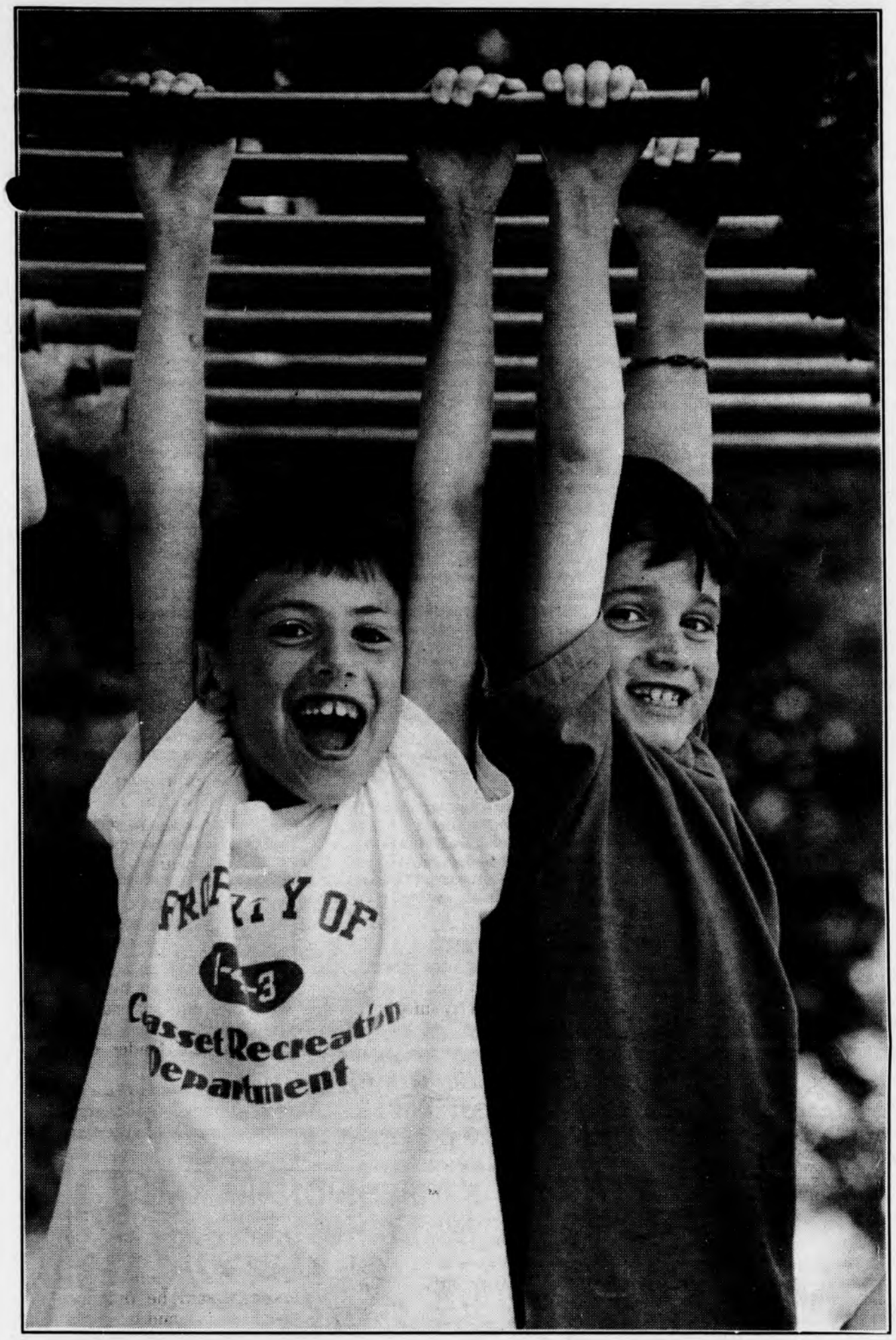
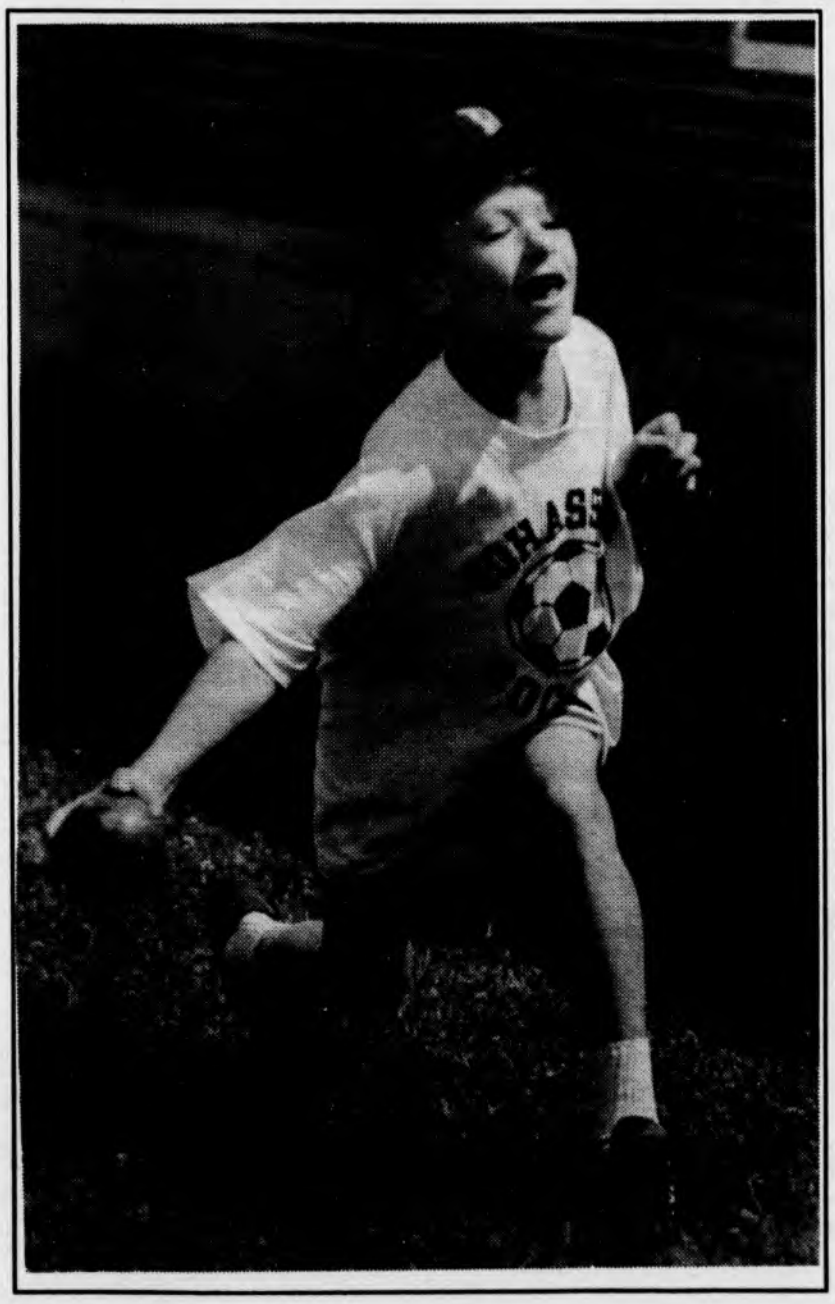


At left, Matt O'Connell and Dan Mercurio play on the monkey bars; above, counselor Danielle Capozzoli gives Danny Nardo a twirl.



A left, Colin Reagan tries his hand at bocce ball; and above, Laura Casey, Amanda Cavallaro, Vanessa Plant, Katie Kuppens and Nicole Plant rehearse for 'Annoying Annabelle' to be performed for their fellow day campers.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Police Log

MONDAY JULY 8

6:40 a.m. Burglary, breaking and entering, King Street.

10:40 a.m. Larceny, Cohasset Harbor.

2:01 p.m. Disturbance, North Main Street.

2:16 p.m. Medical aid, Hull Street.

5:12 p.m. Investigation, Hull Street.

6:45 p.m. Accident, motor vehicle, Hull Street.

7:25 p.m. Animal complaint, Windy Hill Road.

7:41 p.m. Fire, electrical, Jerusalem Road.

TUESDAY, JULY 9

2:04 a.m. Fire, West Gate Lane.

8:18 a.m. Protective custody, Elm Street.

8:53 a.m. Suspicious person, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

9:59 a.m. Animal complaint, Forest Avenue.

10:03 a.m. Vandalism, Lighthouse Lane.

12:40 p.m. Fire alarm, South Main Street.

1:13 p.m. By-law violation, Border Street.

1:15 p.m. Medical aid, Hatherly Road.

4:41 p.m. Suspicious activity, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

4:54 p.m. By-law violation, Jerusalem Road.

5:29 p.m. Accident, motor vehicle, Beechwood Street.

5:51 p.m. Fire, Summer Street.

7:17 p.m. Larceny, Jerusalem Road.

8:40 p.m. Fire, Forest Avenue.

10:22 p.m. Suspicious activity, Parkingway.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

9:52 a.m. Fire, Elm Street.

10:50 a.m. Medical aid, Elm Street.

11:28 a.m. Assault, North Main Street.

11:58 a.m. Arrest, North Main Street.

2:49 p.m. Animal complaint, South Main Street.

3:36 p.m. Medical aid, Sohier Street.

3:52 p.m. Disturbance, Border Street.

4:04 p.m. Medical aid, Old Pasture Road.

11:10 p.m. Noise complaint, North Main Street.

THURSDAY, JULY 11

2:10 a.m. Suspicious activity, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

3:36 a.m. Animal complaint, Nichols Road.

4:11 a.m. Animal complaint, Nichols Road.

7:31 a.m. Motor vehicle stop, Forest Avenue.

7:44 a.m. Motor vehicle stop, North Main Street.

2:44 p.m. Medical aid, Otis Street.

3:11 p.m. Fire structure, Country Way.

3:24 p.m. Suspicious auto, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

3:43 p.m. Motor vehicle stop, Lighthouse Lane.

5 p.m. Medical aid, Cedar Lane.

7:47 p.m. Arrest: Sohier Street.

7:49 p.m. Fire, structure, Beechwood Street.

8:12 p.m. Accident, motor vehicle, Summer Street.

8:21 p.m. Suspicious auto, Old Coach Road.

8:24 p.m. Suspicious auto, Ledgewood Drive.

8:38 p.m. Motor vehicle stop, South Main Street.

10:14 p.m. Vandalism, Jerusalem Road.

10:42 p.m. Medical aid, Sohier Street.

10:45 p.m. Arrest: South Main Street.

FRIDAY, JULY 12

1:31 a.m. Suspicious person, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

7:43 a.m. Motor vehicle stop, North Main Street by Jerusalem Road.

12:19 p.m. Suspicious person, Pond Street.

2:27 p.m. Medical aid, Parking Way.

2:46 p.m. Medical aid, Elm Street.

4:17 p.m. Larceny, Lothrop Lane.

6:27 p.m. Parking violation, North Main Street.

7:10 p.m. Accident, motor vehicle, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

7:39 p.m. Property, lost, South Main Street.

9:20 p.m. Motor vehicle stop, Beach Street.

9:45 p.m. Motor vehicle stop, Sandy Beach.

10:15 p.m. Disturbance, Smith Place.

11:11 p.m. Vandalism, Sohier Street.

11:23 p.m. Motor vehicle stop, North Main Street.

SATURDAY, JULY 13

12:37 a.m. Motor vehicle stop, Route 3A and Crocker Lane.

2:03 a.m. Noise complaint, Beechwood Ball Park.

9:21 a.m. Fire, Hull Street.

10:13 a.m. Investigation, Elm Street.

11:44 a.m. Animal complaint, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

3:24 p.m. Fire, South Main Street.

3:33 p.m. Accident, motor vehicle, North Main Street.

4:17 p.m. Investigation, Smith Place.

7:40 p.m. Property, found, Headquarters HDQT.

10:06 p.m. Disturbance, general, Beechwood Street.

11:31 p.m. Fire, Doane Street.

SUNDAY, JULY 14

1:06 a.m. Suspicious auto, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

1:55 a.m. Suspicious auto, Arrowwood Road.

2:47 a.m. Motor vehicle theft, Grace Drive.

10 a.m. Medical aid, Hatherly Road.

11:15 a.m. Animal complaint, Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

11:43 a.m. Burglary, breaking and entering, Spring Street.

1:34 p.m. Vandalism, Brook Street.

3:43 p.m. Medical aid, Headquarters HDQT.

5:31 p.m. Medical aid, out of town unk.

Sunday, July 14

1:06 a.m, suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

1:55 a.m., suspicious auto, Arrowwood Rd.

2:32 a.m., fire alarm, Spring St.

2:47 a.m., motor vehicle theft, Grace Dr.

10:00 a.m., medical aid, Hatherly Rd.

11:15 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

11:40 a.m., disturbance family, King St.

11:43 a.m., burglary (B&E), Spring St.

1:34 p.m., vandalism, Brook St.

2:54 p.m., info general, Mill Bridge.

3:43 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

5:31 p.m., medical aid, out of town UNK.

11:38 p.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

July 15, Monday

12:01 a.m., medical aid, Hatherly Rd.

12:21 a.m., noise complaint, Border St.

6:13 a.m., medical aid, Doane St.

1:23 a.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, Border St.

6:13 a.m., medial aid, Doane St.

8:03 a.m., fire (misc), Elm St.

9:31 a.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, Highland Ave.

10:35 a.m., notification, Highland Ave.

10:51 a.m., medical aid, Fair Oaks Ln.

11:57 a.m., vandalism, Beach St.

12:57 p.m., disabled auto, King St.

1:09 p.m., assist other agency, Parking Way.

4:36 p.m., motor vehicle violations, S. Main St.

4:43 p.m., motor vehicle violations, S. Main St.

5:50 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.

9:44 p.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.

9:59 p.m., noise complaint, Doane St.

Tuesday, July 16

1:41 p.m., annoying phone calls, S. Main St.

1:52 p.m., medical aid, Wheeler Park.

5:01 p.m., vandalism, Brewster Rd.

7:44 p.m, parking violation, Jerusalem Rd.

8:10 p.m., suspicous person, Jerusalem Rd.

8:50 p.m., disturbance general, Parker Ave.

8:56 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

9:27 p.m., suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.

10:24 p.m., investigation, Atlantic Ocn.

11:07 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

11:44 p.m., medical aid, Hull St.

Wednesday, July 17

12:49 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

7:07 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.

9:20 a.m., vandalism, Border St.

10:20 a.m., by-law violation, Sandy Beach.

11:01 a.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

12:04 p.m., medical aid, fire headquarters.

1:32 p.m., escort, Jerusalem Rd.

11:13 p.m., disturbance, Aaron River Rd.

11:15 p.m., disturbance, Sohier St.

11:27 p.m., noise complaint, Lighthouse Ln.

Thursday, July 18

1:40 p.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

8:30 a.m., accident/MV, CJC Hwy.

7:35 p.m., medical aid, Park Ave.

9:40 p.m., disturbance, Aaron Rivetr Rd.

9:56 p.m., MV violations, Beechwood St.

10:00 p.m., disturbance general, Linden Dr.

10:07 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

10:25 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:13 p.m., disturbance general, Aaron River Rd.

Friday, July 19

12:03 a.m., medical aid, Border St.

12:48 a.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

1:44 a.m., suspicious (other), Bancroft Rd.

2:00 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

2:55 a.m., general services, Border St.

10:59 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Hull St.

11:15 a.m., assist citizne, S. Main St.

11:17 a.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Oak St.

11:41 a.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

1:40 p.m., property (lost), Sandy Beach.

7:58 p.m., wires down (electric), Wood Way.

10:39 p.m., disturbance general, Parker Ave.

Saturday, July 20

2:22 a.m., suspicous (other), Forest Ave.

9:15 a.m, parking violation, Atlantic Ave.

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School facilities meeting tackles several topics

Parking, financing, and room layout

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Due to a change in state law, Cohasset taxpayers won't have years of high taxes before reimbursement for the new school from the state kicks in.

Neighbors are concerned about potential parking problems and the location of the new school.

Architects brought the $9.9 million elementary school to life with discussions of the room layout.

In a nutshell, these were the issues that were discussed at the school facilities committee meeting on July 24.

Schools Supt. Stephen Hart said that a new state law enables towns to short-term borrow without paying the principal for five years. It was previously only two years.

Fleet Bank and the town accountant, Michael Buckley, have developed a new payment schedule, said Hart, which eliminates the years of high taxes (bubble years) before the state reimbursement begins.

Based on the median value of a house in Cohasset, which is $242,000, the tax rate would increase by an average of $99 a year, which is $8 a month or less than $2 a week, Hart said.

The maximum impact on the tax rate for a house of median value will be $121. The bubble years had originally required a payment of over $200.

"We are in a very advantageous position," said Hart.

Reached after the meeting, Buckley said that the new statute, which applies only to municipal school projects, will reduce the tax rate by approximately one-third during the bubble years.

The rates will be marginally more expensive for the other years, he added. The town will not receive money back after the 20-year bond is paid off, as it did under the previous funding formula, because the payment schedule has been lengthened.

Elaine Breslow of 90 Old Pasture Road said that she wanted the school facilities committee to reaffirm its position that the emergency access road would remain impassable to vehicles.

She was also concerned, as were others, that parents would park their cars on nearby Pleasant Street and Reservoir and Old Pasture Roads and walk their children down to the new school.

"I don't want it to be a drop off for children. Certainly kids will walk through there. They walk through there now," she said, speaking of the older children who use the path to walk or ride to Deer Hill School.

Hart said that the road would be blocked to traffic, and he would look into having the police safety officer stationed at the emergency road to discourage parents from parking on streets neighboring the school.

He added that he assumes most parents will drop their children at the front of the building because they would have a shorter distance to walk.

The four abutters on Old Pasture Road presented a letter to the committee which stated that they wanted a 30 foot-natural buffer of trees separating their homes from the school.

At an earlier meeting, School Facilities Chairman Robert Beggan asked the abutters if they preferred a fence or trees.

The letter stated that Hart had promised the group a 30-foot buffer.

"We are requesting that this promise be kept," stated the letter from the the Breslows, the Fosters, the O'Briens, and the O'Donnells.

Reached after the meeting, Hart said that the landscape plans he showed the abutters include a 30-foot buffer of vegetation from their property lines toward the school.

"I don't see any problem with (their request). That is part of the plan," he said.

Several abutters had circulated a petition which resulted in selectmen placing an article on the warrant for the Aug. 12 special town meeting that seeks to move the school.

The meeting was initially set to address another citizen petition calling for a reconsideration of the positive school vote.

A few of the proponents were on hand to ask why the architects couldn't move the school.

They maintained that the town could remain on the list for 60 percent state reimbursement if the school's footprint stayed the same and just the location was changed.

Architect Sid Bowen said that the building was designed for the particular site it is slated to be built on, and it "wouldn't work" on another site.

This is primarily because of the amount of ledge and the topography of the site, he explained.

George Gurnis of Reservoir Road said that the topography could be changed.

Bowen conceded that this was true, but said it was very expensive. He added that the site the abutters had proposed did not have adequate space for vehicles to turn around.

Jill O'Donnell said that she has studied the grade configurations of schools, and there were many in the state that had kindergarten through sixth grade housed in the same building.

Hart said that grade configuration could work, but it depends on the number of students.

Those systems could have a few elementary schools with 200 students each, not the approximately 800 students that Cohasset has, Hart said.

The design of the school has changed during recent weeks.

The exterior corners of the school are now straight, not angled as original plans showed.

This makes the building of the school easier, said Bowen, and also moves it an additional 16-feet from abutters, bringing their total distance from the school to 148 feet.

"We think we have done as much as we can in terms of movement, given the site and the invitation of the conservation commission," said Bowen.

He added that the most dramatic change in the building is that it has been flipped end to end.

In earlier plans, there was a detention basin on the east side of the building, which has since been combined with another basin. This move resulted in additional playing fields on that of the school.

The cafeteria was m[illegible] from the west side of the bu[illegible] to the east, and is now adj[illegible] to the playing fields.

The cafeteria, Bowen said, is one of the focal points of the building. It takes up two stories of the building and has approximately 20-feet of glass facing the outdoors in order to make the most of natural light.

The forum is another unique feature of the new school.

Upon entering the school, people will walk into a gazebo-like forum with a raised canopy. This area was designed so that groups of children could gather in an informal setting.

In the process of squeezing money and looking hard at the program, said Bowen, some components had to be curtailed.

Instead of a full stage, the gymnasium/auditorium will have a pull-out stage which will handle all of the productions for kindergarten through grade three, said Hart.

Not having a full stage, which would have taken up two levels, opened up space for a teachers' room on the second level.

School Facilities Member Robert Spofford said that a lot of dialogue and planning among town boards is taking place behind the scenes.

Members of his committee, the architects, and the design review board have been working diligently to address issues that have arisen, he said.

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Who's reading what this summer?

A recent informal survey of who's reading what this summer, revealed that these Cohasset savants are reading the following:

Jean Higgins, "Lily White," by Susan Isaacs; Peg Murphy, "The Deal" by Sabin Willet; Suzan Redgate, "No Ordinary Time" by Doris Kearns Goodwin; Steve Endris, "Sum of All Fears" by Tom Clancy; Sue Watrous, "Tales of Burning Love," by Louise Erdrich; Pat Lambert, "Anything Considered," by Peter Mayle; Sue Pope, "Messages From My Father" by Calvin Trillin; Suzanne Terry, "Summer" by Edith Wharton.

Bob Riley, "The Last Don" by Mario Puzo; Genevieve Good, "Ansel Adams, a Biography" by Max S. Alinder; Jacqueline Clark, "Snow Falling on Cedars" by David Guterson; Barbara Power, "Shipping News" by Annie Proulx; Mary Hartwell, "Cause of Death," by Patriica Cornwell; Nicholas Sommerfeld, "Morality Play" by Barry Lunsworth; Charlotte Sommerfield, "Matisse Stories" by A.S. Byatt; Dave Terry, "Stormy Weather" by Carl Hiaasen; C. David Thompson, "Annapolis" by William Martin.

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Big top ready for throng

It won't be a circus, officials say

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Specifics about where to park, sit and how voting will be handled at Monday's special town meeting under the big top at the Music Circus are being telecast on cable-TV channel 3.

A segment featuring Town Moderator George Marlette will be repeated continuously through the rest of the week and weekend so residents can tune in and have their town meeting site concerns addressed, said Continental Cablevision program director Bob Belliveau.

Monday's annual town meeting gets underway at 7:30 p.m. There are six articles on the warrant: two address the proposed new elementary school; one relates to the Straits Pond sewer project and another sets the stage for low-interest loans for septic system repairs; one asks money be appropriated to cover the cost of conducting the town meeting; and another asks for approval and funding of the Konohasset Clerical-Custodial Association contract.

Town meetings usually take place in the high school auditorium. When a large crowd is anticipated, the meetings are moved to the high school gym.

Selectmen decided to hold Monday's meeting at the Music Circus because because the high school gym is not air conditioned and would not be able to accommodate the expected turnout of upwards of 1,000 citizens.

The idea for an informational TV program followed a meeting to discuss logistical arrangements at the Music Circus on Monday morning with town officials, about a dozen residents, and the management of the entertainment venue.

Music Circus general manger Vincent Longo will arrange for appropriate lighting, wireless microphones and a crew to help direct parking. Residents will be

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Sewer article could set stage for override

Issue to be aired at town meeting

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

As it stands now, Straits Pond sewer petitioners will ask town meeting to re-vote the article passed at the March 30 town meeting asking the town to share 50 percent of the cost of installing sewers in North Cohasset.

If the Aug. 12 town meeting approves the article, selectmen will have to call for a Prop.2-1/2 override election within 45 days in accordance with state law.

If the override fails, sewer users will pay the entire cost of the project.

The latest chapter in the Straits Pond sewer saga is not what sewer commission chairman Ted Guild and those who signed the citizens petition article, asking for reconsideration of the project, had in mind when they attended a pre-town-meeting meeting Monday morning.

Ideally, they would all like to wrap the funding of the North Cohasset project in with

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Danny Bickerstaff and Dave Schultz battle for the ball and end up blocking each other out during a pickup volleyball game at Sandy Beach.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Criminal charge against party host pending

Civil suit filed, attorney says

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

John Lennon, 47, of 57 Surry Drive faces a civil suit and a potential criminal charge for allegedly serving alcohol to teenagers at a June 22 graduation party at his Cohasset home.

Clerk Magistrate Stephen Abany heard the testimony of about nine minors including one juvenile, who were guests at the party, at a closed-door hearing which started Friday and continued Wednesday at Quincy District Court. After yesterday's session, Abany said he would decide Monday whether to charge Lennon with providing alcohol to a minor, which can carry a penalty of up to six months in prison and a fine of $2,000.

He said there was not enough evidence to charge Lennon with contributing to the delinquency of a minor. This charge pertains to juveniles (children who are under 17 years old).

If charged, Lennon has the right to appeal the clerk's decision before a judge. Quincy attorney Bernard Hamill, who is representing Lennon and cross-examined the witnesses, declined to comment on the case.

Police began investigating the party after an alcohol-related crash claimed the life of one of the guests, Gregory Smith, 18, of Marshfield. They sought charges against Lennon after several minors, who were guests at the party, came forward two weeks ago with allegations of being provided alcohol, Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

Allan Tufankjian, a Brockton attorney representing Gregory Smith's parents Donald and Donna Smith of Marshfield, said a civil law suit against Lennon has already been filed in Brockton Superior Court and was a "direct result of them closing the door on us."

Abany did not allow members of the press and the public,

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Cohasset's Week

First village farmer's market draws a crowd

Change in location pondered

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Rainy weather did not keep upwards of 150 people away from the first village farmer's market, according to Dean Rizzo of Aquarius Sunrooms

Rizzo, who is vice president of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce, and Anna Abbruzzese of the Village Renaissance Committee, spearheaded the effort to bring a farmer's market to town.

The market will be held from 4 to 8 p.m., Thursdays through October.

Eight vendors took part and folk music provided the right touch, Rizzo said.

Although today's market will also be held in the town parking lot behind the Red Lion Inn, Rizzo said organizers will ask selectmen if it's possible to move the market to the town common off Long Road or to South Main Street. After informal chats with the police and fire chiefs to see if it's feasible, Rizzo will ask selectmen if part of South Main Street could be blocked off during market hours, the way Hingham Square is during that town's Summerfest and Christmas in the Square celebrations.

"We did have complaints about the location," which was in the back of the town parking lot near the railroad tracks, Rizzo said.

Bringing the farmer's market to town is part of an on-going effort to revitalize Cohasset Village.

Farmer's market vendor Darlene Beauvais gives Charles Mundhenk a hand with the produce he purchased. Today's market is from 4 to 8 p.m. in the town parking lot.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Tide Chart

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Sat. 10	9:26	8.7	3:12	9:38	9.8	3:17
Sun. 11	10:15	8.8	4:02	10:25	10.0	4:06
Mon. 12	10:59	9.0	4:46	11:08	10.1	4:50
Tues. 13	11:39	9.2	5:25	11:48	10.2	5:32
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Residents are named to two town boards

Last week, selectmen appointed Benjamin H. Lacey, 181 Jerusalem Rd., to the zoning board of appeals and Benjamin F. Curley, 10A Ash St. to the private ways committee.

Curley is a retired superintendent of the water department and knows every street in town, Selectman Peter Pratt said.

Lacey is a retired lawyer, Selectman Nan Roth said.

"He is very experienced, very thorough," Roth said.

Baby-sitting options for town meeting

Kathy Ofsthun, PSO president, said the PSO has worked with the schools, the recreation department, the Community Center, and local teens to provide baby-sitting during Monday's Special Town Meeting. Two options are available:

- From 7 to 11 p.m., teens will supervise children at the Deer Hill School. The gym will be open for play and a movie will be shown. Missy Walker, director of the KEDS Program, will also be at the school to provide adequate controls such as a system of signing in and out.
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Ranking validates school space needs, Hart says

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset's new school could be eligible for state reimbursement in three years as opposed to five, school officials said this week.

According to town accountant Michael Buckley, receiving state money earlier could save Cohasset taxpayers about $400,000 in interest costs over the life of the bond issue.

The state provides about $14 million annually to qualifying communities building or expanding school facilities through its school building assistance program. Cohasset's project is ranked 14th of the 64 submitted this year. Rankings are prioritized according to need.

Supt. Stephen Hart said the state ranking shows the state agrees that Cohasset is facing a school-space crunch.

"It validates our need for a new facility," he said.

But Roy Fitzsimmons, spokesman for Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers a group opposed to the school, said the news does not make the project any more palatable.

He questioned whether the state would continue to fund the program at current levels.

"There is nothing in concrete on that," he said.

State Sen. Robert L. Hedlund, R-Weymouth, said while future year appropriations for school building assistance are subject to legislative approval, there is virtually no chance that the state will cut back the program.

"It will be funded without question," he said. "It has been since the program was implemented in the 1940s."

According to the state Department of Education, the state provides funding reimbursement for the projects left over from last year first and then goes down the list of those submitted this year.

Because 58 projects were carried over from last year, Cohasset is now 72 on the list out of a total of 122.

Projects vary and the state assumes 50-90% of the project costs, depending on the wealth of the community. Cohasset is eligible for 60% reimbursement.

Because costs and percentages of reimbursements vary, the number of projects funded in any given year also varies. But by adding the state's authorization figures on the projects listed ahead of Cohasset, it is likely Cohasset will start receiving state reimbursement in three years, Hart pointed out.

With reimbursement in three years, about $1 million would be saved in interest costs for the total project. The town would share the savings on a 60/40 basis with the state.

The School Building Assistance Act is designed to help communities undertake important school projects, state officials say, and money is provided to offset the projects' costs and interest charges on borrowing.

School articles get tune-up

Petitioners say they'll be ready for town meeting

If approved, the re-drafted citizens' petition article asking to reconsider the favorable March 30 town meeting vote on the school will stop the $9.9 million project and prevent any more money from being spent on it.

The other citizens' petition article asking the school site to be moved closer to Deer Hill School needs more work, Town Counsel Paul DeRensis said Monday.

DeRensis provided guidance on the appropriate phraseology for the articles at a standing-room only, pre-town meeting meeting Monday in the selectmen's office.

Wording in the original articles is flawed, selectmen said. They gave the proponents time to work on new drafts which were presented Monday.

Article one will ask voters to rescind the positive March 30 vote on the school and terminate any future funding for the project. If passed, the article will nullify the April 6 override to pay for the new elementary school.

DeRensis said that Article 6, the school-site article, must reference specific plans and be more definite about "proper" orientation, ventilation, and so on.

Proponents of the school-site citizens petition said they would work with their attorney Charles Humphreys of Cohasset to re-write their article and have it ready for the Aug.12 special town meeting.

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Music Circus general manager Vince Longo gets ready to discuss logistics of the upcoming special town meeting with interested citizens and town officials earlier this week.
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Issue to be aired at town meeting

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the 440 homes in Central Cohasset which is the next part of town slated for installation of sewers. A combined override for both projects would likely garner more support because more homeowners would be affected.

An override, representing half the cost of sewering 345 homes in North Cohasset, failed by 34 votes at the ballot box May 4. That override followed a favorable vote on the sewer article at the March 30 town meeting.

Since then, a group of North Cohasset residents have kept the project before the town through public statements and letters to town officials and newspapers. They feel being asked to pay 100 percent of the cost of sewering their part of town is unprecedented and unfair.

They said this week they are prepared to fight for the new override and will work hard to convince their counterparts in Central Cohasset that supporting a 50/50, user/town shared-payment plan for North Cohasset will ultimately benefit them.

"There was not enough education done," Maria Plante, 790 Jerusalem Road, said about the prior override. "We are not looking to kill the project but we do want to be treated fairly."

Wording of the citizens' petition sewer article, which appears in the warrant is flawed, selectmen said.

Before Monday's meeting, sewer commissioners and North Cohasset residents worked together to redraft the citizens petition article, which asked to reconsider approval for the project. They planned to ask that their article be indefinitely postponed at Monday's town meeting. But included in the redraft of the article was a resolution asking town meeting to memorialize its support for shared funding between the town and users — a vote proponents want in the official town meeting record.

Town Moderator George Marlette does not allow resolutions, which are non-binding, because they can get out of hand. He explained he turned down requests at the annual town meeting last spring for resolutions on what should be done about the Hagerty property and the writing of a new town history.

He only allowed a resolution on the train at a special town meeting in Oct. 1994 because proponents of the flawed article were not notified in time.

Marlette noted that proponents of the sewer citizens' petition have had adequate notice to re-draft their article.

Proponents rejected a suggestion to have their article redrafted to direct selectmen to form a committee to investigate the shared-funding proposal. A committee reporting on the "ways and means of accomplishing" the funding of the project is a legal way to include their intent in an article, DeRensis explained.

Marlette, who routinely conducts a pre-town meeting meeting to iron out details relating to articles on the warrant, called the 8:30 a.m. meeting among several town officials the chairmen of the selectmen and advisory board.

Representatives of the North Cohasset group met again with Guild and other town officials later Monday morning and decided to bring the March 30 town meeting sewer article back before voters on Monday.

Last month, selectmen unanimously voted to assure the people of North Cohasset that a future sewer override would include at the least, a town/user shared plan for the North and Central Cohasset sewer projects. They went on record that they expect to combine overrides for the two projects into a single Prop.2-1/2 override question when the Central Cohasset project is brought before town meeting (probably next spring).

But proponents of the Straits' Pond citizen petition said Monday they do not want to wait until the Central Cohasset project comes before town meeting next year to resolve the funding issue.

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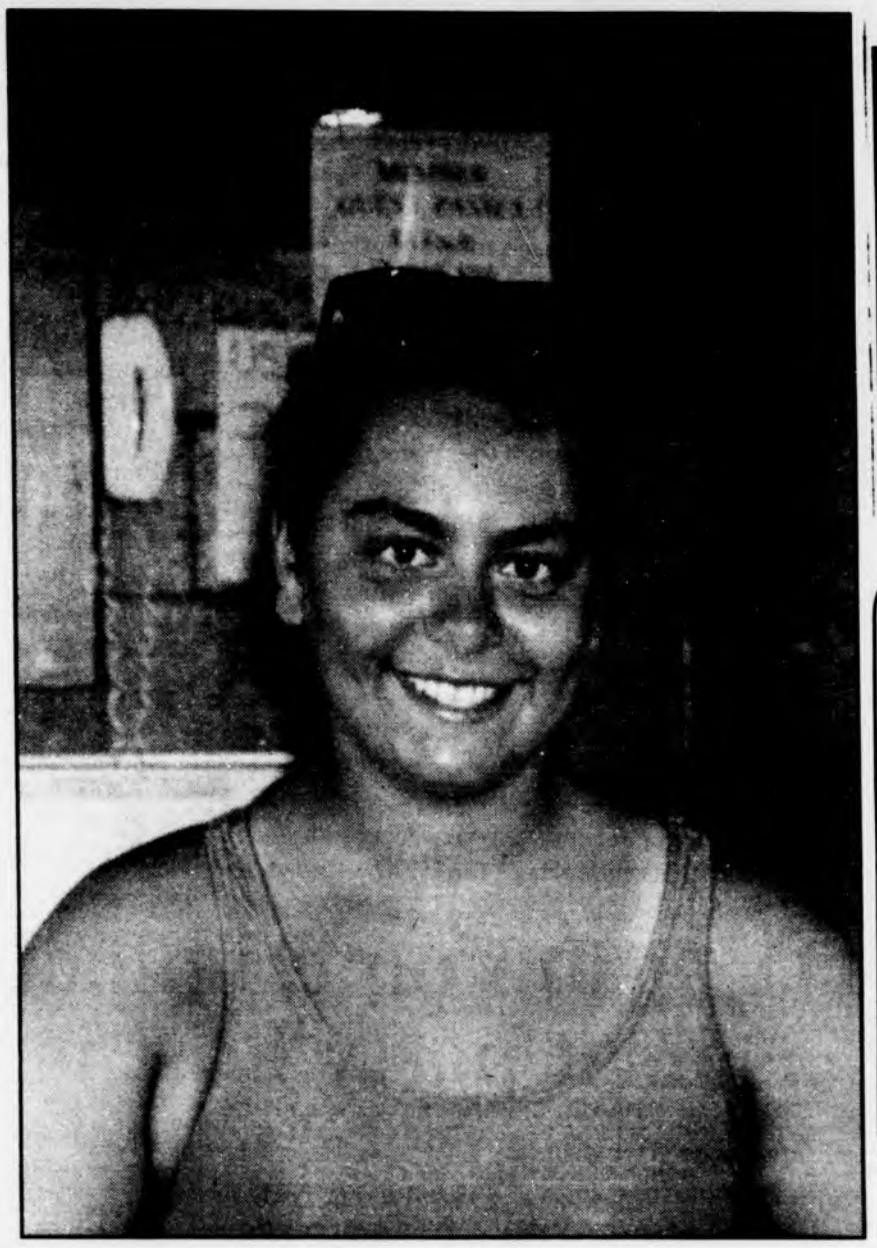

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The main concession stand will be open. Soft drinks and coffee will be available with proceeds going to the Milliken Field project, said Clark Chatterton, who runs the concession and is also athletic director at the high school. Twenty-one students have volunteered their time to work at the concession, he said.

Voters will be asked to enter the tent through aisles five and eight where two tables with checkers will be at both sides of the entrances. Citizens will be asked to sit in the 1552 seats between aisles three and nine. There will also be a section for the press and non-voters.

Children will not be allowed at town meeting during the debate, Town Moderator George Marlette said. However, for those parents, who may feel uncomfortable leaving their children at the Deer Hill School where the PSO has set up a baby-sitting service, the sound system will be set up so anyone outside the tent can hear the debate. When it's time to vote, those parents will be alerted, Marlette said.

Marlette explained that under state law, he has the right to ban children from town meeting. At the annual town meeting, there were complaints, especially from senior citizens who had trouble hearing the debate, that children were being disruptive.

Longo said if it's a hot night the tent cupola will be open and the side flaps will be up.

He said the Music Circus — whose parent company, the South Shore Playhouse Associates, is a non-profit corporation — is happy to donate use of the facility to the town.

"We exist to put money back into the community and other non-profit groups," he said. "We're happy to get involved and be here when people need us."

The Music Circus also donates use of the tent for Cohasset High graduations and this year for the first time, for Deer Hill sixth-grade graduation.

Town meeting will be televised live on Channel 3 with local talk-show host Wigmore Pierson providing commentary.

Decision on criminal charge against party host is pending

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including Tufankjian to attend the hearing. Cohasset Det. Rick Grassie, who is a potential witness, was also excluded.

Tufankjian said a civil suit is the only avenue open to his clients to find out what happened to their son.

Abany said he would hold off issuing the crimnal complaint until Monday to give the parties time to think about it over the weekend because "sometimes something can be worked out. Sometimes lessons have been learned."

Tufankjian said it was absurd to expect the grieving parents (the Smiths) to sit down with the Lennons. He also pointed out that Hamill had instructed Lennon not to talk to the Smiths.

Abany said there was ample evidence that teenagers were drinking at the party.

"There was plenty of evidence that alcohol was available to Thayer graduates at the party," he said. But Abany said evidence presented on the charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor was unclear.

Abany said "in the interest of justice and impartiality" he sequestered the witnesses so they could not be influenced by each other. He only allowed one witness at a time and his or her parents into the hearing room. He cautioned the teenagers, who waited outside in the hall, not to discuss their testimony with one another.

Eight witnesses, all minors, testified at Friday's session, which lasted about 90 minutes. One more, a juvenile whom police say is 16 years old, testified yesterday.

Nina Flaherty, spokeswoman for the District Attorney's office, said the juvenile couldn't testify last week due to illness.

Assistant District Attorney Jon Barooshian is the state's prosecutor on the case.

Police said a bartender at the party served the adults but they believe there was also a keg of beer in another area from which teens were drinking openly. Lennon hosted the party to celebrate his son's graduation from Thayer Academy in Braintree and his daughter's college graduation.

Though he would not specify the blood-alcohol count, Noonan said Gregory Smith's blood alcohol level revealed he had been drinking.

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Let's begin by sending belated wedding anniversary greetings and best wishes to **Mary** and **John Campbell.** They had their special day Aug. 1, celebrating 58 years of marriage!

❑

Remember the fund-raiser that was held by the Sisters to benefit the Retreat Center (St. Joseph's Villa)? Well, here are a few pictures to let you see what you missed — such fun! Dinner was yummy, and the Phil Coulter show at South Shore Music Circus capped off the evening wonderfully well! And, as you can see by the list of prize winners for the raffle that was held July 22, everything was successful. The **Villa Retreat Center** will be better than ever, thanks to all the hard work and your donations!

❑

Have you seen **Rod** and **Marilyn Hobson** walking around with their heads in the clouds for the past month or so? Well, here is the reason for their glee — her name is **Melissa Hobson Alves,** born July 9 at Mount Auburn Hospital. Mom and Dad, **Mark** and **Abigail Alves,** are oh so happy, and Melissa's paternal grandparents, **Roland** and **Carol Alves,** couldn't be happier. Enjoy a wonderful summer with your brand-new baby!

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The weather wasn't the best, but everything else at the first Cohasset **Village Farmers' Market** was superb! It promises to be better with each passing week. So, go tonight (Thursday) from 4 to 8 p.m. If unable to go tonight, why not go next week? The market will be held right through Sept. 26. The market area is located in the municipal parking lot (in front of the old garage) behind the Village.

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Word comes to us from the College of the Holy Cross that **Kimberly Steimle** has been named to the dean's list for the second semester. Kimberly, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Edmund A. Steimle** of Cohasset, graduated as a Patriot League Scholar. She is majoring in Spanish.

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Alexander Gaston, a freshman at Holderness School, Plymouth, N.H., has been named to the school's spring semester honor roll. This spring Alexander, son of **Mr. and Mrs. John Gaston III** of Cohasset, also took part in Holderness' campus-wide student jobs program, sang in the school chorus and played on the boys' junior varsity tennis team.

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Ryan L. Staszko, a sophomore at Tabor Academy, has been named by Headmaster Jay Stroud to the honors list for the second semester. Honors are conferred on students with an average of 80, allowing one grade between 75-79. He is the son of **Donald Staszko** and **Dr. Barbara O'Pray** of Cohasset.

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Plans are in the works for a huge new field opening Sept. 8. Everyone is really getting excited! Won't it be nice to have a wonderful field, under lights?! Watch for details concerning the opening!

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That's the news from here for the week. Please don't forget to include us in your newsworthy event!

❑

Oh yes, happy belated birthday greetings go to **Brendan Mulcahy** — I wonder how many cakes he will get this year? He always manages to get at least three!

— Sallyann
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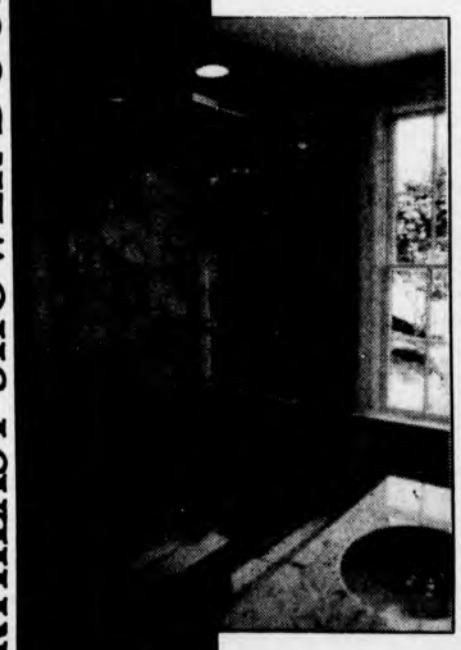

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Obituaries

Harold Williams Thistlethwaite

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Harold Williams Thistlethwaite, 86, of Cohasset, formerly of Winchester and Arlington, died Saturday, July 6, at home after a lengthy illness. Mr. Thistlethwaite was superintendent of many industrial plants in the New York and New England areas and was manager of the tar products division of Koppers Co. based in Pittsburgh, Penn.

He was active in Masonic affairs; a 32nd degree Mason, an Aleppo Temple Shriner and a member of all the York and Scottish Rite bodies. He was a DeMolay dad for many years in Winchester and was associated with the Boy Scouts as well. He will be remembered as a true friend dedicated to Masonry.

He was also a member of Ahepa (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association) and was one of the founders of the Greek Orthodox Church in Cohasset. He was an active member up until the time of his illness, enjoying his participation in the church's major fundraiser, the annual Fourth of July Greek Festival in Cohasset.

Besides his involvement in numerous clubs and organizations, he enjoyed politics, golf, choral music, theater, sports and reading. He and his wife traveled extensively.

He leaves his wife of 41 years, Eleanor (Anifantis); two brothers, Richard Edgar Thistlethwaite of Jefferson, Penn., Thomas Howard Thistlethwaite of Philadelphia, Penn.; and several nieces and nephews.

Masonic graveside services were held July 27 at the Thistlethwaite family plot in Greene County Memorial Park, Waynesburg, Penn.

A 40 day memorial service will be held 10 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 18, at Panagia Greek Orthodox Church, 819 Jerusalem Road in Cohasset. Relatives and friends are invited.

Memorial gifts in Mr. Thistlethwaite's memory may be sent to Jefferson Baptist Church, Box 218, Jefferson, PA 15344 or to Panagia Greek Orthodox Church Building Fund, 810 Jerusalem Rd., Cohasset, 02025.

Volleyball evening set

Friday, Aug. 9, the Teen Center will have a volleyball evening at Sandy Beach from 5 to 8 p.m. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Games and tournaments will be set up for all participants. All seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders are welcome to join in on the fun!

Friday, Aug. 23, the Teen Center will sponsor a trip to Water Country in Portsmouth, N.H. Tickets are $20 per person.

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Great seats on the floor, front center are available at The Wang Center, August 14, 2 p.m. matinee. $58 for ticket and bus.

Nantasket picnic is slated

South Shore Elder Services, Inc., invites all seniors to attend its fourth annual picnic on Nantasket Beach Thursday, Aug. 15, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided by "The King of Nostalgia." Live and recorded music from the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s will be provided.

All senior participants will be eligible for a free ride on the carousel and a free ice cream courtesy of Brewed Awakenings.

A picnic lunch will be served at noon at the pavilion. The cost for lunch is $1.75.

If you would like to come, call the nutrition department at (617) 848-3910. All reservations must be made by Thursday, Aug. 8.

Children's author signing is set

Scituate children's author Evelyn Finnegan will sign copies of her new book "My Little Friend Goes to School" on Friday, Aug. 16, from 3 to 5 p.m., at Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset.

In this, the third of the "My Little Friend" series, we follow Alex through his first day of school. He wants to go...he's just not sure. The charming text and colorful illustrations will appeal to and reassure children who are entering school for the first time.

Finnegan is a former teacher, children's librarian and cable television storyteller. Scituate painter Diane Houghton has beautifully illustrated this story, as she has done for the other "My Little Friend" books.

Call 383-2665 for more information or to order your signed copy.

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EDITORIAL

It's time for Joseph Osgood 3rd

The original Joseph Osgood School, built in 1890, stood where the police and fire stations now are.

The Joseph Osgood School 2nd — initially named the Ripley Road School which served as the high school — was built in 1927 when Calvin Coolidge was president.

Today's Cohasset High School followed in 1951 and finally Deer Hill was completed in 1955 — 41 years ago.

As you can see — the town hasn't been in the business of building schools for more than four decades — longer than many of today's Osgood School parents have been alive.

If you oppose the new school because of the cost and effect on your taxes — we ask you to consider the following facts:

• Through the School Building Assistance Act, the state is paying for 60 percent of the total project costs including interest charges.

• The state has ranked Cohasset 14th in level of need out of the 64 projects submitted by this year's June 1 deadline — not only does this validate the town's need for a new facility, but the priority placement means Cohasset could start receiving state reimbursement sooner than expected saving the town about $400,000 in interest charges.

• New state legislation also allows towns with municipal school building projects to borrow over the short term for up to five years. This takes the spike out of the "bubble years" when taxes on the typical home valued at $242,000 would have jumped to more than $200 annually until state reimbursement kicked in.

• Owners of a $242,000 home will see an average increase of $100 or about $2 a week in their annual tax bill over 20 years to pay for the new school.

• The cheapest alternative to building a new school would involve partial rehabilitation of the existing Osgood School with no addition. Portable classrooms would be used. Cost: $3.9 million, which is as much as the town's share of constructing a new school. The aging Osgood School does not qualify for state reimbursement.

• A new school could drive up property values — portable classrooms at the rear of Osgood could have a negative effect on values.

• The existing Osgood School could be sold and returned to the tax rolls helping the town recoup more of the cost of building a new school. Take a look at Central School in Scituate, which was turned into apartments for senior citizens.

• Rising enrollments are a fact of life. Many of Cohasset's elderly citizens will eventually sell their homes. Families with children will continue to move into town. If you think Cohasset is too expensive for young families, please take a look at Conservatory Park in Hingham — it is full of $600,000 homes and there are plenty of kids' bicycles in those driveways.

In 1927 — the year Osgood was built, Charles A. Lindbergh made the first solo flight across the Atlantic. It took him 33-1/2 hours to fly from New York to Paris. That same year, 'The Jazz Singer' with Al Jolson was the first major motion picture to use synchronized sound.

Clearly, it's time to retire Osgood as a school.

Cohasset has a choice on Monday: to live in the past or move into the future. We urge you to cast your vote for the next generation — vote No on Article One. Let the school project go forward.

— Mary Ford

Reasons behind debate flap detailed

To the Editor:

Many of your readers, as well as those who tune in to the local cable television channel, were led to believe that proponents and opponents of Cohasset's new elementary school would debate the issue on Wigmore Pierson's cable show Aug. 4. Unfortunately, such was not to be the case.

We believe all Cohasset residents have the right to know why this debate was cancelled. Perhaps the following chronology will be helpful.

The School Committee and School Facilities/Building Committee agreed to the debate at the request of Mr. Pierson. Then the so-called Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers group demanded the right to reject members of our team, including the Superintendent of Schools and the project architects. In order to save the debate so Cohasset residents would have an opportunity to hear the truth about the project, we reluctantly agreed to replace the Superintendent.

Then CCT demanded the show's format be changed from a debate to two separate monologues. Mr. Pierson gave in to this demand and changed the format of the show before speaking with us. We pointed out that this same group had forced a costly special Town Meeting on the new school project, claiming there had been insufficient debate. So their refusal to debate was puzzling to us. However, we again agreed to appear in order to preserve Cohasset residents' ability to get more information about the new school.

CCT then demanded the right to appear last on the now four-part show, following presentations on the new school, the equally contentious sewer issue and the appearance of Cohasset selectmen. It is clear that CCT wanted an opportunity to have the last word on these issues. Mr. Pierson cancelled the show without ever asking us if we would be willing to compromise a third time by appearing first. We would have done so, albeit it reluctantly.

Make no mistake about it. This debate was killed by the arrogance of the supposedly Concerned Taxpayers and their unwillingness to play fairly. We deeply regret that our fellow citizens have been deprived of the opportunity to have the issue debated openly, with rebuttal from each side, in a public forum tailor-made for such an occasion.

Ralph D. Kidder
2 Cushing Road

Cohasset Village rail stop is opposed

The following is an open letter to Cohasset citizens. A copy was also sent to the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

To the Editor:

I feel your plans for a train stop in Cohasset Village are disgraceful.

A train stop with the size of public parking you are proposing would aesthetically ruin the Village, and ruin parking for everyone else going about their daily business locally. A train would bring in dirt, trash, noise, dangerous crossings, indigent individuals and crime. This has been proven to be true by experiences in other small communities around the United States in which a commuter railroad has been forced through the area (See U.S. News and World Report, Aug. 15, 1994, p. 18, "Lock the House, Here Comes the Train").

People come to Cohasset because it is a beautiful place to live and visit. Let's not change that, ever.

Joan Jensen
63 Howe Road

Community Center says thanks for support

To the Editor:

We at the South Shore Community Center would like to thank everyone, including many businesses and associations, who helped make this past year a successful one for us. Please know we will continue to do our best to serve the community to the fullest.

I would like to mention a few who have supported the center in so many ways, and hope everyone will recognize their generosity.

Many thanks to:

South Shore Music Circus, GEMS, Cohasset Chamber of Commerce, Grateful Dads, Tosca's, Bank of Boston, Suburban, Cohasset Rotary Club, The Chart House, Alco Oil, Verc Car Wash, Cards and Shards, Cohasset Elder Services and Eastern Alarm.

There is not enough room to mention every business, association and special volunteer, but we thank you all.

Susan Glaney DiPesa,
president

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Service project volunteers say 'thanks'

To the Editor:

The 1996 Appalachia Service Project volunteers have returned home to Cohasset, deeply touched by the memories of their week in the hills of West Virginia. Eighty-four Cohasset high school students, college CITS and adult advisers worked hard repairing the homes of needy families. They shingled roofs, built porches, sheetrocked ceilings, replaced floors and dug trenches, making each home safer, drier and warmer for the families they grew to love in this one intense week of fellowship.

Cohasset can be proud of its teen-agers "building bridges" with others less fortunate than they are. One truly memorable job was the construction of a 25-foot bridge across a creek for a lonely 84-year-old man "marooned" in his home, unable to reach the road and shut off from the world. By the week's end, he walked hand in hand with our kids across his new bridge to a joyful reunion with his family.

ASP volunteers would like to express heartfelt gratitude to every one of our loyal supporters. Thank you to everyone who bought Thanksgiving pies or Super Bowl subs, who had their leaves raked or their cars washed and who contributed children's books or bought "stock." Without generous friends and neighbors like you, this trip would not have been possible. We return to Cohasset with new insights and a deeper sense of community.

Sue McNamara
150 Beach St.

New school is an investment in future

To the Editor:

For many years, I lived in a small city which was distinguished by two characteristics: the failure of that community to provide adequate facilities for its schoolchildren and an inability among its citizenry to discuss the issues civilly and rationally. Sadly, I found the same problems existent in Cohasset, the town I have called home for almost two years.

The most salient feature of the school system of my former hometown was the age of its school buildings. Whether some wish to admit it, school buildings are like most things — they have a useful life suitable for the times in which they were built. But at some point, they no longer can serve the needs of those who must utilize them years later.

Schools are not merely buildings; they are places of learning which must change with the times. My former home city had the oldest schools in the state. As in Cohasset, efforts to replace the old and inadequate schools met with decades of inaction. Those who refused to face reality, or who opposed new schools for other, self-motivating reasons, continually thwarted the efforts of those who wished to have the schools move forward.

The results are predictable: the school system declined; new families stopped moving into the city; those who already were living there fled; and property values fell precipitously as neighboring school districts, which modernized their school facilities, proved more attractive to homeowners with children.

I fully understand the plight of those senior citizens of modest means who live on fixed incomes for whom the increase in property taxes will be a hardship. I will not engage in platitudes about the necessity or desirability of sacrificing for the future of the children of this community, because I realize such statements are not a sufficient counterweight to the economic concerns of the present.

However, those for whom the extra $200-$300 per year will not represent a serious economic burden should consider the simple fact that the money each of us will be investing in a new school will bring us a substantial return in the form of greater property values for our homes. I suspect most of those opposed to a new school have not bought a home recently. I suggest they look in the real estate pages of the Globe on any given Saturday (or call any local real estate broker), because in the profiles of communities, the chief topic of any list is the quality of the school system.

It is a given that communities such as ours have low crime rates and nice homes; what distinguishes one from the others when homebuyers consider where to raise a family is the quality of the public schools. It is a penny-wise and pound-foolish proposition to decide the Cohasset school system should not move forward. When a future headline in the South Weekly section of the Boston Globe informs readers throughout the South Shore that our elementary students are being taught in makeshift mobile units adjacent to Osgood School, the damage to our community's image — and consequential negative economic impact upon our property values — will be long-lasting. This is not a scare tactic (as the opponents like to say). It is something I have experienced firsthand. And with a large kindergarten enrollment for this coming year, it will happen in Cohasset.

Beyond the question of a new school itself, however, what has been most disheartening about the discussion of this issue is the vitriol with which the campaign against it is being waged. Whatever happened to the concept of "disagreeing without being disagreeable"? I fully appreciate the right of individuals to fight — and to fight hard — for a cause they believe in.

But obsessiveness, whether at an individual or collective level, never is healthy. At some point, there must be closure to an issue so the community can move on. While it is true that the group opposing the new school is within its rights to call for a Special Town Meeting, it is a perversion of the democratic process when that Special Town Meeting has been called in the face of a previously favorable vote by the majority of citizens on the issue.

The Special Town Meeting cannot overturn the Prop 2-1/2 override. So what will be accomplished if the opponents succeed? Nothing — other than the needless wasting of scarce town resources and creating further divisiveness — because even if the school opponents are successful with their article at the Special Town Meeting (which is being called at the height of vacation season), all of us can rest assured that within a very short time frame, proponents of a new school, such as myself, who constitute a majority of the citizens of the town as evidenced by our referendum vote, will call for another Special Town Meeting to rescind the vote of this Special Town Meeting.

(In addition, there is the threshold legal issue of whether the Aug. 10 Special Town Meeting can rescind the earlier Town Meeting vote, because the SJC wrote in the 1923 Townsend case that a Town Meeting may not rescind a prior Town Meeting vote if obligations have been incurred — and the town has already incurred hundreds of thousands of expenses for the new school).

We should not forget the Biblical admonition that "If a house is divided, that house cannot stand unto itself." I understand—without implying any criticism of their feelings—that many of the longtime residents of this town would just as soon not have to deal with an influx of new families with young children who are inflating the elementary-school population.

However, Cohasset is not alone in having to address the problems inherent in this demographic shift. But what will separate our community from the others is whether we deal with this reality based on the facts and what is best for our town as a whole — or whether we will allow ourselves to sink into the abyss of emotionalism and consume ourselves with negativity.

Andrew P. Quigley
38 Jerusalem Road

Why is town's tax rate higher?

To the Editor:

It would be fair to say that Cohasset, Dover and Manchester-by-the-Sea are three communities with a similiar "very special quality of life."

But the Cohasset tax rate is 27.3 percent higher than in Dover and Manchester. Why?

Town	1992 population	1996 total assessed valuation ($ millions)	1996 Tax rate per $1000 valuation	Moody's Debt Rating (Aa is better than A. Aaa is the highest rating.)	Debt capita (June/1995 dept/1994 population)
Cohasset	7,257	833	$14.50	A	$604
Dover	5,126	882	$11.35	Aa	$170
Mancester-by-the-Sea	5,410	782	$11.30	Aa	$635

Source: Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation

Bruce F. McKinnon
70 Fair Oaks Lane

School consensus must be reached

To the Editor:

Again, Cohasset is in a crisis situation regarding its proposed new school building. We have had two Town Meetings and two override votes, but the populace is still restless regarding the site chosen. The issue of whether the present Osgood School is adequate is clear — something must be done.

Although the School Facilities Committee has diligently spent many hours at meetings and other work/telephone sessions as discussed at their June 25 meeting, the dust has not settled, nor has it been concluded for at least half of the townspeople.

Now, a petition to rescind the vote and start over on the school project has been proposed. I support it, since the present plan cannot be changed for funding and is flawed, as critical town boards' input was lacking.

Two possible solutions stand out: rehab the Osgood School with land-taking to create area for expansion and fields; develop a new building near the Deer Hill in the flagpole area as a campus, sharing educational programs between the schools, Change the egress of the site from Sohier Street, which is dangerous, and add more fields. Enlarge the nature study area on the 70-plus-acre site.

Twenty-five years ago, when the 70-plus-acre school land was acquired, it was known the land was marginal due to perc test failures, and the site chosen for the school was in the Pleasant Lane area. That area was rejected by Town Meeting.

I urge all to attend Town Meeting to participate in this most important vote for your town and its children. It is important that we reach a consensus with this vote.

Martha Gjesteby
Old Pasture Road

New school is right decision

To the Editor:

The year is 1996. Televisions, computers, and cars are here to stay. At least one of these or all of these are owned or used by you daily.

This year is 192., 75 years ago most families had none of these items. For the 75 years since then I do not know of anyone who has not acquired a television, telephone or a car. Personally the residents of Cohasset have not denied themselves the right and need to advance.

Yet the town has continually questioned the need for its schools to advance along with new technology.

The Osgood School has been left in the dust. The building is unsafe, inaccessible to handicapped students and unequipped to meet the educational needs of today and the future, to name but a few of its inadequacies.

We need a public school system and school that will prepare our children and then some to live, work and prosper in a technological world that is here to stay. The phrase "a little paint and paper will cover a multitude of sins" is uninformed and (grossly) untrue. We have an obligation to our children to best prepare them for the world they will face. To turn our backs with statements such as "It was good enough for me" or "My children did OK" is uncaring and unwilling to invest in our town and its future.

The Osgood School, however quaint, is good enough no longer. Unfortunately too many things have been good enough for too long and now we are faced with many expenses as a town. I am very sensitive to this but do not see what can be gained by putting this project off, jeopardizing state funding and putting or band-aid on the Osgood School to the tune of $3.9 million with no reimbursement. The new school will cost you $205 per year for four years, $3.90 per week, then drop off to $95 a year thereafter or $1.80 per week. Let's back Cohasset's beauty and reputation by a school and a school system to be proud of — a system and facilities that will prepare our children to compete and prosper in the 21st century. A system and facilities that will increase your property values and retain your home as a sound investment. Don't let Cohasset rest on its laurels any longer. The town's reputation, value and future is at stake. Please vote no against reconsideration.

Mary Beth Carrier
32 Fair Oaks Lane

For more letters see pages 13, 14.

Advisers won't back school articles

Say project should go forward

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

The $9.9 million new school project has received a boost.

On Tuesday, the advisory board voted to not recommend either the article that calls for the halt of the project, or the article that seeks to move the school.

Board members delayed their decision on the sewer article until Monday, when they would have more information.

Board member Leland Jenkins cast the sole dissenting vote against not recommending the halt of school project.

The board was unanimously in favor of not recommending the article that calls for the school to be moved closer to Deer Hill School.

Roger Whitley, as chairman, does not vote unless there is a tie.

"When I cast a ballot, I will be not in favor," he said.

The two articles, articles 1 and 6, were driven by petitions circulated by citizens. The special town meeting, which will be held Monday, Aug. 12, at 7:30 p.m., was initiated by the proponents of Article 1, which seeks to halt the school project.

The town meeting has six articles on the warrant.

Jenkins' contention was that the issues that arose with the new school project should have been sorted out before the March town meeting.

He also believed that the site had not been studied in depth, and other sites should have been more thoroughly researched.

Jenkins added that all advisory board members should see the site, which he stresses is all wetlands, before they make their decision.

Whitley disagreed.

"Why don't we leave it to the professionals? That is why we appoint a committee," he said, speaking of the School Facilities Committee, which was appointed to oversee the new school project.

Members agreed that the expertise of other town boards should have been utilized earlier, and the process could have run smoother.

Several added that the concerns were being addressed now, and the project was not called into question.

Board Member Ken Ingber was initially leery of supporting the project.

"I now feel better," he said. "If there is a killer criticism, I am not hearing it at this point."

Member Dick Avery agreed.

He said that the concerns of the opponents were listened to, and some addressed, but "on balance" they weren't monumental concerns.

At the July 17 meeting of the school facilities committee, several advisory board members aired concerns and asked questions. The majority of them were answered, other answers are forthcoming.

Rick Flynn said that the project was even more worthwhile with the recent news of Cohasset's favorable placement on the state list for reimbursement.

The school project is earmarked for 60 percent reimbursement by the state.

Member Dan Evans said that the advisory board should be advocates of the new school, and correctly frame the issues.

The article seeking to move the school received little discussion.

Several members said that the new site would put the school on top of the flagpole in front of Deer Hill, and would be too close to the neighbors on Sohier Street.

The members of the advisory board held off making recommendations on the Article 2 and 3 until Monday, when they expect to have further information. The board scheduled a meeting before the special town meeting.

Article 2 deals with borrowing approximately $6 million for sewer construction in the Straits Pond/ Hull Street area; it also sets the stage for a Proposition 2 1/2 override which calls for the town to pay for half of the project.

Sewer Commission Ted Guild said this article is identical to the one that appeared before the town in March; however, a subsequent override did not pass.

"It gives the North Cohasset people another bite of the apple on the Proposition 2 1/2 override," he said.

If it passes, an override election would have to be scheduled in 45 days.

Before they made a recommendation, advisory committee members want assurances from town counsel that if the article passed, it wouldn't throw the sewer project off track.

Guild said proponents are looking for assurances from the town that they will be treated equitably.

Board members also requested further information on Article 3, which, if passed, would allow the town to make $500,000 in subsidized loans available at below market rates for residents who need to repair or improve septic systems.

Under the plan, the state would lend the money at half the market rate. Board members wanted to know if more, or less, than $500,000 could be borrowed as needed.

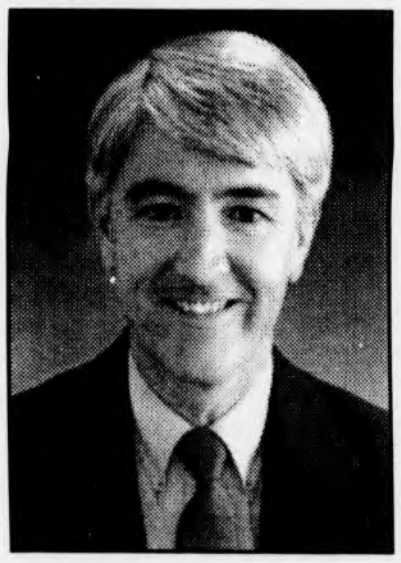
Members recommended Article 4 which appropriates $2,000 to help cover the cost of town meeting. Whitley said that the cost would more than likely exceed that amount.

The board also voted to approve Town Accountant Mike Buckley's recommendation that town meeting appropriate $25,900 to fund the Konohasset Clerical Association contract. Buckley added that the state aid the town received exceeded his estimates, and could be used to fund the agreement between the board of selectmen and the association.

In other business, the advisory board reelected chairman Whitley, elected Avery clerk and Ingber vice- chairman.

Ed Teague's Eye on Congress Fighting Crime

HYANNIS Ma -- Last week the Massachusetts Legislature passed a Sex Offender Law which requires convicted sex offenders to register with local authorities. The leader of the effort to pass the new bill was State Representative and Congressional Candidate Ed Teague (R-Yarmouth). "I'm obviously very proud to have been the sponsor of this bold new initiative," Teague said. "Now parents can feel a bit safer in their own neighborhoods."



Congressional Candidate Ed Teague

Passage of the Sex Offender Law through the State House has taken much of Ed Teague's time in recent weeks, but it is not the only anti-crime initiative Teague has proposed. In his campaign for the U.S. Congress, one of the questions he is most frequently asked is: How does he plan to confront the growing problem of crime? His answers are contained in Ed Teague's *Ten Point Plan for the Cape and South Shore.*

Although there are no easy answers to the complex challenge of fighting crime, Teague has addressed the crime problem at several levels. In developing his plan, Teague looked into the causes of crime, ways to deter potential criminals and punishing criminals when crimes are committed.

Teague's vision is to return to a time when neighbors left their front doors open without fear. With that clear goal in mind, he crafted an anti-crime package which combines the reduction of furloughs and paroles, inmate work requirements, restitution of victims, deportation of alien criminals, and, when warranted, the death penalty.

"Unfortunately, criminals aren't deterred from committing crimes because local police often don't get the tools they need to fight crimes," Teague said. "To make matters worse, criminals aren't locked up when they are caught and the few we are locking up are allowed to relax in luxury while they plan their next crime."

"It's a broken system that sends one clear message to criminals: Crime Pays," Teague continued. "Until we are willing to lock up those who are holding our neighborhoods hostage, we will have the same violent criminals committing the same crimes over and over again."

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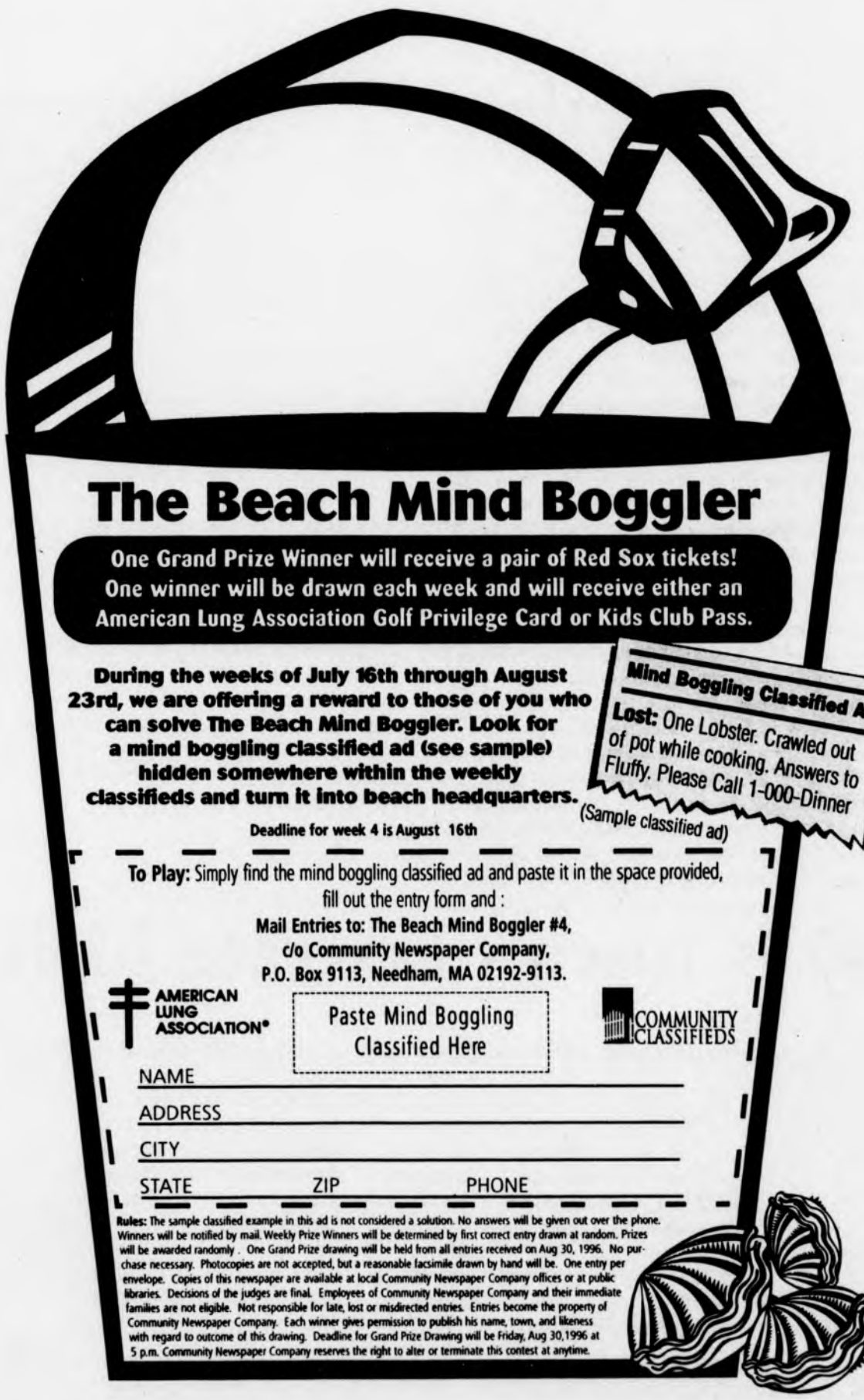

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Fair solution to sewering costs sought

To Cohasset citizens:

First, thank you for your overwhelming support for a fair approach to costs for sewering. On March 30, you supported an amended Article 4 calling for a 50/50 sharing of costs by the Town and those to be sewered in the Straits Pond/Hull Street area subject to a Proposition 2-1/2 override. Unfortunately, the override failed narrowly by a swing vote of only 34 votes. More voters needed to understand the need for a "Yes" vote for this phase of the sewering so that the same program would be available for Central/Hillside and non-sewered on-site repairs.

We have not been idle since that override failed. We heard your concerns regarding on-site repairs not being able to enjoy the same plan. We sought, and indeed received, full support of the Selectmen and Sewer Commissioners to ask voters at the fall town meeting to support a 50/50 sharing of costs for the Straits Pond/Hull Street area, Central/Hillside and for on-site repairs subject to a Prop 2-1/2 override. We believe there were honorable attempts to do this, but, unfortunately, Central/Hillside cannot be presented for consideration until our annual spring meeting.

We honestly do not want to delay the North Cohasset sewer project. We have received verbal assurances that Selectmen and Sewer Commissioners will support a 50/50 cost sharing plan in the future. But Boards do come and go. We asked that a Motion be presented Aug. 12 with the support of all boards and you, the residents and voters, once again to say through your vote on that motion that 50/50 is the only fair way in these times.

DID YOU KNOW:

1. All Cohasset taxpayers paid 100 percent of the costs for our current treatment plant's construction? There was no betterment charge assessed against these early sewered residences.

2. Operation and maintenance costs through 1996 to date have totaled $2,818,297 and only $749,441 was collected from the users, leaving more than two million dollars paid out of general revenues? This amount is in addition to the construction costs paid out of general revenues.

We seek a fairer distribution of costs!

3. We never asked that North Cohasset go first — we didn't even know certain areas were ever to be sewered. The decision was powered in part by the necessity to clean up Straits Pond and the pleas by Hull for Cohasset to act.

We need a townwide cohesive policy: 50/50 cost-sharing of construction costs and 100 percent of operation and maintenance costs to be borne by the users.

Please come to the Special Town Meeting Monday, Aug. 12, at the Music Circus Tent, 7:30 p.m. Let us speak with one voice — let us commit our sewering future to a fair, reasonable and equitable plan.

Diane C. Sullivan, for our group
708 Jerusalem Rd.

Support for sewer, school urged

To the Editor:

When we decided to live in Cohasset, we were drawn by the quaint village and beautiful common. But a town is more than cute buildings, ponds and pretty lawns...most of all it is the people. And the many family events on the common, the active Council for the Aging, and strong Historical Society reflected the values and commitment to community with which we wanted to raise our children.

During the past year we have been saddened to see the community divided over support for a new school and sewer project. Commitment to education and the environment is at the heart of the legacy a community leaves to its children. The new school and the sewer are both projects long overdue, and that we can no longer afford to put off.

One of the responsibilities of living in a community, is participating in its town meetings. We urge you to attend the Special Town Meeting Monday, Aug. 12. We urge you to support both education and the environment.

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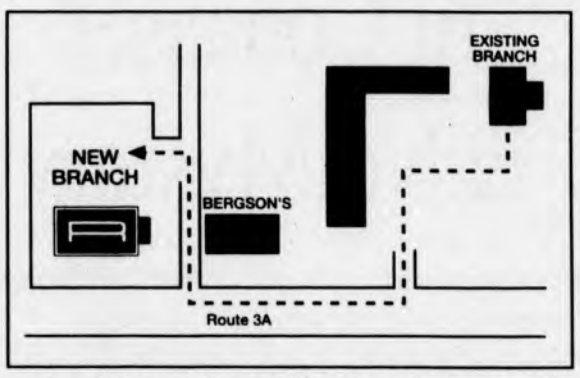

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coalition wants selectmen to nix Greenbush train

Dear Cohasset Selectmen,

June 17, several members of the Coastal Coalition of Cohasset made a presentation regarding the proposed Greenbush train. We updated you on Greenbush issues and requested that you consider three responses:

1. Reread the draft EIR available at the library.

2. Write a letter to the Inspector General of Mass. asking him to look into the wasteful spending by the MBTA on the Greenbush project, and,

3. Cosign a letter to Gov. Weld asking him to reconsider his decision.

I followed this up with a letter (June 18) reviewing our requests and provided some additional information for your review. In this letter I indicated that we would be awaiting a response within the next few weeks.

Since this time, I have made several calls to Mr. Doyan in an attempt to find out what the selectmen decided in response to our requests. It has been almost tow months and we have yet to hear from any one of you. To say that I am disappointed in the lack of any response to our requests is putting it mildly. I understand there are many older important issues on the table that are demanding your attention and I also understand that it is summer. However, the issue of the reconstruction of Greenbush is also a critical issue and requires the attention of you, our elected officials. Remember that at least 50 percent of the town voted against it! This proposed train will affect every fiber of our town and its citizens and ultimately all its relevant issues will fall upon your shoulders. Please consider our requests and advise us of the course of action you have chosen.

Janyce H. Brown
Cohasset

Ed's note: This letter was sent to selectmen.

Friends of Sen. Hedlund to host evening

Thursday, Aug. 22, Friends of Senator Bob Hedlund will host an evening with Broadway and TV star Harry Belafonte. There will be a reception at 7 p.m. at "The Ridges," home of Polly Logan, 121 Nichols Road, Cohasset, followed by the concert at the South Shore Music Circus, chairman Polly Logan announced.

Friends may attend the reception or concert only or may wish to attend both the concert and the reception Logan added. Sen. Hedlund will mix and mingle at the tent party and at intermission at the South Shore Music Circus with guest Harry Belafonte.

Belafonte world-wide concert tours have repeatedly sold out since 1956 and at the Music Circus he gives audiences a mix of traditional material like "Day O" (The Banana Boat Song), and "Island in the Sun" as well as new and redefined pieces.

Sen. Hedlund has effectively represented the towns of Weymouth, Hingham, Cohasset, Hull, Scituate, Marshfield, Duxbury, and South Braintree, Logan said.

Benefit information may be obtained from Polly Logan, 383-0031; Linda Glennon, 337-4138; Ann Collins, 749-0817; Carl Harris, 749-7715; Joan Francis, 545-1361 and Audrey MacDonald, 934-0366.

Johnston to host health care forum

Phil Johnston, Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District, will host the first in a series of district-wide health care forums Thursday, Aug. 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Hingham Community Center, 70 South St. in Hingham.

Johnston is the former New England director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. He resigned his presidential appointment to launch his congressional campaign.

The health forum speakers will include Dr. Turner Bledsoe of Hingham, regional medical director of Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and Dr. Judith Palfrey, director of general pediatrics at Children's Hospital in Boston.

Johnston has proposed a Congressional Health Consumers' Bill of Rights which would protect health care for all citizens. "The number one issue for the working, middle class families in this district and throughout the country, is health care. It is outrageous that today in this state alone, there are 700,000 people without health insurance coverage. I strongly believe that all citizens are entitled to high quality, affordable health care," Johnston said.

Managed health care, he said, must attend to the needs of the consumer, where medical decisions are not made on the basis of financial greed, but rather on what is best for the patient.

Following statements by the panel members, there will be questions from the audience.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

Guarding the nest egg

Can baby boomers keep their 401(k)s safe?

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

More than ever, the safety of your 401(k) is in your own hands — but a recent court case may shift the onus to employers.

Is your 401(k) money safe? That's the question for the nation's 22 million 401(k) investors — most of them baby boomers — who depend on the $553 billion in their accounts to see them through their elder-boomer years. Given the electoral clout of this group, it's not surprising that First Boomer Bill Clinton recently proposed legislation intended to alleviate boomer worries about retirement.

Behind this concern lurks a harsh reality: As corporate paternalism wanes — 30,000 pension plans have vanished since 1990 — employers are increasingly shoving liability for the rising tide of 401(k) plans onto workers.

So far, no 401(k)s have tanked. However, the Department of Labor, which regulates the nation's 140,000 401(k) plans, recently proposed new rules that would give greater protection to 401(k) plan managers. At the same time, benefits experts at some of the Big Six accounting firms now say that some plan managers don't apply the same tough fiduciary oversight to 401(k)s that they apply to pensions. That could prove important: Elderboomers stuck with lousy plan choices now could face a dangerously reduced standard of living in retirement, with little recourse to make up the difference. Labor will not bail out plans that go belly up, the way the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. saves pensions. Also, it's generally illegal for companies to lend money to their 401(k)s in the event of a loss.

There's a simple monetary reality behind the problems with 401(k) plan oversight: Corporate executives spend hours on end keeping vigil over their pension plan investments because they're funding these plans with the company's dough. Employees fund their 401(k)s largely with their own money.

A recent class action lawsuit filed by the employees of Unisys Corp., a Pennsylvania computer maker, illuminates the problem. Benefits experts agree that the Unisys case is a portrait in miniature of what's wrong with the management of 401(k)s today.

Last January, a federal appeals court in Philadelphia ruled in favor of employees who are suing Unisys over $100 million in 401(k) losses stemming from an Executive Life guaranteed investment contract offered in the company's 401(k) plan. The case still has to return to district court for a final decision, but the appeals decision could set a precedent on behalf of investors.

Unisys got its investments from Executive Life Insurance of California, which went bust in 1991 because of heavy junk-bond losses. The employees successfully argued in appeals court that Unisys had breached its fiduciary duties of prudence and due diligence by not sufficiently warning them about the riskiness of the investments or about Executive Life's horrid financial situation. For example, employees showed that management's due diligence consisted largely of looking at Executive Life's good credit ratings.

In its defense, Unisys argued that it was protected by law because its employees controlled their 401(k) assets. The court agreed that Unisys had protection under the law, but also concluded that it may have violated its fiduciary duties of prudence and remanded the case back to district court for trial.

The Labor Department recently proposed new rules to clarify the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, which outlines a company's fiduciary responsibility in administering 401(k) plans. An employer who follows the rules (they're optional) is more likely to offer a solid plan. On the other hand, by following the rules, an employer protects itself against lawsuits and complaints, even if the employer put poor investment choices into a 401(k) plan.

The crucial part determines when information becomes advice. Giving investment advice makes an employer potentially liable for the performance of investments. If the employer stays on the information side of the line, you are legally and squarely in control of your 401(k).

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor for Worth magazine.)

To our readers

This week, Community Newspaper Company introduces a weekly feature called "Personal Finance."

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WITH THE CANDIDATES

Rep. Ed Teague apologizes for absentee vote

Sargent calls for his resignation as minority leader

By SUSANNA GRAHAM-PYE
Cohasset Mariner

Statehouse Speaker Thomas Finneran "reminded" legislators they are not allowed to record votes for one another after it was discovered that Rep. Ed Teague, R-Yarmouth, had a colleague cast his vote while he was out campaigning for Congress.

Bill Sargent, independent Republican candidate for the 10th Congressional District, called for Teague's resignation as House Minority Leader last week.

"Since, by his actions, Teague has put his Congressional campaign before his duties to the electorate, he should resign as minority leader," Sargent said. "The position of voters' trust should not be entrusted to others. Such maneuvering is irresponsible and unethical."

The discovery came during a recent vote on the Rivers Protection Bill. Rep. Jacqueline Lewis, R-Bridgewater, was seen pushing the voting button at Teague's desk while he was in Hull at a cable television interview, campaigning for the U.S. 10th Congressional District seat.

Teague had left the Statehouse nearly an hour before Rep. Lewis voted for him.

"It was a mistake," Teague said. "My error was in not telling Rep. Lewis that I'd left the building."

While Teague said he had never before actually left the building and let a colleague vote for him, state Rep. Christopher Hodgkins, D-Lee, said several weeks ago he saw Teague getting into his car. There was a vote shortly after that and Teague's light went on. He said he saw someone else voting for Teague several times after that and he spoke to the representative about it.

Finneran said only court officers, not legislators, may vote for an absent legislator, and only when he or she is "suffering from some form of physical incapacity."

But Teague said it is "a courtesy, for lack of a better term," for leadership members to have peers vote for them. That usually happens, however, only when the representative is still in the building.

"I looked at the clock, and saw all of a sudden it was approaching seven," he said. "I rushed out of the building and didn't call Jacqui (Lewis). That was a mistake."

After his error was pointed out to him by a reporter, he requested that the House clerk remove his vote from the record, Teague said.

"It was a poor choice. I just hustled out of the building," he said. He emphasized that Lewis was part of the day's discussions surrounding the bill and knew where he stood.

The Rivers Protection Bill was aimed at inserting greater protection for rivers into the Wetlands Protection Act. Teague said he was involved with last-minute discussions surrounding an amendment for an exemption of a hazardous waste cleanup site in Pittsfield. Teague said he opposed that amendment.

Teague's opponents in the congressional race wasted no time in seizing the opportunity to criticize the act and his record on environmental issues.

Norfolk County District Attorney William Delahunt was the first to zero in on the action after the news broke.

He fired off press releases that called Teague "missing in action in crucial environmental fight."

"....Ed Teague not only violated the voters' trust when he attempted to deceive them, by having another Republican cast his votes," Delahunt said, "but he further violated that trust by missing the debate and votes on many important amendments to the Rivers Bill as well."

In response, Teague said he'd looked "very carefully at the bill" and that his discussions on the rivers bill had been the thing that pulled his attention from the clock that day and got him rushing to his next appointment.

"My voting record is 99 percent, or thereabouts, since I've come to the legislature," he said. "There really shouldn't be much of a question about my commitment to that. On the matter of the bill, it passed by a very large majority and by no means was my vote crucial."

Teague said he thought it unlikely that the legislative voting practices will change after the attention given to the events.

"Let's put it this way. Since I've been here, this courtesy has been extended to those in leadership positions," he said. "The speaker, ways and means chairman, members who are signed to conference committees — they have a raft of other matters that will take them off the floor."

But Sargent said it was a serious matter.

"It's basically a character issue," he said. "He wants people to think that what he did was a mere bending of the rules, when he was actually breaking them. I don't want this wink-and-nod system to be taken to the U.S. Congress. It's certainly something Studds never did."

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Mariner Sports

Junior championships ready to set sail

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The world isn't coming to Cohasset, but it will be playing host to an athletic competition perfect for a community whose summer activities revolve around the ocean.

The largest general junior regatta in Mass Bay will descend on Cohasset for what promises to be three days of stiff competition.

A cast of 300 sailors 250 boats and countless volunteers will be out in full force for the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships from Aug. 13-15.

The event, which will be held just beyond the breakwater leading into Cohasset Harbor, is being co-sponsored by the Cohasset Yacht Club and Sailing Club. A regatta committee, co-chaired by Sam Wakeman and Chuck Peterson, has been meeting regularly since the competition was approved for Cohasset early last summer.

"It's down to crunch time and it's getting very busy," said Peterson. "It's going to be a lot of fun. Of course, we're hoping the weather cooperates."

Ranging in age from 8 to 18, the three-day competition has a slew of different categories based on the style of boat and experience of those sailing. The class events include Optimist red, white, green, blue and fleet, Duplin red, white and fleet, Turnabout red, Laser Radials, Turnabouts and Club 420's.

The racers will head outside the harbor where they'll be directed to one of four areas, independent of the other, Peterson said. Races will run from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. over the first two days of competition and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the third.

Peterson said the tourney's goal is for each fleet to get in 10 races. The routes are approximately 2-1/2 miles.

The influx of boats will be stored in the Parker Ave. parking lot, at both clubs and on moorings scattered throughout the harbor. Several local boaters have donated their own moorings to be used for the three days.

A total of 150 volunteers from Cohasset and other surrounding towns will house many of the sailors from the North Shore who are competing in the event.

The competition aspect of the sailing championships is just part of the itinerary planned for the sailors. A pizza party is scheduled, along with a cookout and awards ceremony following the final day of competition. A dinner dance has also been planned, as well as a cocktail party on Aug. 13 at Bancroft Hall for the adults.

Hitting the mats

Wrestling club welcoming new grapplers

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Wrestlers from the South Shore who are trying to keep their edge during the lean summer months now have an up-and-coming club to turn to.

The Orange Crush Wrestling Club, the brainchild of Weymouth High assistant wrestling coach Mike Kenney, has been working out and competing through the summer in weekend tournaments.

But most importantly, the club has a coach who wants to see the wrestlers improve, have success on the mats, and all the while have fun doing it.

Kenney, 25, moved to Weymouth from Pittsburgh

See page 18

Cohasset Swim Team members Kelly Hurley, Marissa Mello and Ashley Faber shower off after a recent practice. Cohasset has been the one swamping the competition this summer in the South Shore Swim League, capturing the league title and an undefeated season with its win over Scituate. See results on pg. 18.

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John Tesh and those crazy Olympics

They'll most likely be remembered as "The Good, The Bad and The Ugly Games." Atlanta turned out to be a fine host for the Centennial Olympics, but due to circumstances beyond the city's control there were controversies every time you turned the T.V. on.

There are some moments, for better or worse, that we'll never forget.

• I may be in the minority about this, but, as courageous as she was, I believe American gymnast Kerri Strug was terrified with the thought of facing Bela Karolyi if she didn't attempt her second vault in the team competition. All through the gymnastics competition the girls looked as though they were completely miserable. There was no joy in their eyes and they didn't look to be that close of a team. We only see the camera-hound Karolyi in the spotlight. It'd be interesting to see how he interacts with his gymnasts behind the scenes.

• The thought that Carl Lewis is a great tool for the advancement of track & field in the United States is a farce. In interviews leading up to the long jump Lewis spoke out to the American public just how much he has matured since winning his first gold medals at Los Angeles in 1984.

But, alas, Lewis' true colors finally came through in the end when he lobbied furiously to get himself onto the 400-meter relay team in an attempt to win a 10th gold medal. Forget the fact that he finished deal last in the 100 meters at the Olympic trials.

Reardon

• I'm confused as to how many "Dream Teams" there actually are. Was it the men's or women's basketball teams or the women's softball squad? All three won gold medals and were referred to as the "Dream Team." Hopefully former UMASS-Amherst coach John Calipari will buy the rights to the expression and we'll never have to hear it again, except from "Coach Cal's" lips.

• You have to love the way Irish swimmer Michelle Smith was treated by the press, fellow swimmers and spectators. It just goes to show an athlete can't put together some incredible performances without being subject to suspicion. Just like every other medal winner, Smith was tested for illegal stimulants and the results came up negative. But unlike the other medalists she was retested further.

And shame on American swimmer Janet Evans for adding fuel to the fire

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Mariner Sports

Swimmers clinch perfect record

By SELMA INGBER
Special to the Mariner

Cohasset Swim Team beat the Scituate Knights of Columbus in the final meet of the season. The final score was Cohasset 343, Scituate 257, leaving Cohasset undefeated all season. Cohasset Swim Team goes to the championships Saturday, Aug. ?, to be held at Wheaton College.

The end of season picnic and awards ceremony will take place Thursday, Aug. 8, from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., at the Cohasset Community Center.

The results of the meet were as follows:

Mixed 8 and Under Medley Relay

Durkin, Markert, Berg and Ernst, 1st
Garber, Sida, Plante, McCarthy, 3rd.

Boys 10 and Under Medley Relay

Tehranian, Anderson, Bilton and Straughn, 1st
McCarthy, Flynn, Etkind and Ernst, 2nd

Girls 10 and Under

Jerome, Afshar, Lehr and Simmons, 1st
Mello, Marr, Henderson and Ogrodnik, 3rd

Boys 12 and Under Medley Relay

Berg, Etkind, Lehr and Ingber, 1st
Farley, Roach, Carr and Faber, 3rd

Girls 12 and Under Medley Relay

Carter, O'Brien, McDonald and Foley, 1st
O'Brien, Dedes, Roch, and Ulner, 4th

Boys 17 and Under Medley Relay

Schneider, Bugley, J. Golden and Buckley, 2nd
C. Golden, D. Crowley-Buck, J. Crowley-Buck and M. O'Hart, 4th

Girls 17 and Under Medley Relay

Habershaw, O'Hart, Berg and O'Brien, 1st
Meehan, Duffy, Ulner and Chastain, 4th

50 YARD FREE STYLE

10 and Under

Boys	Girls
Teddie Straughan, 2nd	Becca Lehr, 2nd
Matt Ernst, 3rd	Emily Simmons, 3rd

100 YARD I.M.

12 and Under

Alex Berg, 1st	Kate O'Brien, 1st
David Crowley Buck, 3rd	Julie Shea, 4th

More swimming results in next week's issue.

Football meeting set

Scituate/Cohasset youth football and cheerleading will hold a general meeting for parents, players and cheerleaders Wednesday, Aug. 14, at 6 p.m. at the Scituate High School football field.

The meeting will be an opportunity for parents and children who have signed up for the fall season to meet their coaches and to ask questions about the upcoming season. Practices begin the following day, Thursday, Aug. 15, at 5 p.m. at the practice field behind the high school.

For questions about football please call Joe Hughes at 834-6505, Warren Talbot at 545-3906 or Fernando Sousa at 545-5755. For questions about cheerleading call Judy Pollard at 545-2259.

New wrestling club welcomes South Shore grapplers

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almost two years ago where he coached high school wrestling while attending Clemson University. Kenney also wrestled on the Clemson squad, whose nickname was Orange Crush.

Kenney's goal in forming the club is to get across to his wrestlers the importance of year-round training in order to reach goals and move to the next level.

"To be special you have to put in that extra work in the summer," Kenney said. "I just want to show the kids what wrestling is all about."

The team, which is made up of wrestlers between 14 years old to college age, trains on Tuesday and Thursday nights at either Brockton or Hingham High. A typical training session begins with 15 minutes of conditioning warmups. Then it's on to 30 minutes of drill moves.

After the drills, it's time for live wrestling.

"Then we go to battle for an hour," Kenney said with a laugh. "They really love it."

Kenney closes out the workouts with 30 to 45 minutes of lifting.

As hard as the wrestlers work, Kenney makes the training fun and is sure the grapplers leave a session wanting to come back to the next one.

"It's not a hell-beating thing," he said. "We take our breaks, laugh and have a good time.

Kenney is assisted by 22-year-old Eric Burns. Like Kenney, Burns is also a coach at Weymouth High and a definite asset to the Orange Crush program.

"He has been a great help this season and is a great wrestler himself," Kenney said. "He's a great guy and the kids really respect him."

He also has Weymouth's co-head coaches Gerry and Kevin Mackin to thank for their support.

"I owe a lot to them," Kenney said. "They brought me on their team and let me run with the Orange Crush. They helped me out a lot."

Kenney's crew, which won the Massachusetts Club Championship this summer, has a select group of wrestlers who trained in the summer before the Orange Crush was formed. Now the wrestlers have the opportunity to work out together.

Rockland's Mark Laramee, the defending state champion in his weight class, used to train in Brockton during the summer, but the calibre of wrestlers wasn't close to what the Orange Crush squad offers.

"Before I joined the club I wasn't wrestling as much," said Laramee, a gold medalist at the Bay State Games. "We have a lot of fun during the practices and learn a lot. Mike has been teaching me a lot of freestyle and get to go to more tournaments.

"I'll do this through my senior year."

The club includes a strong contingent of wrestlers, particularly from Weymouth with New England champion Joe Curran, P.J. Silva, Dave Sheridan and Kevin O'Meara.

Curran had a sensational winter season, becoming the first New England champion ever to come out of Weymouth High.

For Kenney, Curran's achievement was very satisfying.

"To see him on the (victory) stand and knowing the hard work he put into it was great," he said.

Silva, who'll enter his sophomore year this fall, said he has seen a vast improvement in his own skills and is already looking to the winter season.

"It's helped me out in every way possible," Silva said. "I've been able to go to different states and see wrestlers from around the country. It shows you just what you have to do to improve.

"Since the (winter) season I feel twice as good. I've been able to wrestle with Mark Laramee and Dave Swanson (of Hingham). I've wrestled more times this summer than I did during the high school season."

Kenney tapes each wrestler's matches and then goes over what he did well and where mistakes were made. The wrestlers then work on improving the areas that weren't as strong as they could be.

Silva said Kenney is responsible for his improvement.

"Mike Kenney has helped me so much," he said. "He tells me what I'm doing right and where I'm making my mistakes."

Hanover's Scott Wuori is one of the elite wrestlers on the club and a training partner of Laramee's. Cohasset's Matt Duffy and Brian Harding of Marshfield both have had strong summers to go along with their superb high school showings over the winter.

Some of the other members include Peter Youssef, David Swanson and Max Belushho of Hingham and Hanover's Stephen Doyle.

Not only do the club members train together but they also compete in tournaments on weekends. The grapplers have wrestled in more than 18 tournaments, traveling to the New England states, New York and Pennsylvania.

Kenney said it was a tournament in Bloomsburgh, PA. which really showed the wrestlers just how much competition is out there.

"That really opened their eyes to what wrestling's all about," he said.

A seven-day camp at East Stroutsburgh University really brought out the club's true colors and showed just how much they want to improve.

"It was an intensive wrestling camp," Kenney said. "Since then I've seen a 100-percent turnaround in the kids' attitude.

"You have to hand it to the kids. They're young and ambitious and really excited about wrestling."

The club currently has 38 members, but Kenney is hoping to increase that amount next summer to 50 to 60 wrestlers. The response has been positive and he is confident Orange Crush will expand in 1997.

"People have been calling off the hook," Kenney said. "Since the Bay State Games everybody wants to get involved."

And the club isn't restricted solely to elite wrestlers. Kenney says wrestlers of all abilities are welcome to join.

"Anybody who wants to come and learn," Kenney answered when asked what the criteria for members is. "It's fun and it's only six hours a week. The more the merrier.

"I just want our names to get out that the Orange Crush is coming. We're here to wrestle."

For Kenney, the most satisfying aspect of coaching the club is watching the kids excel and the excitement they exhibit as they continue to improve.

"It's great to see a kid come back and avenge a loss," he said.

The boys in orange are strong now and are only going to get stronger.

John Tesh and those crazy Olympics

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regarding Smith's performances by saying there were whispers around the pool venue that she, indeed, was on steroids. It was Smith, however, who got the last laugh in the end, along with three gold medals.

• Michael Johnson's fabulous double in the 400 and 200 sprints was amazing and his humbleness in victory was inspiring. The same goes for Jackie Joyner-Kersee's painful long jump attempt which garnered her a bronze medal on her final try.

• As boring as John Tesh was to listen to during the gymnastics events, former Olympian Tim Daggett was twice as grating. You can bet those two won't be paired together in Sydney, four years from now.

• Ballroom Dancing as an exhibition event? I never knew it was considered a sport.

• I was surprised at just how much I enjoyed watching the kayak events. Ditto for volleyball.

• Now that beach volleyball is an event, surfing is just around the corner. But I'm drawing the line at ballroom dancing as an exhibition event.

• By the way, here are my votes for bowling, golf and aerobic competitions to be part of the Sydney Games.

• As sad as it is, I wasn't all that surprised by the bomb in Centennial Village. I'm surprised that a security guard is looking more and more to be responsible.

• There have been nothing but complaints about NBC's Olympic coverage, but let's face it, there are some events everybody wants to see. Events some people want to see and events nobody even knew were part of the Olympics, badminton for example.

• While we're on the subject, put me on the list of those who actually enjoyed watching the limited badminton coverage. It's far different than the backyard cookout variety we've become accustomed to.

• Bill Walton's comparison between the Dream Team's passion for the game and former Grateful Dead's Jerry Garcia's love of playing the guitar was puzzling until you realize Walton has always been a huge Dead fan.

• Hats off to the Olympic Committee for changing the men's marathon starting time from 6:30 p.m. to 7 a.m. The race was tough enough for the marathoners, but the conditions would have been unbearable had it been held in the evening.

• On 3, let's all give a group yawn dedicated to the equestrian competition. 1...2...

• Solo synchronized swimming. Now there's an event you only have yourself to blame if you screw up.

See you in Sydney!

Cohasset businessmen contribute to bike patrol

These two-wheel drive police vehicles can go just about anywhere. They have 21 speeds, special tires and for fuel they rely solely on the energy of the rider. And they cost about $25,000 less than a state-of-the-art cruiser.

Dollar-for-dollar, the Cohasset Police Department's specially equipped bike patrol, established last month, is one of the most efficient programs in the department.

"We believe the bike program is an essential part of public safety and police visibility," said Chief Brian Noonan. "These vehicles have quick access to areas police cruisers cannot reach. They patrol the shoreline, parks, parking areas and narrow side roads. And they have an element of surprise in protecting the public: you can't hear them. They can race to a crime scene without anyone being aware of it."

The bike patrol, he said, also helps to keep the summer flow of young people moving in an orderly fashion at night in the village center.

While Chief Noonan is sold on his bike program, additional public contributions are needed to help sustain it. To date, the program has been funded, for the most part, with donations, the most recent from Bob Gaughen, president and CEO of the Hingham Institution for Savings, and Donald Staszko, a member of the bank's board of directors. Both live in Cohasset and have actively contributed to community projects. Gaughen's and Staszko's contributions, totaling $500, were presented to Chief Noonan last week outside the Cohasset branch of Hingham Institution for Savings. They will be used to purchase necessary equipment for the patrol, the chief said.

At present, the bike patrol consists of four mountain bikes, two Raleighs and one Trek. The "black and whites" (black bikes with white police lettering) are ridden by specially trained police officers, and are equipped with public safety and first aid gear.

To date, the Cohasset Police Association and the Masonic Lodge have donated bikes to the program.

"I am deeply grateful when various associations, banks like Hingham Institution for Savings and individuals like Mr. Staszko come forward with contributions," Noonan said. "In difficult budget times, we rely on these donations to keep our service to the public at the highest possible level."

Hingham Institution for Savings President and CEO Robert Gaughen, Police Chief Brian Noonan, Officer Chris Tarantino, and Donald Staszko, a member of the bank's board of directors, pose outside the bank with one of the department's new police bicycles.

Police Log

Saturday, July 20

9:31 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.
10:36 a.m., larceny, Stevens Ln.
11:53 a.m., motor vehicle stop, S. Main St.
12:15 p.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.
1:02 p.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, Highland Ave.
3:06 p.m., assist citizen, Surry Dr.
3:14 p.m., larceny, King St.
4:07 p.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, Highland Ave.
5:18 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.
5:30 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.
5:40 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Ripley Rd.
6:57 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
7:04 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Hull St.
7:22 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Mill Ln.
9:00 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
9:13 p.m, arrest, S. Main St., Ptl. Quigley/Ptl. McLean in with Ryan Sawchuk, DOB: 7/10/77, 432 Beechwood St., minor transporting alcohol.
10:59 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
11:40 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

Sunday, July 21

12:17 a.m., office wanted, CJC Hwy.
12:35 a.m., noise complaint, Oak St.
12:41 a.m., noise complaint, Border St.
12:52 a.m., open door/window, Pleasant St.
9:32 a.m., vandalism, Margin St.
11:01 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.
11:17 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.
11:55 a.m., parking violation, Border St.
11:56 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Hull St.
12:00 p.m., larceny, Summer St.
2:20 p.m., disturbance, Spring St.
2:00 p.m, disturbance, CJC Hwy.
5:50 p.m., medical aid, Oak St.
6:10 p.m, property (found), Atlantic Ave.
7:12 p.m., MV violations, Border St.
8:30 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:45 p.m., assist citizen, Pleasant St.
9:41 p.m., open door/window, King St.
10:29 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
10:53 p.m., open door/window, King St.
10:57 p.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

Monday, July 22

12:28 a.m., suspicious auto, Margin St.
12:30 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
1:39 a.m., general services, S. Main St.
10:20 a.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.
10:27 a.m., medical aid, Country Way.
12:35 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
12:54 p.m., medical aid, Atlantic Ave.
2:15 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Sohier St.
3:59 p.m., suspicious auto, Jerusalem Rd.
4:00 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
7:18 p.m., fire brush, Em St.
7:32 p.m., medical aid, Hingham Wompatuck St. Pk.
7:42 p.m., officer wanted, Bancroft Rd.
9:14 p.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.
10:29 p.m., disturbance, Beechwood St.

Tuesday, July 23

12:36 a.m., general services, Forest Ave.
12:52 a.m., noise complaint, Aaron River Rd.
1:08 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.
1:14 a.m., MV stop, Cushing St.
1:32 a.m., MV stop, Sohier.
2:36 a.m., general services, N. Main St.
7:30 a.m., larcney, Sohier St.
9:14 a.m., annoying phone calls, Woodland Dr.
9:21 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
9:40 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
9:46 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
10:10 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
10:18 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
2:40 p.m., 9-1-1 verification, Linden Dr.
2:53 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
3:41 p.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.
5:12 p.m., disabled auto, Forest Ave.
5:22 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.
9:47 p.m., suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.
10:29 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

Wednesday, July 24

1:37 a.m., suspicious auto, S. Main St.
1:57 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
5:29 a.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, CJC Hwy.
6:36 a.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, CJC Hwy.
11:30 a.m., summons service, Surry Dr.
3:22 p.m., assist citizen, Ledgewood Dr.
6:47 p.m., medical aid, Buttonwood Ln.
8:11 p.m., medical aid, Norman Todd Rd.
9:40 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Elm St.
9:55 p.m., suspicious auto, White Head Rd.
10:18 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Sandy Bch.
10:31 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Border St.
10:53 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Sohier St.
11:04 p.m., arrest, Ptl. Grassie in with Greg Baker, 15 Arrowood St., DOB: 8/27/70, arrested on warrant.

Thursday, July 25

1:13 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
1:30 a.m., arrest, Ptl. Ainslie in Bruno Granville, 56 Mordecai Lincoln Rd., Scituate, DOB: 10/22/70, under arrest OUI & marked lane violation.
3:20 a.m., general services, Highland Ave.
6:37 a.m., property (found), N. Main St.
7:30 a.m., MV top, CJC Hwy.
10:38 a.m., MV accident, Hull St.
12:29 p.m., officer wanted, Parking Way.
2:13 p.m., open door/window, Atlantic Ave.
3:14 p.m., animal comaplint, Wompatuck St. Park.
3:35 p.m., info general, Atlantic Ave.
4:15 p.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main St.
5:37 p.m., suspicious person, Atlantic Ave.
7:49 p.m., disabled auto, Jerusalem Rd.
8:49 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Jerusalem Rd.
8:53 p.m., medical aid, out of town.
9:43 p.m., disturbance, N. Main St.
10:31 p.m., public drinking, Lighthouse Ln.
10:58 p.m., disturbance general, Lighthouse Ln.
11:09 p.m., MV stop, Cushing Rd.

Friday, July 26

2:59 a.m., suspicious person, King St.
8:51 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
10:18 a.m., info genearl, CJC Hwy.
11:08 a.m., burglary/B&E Sohier St.
11:43 a.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.
12:01 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, James Ln.
12:13 p.m., MV accident, Cushing Plaza.
12:47 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
1:15 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
3:13 p.m., notification, Cedar St.
5:44 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Atlantic Ave.
7:12 p.m., info general, Norman Todd Rd.
10:37 p.m., notification, Sohier St.
11:28 p.m., suspicious auto, Bow St.
11:29 p.m., property (lost), HQ.

Saturday, July 27

12:59 a.m., MV stop, N. Main/Hingham line.
2:34 a.m., suspicious (other), CJC Hwy.
3:12 a.m., assist citizne, Atlantic Ave.
11:38 a.m., vandalism, Bancroft way.
12:19 p.m., vandalism, Briarwood Ln.
1:07 p.m., animal complaint, Hull St.
1:49 p.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
2:10 p.m., parking violation, Lighthouse Ln.
2:58 p.m., medical aid, Sohier St.
5:52 p.m., noise complaint, Beechwood St.
8:03 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ocn.
9:03 p.m., noise complaint, Beechwood St.
9:19 p.m., disturbance family, Atlantic Ave.
9:45 p.m., arrest (juvenile), Ptl. DaSilva in with 16-year-old female of Cohasset, under arrest assault & battery.
10:26 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
10:30 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

Sunday, July 28

12:29 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd./Osgood School.
1:06 a.m., medical aid, Glades Rd.
1:15 a.m., suspicious auto, Osgood School parking lot.
1:44 a.m., motor vehicle stop, Government Island.
3:37 a.m., suspicious auto, Sunoco Station Rte. 3A.
11:06 a.m., medical aid, Lamberts Ln.
11:29 a.m., parking violation, Atlantic Ave.
11:30 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.
12:34 p.m., medical aid, out of town. UNK.
1:05 p.m., medical aid, out of town UNK.
1:43 p.m., parking violation, Black Rock Rd.
2:45 p.m., MV violations, Atlantic Ave.
5:12 p.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.
6:35 p.m., public service, Harbor.
6:51 p.m., medial aid, N. Main St.
8:18 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
8:59 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:37 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:39 p.m., burglary (B&E), Atlantic Ave.
10:03 p.m., MV accident, Sohier St.
10:18 p.m., suspicious (other), Stockbridge St.
10:27 p.m., missing person, Ledgewood Dr.

Monday, July 29

12:26 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.,
12:36 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.
7:05 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
7:06 a.m., animal complaint, Wompatuck State Pk.
8:00 a.m., sunny, 72
9:13 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
3:45 p.m., Clear, 75, wind calm.
4:34 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.
5:13 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
5:16 p.m., larceny, Stevens Ln.
6:36 p.m., officer wanted, Oak St.
6:49 p.m., assist other PD, Hull St.
7:13 p.m., larceny, Parker Ave.
9:04 p.m., Mv stop, Jerusalem Rd.
9:10 p.m., animal complaint, Cedar Acres Ln.
9:14 p.m., suspicious (other), Ripley Rd.
9:26 p.m., disturbance, Lighthouse Ln.
9:52 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.
10:22 p.m., disturbance general, Castle Rd.

Tuesday, July 30

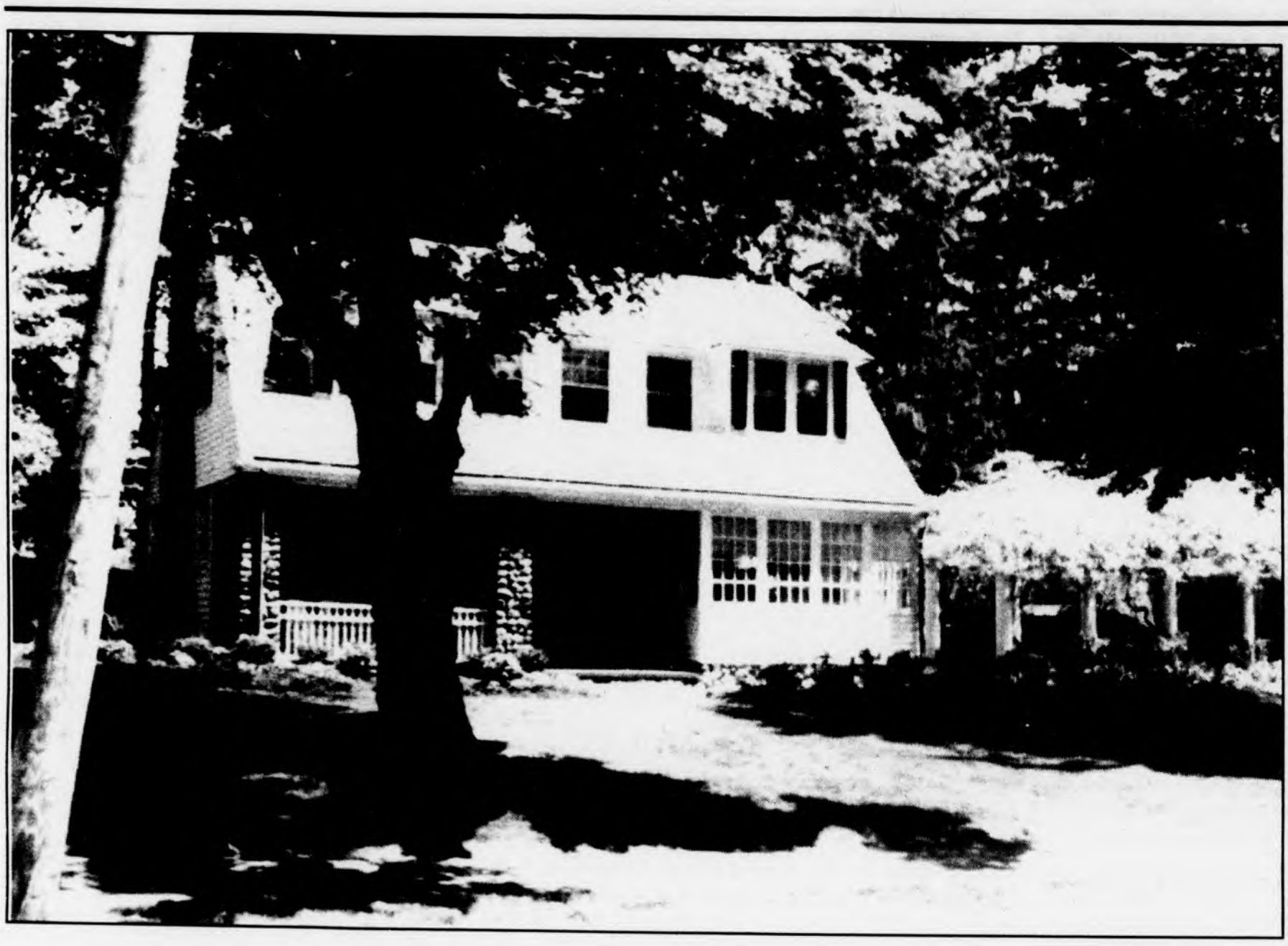
12:50 a.m., assist other PD, Hull St.
2:36 a.m., noise complaint, CJC Hwy.
7:32 a.m., MV stop, Sohier St.
7:41 a.m., property (lost), Government Island.
8:00 a.m., sunny, 70
9:03 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
10:19 a.m., public service, Rte. 3A Hingham to Scituate Line.
12:12 a.m., suspicious, Lighthouse Ln.
1:21 p.m., assist citizen, Tedeschi Plaza.
1:47 p.m., medical aid, Hull Police Station.
1:57 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd. or Rte. 3A
3:46 p.m., assist citizen, King St.
3:50 p.m., clear, 72, wind calm.
4:24 p.m., vandalism, Sohier St.

Wednesday, July 31

12:25 a.m., officer wanted, King St.
12:25 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
12:43 a.m., noise complaint, Railroad tracks.
3:28 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St.
3:39 a.m., general services, Sohier St.
8:00 a.m., cloudy, 70
11:23 a.m., larceny, Jerusalem Rd.
11:56 a.m., parking violation, Border St.
1:21 a.m., medical aid, Border St.
1:45 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
2:21 p.m., serve restraining order, Hull St.
4:57 p.m., service restraining order, Hull St.
5:45 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
5:55 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:30 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
8:37 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:36 p.m., serve restraining order, Hull St.
10:53 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:41 p.m., arrest, Sgt. Cogill in with Shawn Nally, DOB: 11/8/70, 42 Bay St. Hull, charges oper. after lic. susp., failure to stop for PO.
11:52 p.m., rain, 63, wind calm.

The Grand Tour

with Ginger Ferenz 383-2863



This lovely bungalow-style home at 6 Ripley Road has one of the most beautiful pergolas in town. In spring, it is covered with blooms of purple wisteria. The owners have recently planted a beautiful perennial bed filled with summertime color. Tall, stately purple Allium Giganteus or giant onion was one of the first to appear in the spring. Now, the garden is filled with blue-lace-cap hydrangea, pink hollyhock, the gray leaves of snow-in-summer and the mahogany-colored leaves of coral bells. (Correction: the lovely garden, I featured in the July 18 Grand Tour belongs to Sally and Dick Avery of Surry Drive. I inadvertently had Sally's name wrong in the article! I apologize for the error and wish to thank both Sally and Dick for inviting me to photograph their beautiful home and gardens).

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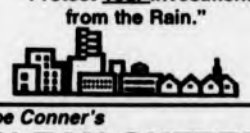
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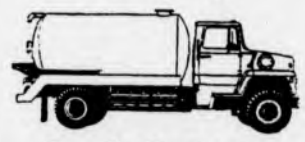

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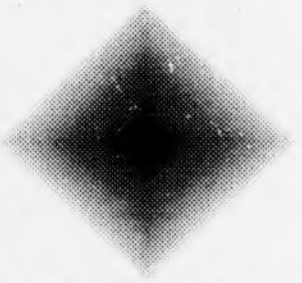

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Local woman launches new venture

By SUSAN HAGSTROM
Cohasset Mariner

There's nothing better than sitting under an umbrella at the beach and cracking open a new book. Until of course, you realize the book is a wash out.

Hingham resident Joan Call has developed a service that will take some of the guess work out of book buying and it can now be accessed on the World Wide Web at www.independentreader.com.

Beginning this month, 13 diverse and independent bookstores from across the country will reveal their favorite books in Call's new Internet publication, "The Independent Reader." Call first discovered the need for such a publication while selling books at her former shop, the Little Harbor Bookstore in Cohasset.

"As the owner of a bookstore, I was surprised at how many people came in and asked for book recommendations," Call said. "Some people come in and they don't want to spend a lot of time looking for a book and they depend a lot on reviews."

Joan Call shows off her new web site, The Independent Reader.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

After first investigating the possibility of putting out a print publication, Call decided to take her service to the "net", which was less expensive and imposed no limits regarding the number of books to be reviewed. Call pays for the web site, or host account, each month but hopes to make money by selling advertising space to publishers.

Call said she carefully developed a list of booksellers to provide recommendations by compiling a list of the best bookstores in the country and then narrowing that list down to thirteen. Each store will recommend five books in various categories and because they receive no funds for their participation, readers can depend on unbiased book recommendations from the experts. Additional information will be provided by linked web resources, including book reviews, author biographies, book group discussion guides and more.

The participating bookstores are: A Clean Well-Lighted Place For Books, San Francisco, Ca., Bunch of Grapes, Vineyard Haven, Mass.; Cody's Books, Berkeley, Calif.; Elliott Bay Book Co., Seattle Wash.; The Harvard Bookstore, Cambridge, Mass.; The Hungry Mind, Saint Paul, Minn.; Partners & Crime, New York, N.Y., Powell's Books, Portland, Ore.; Prairie Lights, Iowa City, Iowa; Talking Leaves Books, Buffalo, N.Y.; Tattered Cover, Denver, Colo., That Bookstore in Blytheville, Blytheville, Ariz., and Women & Children First, Chicago, Ill..

"I had personal experiences with many of these booksellers," Call said. a bookseller, I was in awe of many of these stores because within my field, these are the best and the biggest; these are legends."

Each of the stores is featured on its own Independent Reader home page, which contains information about the store, its philosophy on bookselling, its five recommended books of the month and even a picture of the store.

"It's really nice for the reader. It's like taking a little trip to the store," Call said.

According to Call, accessing information on the web is very easy. She said that most new computers come with everything needed to connect to the web. Programs like "America On-Line" are often given away or can be purchased and installed on older computers.

"It's amazingly easy to use," Call said. "You don't need any computer skills to use the web. You just point and click."

Call anticipates that 20,000 people each month will view her publication. After having the web site up and running for just a short time, she has already received over 100 E-Mail correspondences from around the world.

In the future, Call has visions of expanding the project and maybe branching out into print but for now, she is focused on making "The Independent Reader" work for anyone who reads and is looking for a good book.

"I just want to be really good at this little piece and see where it goes."

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For more details, call Martha Cook at 545-6947 or the parish office at 383-1083.

Keep-well clinics set for August

The Cohasset Board of Health and the Social Service League will sponsor two Keep Well Clinics in August. The clinics will take place Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 11 a.m. at South Shore Community Center, Senior Center Room, and Friday, Aug. 30, from 10 a.m. to noon, at Harborview, 60 Elm St.

Public health nurses will be available for blood pressure screenings and general health and nutrition consultations. The clinics are free for all Cohasset residents, regardless of age.

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Round two is Monday night

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Sandwiched between show nights featuring the brass-band "Tower of Power" and a jazz-event called a "Night in New Orleans" — Cohasset's planned new $9.9 million elementary school was the main attraction at the Music Circus, Monday.

After nearly an hour of spirited debate which followed 1-3/4 hours of formal presentations by proponents and opponents of the project, voters endorsed the school by nearly a 2-1 margin at the special town meeting, which at times was a loud and rowdy affair.

But the 885-448 vote margin rejecting a move to halt the project, may not be the end of it.

Meeting to reconvene on center stage

Roy Fitzsimmons, spokesman for the Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers, an anti-tax organization which led the effort to stop the school, said his group would support a motion to reconsider Article 1 at this Monday's continuation of the special town meeting getting underway at 7:30 p.m. at the Music Circus.

Notice was given for reconsideration before adjournment of Monday's session, which in more than five hours was only able to tackle one of the six articles on the warrant.

That means that if a majority of voters at the Aug. 19 continuation of the special town meeting agree to reconsider Monday's vote rejecting Article 1, debate on the school would be reopened, Town Moderator George Marlette explained.

Article 1 sought to rescind approval for the new school voted at the spring town meeting. That March 30 vote was followed by a favorable Prop.2-1/2 override on April 6 to raise taxes to pay for the project which will replace the existing Osgood School. The state will reimburse the town for 60% of the project costs and interest charges on

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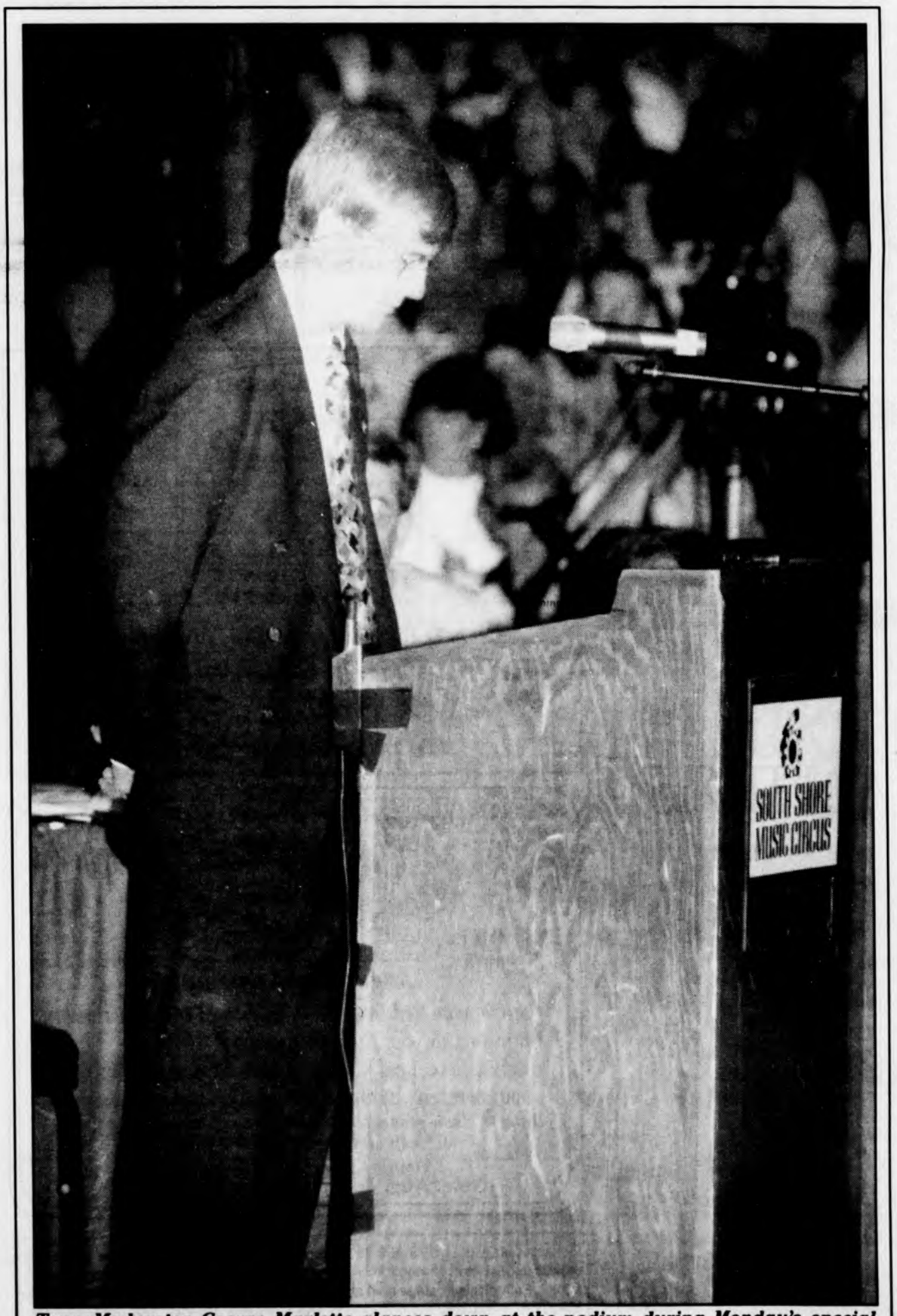

Town Moderator George Marlette glances down at the podium during Monday's special town meeting that went on well past midnight.

Staff photo/Victor Pryles

Sewer article to be decided

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Proponents of having the town split the cost of sewering the 345 homes in North Cohasset are as determined as ever to present their case to the special town meeting which reconvenes at the Music Circus, Aug. 19.

Last week, town counsel Paul DeRensis said wording of the citizens' petition article which appears in the warrant is flawed. At that time, proponents rejected a suggestion to have their article redrafted to direct selectmen to form a committee to investigate the shared-funding proposal.

They decided instead to have town meeting re-vote the same article it approved last spring.

And their minds had not changed by Monday night.

"We want to go forward," said Maria Plante, 790 Jerusalem Road, a spokesman for the shared-funding proponents.

Before the special town meeting got underway, they would not accept an 11th-hour effort by selectmen to draft an article to jointly appoint with the sewer commissioners a "Septic Financing Advisory Committee" to investigate and make a written report on its findings regarding public and private financing of the project.

Selectmen back the 50/50, user-town shared payment plan but

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New high school athletic field to open

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

After two years of planning, leveling of land and a massive renovation of the athletic fields, Cohasset High's brand new football facility will have its official ribbon cutting on Sunday, Sept. 8.

The field, which can also be used for soccer, lacrosse and field hockey games, is surrounded by a brand new all-weather rubber track. The finished surface is expected to be constructed in the coming weeks, according to Wayne Sawchuk, the clerk-of-the-works on the project.

The entire project is expected to give the high school athletic program a major boost. The field hockey team had been playing on a smaller-than-regulation-size field and the track team's "home" meets were held at Scituate High because the former track was inadequate to compete on.

Sawchuk said the the project is still ongoing. New bleachers, which can seat 500 spectators will be installed on the home-team side of the field and be ready for the homecoming game in October.

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Cohasset's Week

Sewer counsel bill gets nod from selectmen

Selectmen approved payment of $11,176.56 last week to the town's sewer counsel Goodwin, Procter &Hoar.

At a later date, the board will discuss whether to retain special town counsel for litigation matters relating to the town sewer project. Non-litigation issues are being handled by the Cohasset's new town counsel Paul DeRensis, selectmen said.

Selectman Nan Roth favored keeping Goodwin, Procter & Hoar, which is paid $265 hour, on board for the time being.

"Paul DeRensis is doing so much right now," she said about town counsel's workload.

But Selectman Ronnie McMorris said the matter should be put on a future agenda for discussion.

Road resurfacing is set for Aug. 19

Road resurfacing is tentatively scheduled to begin Monday, Aug. 19, weather permitting, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield said.

It will start at the intersection of Doane and Church Streets and continue down Beechwood Street to #339. Next will be Beechwood Street from Todd Road to Mealys' Pond followed by all of Summer Street and a section of North Main Street from Rocky Lane to the Hingham Line. Dates and locations are subject to change. Residents may experience some delays and should allow extra time for travelling these areas.

Village farmers' market update

The Cohasset Village Farmers' Market is being sponsored by the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce through the efforts of the Village Revitalization Committee.

The market will be held every Thursday from 4 to 8 p.m. through Sept. 26. These hours were chosen to attract people who cannot do their shopping during the conventional 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. time. The market area is located in the municipal parking lot (in front of the old garage), behind Cohasset Village. Ample parking will therefore be available for both vendors and customers. Set up time will begin at 3:30 p.m. on the day of the market. Clean up is planned at 8 p.

Vendors will sell items such as fruits, vegetables, fresh and dried flowers, herbs, oils and vinegars, breads and baked goods. Confections and homemade crafts are also welcome.

Additionally, live folk music will be performed during selected farmers' market evenings.

Future performers are: Aus. 15, South Shore singer/songwriter Mark Purcell; Aug. 22, South Shore singer/songwriter Mark Purcell; and Aug. 29, singer/songwriter David Crossland.

Tide Chart

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DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

August 1996	High AM	Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 15	12:26	10.2	6:40	12:53	9.6	6:52
Fri. 16	1:04	10.2	7:16	1:29	9.7	7:31
Sat. 17	1:42	10.1	7:54	2:06	9.8	8:12
Sun. 18	2:21	9.9	8:32	2:43	9.9	8:54
Mon. 19	3:02	9.7	9:13	3:24	9.9	9:38
Tues. 20	3:46	9.5	9:56	4:07	9.9	10:26
Wed. 21	4:35	9.3	10:44	4:56	10.0	11:19
Thurs. 22	5:28	9.1	11:36	5:49	10.1	——

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Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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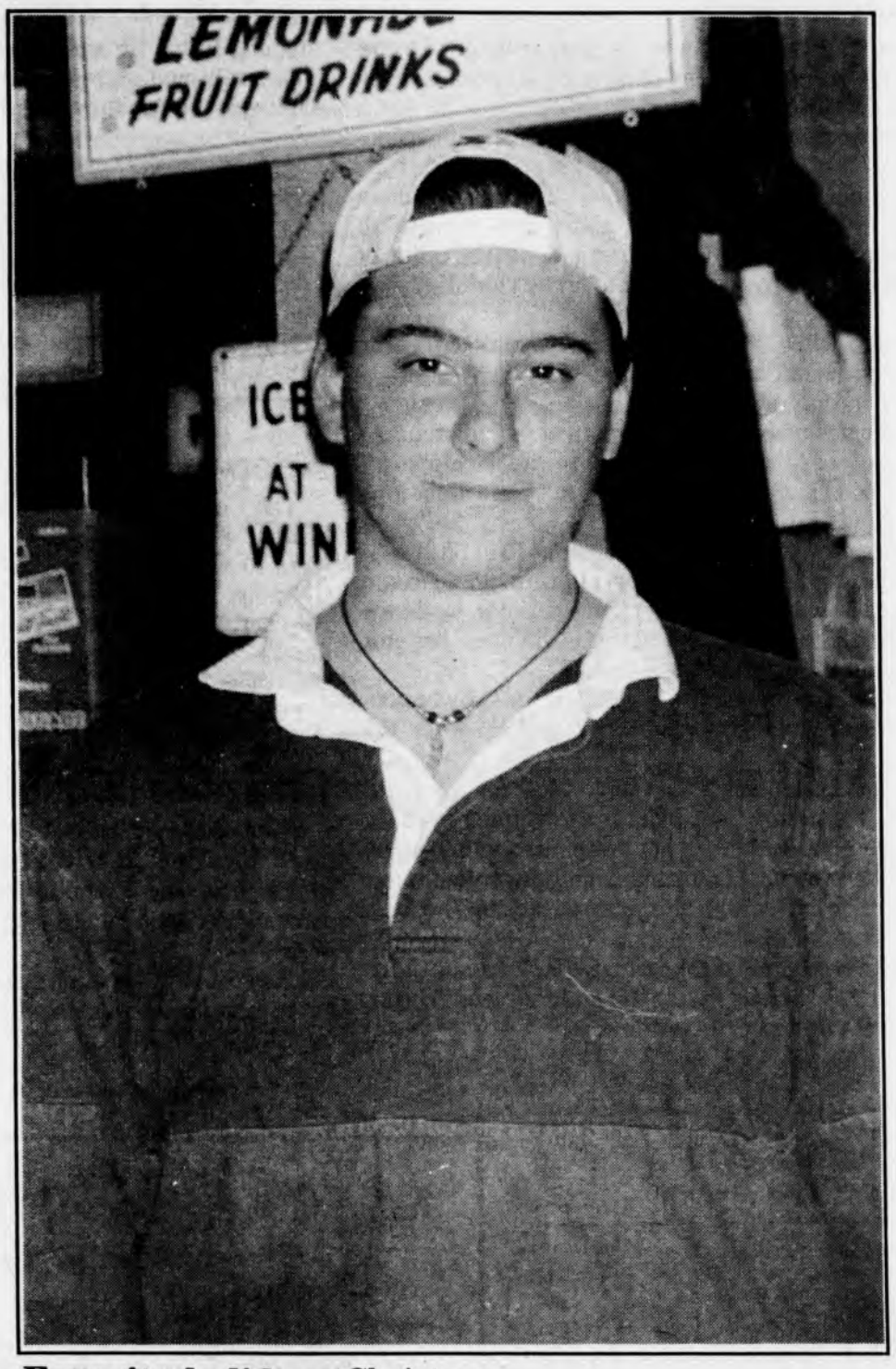

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Occupation: Sophomore at Cohasset High and volunteer at the town meeting concession at the Music Circus.

Goal: To be a jet fighter pilot.

Best vacation: Skiing up in Smuggler's Notch, Vermont.

Biggest worry: Not making the football team.

Best day of your life: When my mother and stepfather got married.

Favorite season: Winter.

Favorite book: 'The Stand,' by Stephen King.

Favorite movie: 'Independence Day.'

Favorite TV show: 'The X Files.'

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite junk food: Pizza with everything.

Pet peeve: My little brother.

Person you'd most like to meet: Abe Lincoln.

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ConCom won't allow landfill ramp

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Conservation Commission last week refused a request by representatives for Cohasset Heights Landfill to alter an administrative consent order which was approved last May for the removal of silt in the Area D section of the landfill.

The commission is in receipt of a letter from Cohasset Heights' engineering firm, SITEC, requesting they be allowed to construct a ramp for use by heavy machinery in the landfill's Area D pool section to help with the removal of large amounts of silt which had previously been brought into that area.

Additionally, SITEC asked that the ramp be allowed to remain in place for one year in the event further excavation of silt was necessary.

In the letter, CHL consultant Rod Gaskill contends the landfill needs the ramp to help in efforts to restore the area's wetlands, and that continued delays in completion of the work have been due to factors outside CHL's control.

Under the May order, CHL was to have completed the silt removal by the end of July.

The Conservation Commission is concerned about the large amounts of silt in the landfill's Area D location and feels that delays on CHL's part are attempts to do less than what the May administrative order called for.

Commissioner Sue Cope decried what the commission feels are stalling tactics by CHL in claiming they are looking for wetlands, and stated that silt removal should be completed "regardless of what (new) vegetative cover has come in."

Commission member Jeff Waal, echoing the board's conservative approach to the landfill, said a ramp had not been part of the original plan; therefore, Cohasset Heights should proceed with what was discussed and approved without further delay.

"We know there is going to be some damage to vegetation, but what we are trying to do is get it (Area D) back to its original state," he said.

On another Cohasset Heights matter, the commissioners reviewed a draft copy of a letter prepared by Conservation Commission Chairman Thomas Callahan which is to be sent to the state Department of Environmental Protection in response to CHL's "order of appeal" against the town's refusal to allow landfill expansion.

The letter will reiterate the commission's concerns pertaining to health and safety issues, as well as objections to any proposed landfill expansion.

• In other business, the commission voted unanimously to issue a "cease and desist" order to the developer of Jerusalem Road Estates for what they felt were violations of the Wetlands Protection Act.

• Conservation Commission consultant Paul Shea said the developer had cut a "20-foot swath through a stream channel and the 100-foot buffer zone, across wetlands and had altered the area," and that this violation had not been created by any type of accident.

• Waal said the commission will hold a show cause hearing for an explanation from the developer for his actions.

• The commission set a date of Aug. 17 for a second inspection of a newly built wall at the residence of 20 Hobart Lane. The wall had not been in original plans when a septic system was installed, and the commission wanted another look at the site prior to closing the matter.

• Approval was granted for construction of a one-story sun porch at 127 Nichols Road. The addition would be to the southwest corner of the residence.

• Finally, Shea gave the board a brief update on the progress of the Shaw's Supermarket construction in Cushing Plaza. He said work at the site was proceeding quite well, and stated that in his dealings with Shaw's engineers, he felt they "were doing the right thing."

Water Country trip planned

On Friday, Aug. 23, the Teen Center will sponsor a day trip to Water Country in Portsmouth, N.H. The cost is $20. Permission slips must be picked up and returned to the Recreation Department by Friday, Aug. 16. All seventh-, eighth-, and ninth-graders are invited.

Keep-well clinic set

The Cohasset Board of Health and the Social Service League will sponsor a Keep Well Clinic Friday, Aug. 30, from 10 a.m. to noon, at Harborview, 60 Elm St.

Public health nurses will be available for blood pressure screenings and general health and nutrition consultations. The clinics are free for all Cohasset residents, regardless of age.

For more information, call the SSL at 383-0771.

Chamber cookout set for Aug.16

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will hold a cookout Friday, Aug. 16, at the Lightkeepers House from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. There will be food, soda, activities for children and an opportunity to watch boats sail into the harbor.

The cost is $5 for adults, free for children. Those wishing to bring a side dish or dessert are encouraged to call the Chamber hotline.

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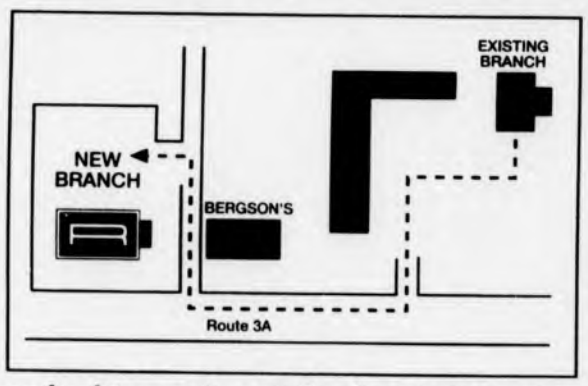

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Petition sought to help halt underage drinking

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

A fatal car crash following a high school graduation party held in town, has heightened the importance of several Cohasset Drug and Alcohol Committee initiatives.

Group members touched briefly on the tragedy at their Tuesday meeting and brainstormed ways to better get their message out.

Gregory Smith, 18, of Marshfield was a guest at a graduation party hosted by John Lennon, who owns a fuel company in Cohasset. Smith was killed when his car hit a telephone pole. Police say he had been drinking.

Lennon faces a charge of providing alcohol to minors but his lawyer maintains that witnesses have said that Smith brought his own alcohol to the party.

"The loss of life is the single most important thing here. It was a needless tragedy," said Keith Knowles, a member of the HALT (Helping All to Learn Together) committee, a federally-funded organization.

Knowles was invited to the meeting to present committee members with effective ways to garner support, and perhaps eventually change public attitudes towards underage drinking.

Some members said that a lot of parents don't feel that underage drinking is unacceptable.

Knowles suggested that the group circulate a petition, which reads, "I believe that the illegal use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs is unacceptable and unhealthy for our community."

That petition will carry a lot of weight, he said. If 500, or 1000, residents sign the petition, the committee can bring it to a place that is tolerant of underage drinking, and say, "X number of residents in this community object to this."

On the other hand, Knowles continued, if only 100 people sign the petition, the committee can say, "Is this the way the community really feels about underage drinking?"

Members were supportive of the idea, and may even bring the petition to the special town meeting on Monday night.

This initiative ties in with the Safe Homes program, which the committee has been supporting for six years. In Safe Homes, parents promise not to condone underage drinking and a list of "safe homes" is provided.

Approximately 15 percent of the parents of junior and senior high school students in town participate in safe homes.

Literature on the program is sent to homes in October and January. Parents are asked to sign a form which, in a nutshell, states that they won't serve alcohol to people underage, and will supervise their children's parties.

Knowles also spoke about the Drug Free weekend that was held in Cohasset for several years, but was not held last year.

The weekend was a great success, and brought an awareness to both the young and old of the community , he said.

Knowles suggested that the committee enlist the support of every organization in town to help get the weekend off the ground.

Some members agree that parents' attitudes towards underage drinking are changing.

Others weren't so sure.

Member David Cogill, who is also a police officer, said that there are still a lot of parents who just want to go down to the police station and retrieve their children, who have been picked up by the police for drinking.

They don't want charges filed, he said.

Cohasset police will appeal ruling on grad party host

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset police say they will appeal a court ruling not to charge Surry Drive resident John Lennon, 47, with contributing to the delinquency of a child.

Police disagree with Clerk Magistrate Stephen Abany, who said there was not enough evidence to bring the charge, which pertains to juveniles (children under 17 years old).

However, Abany did decide Monday to issue a charge of providing alcohol to a minor against Lennon, who hosted a graduation party at his Cohasset home in June where teenagers allegedly were served alcohol. That charge can carry a penalty of up to six months in prison and a fine of $2,000.

Cohasset police sought both complaints after several witnesses, all minors who were guests at the party, came forward. Police began investigating the party after an alcohol-related crash claimed the life of one of the guests, Gregory Smith, 18, of Marshfield.

Cohasset Police Chief Brian Noonan said Monday the matter should be heard by a judge.

He explained that Lennon also has the right to appeal Abany's decision to issue a complaint on the charge of providing alcohol to a minor.

Lennon's attorney, Bernard Hamill of Quincy, could not be reached for comment, but issued the following statement:

"John Lennon categorically denies serving Gregory Smith alcohol on the night of June 22, 1996. Several witnesses have come forward stating that Gregory Smith illegally obtained his own alcohol and brought it to the Lennon property on June 22, 1996. John Lennon hired a bartender to monitor the serving of alcohol who refused to serve Gregory Smith or any other minor. It is disturbing that the authorities have not focused part of their investigation on where Gregory Smith illegally obtained alcohol."

Allan Tufankjian, a Brockton attorney representing Smith's parents, Donald and Donna Smith of Marshfield, has filed a civil lawsuit against Lennon in Brockton Superior Court.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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A member of the Coldwell Banker International President's Circle, she has also received numerous Gold Circle awards, the highest achievement for residential sales.

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Meeting to reconvene on center stage Monday

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borrowing.

Fitzsimmons said he questioned the margin of defeat of Article 1 and contends that many people left after the hand-count was started.

"I don't know how many left before the final vote," he said.

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said 1,589 or 31 percent of the town's 5,183 registered voters attended town meeting.

Marlette said at 470, the "yes" hand count was close to the paper ballot "yes" count of 448 indicating most school opponents did participate in the paper balloting. (A yes vote supported Article 1 to stop the project).

But to 74-year-old Norman Brown, 7 Windsor Rd., that isn't the point.

"I am absolutely disgusted," said Brown who was still steaming when he called the Cohasset Mariner the following day. "At 12:15 a.m., it was freezing and no one brought the ballot (box) up to us to vote. I'll never go to another town meeting."

Marlette, who stated at a pre-town meeting meeting that he preferred a secret ballot, followed the will of Monday's town meeting and initiated a hand-count. But after an incident of voter fraud was alleged (when a voter held up a ballot in each hand) and a citizen claimed that a section had not been counted during the "yes" vote, Marlette stopped the hand-count and ordered the secret ballot, a process that took about two hours.

"Although the tellers assured me they hadn't missed a section nor counted the vote twice — I felt I had to take remedial measures and go immediately to the (secret) ballot," he said.

Opponents of the school — who collected 500 signatures to call a special town meeting to kill the school project — limited their formal presentations to about 18 minutes.

Taking much longer, proponents including representatives from the school facilities committee, selectmen, school committee, capital budget committee, and advisory board thoroughly detailed the history behind the school project including site selection, cost, tax impact, and need.

Max Pounder of the design review board, which took a hard look at the project, said that board is always "project-neutral." His remarks aimed to clarify the flap created when the board criticized the school's design.

"Clearly Cohasset needs a greatly improved elementary-school facility," he said explaining that it is the role of the design review board to make a critique of what is submitted on a project.

"What we do appears to be a negative stance but it is not," he said.

"This board has not taken a position opposed to this project."

Letters to newspapers, town-wide mailings, and lobbying efforts by both sides set the stage for Monday's special town meeting which drew the largest crowd ever.

Emotions on both sides of the issue continued to run high inside the tent, donated for the event by South Shore Playhouse Associates, parent company of the Music Circus.

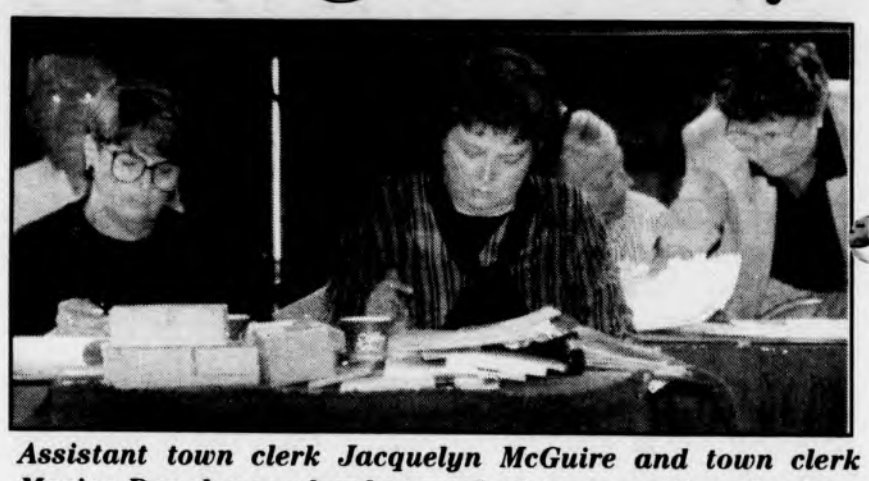
Although many senior citizens oppose the school and fear their taxes will price them out of town, the issue was not solely split along age lines.

Opposing the school, Jennifer Knowles, 21, 15 Border St., spoke about not being able to afford to live in town.

And Dr. Robert Sceery, 75, 51 Gammons Rd., a school supporter, talked about growing up in the depression and the sacrifices his father made to send him to school.

"We cannot give our children the best education in the existing school," he said.

Jack Creighton, 48 James Lane, said the school was a "band aid solution." He said an education crisis is looming because other town schools need repair and the entire system needs to be addressed.



Assistant town clerk Jacquelyn McGuire and town clerk Marion Douglas are hard at work at town meeting Monday.
Staff photo/Victor Pryles

Ron Goodwin, 166 Sohier St., said it saddened him to see "the town so divisive on the issue" but supported the school and charged its opponents have no alternative plan.

Fitzsimmons said his group's plan was for selectmen to appoint an ad-hoc committee made up of representatives from town boards to find an Osgood solution in a "sound, open manner."

Former selectman Jane Goedecke, 100 Nichols Rd., spoke passionately about a growing lack of respect for town officials. She responded to earlier remarks made by school opponents labelling town officials as "politicians."

She warned if the integrity and motivation of citizens who serve is constantly questioned — then "kooks, crackpots and those who have hidden agendas would fill those jobs."

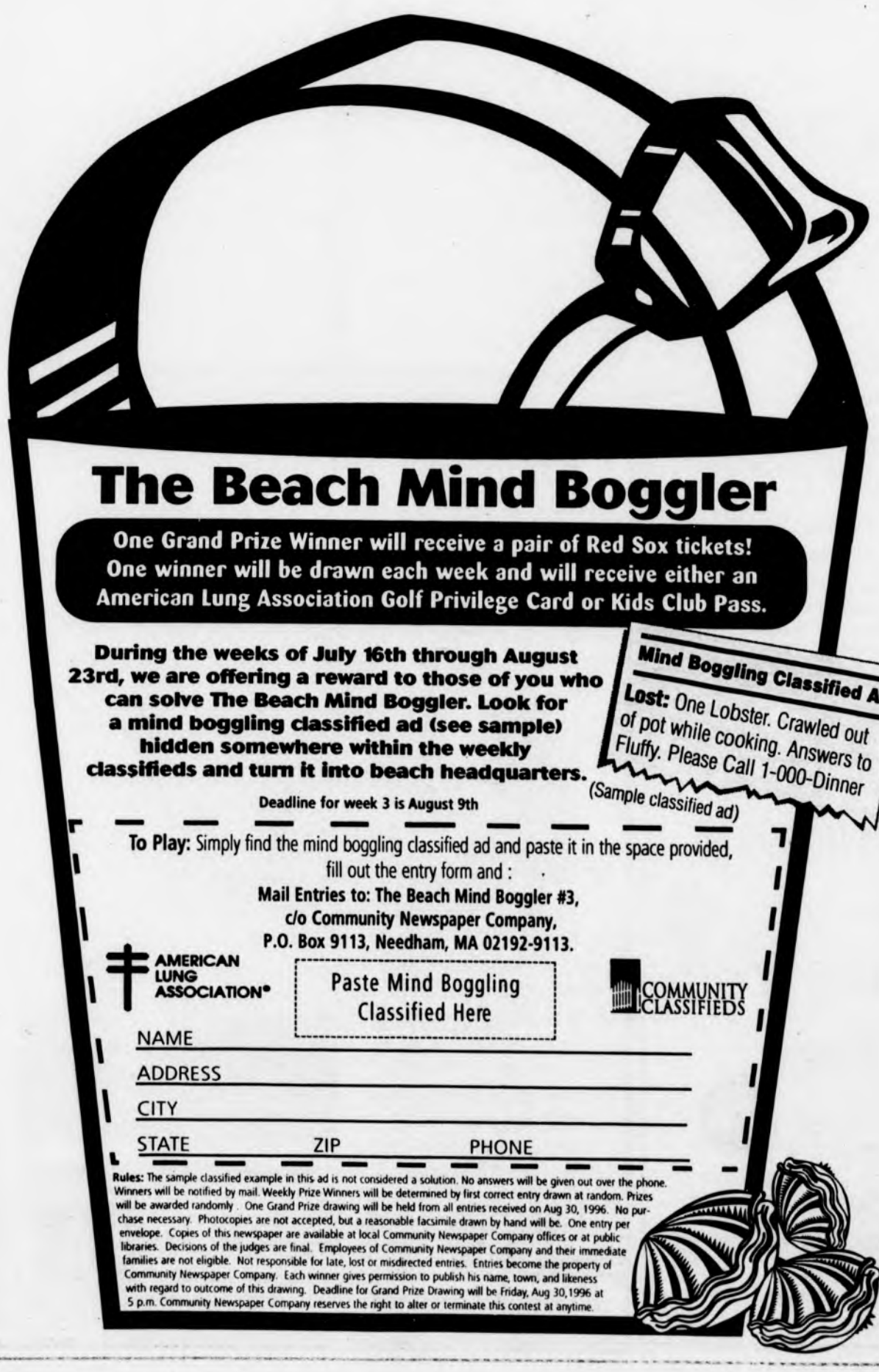
Owen O'Malley, 29 Sohier St., asked that the state be asked to "bend the rules a little" and provide reimbursement for fixing up the 70-year-old Osgood School. He said if the school is in as bad shape as officials claim — it should be under the "wrecking ball in the morning."

A low point of the meeting occurred when Marlette snapped at Bruce McKinnon, 70 Fair Oaks Lane, a vocal member of the anti-taxpayer group, who ordered the moderator to stick with the secret ballot.

An exasperated Marlette said harshly "if you weren't so caught up in yourself and would listen to me" and explained he was fed up because he'd listened to McKinnon's demands for days.

Marlette said Tuesday he regretted the outburst.

"It was not constructive, it was destructive. It should have been private, not public," he said.



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Sewer article still to be decided

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don't want the town to face an override election this fall with primaries and a presidential election on the horizon. If Article 2 passes on Monday, selectmen would have to call for an override election within 45 days.

They urged homeowners in North Cohasset to hold off until the spring town meeting when funding of their project could be combined with the 440 homes slated to be sewered in Central Cohasset.

But proponents don't want to wait to resolve the funding issue and feel in light of their narrow 34-vote override defeat at the ballot box May 4, they are willing to fight for another override to pay for 50 percent of the project.

Plante hoped last Monday's session would address Article 2 but, due to the lateness of the hour, the meeting adjourned to this Monday.

Plante felt the North Cohasset sewer article could be discussed while the ballots from the school article were being counted and while there was still a quorum in the hall.

Roy Fitzsimmons, head of Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers, leads the charge to stop the new school at town meeting.
Staff photo/Victor Pryles

Five articles to be decided Monday

Special town meeting will reconvene at 7:30 p.m., Monday (Aug. 19) at the Music Circus.

Monday's session rejected Article 1 which could be up for reconsideration this Monday. There are five more articles on the warrant including one asking the school site be moved closer to the Deer Hill School. Abutters to the proposed new school say they have a better site plan than the one presented by the school facilities committee.

How the Straits Pond sewer project should be paid for is also on the special town meeting agenda. Another article sets the stage for low-interest loans for septic system repairs. There is also an article asking for money to be appropriated to cover the cost of town meeting and one seeking approval and funding of the Konohasset Clerical-Custodial Association contract.

As with this week's session, there will be parking attendants and police details to help with traffic and parking. Wireless microphones will be available at the Music Circus to facilitate debate. The concession stand will also be open with proceeds going to benefit the Milliken Field project.

Anyone with baby-sitting needs should contact Sarah Markert at 383-6124.

Voters will be directed to aisles where checkers will be seated at both sides of the entrances. Town Moderator George Marlette said he would open up another check-in aisle Monday to help get people signed in more quickly.

Senior Olympics to air August 15

The Senior Olympics Games held June 19 in Attleboro will be aired on the town's local Continental Cablevision station Thursday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m.

Residents from Cohasset Knoll and seven other nursing facilities met the challenge to compete in the first annual Senior Olympics Games presented by the Northeast Region, Area 10 facilities of Beverly Nursing & Rehabilitation Services.

The day's events provided seniors with a sense of pride and accomplishment. Residents of all the facilities were presented with gold medals and MVP certificates as well as trophies won in various events.

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To all of you who remember the late **Woody Williams** and **Jackie Williams,** you will be saddened to learn of the passing of their son, **Scott Alan Williams,** on July 13. He was 36-years-old. Scott contracted diabetes when he was six-years-old and had been fighting it ever since.

Ironically, Scott had just received a new kidney about three days before his death from cardiac failure, and was eagerly looking forward to a new life. Scott was living in Florida near his mother and sister, **Linda.** His brother, **Kent,** lives in Kentucky. A family service was held at Woodside Cemetery, where, at Scott's request, he was buried next to his father.

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Tabor Academy sends news concerning another Cohasset resident, **Erica Dean,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. John Dean,** who will be entering the school as a freshman this fall. She completed Tabor Academy's "Orientation at Sea" program, which brings together 12 to 14 students, Tabor faculty and student crew members for six days of sailing, exploring and learning along the coast of Maine aboard the 90-foot SSV Tabor Boy.

The program exposes incoming students to the ocean around them with a general introduction to oceanography, marine biology and related environmental issues. Erica earned half a semester credit in nautical science for her participation in the program.

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Here are two events to mark on your September calendar, and you'll be glad you did! On Sept. 7, from noon until sunset, there will be the **Christine Burke Scholarship Fund Clambake** on Sandy Beach. The requested donation is $30 per person, which includes live entertainment and a delicious meal that will include lobster, chicken, steamers, clam chowder and corn on the cob, as well as tons of hot dogs and watermelon for the little ones.

As a special feature this year, there will be a big old pig roast, donated right from the farm by **Joe** and **Brenda Black,** all the way from Camden, Ohio. For ticket info, call the American Legion Post at 383-0815. The rain date is Sept. 8.

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Last month, four Cohasset boys took part in the AAU baseball championship for the 17-and-under category. **Burke Davis, J.L. Williams, Jared Hardwick** and **Paul-Michael Quintin** played for the Mass Metro baseball team and qualified for the championship, which was held in Charlotte, N.C., by coming in third in the state championships.

Paul-Michael then went to Coco Beach, Fla., where he was in the National Invitational Tournament for 16-year-old and under players. There were many trophies and medals because they came in sixth in the country!

The boys want to thank all who contributed to their fund-raising efforts. As you can see, they benefitted greatly from them (and you!).

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Hats off to **Scott L. Moe.** Boston University sends us word that he has been named to the dean's list for the spring semester.

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We received the most clever birth announcement last week — a "sweet" way to let the news of a birth be known to all. On the front of the Hershey's candy bar wrapper are the words, "Here she is — **Allison Frances Burke,** Net. Wt. 8 pounds, 4 ounces." On the back, her vital statistics are given — "Baked, July 30, 1996, serving size, 19.5 inches, delivery of goods: 12:42 p.m., location: Newton, Mass." Ingredients listed were sugar and spice and everything nice. At the bottom of the candy bar was written, "Mfd. by Karen and David" — **Karen** and **David Burke,** that is! Little Allison is the fourth grandchild of **Dr. Roger and Ann Pompeo,** and to say they are pleased and proud is putting it mildly — everyone is madly in love with little Allison, and she is beautiful! Congrats to all of you!

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New board members and 12 new overseers and trustees-at-large were elected by the board of trustees of Plimoth Plantation, the living history museum of 17th-century Plymouth. **Marilyn T. Keane** of Boston and Cohasset, a director of the World Affairs Council and chairman of their Diplomats off the Record series, and an overseer of WGBH Boston, was elected as a trustee. Mrs. Keane previously served as an overseer.

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Middlebury College sends us word of three Cohasset students. **Robin M. Lawrence,** son of **Dr. and Mrs. Robin M. Lawrence,** has attained dean's list status. **Kristine A. Pozatek,** daughter of **Ellie** and **Zig Pozatek,** has been named a college scholar, the highest recognition for academic achievement, for the spring term at the school. Last but not least, **Erin K. Steimle,** daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Edmund A. Steimle,** has also been named a college scholar for the spring term. Hearty congrats to all of you!

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Please give a huge Cohasset welcome to **Elizabeth Baker,** the new daughter of **Bet** and **Mark Baker,** and baby sister to four-year-old **Katie,** who is getting so big! Elizabeth was born July 15.

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Congratulations go to **Brett MacQuarrie** of Cohasset, a junior at Northfield Mount Hermon School, who has earned academic honors for the spring term.

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That's it for the week. Please call with your news!

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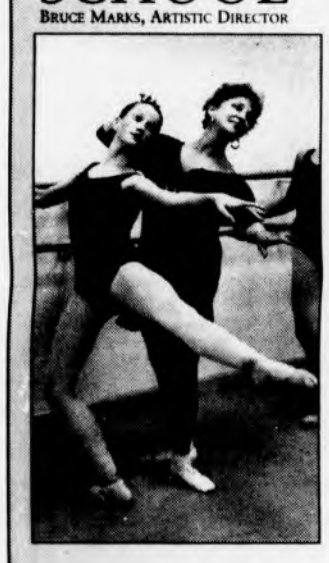

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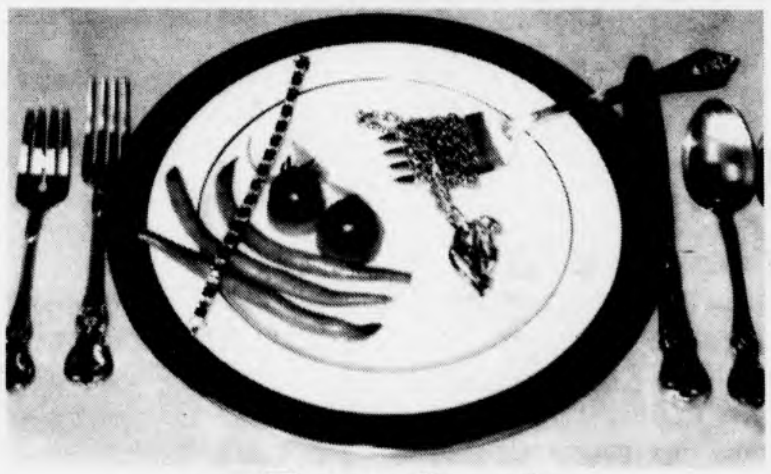

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Obituaries

David H. Williams

A memorial service for David H. Williams, 51, of Cohasset and Wareham, a marine surveyor and former auto salesman will be held at 11 a.m., Aug. 22 outside the Lightkeepers' House on Government Island.

Burial will be private.

Mr. Williams died Aug. 6 at Tobey Hospital in Wareham after a brief illness.

He worked primarily as a marine surveyor doing appraisals of boats and delivering them up and down the East Coast. Boating was his major interest in life.

Mr. Williams was also employed for a time at the former Spensley Chevrolet in Cohasset and at Cranberry Auto Sales in Wareham.

He served in the Coast Guard and was a member of the George H. Mealy American Legion Post in Cohasset.

Mr. Williams graduated from Cohasset High School and Graham College in Boston.

He was born in Jamaica Plain but lived 51 years in Cohasset and also had a second home in Wareham for several years.

Mr. Williams leaves a son, Jonathan D. Williams of Braintree; a daughter, Elizabeth Sandblom of Scituate; his mother, Barbara A. Ahearn of Cohasset; two brothers, Douglas A. Williams of Marstons Mills and Dean A. Williams of Cohasset; a sister Dana Williams of Marblehead; an uncle, Austin L. Ahearn of Cohasset; an aunt, Eleanor Hermann of Vancouver, Wash.; and a close friend Kathy Fiegan of Wareham. He was the son of the late Maj. Herbert Williams.

Arrangements were made by the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Donations may be made to the Tobey Hospital Capital Campaign, 43 High St., Wareham, 02571.

Edward P. Malley

Edward Parker Malley, 91, of Cohasset, died Aug. 9 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth, after a brief illness.

Born in Sharon, he moved to Cohasset in 1908, graduating from Cohasset High School.

Mr. Malley was a former superintendent of fire alarms and wire inspector in Cohasset, working for the town for 25 years prior to his retirement. He also served as captain of the volunteer fire department in Cohasset for 40 years.

Malley was a former lobsterman and owner of the Gold Mine, a clam shack on Route 3A.

He was the husband of the late Celia (McNeil) Malley, and leaves a son, William P. Malley of Cohasset; two daughters, Constance Callahan of Cohasset and Pauline Byrnes of South Carolina; nine grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Aug. 15 in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Cohasset Fire Department, c/o Cohasset Permanent Firefighters, 44 Elm St. 02025.

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EDITORIAL

Time to move on

There is nothing to be gained by reconsidering Monday's special town meeting vote rejecting Article 1 which asked to stop the $9.9 million school project.

And proponents of Article 1, seeking to do so, risk losing their credibility.

Those of us who were there at the Music Circus heard impassioned pleas and arguments on both sides of the issue.

But when all was said and done, the school — and we believe good sense — prevailed.

Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers forced the town meeting in the middle of August. They wanted the school debate opened up again and got their wish. The results, however, did not go their way.

With a record-breading turnout that exceeded all predictions, Monday's first session of the special town meeting did not go smoothly. People grew impatient, tired and, ironically for August, were even cold.

But the meeting was run fairly and democratically. Yes, school proponents gave longer formal presentations than the school opponents who were much more concise. That was a matter of style, not fairness.

Town Moderator George Marlette lost his temper briefly and there were some allegations of voter impropriety during a hand count.

It seemed to take forever to get the secret ballot underway. Mr. Marlette felt it was critical to explain and re-explain so citizens were not confused. And it was confusing because a no vote meant yes for the school; and a yes vote meant no for the school.

In the end, the votes were counted and the school will go forward.

The 437-vote margin on Article 1 is a mandate for the school. We urge those who remain opposed to the project — to accept the outcome and back off.

As architect, Jim Sandell, 24 Stevens Lane, said at the meeting Monday, there are bumps along the way in this process.

"That's the price we pay, building a public building in a public forum in a public arena."

Little doubt should remain now that town boards are working together on this project to bring Cohasset the best elementary school possible for the money.

Plans for the new school have been aired, debated and scrutinized, ad nauseam. The finances have been detailed over and over again.

We hope that any effort to reconsider Article 1 will be dropped so we get on with the other controversial items of business on the special town meeting agenda. Those include a citizens petition article to move the school site closer to the Deer Hill School, which could jeopardize the project, and another on how to pay for the Straits Pond sewer.

Thanks, Wig and Bob

We'd like to thank Wigmore Pierson, Continental Cablevision's Bob Belliveau and the cable volunteers who made televising Monday's town meeting possible. The program was aired in other towns, such as Scituate and Hingham. At the Cohasset Mariner office in Hingham, several people from those towns told us they switched off the Republican convention to watch Cohasset's town meeting which was more exciting.

We think televising town government whether selectmen's meetings or town meetings provides a valuable service.

It is also hard work which is often not appreciated enough.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cohasset taxes are reasonable

To the Editor:

In the Cohasset Mariner of Aug. 8, Bruce McKinnon wondered why the Cohasset tax rate is so much higher than Dover and Manchester-by-the-Sea. Using the figures he supplied from the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation, it appears that Cohasset assessed valuations are substantially below both Dover and Manchester-by-the-Sea. Each Cohasset resident is "worth" $114,786 of assessed valuation. Each Dover resident is "worth" $172,064 of assessed valuation. And Manchester-by-the-Sea residents are each "worth" $144,547 of assessed valuation.

Using Mr. McKinnon's figures, it appears that each Cohasset resident pays $1,664 in taxes; each Dover resident, $1,953. And each Manchester-by-the-Sea resident pays $1,663. I'm not sure why Mr. McKinnon wrote his letter. But I assume it was meant to cast Cohasset in a negative light. I don't see it this way. What I see is a town possessing a "very special quality of life" where real estate is substantially undervalued and taxes reasonable. And the chances of real estate increasing in value are far greater than in either Dover or Manchester-by-the Sea.

John Kenney
7 Border St.

A message to the anti-school group

To the Editor:

To the anti-school, anti-tax contingent: Stop the madness. Do this town a favor and honor the votes of the townspeople and stop. Stop dividing the town. Stop making a mockery of democracy. You got your special Town Meeting — the debate was lengthy and you lost by a margin of 2-1. Children and excellence in modern education won. Leave it at that, please. Do not reconsider this vote.

To the abutters and proponents of Article VI (which would also kill the school project): When you bought your house, you knew it was next to town-owned property and that anything could go there. But you won't be living next to a dump, a landfill, cemetery, expressway or a train. You will be living adjacent to a new school, playgrounds and playfields that your kids can walk to. Please withdraw the article.

To all of the above: Please work within the system as a part of the solution and not as a source of aggravation and devisiveness.

To all of the citizens of Cohasset: See you back at the circus Monday night!

Rich Ofsthun
45 Fair Oaks Lane

School supporters job is not done

To the Editor:

I am writing to thank everyone who came to the Music Circus Monday night and voted to oppose Article I. Unfortunately, our job is not done. A move was made to possibly reconsider the vote at the continuation of the meeting on Monday, Aug. 19.

Additionally, it is my understanding that Article 6, which proposes moving the new school from its current site, would also in effect kill the current new school project. This would happen because a change of site would cause us to lose our place for state funding. Also, the building would have to be redesigned to fit the topography of the Deer Hill site.

I urge you not to throw your vote Monday night away. Find a way to attend the continuance of the meeting, Monday, Aug. 19, at the Music Circus at 7:30 p.m. Vote no against reconsideration of Article 1. Stay and vote no against Article 6.

Cassandra Rioux
41 James Lane

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thoughts on Monday night's town meeting shared

To the Editor:

I would like to share three thoughts on Monday night's Town Meeting.

Open debate: One prominent reason put forth by the Concerned Taxpayers for forcing another Town Meeting to discuss the new school project was the lack of open debate. They argued that there was not enough open debate about the process, the site and the design, and, they said, certainly not enough debate at last March's Town Meeting. However, the actions of the Concerned Taxpayers reveal their true view of open debate. They refused an open debate format for the proposed cable television program. At Monday night's Town Meeting, by requesting a secret ballot at 10:30 p.m., they turned what had been an orderly and open debate of the new school issue into a chaotic discussion of procedural rules. In the confusion that followed, which they had prompted, one of the Concerned Taxpayers loudly and rudely berated Mr. Marlette for not having set a time limit on the presentations of the town's own boards and committees. By my estimate, the six presentations of the town's boards and committees totaled about 75 minutes (from 8:30 to 9:45 p.m.), including an important statement by the Design Review Board. Do the Concerned Taxpayers really want open debate? I think not.

Politicians: Concerned Taxpayer Mr. Fitzsimmons repeatedly and derisively used the term "politicians" to describe the elected and appointed members of the towns boards and committees who voted almost unanimously to support the new school project. I personally found his tone and derision to be offensive. I would imagine that Rep. Murray and Sen. Hedlund, who were in attendance, also found this use of the term "politicians" offensive. Who are these "politicians"? Are they not our own friends and neighbors who have volunteered their time and talent for the good of the town? As Jane Goedeke pointed out, a continuation of such a personal and abusive tone of dissent will drive the capable and committed volunteers out of town service. Mr. Fitzsimmons' words represent an attack on the cooperative spirit of volunteerism which has always been a hallmark of this town.

The "Ad-Hoc" committee: In response to Mr. Goodwin's question regarding what solution the Concerned Taxpayers proposed for the school issue, the answer was an "ad-hoc" committee. Oh? And who would serve on this committee? Why, the very same "politicians" who have been involved in this project for the past 12 months. And what would be this committee's charge? To study the issue and make a recommendation. Hello? Am I missing something? Or is it transparently clear that the Concerned Taxpayers simply want to stop this project, and any project which represents a rational investment in the town's infrastructure? In fact, an "ad-hoc" committee of precisely the composition which the Concerned Taxpayers proposed has been working on this project since last September, and their recommendation — to build a new school — was approved in April. In fact, the committee continues to work together cooperatively to address the multiple issues which are normal for a project of this size. So, Concerned Taxpayers, although your article failed, you actually achieved your solution!

After a vigorous and "open debate," and based on the recommendation of the "politicians" who collectively comprise an "ad-hoc" committee of the most dedicated and knowledgeable town officials, the voters of Cohasset reaffirmed, by a 2 to 1 margin, their previous two votes. In the best interests of the town, the new school project will go forward.

Rick Shea
52 Margin St.

Responsibility for behavior lies with the individual

To the Editor:

The impatience of angry and self-important boors who shout their views at the moderator, rather than waiting to be recognized, contributed greatly to the degeneration of the Music Circus town meeting.

Without self-discipline, patience and respect for others and for orderly process, a hoodlum is a hoodlum, whether possessed of an elementary school education or two advanced degrees, whether a laborer or a well-paid professional.

It's too easy to criticize the moderator for lack of firmness. But that doesn't relieve voters of responsibility for disciplined behavior, for knowing and following the rules designed to prevent a meeting from subverting itself into a feckless mob.

Those who departed immediately after casting their yes vote demonstrated one of the worst features of town meetings. That is the tendency to leave immediately their particular interest has been addressed, and to take no responsibility for other matters. No doubt they will join the cry that the subsequent secret ballot was illegal, and continue to waste everyone's time and patience. But the majority will was expressed (about 2 to 1) and that clear expression should take precedence over prattling about illegality. Does it serve the community to repeat the process merely to record again, but with less disputed legality, what is already well proven? Continuing to grasp at straws doesn't restore the credibility of the penny-wise and pound-foolish crowd. Next time they take on the big spenders, they had better establish credibility with more substantive arguments.

R.M. Campbell
75 Old Pasture Rd.

A newcomer reflects

To the Editor:

Eight years ago at the opening of the Republican National Convention I was in New Orleans amidst the frenzy and excitement of the convention cheering on the Republican regime. Eight years later on the opening night of the Republican National Convention I found myself in a crowded tent in Cohasset. There, without the bunting, balloons and fanfare of a national convention, I was able to observe the true essence of our democracy. The impassioned debate that took place on Monday night contrasted sharply with the contrived commercials on display in San Diego.

I observed, not participated in, the proceedings Monday night because as a new resident I had not researched the school issue sufficiently enough to express an opinion or cast a vote. I went to the meeting at the Music Circus hoping that I would receive enough information to make a decision and cast a vote. I left the meeting overwhelmed by the process, inspired by the residents' concern, and as undecided as when I entered.

I offer these observations from a perspective distinct from most in attendance that evening, as I have no affiliation with either side of the debate, and I have no knowledge of the personalities, histories, or background of the individuals in either camp. Although I had the benefit of being objective and impartial, I was not without my biases. As an ardent believer in governing bodies doing more with less, believing the government's money is the people's money, I am instinctively repelled by any tax increase initiatives. As a father of three young children, who seeks the best for his children, I am attracted to the notion of a clean, safe school facility. It was ultimately my inability to reconcile the differences in my two biases that led to my indecision and my yearning to know more.

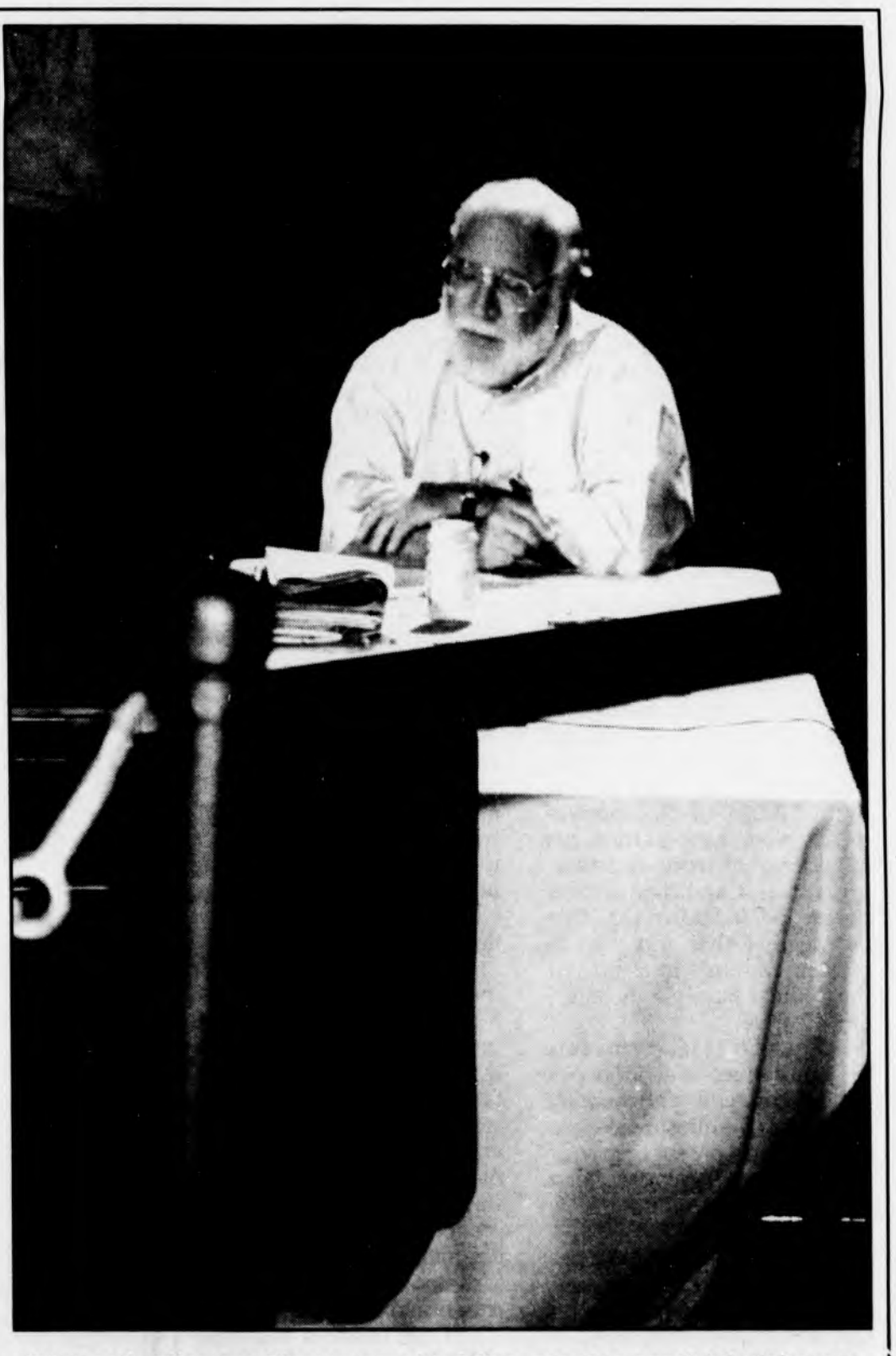
Armed with few facts, my conflicting biases, and my eagerness to learn, I sat through the proceedings hoping to be convinced. I am not convinced either way. I need to do more research. But here are a few questions that still remain unanswered.

How is this debate being framed? Is the need for a new school born out of a one-time state government expense-sharing opportunity? Or is it a safety issue where children are in danger in a dilapidated, overcrowded, has-been facility? If the state funding opportunity wasn't available would the safety concerns and building condition issue have been sufficient enough to compel 1500 or so residents to come out on a late summer night screaming for their taxes to be raised? And if the conditions are as described, should the school be opened in September? Was the process rushed? Are there cheaper alternatives? Which tax increase figure can be believed – 30 percent, 50 percent, or 2 percent, which?

If there are only two options – renovate or build, and the difference in the net out-of-pocket expense is negligible, isn't it obvious the school should be built? Criticizing without offering solutions is always a precarious undertaking. Is it true the proponents of question one had no detailed financial alternative? When opportunities present themselves shouldn't we seize on them before they pass us by? Who are the beneficiaries of a new school, solely the parents of students attending the new school? Or does the entire town benefit from a thriving, healthy school system with updated facilities?

Although questions remain that have not been answered, I learned a lot Monday night ranging from lessons in economics to philosophy. I learned there is still a little child in many of us as temper tantrums and personal biases can alter ones objectivity. I learned that a marred, poorly run meeting can stifle the impact of an enlightened, well thought out debate. But most importantly, I learned the real heroes of our democracy are not those national figures who were standing at a podium in San Diego reading cue cards. Rather the heroes are those concerned parents and citizens who crammed into a theatre on a cool August night to insure the integrity of the town that they so clearly cherish.

Peter J. Buckley
24 Old Coach Rd.



Cohasset's Wigmore Pierson provided live, gavel-to-gavel television coverage at Monday's special town meeting from the orchestra pit behind the stage at the Music Circus.

Staff photo/Mary Ford

WITH THE CANDIDATES

GOP cookout is Sept. 8

Cohasset Town Chairman Julie Guild, formerly of Hingham, has named the planning committee for the annual GOP cookout, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 8, from 4:30 to 7 p.m. The cookout will be held at the Guild oceanfront home, 365 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset.

An internationally known jazz band, the Mark Kross Trio, will play the music of Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington and New Orleans jazz. Special guests will be former Secretary of Economic Affairs Gloria Larson and congressional, general court and county candidates from Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk and Plymouth.

All South Shore residents are invited to attend. A $25 donation per couple, or $13 per person, is requested. Reservations must be made in advance by calling Polly Logan (383-0031), Carl Harris (749-7715) or Ann Collins (749-0817), all of Hingham; Joan Francis of Scituate (545-1361); Audrey MacDonald of Duxbury (934-0366); or Dana Toland of Weymouth (337-4383). A limited number of tickets will be available at the cookout for $15. Checks for reservations may be sent to: Cohasset GOP Cookout, c/o Janet Fogarty, 15 Cedarledge Village, Cohasset 02025.

The following individuals have been named to the cookout planning committee: Mark Baker, Patricia Buckley, R. Murray Campbell, John Flanagan, William Grimm, Peter Guild, Kevin O'Donnell, Samuel Pease, Douglas Peck, Dennis Roth, Matthew Steele, Grace Tuckerman, Judy Volungis, George Watts Jr., Joan Young, Michael Bittel, Polly Logan and Janet Fogarty, treasurer for the cookout.

Johnston wants tuition deduction

Phil Johnston, Democratic candidate for the 10th Congressional District, says the government should grant tax deductions for college tuitions.

Johnston said he will seek from Congress a $10,000 annual tax deduction for students or their parents, "whoever pays the bills," he noted.

"We want everyone who wants to go to college to go there. The government should facilitate the process because a good education is the best way this society can advance," Johnston said. "The government helped finance college education with amazing success with its GI Bill, which helped send thousands of World War II veterans to college. There is no valid reason why the government can not do more than it is now doing for men and women seeking higher education."

Johnston praised the federal government's present college loan program, while denouncing efforts in Congress to slash the loan program budget.

"I strongly support the college loan program. It has made college possible for millions of Americans. It is reprehensible that Newt Gingrich and some of the other Republican members of Congress want to cut the program," said Johnston. Both he and his wife, Beverly, obtained government college loans to help finance their education at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.

Coastal Coalition plans rally for Weld/Kerry debate

The Coastal Coalition of the South Shore is planning a rally at the next Weld/Kerry debate, Monday, Aug. 19, at Channel 5 Studios, Needham.

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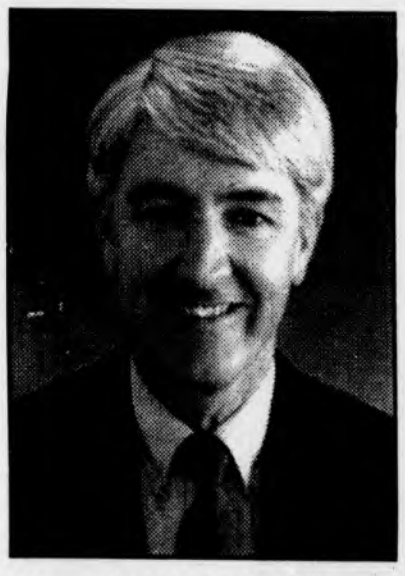

Congressional Candidate Ed Teague

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When it comes to cutting taxes, Teague is no Johnny-come-lately. For years he has pushed for tax cuts in the State House of Representative. Now he's putting his experience to work as a Congressional Candidate in the debate on federal taxes. "It's outrageous that today's tax burden amounts to a third of the typical family's income," says Teague.

Among Ed Teague's tax cutting initiatives is a $500 per child tax credit and a $500 credit for families who care for an elderly parent or grandparent. He would also increase the maximum IRA contribution to $2500 and eliminate the tax penalty on married couples. At the same time, Teague has pledged to fight for a Super Majority Law which requires a two-thirds majority vote for Congress to increase taxes. "We simply must make it harder for big spending politicians to take our money," states Teague.

One of Teague's most interesting proposals deals with the approximately 1% of Americans who actually feel they are undertaxed. Teague would change the tax forms to allow these taxpayers to contribute more of their own money instead of advocating higher taxes for the rest of us. He'd also allow them to direct their additional contributions to the government program of their choice.

Ed Teague is proud to be the only candidate in the race who has said he would cut taxes, and detailed how he would do it. "Cutting taxes and giving money back to those who earned it is the first step toward restarting our economy," Teague said. "And improving the economy is the first step toward getting all of America back to work."

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2:50 a.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
3:28 a.m., suspicious, Hull St.
6:39 a.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave.
8:00 a.m. cloudy, 68
2:07 p.m., medical aid, Hatherly Rd.
2:40 p.m., larceny, Joy Pl.
3:09 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
6:45 p.m., fire alarm, Surry Dr.
10:20 p.m., noise complaint, Ledgewood Dr.
11:28 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
11:45 p.m., foggy, 65, wind calm.
11:46 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.

Friday, Aug. 2

12:06 a.m, cloudy, patchy fog, 66
12:41 a.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave./Sandy Beach
1:12 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.
6:49 a.m., public service, Forest Ave.
8:00 a.m., drizzle, 72
1:22 p.m., animal complaint, Carbone Ln.
6:00 p.m., sunny, 74
9:20 p.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.
10:43 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.
11:06 p.m., disturbance, Fernway.
11:41 p.m, MV stop, Pond St.

Saturday, Aug. 3

12:10 a.m., cloudy, mild 70
12:29 a.m., disturbance family, Beechwood St.
12:49 a.m., arrest, officer Lennon arrested Robert A. Jones, 44 Beechwood St., DOB: 8/14/57, assault & battery.
2:10 a.m. MV stop, N. Main St./Common.
2:39 a.m., assist citizen, Old Pasture Rd.
3:09 a.m., suspicious auto, Wadleigh Park.
5:30 a.m., medical aid, Highland Ave.
8:00 a.m., sunny, 72
8:00 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.
8:23 a.m., serve restraining order, Elm St.
9:27 a.m., officer wanted, Summer St.
2:09 p.m., property (found), HQ
3:03 p.m., assist citizen, Lighthouse Ln.
3:57 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.
4:00 p.m., sunny, 79
5:09 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.
5:59 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.
7:43 p.m., MV violations, Sohier St.
8:19 p.m., MV violations, Sohier St.
8:57 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
9:24 p.m., noise complaint, Norman Todd Rd.
10:06 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
10:25 p.m., suspicious, Parking Way.
10:36 p.m., vandalism, Hull St.
10:50 p.m., noise complaint, Summer St.
11:03 p.m., noise complaint, Jerusalem Rd.
5:03 p.m., protective custody, Parking Way.
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Monday, Aug. 5

12:05 a.m., protective custody, Wadleigh Park.
12:30 a.m., suspicious, CJC Hwy.
1:03 a.m., MV stop, King St.
1:58 a.m., MV stiop, Pond St.
2:30 a.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.
5:51 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.
6:41 a.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave.
7:14 a.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave.
10:31 a.m., public service, Nichols Rd.
10:42 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.
11:17 a.m., assist citizne, Hill St.
12:16 p.m., assist citizen, Depot Ct.
2:19 p.m., property (found), Elm St.
3:16 p.m., assist motorist, Elm St.
4:27 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.
5:48 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:59 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.
7:42 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
9:20 p.m., MV accident, S. Main St.
9:38 p.m., MV violations, HQ.
10:21 p.m, MV stop, N. Main St.
10:58 p.m, officer wanted, King St.
11:55 p.m, MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

Tuesday, Aug. 6

1:10 a.m., larceny, CJC Hwy.
3:00 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
11:00 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
12:13 p.m., property (lost), Tedeschi Plaza.
12:21 p.m., general servcies, CJC Hwy.
12:51 p.m., property (lost), CJC Hwy.
2:27 p.m., medical aid, Mill Ln.
3:54 p.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.
5:27 p.m.,animal complaint, Old Pasture Rd.
5:32 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
5:49 p.m., MV accident, Hull St.
6:25 p.m., assist citizen, Sohier St.
7:32 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:22 p.m., disturbnce, CJC Hwy.

Wednesday, Aug. 7

12:25 a.m., vandalism, Atlantic Ave.
3:29 a.m., suspicious person, Elm St.
9:17 a.m., info - directions, Elm St.
9:54 a.m., medical aid, Aaron River Rd.
4:04 p.m., medial aid, Old Pasture Rd.
5:20 p.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.
5:42 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.
5:49 p.m, disturbance family, HQ.
5:49 p.m., arrest, John R. Haig, DOB; 7/21//49, Willow Grove, Penn., under arrest for domestic abuse.
8:09 p.m, noise complaint, Norman Todd Rd.
8:19 p.m., disturbance, Norman Todd Rd.
9:11 p.m., disturbance (general), Highland Ave.

Thursday, Aug. 8

12:33 a.m, disturbance (family), N. Main St.
1:08 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave./Jerusalem Rd.
8:45 a.m., notification, Atlantic Ave.
9:17 a.m., carbon monoxide incident, Beechwood St.

Enjoy Common carillon concerts

The 72nd series of summer carillon recitals will be given on the 57-bell carillon in the tower of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset, on Sundays, through Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. The public is invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers to Cohasset Common or the church courtyard on Highland Avenue.

The best listening place is the sunken terrace in the middle of Stagecoach Way (pedestrian walk beside Coldwell Banker on Main Street, opposite the tower). Printed programs will be distributed at all locations. The concerts take place rain or shine. The music may also be heard from parked cars. All concerts are free of charge.

Carillonneurs for the remainder of the series are: Aug. 18, R. Robin Austin, carillonneur of Princeton University; and Aug. 25, Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset and Phillips Academy, Andover.

For further information, or to submit requests for the Aug. 25 program, call Sally Slade Warner at (508) 475-2599; the church at 383-1083; or Mary Kennedy, assistant carillonneur of St. Stephen's at 383-9599.

Come to concert at the Abbey

Aisling Gallery will present Cherish the Ladies Sunday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m. at s Abbey, 16 Hull St., Route 228, Hingham. Traditional and Irish music and singing will be featured.

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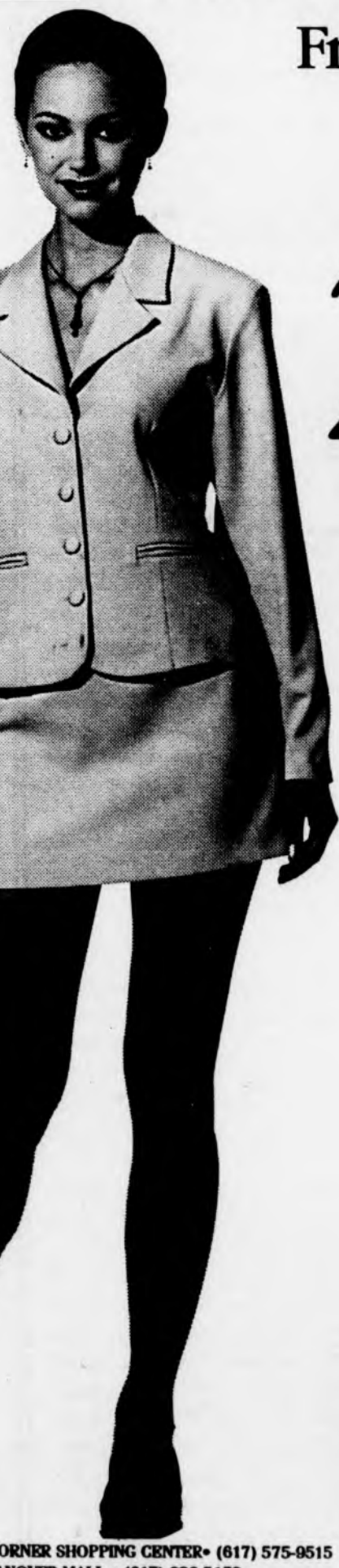

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PERSONAL FINANCE

Beware reverse-mortgage mania

Don't let a bad deal burn up your home equity

By Elizabeth Macdonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

The offer is inviting. Why not take the equity built up in your home and turn it into a reliable income stream? Such is the notion behind one of the hottest new financial instruments out there – the reverse mortgage.

Recently, the Department of Housing and Urban Development proposed expanding a program allowing senior citizens to use the value of their homes to supplement their incomes. Under HUD's program, people age 62 and older who either own their homes or maintain a nominal mortgage balance can draw against their house's equity, either in monthly payments, a lump sum, or in a credit line. The loan doesn't have to be repaid until the home is sold, or the borrower moves out or dies.

Lenders offering this loan can be insured against losses by HUD's Federal Housing Administration. This pilot program is limited to 50,000 participants, and is effective through Sept. 2000 – HUD wants to open it to more than 12 million senior citizens over age 62, and extend it indefinitely. So far, HUD – which makes money off these loans from the premiums charged – has insured 16,000 reverse mortgages for older Americans.

The reverse mortgage was born in California. It promises a borrower a set amount of monthly payments. That amount is based on certain factors: The percentage of equity a senior citizen has in the home, an annual percentage rate applied against that equity, the appraised value of the home, and the borrower's life expectancy.

Reverse mortgages are particularly attractive to retirees or anyone else on a fixed income. Today, many of the nation's 13 million senior citizens are increasingly looking to turn an estimated $750 billion worth of home equity into quick cash with reverse mortgages, according to Ken Scholen, director of the National Center for Home Equity Conversion in Apple Valley, Minn.

Not surprisingly, such complexity often hides gigantic charges.

Reverse mortgages work much like home-equity loans. Borrowers typically draw between 30 and 80 percent of their home equity in the form of a fixed monthly payment or credit line. The borrower then agrees to repay the balance due if he or she moves from the residence. Repayment is secured by a first trust deed on the borrower's home – when the borrower moves or dies, the lender is repaid from the proceeds of the sale. Payments are not taxable, and don't affect Social Security benefits. Interest costs can be deducted on your tax return when the house is sold.

Unlike regular home-equity loans, reverse mortgages have no income requirements. Furthermore, home-equity loans and credit lines are typically paid off within 10 years; reverse-mortgage payments usually last as long as you live in your home.

However, some lenders cook up outrageous calculations based on laughable life expectancies. The longer the term of the reverse mortgage, the greater the chance that fees and interest charges associated with it will skyrocket.

As reverse mortgages proliferate, it's smart to protect yourself or your parents.

Educate yourself. Request the free 47-page booklet, "Homemade Money," by mailing a self-addressed postcard to AARP Home Equity Information Center, 601 E St. NW, Washington, D.C., 20049.

Also, check out government-backed reverse mortgages and truth in lending rules covering these loans, get reliable professional advice before you sign, question the loan's terms, and use reverse mortgages as a tax-planning tool.

If your estate is worth more than $600,000, encumbering your home with a reverse mortgage could shrink your assets below that threshold, thereby avoiding stiff federal estate-tax rates as high as 55 percent. Consider borrowing from your kids. With the help of a family lawyer or sharp financial planner, set up your own reverse mortgage with your adult child. Your offspring would then pay you a fixed sum equal to a certain percentage of the equity in your home. You'll get the cash, your children will reap the tax benefits of depreciation of the real estate, and you'll skip high fees.

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(Elizabeth Macdonald is financial editor for Worth magazine.)

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Mariner Sports

Miles to go before he rests

Three-time winner Bill Rodgers is just warming up for more road-racing glory

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Eight months before Bill Rodgers gained international prominence with his legendary American-record win in the 1975 Boston Marathon, he previewed things to come in a most unlikely location.

Racing over winding roads and past sandy beaches, Rodgers easily defeated Olympian Marty Liquori in a small, road race on Cape Cod.

And though Liquori provided little challenge to Rodgers over the 7.1 miles, it was a significant race for the 26-year-old road-racer. The victory was one of Rodgers' first over a "marquee" name in American track and field.

Career-wise, the race was a significant one in name recognition for the man whose name is now synonymous with road racing around the world.

"I was on my way up in the sport and the win gained me some recognition in New England," said the 48-year-old Rodgers, who possesses the same drive that led him to victory in nearly every major road race in the country over his 22-year career.

For Rodgers, Falmouth eventually marked the start of a period in his career where he was deemed "King of the Roads."

The heavy hitters began to emerge from the woodwork and the run from Woods Hole to Falmouth Heights started packing in highly competitive fields. None were bigger than Frank Shorter.

"Tommy asked me to write to Frank to come down and run," Rodgers said with a smile. "Frank showed up and beat me. That wasn't a very nice thing to do to the host."

The friendly rivalry between Shorter and Rodgers quickly emerged. The two greatest road-racers in the world re-defined the sport in the United States during the mid-1970's to early '80s. Millions of Americans began running during this period and the "Boom" was underway.

The pair ran side by side in '75 and '76 through the early miles of the race as the rest of the field quickly faded into the background. At the time, however, it was Shorter's track background which proved to be the deciding factor in his victories.

"Frank would always put in a surge at about 2-1/2 miles," Rodgers said. "I'd hold back because the pace was a little too quick and I didn't want to go into oxygen debt.

"I couldn't run away from the leaders at the start anyway. My marathon endurance would come into play later in my races. I'd try to run at a pace where I was exerting pressure over the entire course."

Rodgers' competitive fires are burning as fiercely as ever, though he can no longer challenges the new breed of younger, world-class runners.

Rodgers won't be in the 9,000-runner field for Sunday's race, but he is among the top master runners in the country with several American records to his credit. Falmouth is still very much a part of his agenda.

One of Rodgers' goals is to set the 50-and-over record at Falmouth.

Rodgers already has the distinction of being the only runner ever to win both the open and masters division of the race.

"I was pleased with that (1988 race) because my time was faster than my winning time in 1974," he said.

Over the years Rodgers has staged some of his most thrilling road-racing duels at Falmouth against the most recognized athletes in the sport.

Falmouth has always been a key race for Rodgers, and one of his favorites. At no time was that more evident than 1978, probably Rodgers' most productive year on the roads.

Rodgers was in the midst of an incredible string of races that saw him win 33 of 35 competitions he entered.

The world turned out for the '78 race and there was no question Rodgers was the man the world-class field was keying on.

Salazar was back after finishing second the year before. This time the University of Oregon student was determined as ever to be the first across the line in Falmouth Heights.

Olympian Craig Virgin, who went on to win the race in '79, was another favorite. Peachtree Road Race winner Mike Roche was in the field, along with Michigan-transplant Greg Meyer and Randy Thomas.

Olympian Gary Bjorklund, who pushed Rodgers for 15 miles in the '77 New York City Marathon, and would do the same in '78 was in the field, as was his teammate Mike Slack.

There were whispers beforehand that Slack and Bjorklund were set to pull the field through a lightning-fast 4:10 first mile. Rodgers' start at Falmouth was always a quick one, but he had no intention of running the first mile alongside the pair of Minnesota runners.

"It's a nerve-racking start," Rodgers said. "You have to get out quickly because you have to have a good position around the first turn heading up the hill.

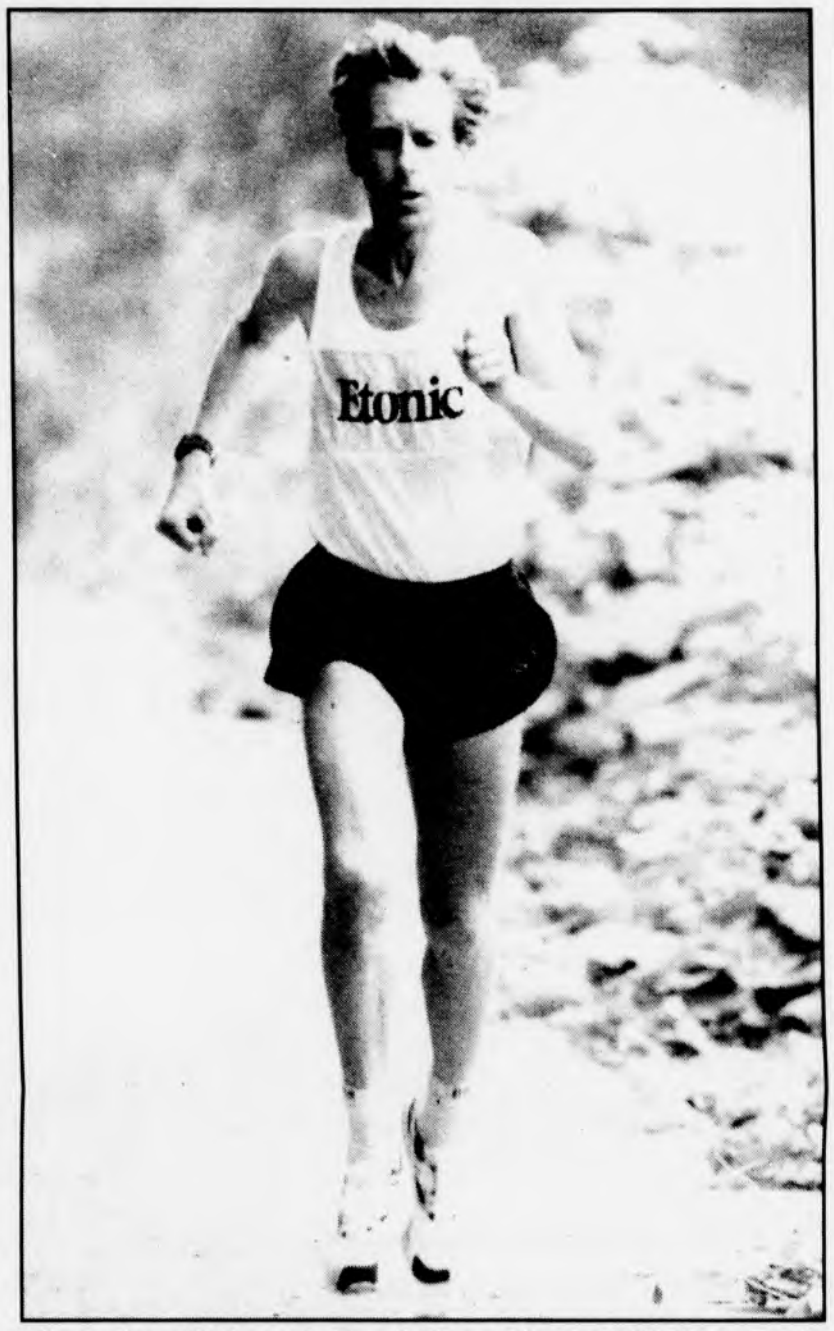
"It lends itself to a more explosive race."

At the start, Rodgers got off to a comfortable start, preferring to sit at the back of the huge lead pack. Slack and Bjorklund didn't hit the mile in 4:10, but the 4:25 split was still fast with a large lead pack clustered together.

By the time the leaders came out of the woods and surged onto sun-drenched Surf Drive, the pack had thinned down to Rodgers, Virgin, Roche and Salazar.

Virgin and Roche began to fall back at four miles, leaving Rodgers and Salazar alone in the lead. and Rodgers started to press hard. Salazar fell into place just behind him and the race was beginning to look more and more like the previous year's battle. Only this time, Salazar had something to prove.

Rodgers pressed the pace harder than he ever has along Falmouth's middle miles, but the tenacious Salazar wouldn't budge.



Three-time Falmouth Road Race winner Bill Rodgers is the only American ever to win both the open and master division of the 7.1 mile summer classic.

"I could see his shadow just behind me," Rodgers said. "I was forcing the pace, forcing the pace."

Daylight finally emerged between the two at 5-1/2 miles as Rodgers started to pull away. Salazar, dangerously dehydrated, faded to 10th place and came close to death after the race. His temperature soared to 108 degrees and the word around the Falmouth Heights baseball field was that a Roman Catholic priest was called to the scene to administer the last rites. Thankfully, Salazar's temperature began to drop and was up and around soon later. Despite the scare and the 10th-place finish, Salazar was still intent on winning Falmouth. He accomplished the feat with a pair of back-to-back victories in '81 and '82 where he completely dominated the world-class fields assembled.

"Racing Frank and having Alberto hanging onto me; they were all important," he said.

As for the course itself, Rodgers ranks the Bix 7-miler in Iowa as a more difficult route than Falmouth. But Rodgers doesn't consider Falmouth an easy course by any means. He calls it one of the most scenic he has ever run with a character that rivals the Boston Marathon.

Competitively, he wants to be remembered for his consistency during his prime years. The medals he won, the titles he came away with and the tough competition he never backed down from are a testament to an athlete who was truly the best of his era.

And there's still a lot to look forward to from The King.

Traveling All-Stars is a big success

By COACHES DOOLEY & DOWNING
Special to the Mariner

Congratulations to the Cohasset Summer Travel All-Star 10-year-olds for their winning season. Team members were Tim Anton, Jeff Barrett, Erik Belz, Robby Carpenter, Sean Connolly, Paul Cotter, Mark Davis, Steve Davis, Mike Devine, Mike Dooley, Jon Downing, Mike Ernst, Mike Geddes, Mike Hajjar and Reed Smith.

Some of their accomplishments this season included:

- beating or tying (at least once) Abington, Braintree, Holbrook, Milton and Rockland;
- maintaining a winning home record;
- holding a .500 road record; and
- winning a first-round playoff game over the Rockland All-Stars, 14-8.

These young players provided a lot of excitement and entertainment for the home fans this summer, and with a couple of seasons left, they will give us many more thrills at Barnes Little League Field.

Recreation soccer registration

The final soccer registration for girls and boys grades K to 7 will be held at the recreation department office, Cohasset Town Hall, from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 7.

Soccer registration is for both fall recreational and spring soccer. The fee is $55 per child for each program. A separate check of $30 is necessary for the uniform deposit. Both checks should be payable to Cohasset Soccer Club.

Fall soccer begins Saturday, Sept. 21, and continues through Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996.

Call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791 with any questions about fall soccer.

New high school athletic field to open

Continued from page 1

New lights are being hooked up, as well as a new sound system. Plans call for a new press box and concession stand to be built.

Varsity football coach Bob Knurek said he is looking forward to playing on Friday nights again. Originally from Michigan, Knurek said there is a special electricity surrounding the night games. And with Cohasset playing in the South Shore League this season, the Skippers will be playing many more.

"I think when you get games back to Friday night it makes it more exciting," Knurek said. "People have so many things to do on Saturdays, but on Fridays it's just a couple of hours."

Knurek is impressed with the work which has been done on the field and is hoping it becomes a home-field advantage somewhere down the line for Cohasset.

"It's an exciting time combining the new field with our team getting back into the South Shore League," he said.

Work on the upper fields has been completed with addition and renovations to the tennis courts and a new baseball field. Teams in past seasons didn't have enough room to practice without interfering with another squad's workout. With the change, teams will have more than adequate space for their practices.

Initial work relocating water mains and clearing adjacent land had to be done in the early stages of the project.

"A number of things had to be done before work could be started," Sawchuk said.

Sawchuk credited the town departments for their overwhelming cooperation and backing of the project. said work wouldn't have been possible without the cooperation of several town departments.

"It has been a real town project," he said. "It's like putting up something neutral in someone's backyard. We were very fortunate to get a lot of cooperation between the various town departments."

Sawchuk emphasized the new facilities are there for the public to enjoy.

"The facility is for the entire town, not just for the high school. I got a call from a retired individual who was looking forward to using the track.

"It's very encouraging," Sawchuk said.

The lights above the track and football field are unique in that they light whichever venue is being used without wasting electricity lighting the other.

This fall the soccer and field hockey teams will have a certain number of games at night, an opportunity that never was an option in past seasons.

Swimmers clinch perfect SSSL

By SELMA INGBER
Special to the Mariner

Cohasset Swim Team beat the Scituate Knights of Columbus in the final meet of the season. The final score was Cohasset 343, Scituate 257, leaving Cohasset undefeated all season. The following results are a continuation of those printed in last week's issue.

14 and Under
Jeff Schneider, 1st
David Ingber, 4th
Allison Berg, 1st
Jesse Zerendow, 4th

17 and Under
Justin Golden, 1st
Mike O'Hart, 4th
A. Case, 2nd
Hilary Habershaw, 3rd

FREESTYLE

8 and Under
Zach Marchert, 1st
Dan McCarthy, 2nd
Laura Durkin, 3rd
Caitlin Sanchez, 4th

10 and Under
Teddie Straughn, 2nd
Matt Ernst, 3rd
Becca Lehr, 2nd
Emily Simmons, 3rd

12 and Under
Scott Faber, 1st
David Ingber, 2nd
Cara Foley, 1st
Carly Carter, 2nd

14 and Under
Chris Golden, 3rd
John Crowley-Buck, 4th
Gemma O'Brien, 1st
Kelly Straughn, 3rd

17 and Under
Justin Buckley, 2nd
Kate O'Hart, 1st
Kristen Osterborg, 4th

BUTTERFLY

8 and Under
Parker Berg, 1st
Emilie Shea, 2nd
Noah Wilcox, 3rd
Caitlin Sanchez, 3rd

10 and Under
Zach Etkind, 2nd
Bryan Bilton, 3rd
Elyssa Jerome, 2nd
Casey Anderson, 3rd

12 and Under
Alex Etkind, 1st
Rob Lehr, 3rd
Courtney McDonald, 1st
Sara Genovese, 4th

14 and Under
Chris Golden, 2nd
David Crowley-Buck, 4th
Allison Berg, 1st
Ashley Ulner, 2nd

17 and Under
Justin Golden, 2nd
Brian Hurley, 4th
A. Case, 1st
Sarah Case, 3rd

BREASTSTROKE

8 and Under
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Reed Dickerson, 3rd
Cally Ernst, 3rd
Laura Durkin, 3rd

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Zach Etkind, 3rd
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More swimming results in next week's issue.

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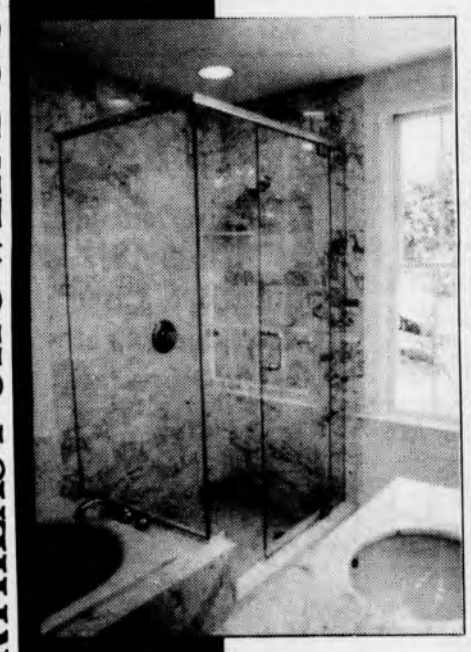

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Young sailors take a bow

Mass Bay junior regatta a success

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Heading into last week's Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships, co-director Chuck Peterson knew the only variable the various workers and committee members had no control over was the weather.

And despite the fact that mother nature hit Cohasset Harbor with a potpourri of weather conditions, the championship was run flawlessly as 235 sailors in 182 boats competed in the various divisions.

Ranging in age from 8 to 18, the young sailors represented yacht and sailing clubs from communities including Annisquam, Beverly, Boston, Cohasset, Duxbury, Gloucester, Hingham, Hull, Manchester, Marblehead, Plymouth, Quincy, Scituate and Weymouth.

Race divisions included International Optimist (five classes), Laser, Laser Radial, Turnabout, Dublin and Club 420.

Because of the varying weather conditions, most of the boats ran in five races over the course of three days.

Peterson was very pleased with how smoothly the regatta championships went and shrugged off the weather as one of those things that makes for more interesting races.

"If the weather was better it would have been a tremendous regatta," Peterson said. "On Tuesday it was

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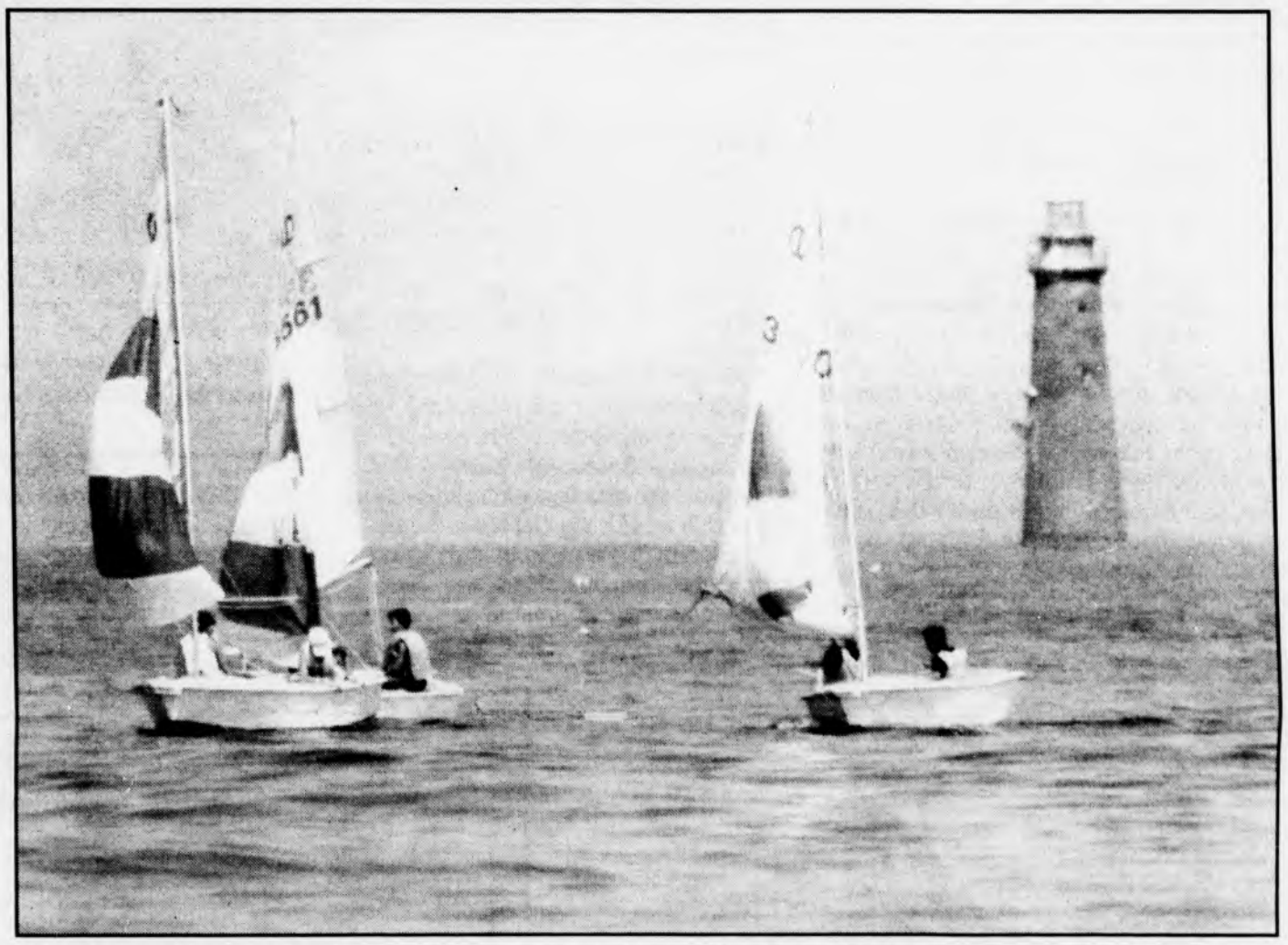

With Minot Light rising in the distance, the Cohasset Yacht Club's Sean Chase and Doug O'Brien (No. 3561) duel with a competitor as Zachary Traine and Nat Kingdom (right) of the Hingham Yacht Club bide their time in last week's Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Sewer cost sharing to be back in the spring

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

There is little doubt that the proposal to have the town split the cost of installing sewers in North Cohasset with the 345 homeowners there, has support from town officials and many residents.

But at Monday's continuation of special town meeting — the message was not a rejection of the shared-funding plan but one of holding off until spring. At that time, financing the project could be joined with that for the 440 homes in central Cohasset, the next part of town slated for sewers.

"We are determined to lift 100 percent of the betterment off the neighbors," said Selectman Peter Pratt. He explained the issue is now "a tactical one of timing."

So despite impassioned pleas from North Cohasset homeowners — with a vote of 426 to 370 — Monday's special town meeting failed to give the cost-sharing plan the 2/3 majority required for passage.

Diane Sullivan, 708 Jerusalem Rd., who served as the proponent's spokesman at town meeting this week, said the ball is now in the hands of the sewer commissioners who promised to bring a joint-funding proposal to voters at the annual town meeting next spring.

Although disappointed by Monday's outcome, Sullivan said her group was not surprised by the vote.

"We are no worse off than when we went into the meeting," she said. Sullivan said the importance of setting a precedent with shared-funding for the project didn't seem to get across to central Cohasset residents and those facing Title V repairs.

"We would have oiled the way for them to follow," she said.

The board of selectmen and sewer commissioners are on record backing the proposal which would lighten the financial burden for homeowners in the Straits Pond/Hull Street area, known as North Cohasset, which is scheduled to be hooked up via a sewer main to the Hull treatment plant.

As it stands now, however, those homeowners are faced with paying 100 percent of the cost, amounting to about $870 a year in betterment charges which do not include operating and maintenance costs.

If the article asking for shared-financing had passed at this week's special town meeting, selectmen would have been required to call for a Prop.2-1/2 override within 45 days.

The same article sailed through the special town meeting last March 30, but the 50/50, user-town shared financing plan lost by 34 votes in an override election on April 6. If it had passed, the override would have added about $50 to the annual tax bill of the average home in town.

Since the override defeat, proponents of shared-funding have kept the issue before their fellow residents through letters to newspapers and statements made

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Cohasset cool to Greenbush lawsuit

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As the Hingham gears up for its court battle with the MBTA, residents and neighboring town officials on both sides of the tracks on the rail issue remain ambivalent about the lawsuit.

The complaint challenges the "segmentation" of the Old Colony rail restoration project and strives to bring the Greenbush spur back under federal environmental review which Hingham town officials say offers better protection to their town's historic homes and businesses.

The suit appeals a recent Federal Transit Administration ruling allowing the MBTA to segment the three-pronged project using federal money for the Plymouth and Middleboro lines currently under construction, but building the 17.7-mile, $215 million Greenbush line with state dollars. By eliminating federal funding, Hingham selectmen say the MBTA is attempting to evade tougher federal environmental laws including section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act, which prevents any federal transportation project from adversely impacting a protected resource, such as Hingham's National Register Lincoln Historic District.

If the town prevails, the MBTA could be forced to reexamine rail alternatives and or implement mitigation measures to lessen the train's impact — such as the construction of a rail tunnel below historic Hingham Square. State transportation planners have ruled out the tunnel due to its $90 million price tag.

But further down the track in nearby

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Cohasset's Week

Register to vote for September primaries

The last day to register to vote or to change party enrollment for the State Primary on Tuesday, Sept. 17, is Wednesday, Aug. 28. The Town Clerk's office will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. on that day. Registration forms are also available at Cohasset Post Office and Paul Pratt Memorial Library. The form may be mailed or hand-delivered to the Clerk's office, but must be received or postmarked on or before the deadline.

Absentee ballots for the State Primary are available at the Town Clerk's office. Absentee voting, which may be done during normal office hours, is acceptable for the following reasons only:

absence from the town during the hours the polls are open; physical disability; and religious beliefs preventing voting at the polls on Election Day.

The applicant must request an absentee ballot. This may be accomplished by sending a written signed request by mail or fax to the Town Clerk's office, or by hand-delivery of the request by the voter or other individual.

The application should include the legal voting address of the voter, where the ballot is to be mailed, which ballot — Democrat, Republican or Libertarian — is requested and the signature of the applicant.

A family member of a person qualified to vote by absentee ballot may apply on behalf of such a voter. The applicant shall state his or her relationship to the absent voter, sign the application under the pains and penalties of perjury and mail or hand deliver the application to the Clerk's office. Absentee ballots must be mailed to the voter.

Completed ballots should be returned by mail, or may be delivered by an immediate family member, to the Town Clerk's office by Sept. 17 to be counted.

Individuals who are already registered do not need to re-register.

Road resurfacing slated

Road resurfacing is tentatively scheduled to begin Monday, Aug. 19, weather permitting, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield said.

It will start at the intersection of Doane and Church Streets and continue down Beechwood Street to #339. Next will be Beechwood Street from Todd Road to Mealys' Pond followed by all of Summer Street and a section of North Main Street from Rocky Lane to the Hingham Line. Dates and locations are subject to change. Residents may experience some delays and should allow extra time for travelling these areas.

Roth's abstention criticized

Diane Sullivan, 708 Jerusalem Rd., who is a spokesman for the citizens' group in North Cohasset that favors having the town share the cost of installing sewers in their area, said her group is upset that selectman Nan Roth abstained from voting on the issue.

"It is not the position of selectmen to abstain from important votes," she said.

Selectmen Merle Brown, Michael Sullivan and Ronnie McMorris voted not to support the article seeking shared-funding at this week's special town meting.

Selectman Peter Pratt supported the article and Roth abstained.

Selectmen unaninmously agree with the 50/50, town-user shared funding plan but the majority feel the proposal should be postponed until the annual town meeting in the spring when financing can be combined with that for the sewer project for central Cohasset.

If Monday's article had passed, selectmen would have had to schedule an override election within 45 days.

This was the scene at the Aug. 12 session of the special town meeting, when nearly 1600 citizens flocked to the Music Circus. This week's meeting drew about half that number.

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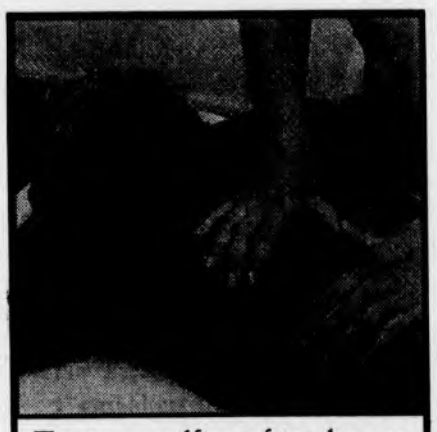

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Planners review DPW garage

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Planning Board was given the first opportunity last week to informally review a site plan for the new Cohasset town garage to be built at the town landfill on Cedar Street.

The "step-level" facility will house the town's new Department of Public Works, which combined the tree and park and highway departments.

When completed, the garage will be 191 feet long, 80 feet wide by 66.5 feet high at one end, and 60 feet wide by 71.5 feet high at the other end. The inside of the facility will encompass approximately 14,000 square feet.

Town Meeting allocated $600,000 for the structure, and while the finished product may not be as large as the Garage Study Committee had originally hoped it would be, all town motor vehicles can be housed within the facility, and some expansion could be attained if a future need arose.

The garage's large main doors will open and close electrically, and the building's interior will have an oil-fired, hot-air heating system. Funds for air conditioning were slashed from the budget at the last minute. Above-ground oil storage tanks will be used, and the town will be responsible for the landscaping of the grounds.

Planning Board member Terry Atherton, also a member of the Garage Study Committee, said that $60,000 of the committee's budget has already been allocated for the laying of a water pipe for the finished garage.

A small office, lounge and changing area for employees will be located in the middle section of the building.

• In other business, the board agreed to pass on to the town's Zoning Board of Appeals its approval for plans for front porches to be added to the residences located at 17 Summer St. and 276 North Main St.

• Acting on a request from Kendall Village developers, the board provisionally agreed to allow further construction to be tied into occupancy permits, rather than previously allowed building permits.

Planning Board Chairman Al Moore told representatives for Kendall Village they need to submit a written copy of the request so the board can officially vote on the change.

Special Town Meeting is slated for Oct. 28

Selectmen set fall's special town meeting for Monday, Oct. 28 which they say will allow enough time in September for boards and departments to submit warrant articles in time to have the warrant printed.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

August 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 22	5:28	9.1	11:36	5:49	10.1	——
Fri. 23	6:26	9.1	12:16	6:47	10.3	12:34
Sat. 24	7:27	9.2	1:16	7:47	10.6	1:34
Sun. 25	8:28	9.5	2:17	8:48	11.0	2:34
Mon. 26	9:28	10.0	3:16	9:47	11.5	3:33
Tues. 27	10:25	10.6	4:12	10:44	11.8	4:30
Wed. 28	11:18	11.1	5:05	11:39	12.0	5:25
Thurs. 29	——	——	5:57	12:10	11.4	6:18

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JACK (PG13) 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:40
A TIME TO KILL (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
THE FAN (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:50
INDEPENDENCE DAY (PG13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:45
MATILDA (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:00
COURAGE UNDER FIRE (R) 7:10
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ALASKA (PG) 1:15, 3:45, 6:45
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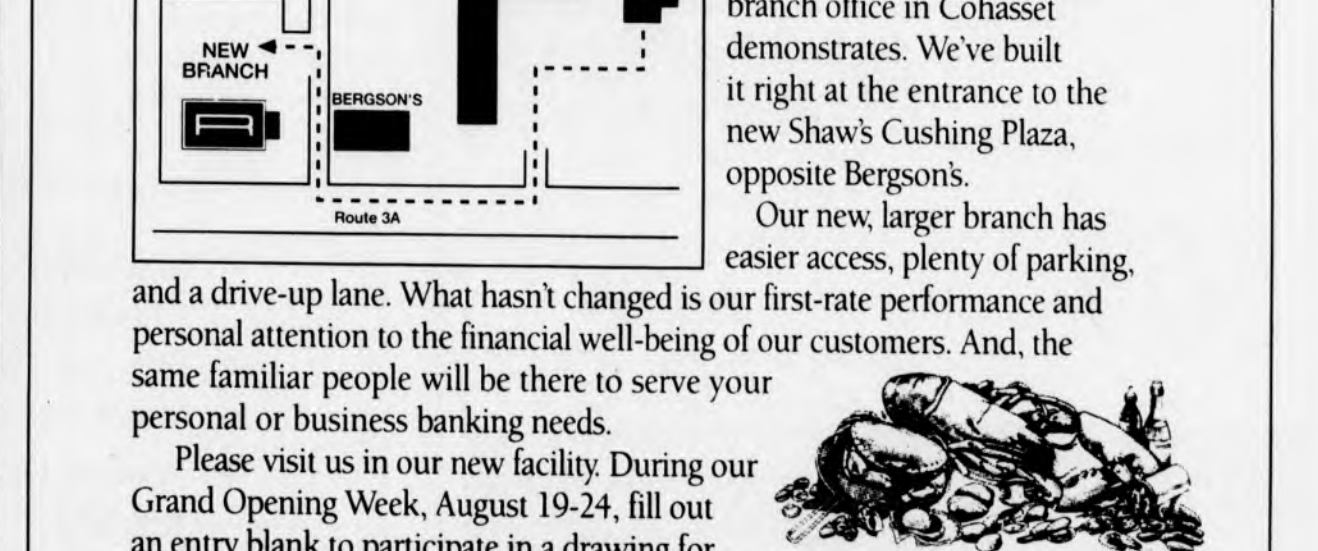

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Marlette puts his stamp on special town meeting

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Monday, the Cohasset town moderator, determined to orchestrate a more harmonious event than last week's opener, got top billing under the big top at Monday's continuation of the special town meeting.

Official Music Circus tickets stamped with "Moderator George L. Marlette Cohasset Town Meeting" and indicating specific seat numbers weren't the only change enacted by Marlette following the stormy session the week before.

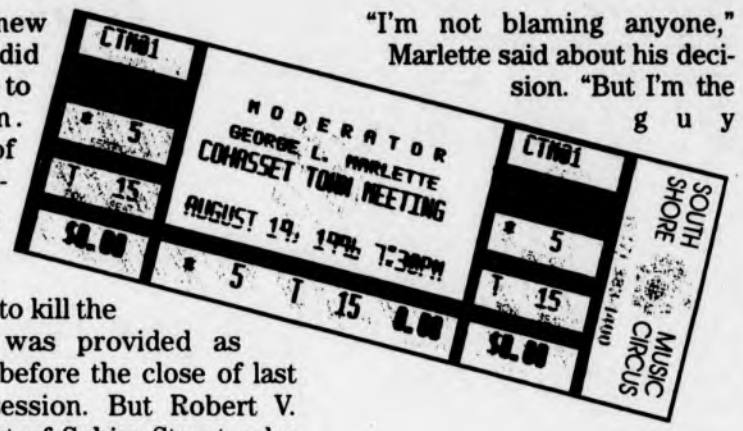
Music Circus attendants directed people to aisles without queques while others showed registered voters to their seats.

And unlike last week, when the start time was delayed due to the long lines waiting to get in, this time as promised, Marlette started the meeting at just a few minutes past 7:30 p.m.

Although half the nearly 1600 who showed up last week stayed home, this week's turnout of 862 was still much larger than the usual numbers who attend town meetings.

A proposed change in the site of the town's new elementary school and a 50/50, user-town shared financing plan for the North Cohasset sewer district topped the town meeting's agenda this week (see related stories).

Last week's threat to reconsider the new school did not come to fruition. Notice of reconsideration of Article 1, asking to kill the project, was provided as required before the close of last week's session. But Robert V. Davenport of Sohier Street, who gave the notice, did not move for reconsideration of the article this week.



The familiar faces of more than a dozen long-time town meeting tellers were noticeably absent from center stage as Marlette swore in a new crew Monday night.

Marlette, who was the focus of a scathing Patriot Ledger editorial on his handling of the Aug. 12 session, discharged the tellers, many of whom worked under his predecessor William Weeks, and hand-picked a new team.

Calling it a tough leadership decision, Marlette said although he is concerned that the dismissed checkers and tellers may take it personally, he had to put the "needs of many in front of the needs of a few."

Marlette explained Tuesday that the important thing making sure voters were processed quickly so he hand picked a new team.

"I'm not blaming anyone," Marlette said about his decision. "But I'm the guy who fell on the sword."

Although Marlette had planned for a secret ballot on the school article at the Aug. 12 session, he initially yielded to the will of town meeting to conduct a hand vote. That vote quickly got out of hand after allegations someone voted with two hands and that some sections weren't being counted. Then, Marlette ordered a secret ballot, a process that took nearly two hours.

At town hall this week, reaction over the discharging of longtime town meeting tellers was harsh. Several town employees accused Marlette of using the tellers as scapegoats for a badly run meeting.

But others noted that individuals should take responsibility for their own actions and that the rowdy behavior last week had nothing to do with tellers or the moderator and everything to do bad manners.

New school to stay put

Monday's continuation of the special town meeting at the Music Circus did not approve a plan, proposed by abutters to the new elementary school, to move it out of their back yards.

Although the proponents of the site change presented detailed plans on view graphs to persuade the audience the move was possible — voters overwhelmingly supported keeping the new $9.9 million school where it is.

Last week's session rejected a proposal by Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers, who are opposed to the school, to stop the project altogether.

Abutters to the proposed new school convinced selectmen to add the site change article to the special town meeting warrant after threatening to collect enough signatures to force another town meeting on the issue.

The Concerned Taxpayers group had already forced the August special town meeting with their petition.

Monday, Andrew Foster, 84 Old Pasture Rd., said moving the school next to the Deer Hill School and therefore closer to Sohier Street would save money because it would cost less to hook up to utilities.

He said the current site, which is more remote, could also present security problems.

Richard O'Brien, 70 Old Pasture Rd., said the abutters' plan would not jeopardize state funding because the same footprint could be used. He explained with the new school moved so it faces the Deer Hill School, the town could save money on snow removal and sanding.

Jill O'Donnell, 72 Old Pasture Rd., said the existing site is so tight that building a school there would be like putting "an aircraft carrier in Cohasset Harbor."

She explained that "campus" sites which contain more than one elementary school are becoming more common. She also said housing all 800 elementary school youngsters in one school was "never an issue."

"These would be two distinct schools," she said. "But near enough to promote interaction."

But Sid Bowen of Boston-based Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates, the architects hired for the project, said there is no better alternative than the planned eight-acre site. He said the same school design — which is one story high on the Old Pasture Road side and two stories high in the front — could not be moved to another location unless the topography of the site is the same. Bowen said the site closer to Deer Hill would require blasting ledge, which is expensive.

"We would have to re-design to move it and in our opinion resubmit to the state," he said.

The state will reimburse the town for 60 percent of the cost of building the new school, including the interest costs on borrowing.

Several residents, who do not abut the new school, lent their support.

Leonora Jenkins, 108 Jerusalem Rd., voiced support for the abutters.

Lynn Eisenhauer, 19 Hobart Lane, said citizens have the right and responsibility to question elected officials and appointed officials and urged voters to take another look at the site.

"It's in the middle of the wetlands," she said.

But Jim Cope, 380 Beechwood St., said town meeting was not the forum to design a school.

"The town selected an excellent firm with a fine reputation. Trying to do (design) it here is folly," he said.

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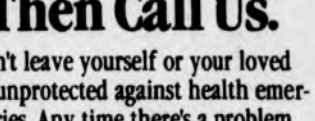
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Sewer cost sharing to be back in the spring

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at public meetings.

When Concerned Cohasset Taxpayers, a group opposed to the new school, gathered enough signatures to force an August special town meeting – North Cohasset residents seized the opportunity to put the shared-cost plan back before the voters.

Sullivan, Maria Plante, 798 Jerusalem Rd. and Russ Lennon, 20 Tad Lane, have led the charge for the proponents of going for the financing plan now.

Sullivan reminded town meeting that the same homeowners, who are on Hingham water, are facing a more than doubling of their water bills to pay for a new water treatment plant.

She questioned why the North Cohasset sewer project was ever segmented apart from central Cohasset.

"Why was there a divide and conquer strategy?" she asked. "I'm appealing to you for fairness."

Sewer Commissioner Gary Vanderweil explained the town is under a court order to solve its sewer woes. He said the Straits Pond sewer is part of a inter-municipal agreement with Hull which has pressured Cohasset to expedite the project. Cohasset has been blamed for contributing to the pollution of Straits Pond, an "area of critical environmental concern."

The central Cohasset project has been delayed because of additional testing required in Cohasset Harbor where treated wastewater discharge from that part of town will go.

Vanderweil said when the Straits Pond project was on the drawing board, the commissioners thought that because some residents would face paying for septic system repairs under Title V (the state's environmental code) with no help from the town — then it was "equitable" that those to be sewered not receive financial assistance.

But now, Vanderweil said sewer commissioners are in unanimous agreement that the projects should be funded 50/50 between the homeowners and town. He also explained that there may be relief on the horizon for those facing Title V repairs through low-interest loans, grants and possible further subsidy from the town.

An article before Monday's special town meeting asking to approve a state subsidized loan program for those with Title V repairs was postponed until the fall special town meeting to enable town officials to study the full ramifications of the program.

Sullivan said Tuesday some residents in central Cohasset didn't support their counterparts in North Cohasset because they don't believe the sewer would ever come.

Joan McDonald, 44 Summer St., said at special town meeting that she'd received a letter about nine years ago saying the sewer was coming.

"What ever happened to that plan?" she asked. "Nothing has been done — that's the way things happen in Cohasset."

Assurances from sewer commissioner Henry Rattenbury didn't change her mind.

"I don't believe you, I'm sorry," she said. "How can I believe anything said in this town if nothing ever gets done."

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Cohasset cool to Greenbush lawsuit

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Cohasset and Scituate, Hingham's lawsuit has little appeal.

"I actually think the suit is without merit," said Scituate Selectman Chairman Donald Brown, who was speaking as a resident — not a representative of the town.

While frustrated with the MBTA and its representatives, Don Brown said he continues to support rail restoration.

"I am and have been in favor of the Greenbush project," he said. "I recognize the Greenbush line is coming and will end in Greenbush and want to do the best possible job for Scituate, mitigating the impacts. I believe the board of selectmen is attempting to do that as well."

In Cohasset, the Greenbush restoration project has taken a back seat to a controversial new school and sewer project, recently hashed out in the largest town meeting that town has ever seen.

In fact, in Cohasset's most recent dealings with state transportation planners, both the town and citizen mitigation committees and the board of selectmen have endorsed a plan to have the proposed Route 3A rail station moved to Cohasset Village as a way to boost local business.

"If the train comes through, I think it would be a good move to put the station in the center of town," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown.

While he would not comment directly on Hingham's legal challenge against the 'T', Brown said his community has no plans to follow suit.

Personally, Merle Brown said he does not support the project because he feels it is too costly and will serve too few commuters.

According to Brown, Cohasset selectmen will address the Greenbush issue at their next meeting on Aug. 26. Once split 3 to 2 against the project, Brown said the two newest selectmen elected this spring will be polled to establish where the board now sits on the rail issue.

In Hingham, reactions to the suit have varied from those who favor rail restoration and are angered by the use of their tax dollars to block what they say is a necessary project, to staunch train opponents who feel the lawsuit isn't enough to fight the Greenbush line and a few in between.

"I definitely think more should be done," said Nancy Buckley, founder of the anti-rail Coastal Coalition.

"We support the town's position to file this suit, and we're happy they did, but there are a number of ways this can turn out. We can lose and the "T" will bring the train through at grade or we can win and the "T' will be forced to build a tunnel," she said. Either way, brings the train, its noise, vibrations and dangerous grade crossings, Buckley said.

Even with a short tunnel below Hingham Square to protect the historic district, Buckley noted "there will still be 38 grade crossings on the 17-mile line, along with all the noise, safety, and traffic problems they pose."

"There is so much more to this than the elimination of five grade crossings and it's frustrating after 2-1/2 years of leading this fight and being part of a group that has helped educate the South Shore on this to feel that now, we're back to square one," Buckley said.

Buckley, and other rail opponents have pressed the town to fight the Greenbush line not only legally but on other fronts as well, including hiring a public relations firm to help educate and inform residents throughout the state about the project and pursuing the issue with the Inspector General whose duties include the prevention of government waste and the misuse of public funds.

Buckley is also critical of putting all of the town's eggs in one basket and presenting the case as one designed to protect historic buildings and districts only.

"This is a quality of life issue for the entire community and all communities along the line," she said.

Rail supporter Ross Hall, a member of the pro-train group Back on Track, said while he was not surprised about the suit and did not resent the appropriation to launch it, he would prefer the money be spent elsewhere.

"The town can absorb the $100,000 not used for schools or something else, but I regret that," Hall said.

"I'm sorry it had to come to this," he added. Hall also regrets the abandonment of the consensus support for a rail tunnel, reached long before the lawsuit that could bring that alternative back to the table, was planned.

Since the decision to restore the Greenbush line was made last November, Back on Track has faded into the background, but is eyeing the progress of the project carefully, he said.

"We're resting from our labors. We feel we've landed our fish and we struggled for it. The issue is decided and we feel pleased by the nature of that decision. It's going to happen, and I'm looking forward to it," he said.

As to how successful the lawsuit will be, Hall said only that he was sure the federal authorities that allowed the project to be "segmented" knew what they were doing.

"I'm sure the FTA knew some sparks were going to fly but I hope the suit does not prevail," he said.

MBTA officials are hoping the same thing. According to MBTA spokesperson Brian Pedro, MBTA attorneys feel confident the FTA's decision will be upheld. With construction on the line at least a year away, the MBTA does not expect legal challenge to delay the project.

Long expected Hingham vs. Greenbush lawsuit launched

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As negotiations to mitigate the impact of Greenbush rail restoration move forward, Hingham — in an attempt to strengthen its anti-rail position and level the playing field — filed suit against the MBTA in federal district court last week.

Months in the planning, the anti-segmentation law suit, town officials say, has been launched to bring the Greenbush project back under federal environmental review offering better protection for the town's historic homes and businesses.

"Let there be no doubt of the resolve of this board to honor the trust that Hingham places with us to protect our environment, our businesses and our citizens," said Hingham Selectman Martin Crane.

The law suit appeals a recent Federal Transit Administration (FTA) decision which allowed the MBTA to "segment" the three-pronged Old Colony Rail Restoration project — using federal money for the Plymouth and Middleboro lines currently under construction, but building the 17.7-mile, $215 million Greenbush line with state dollars.

By eliminating federal funding selectmen say the MBTA is attempting to evade tougher federal environmental laws including section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act, which prevents any federal transportation project from adversely impacting a protected resource, such as Hingham's National Register Lincoln Historic District.

Under section 4(f), the MBTA would be forced to look at all prudent and feasible alternatives to rail restoration and if there are none, must make every effort to mitigate any adverse impacts on that protected resource, said Hingham's Greenbush coordinator and former Hingham Historical Commission chairman Alexander Macmillan.

While the town continues to discuss mitigation with MBTA project planners under the appropriate state environmental laws, Macmillan has long said the federal laws are far more stringent and offer Hingham better protections.

Macmillan, who is also a member of the state appointed Citizen's Advisory Committee reviewing the project, maintains that the MBTA believes the federal laws so strict that it has taken the extraordinary step of declining federal funding to evade them.

This evasion of federal environmental laws and whether or not it is legal, is what the suit is questioning, Macmillan said.

"This is not about any particular alternative or the merits of the project whatsoever. It is whether they (MBTA) can do what they did to avoid this more stringent review," he said, adding "it seems pretty clear. If this isn't segmentation, what is?"

But MBTA officials, while still reviewing the suit, interpret segmentation in a different way. MBTA spokesperson Brian Pedro said the segmentation case sticks only if there were plans to break up the Greenbush line itself, by funding one segment from Braintree to Hingham federally and using state money for the line from Hingham to Scituate, for example.

Pedro also maintained that the reason for declining federal funding was not to evade federal environmental laws but because it was determined that the most efficient use of that money was not on that section of the line. Pedro also asserted that when it comes to environmental review, state laws are just as stringent as the federal laws and that the FTA agreed with the MBTA on that point by allowing Greenbush to be built with state money.

Through the 1994 special town meeting, Hingham voters authorized the town to appropriate $100,000 to deal with, and fight if necessary the return of rail service through Hingham. Washington D.C. attorney Andrea Ferster, an expert in historic preservation law, has been hired to represent the town in its suit.

Ferster said she feels strongly that the town will prevail in this action.

"There are a number of cases that I think are similar enough that are very useful in supporting Hingham's position that what the MBTA has done is illegal," she said.

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Train mitigation committee moves along

By BRIAN SURETTE
Special to the Mariner

The Citizen's Mitigation Committee for the restoration of the Old Colony Railroad's Greenbush line held a third public meeting last week in an effort to solicit comments and concerns from Cohasset residents pertaining to the commuter rail's proposed 1999 late-fall opening.

Members of the committee also discussed initial draft reports (each member is writing a specific report to cover potential mitigation aspects of the commuter rail), and scheduled two additional meetings prior to turning over their finished report to Cohasset's "staff" Railroad Mitigation Committee, made up of town officials.

Unfortunately, due to the month of August being a vacation month for many residents and this particular train hearing being held between two highly charged Town Meeting sessions, the citizen's committee has been hard pressed to have many residents in attendance. This meeting was no exception. A total of 22 residents have attended the three public hearings, but only one came for the third session.

Committee member John Rafferty, in discussing his two draft reports (water resource protection and train station location), appeared to assess the feeling of committee members.

"The good thing about this committee is that we have both pro and anti-train people on this board. But we're not getting the full message from Cohasset citizens, because they're just not coming (to meetings)," he said.

When asked by committee members if he had any thoughts about the train running through Cohasset, resident Robert V. Davenport voiced concern over the proposed Cohasset Village station stop.

Saying storefront doors open onto South Main Street and not onto where the station location would actually be, Davenport said many downtown shop owners have adopted an "if you built it they will come" type of philosophy regarding the train and that, he believes, couldn't be further from the truth.

Davenport, who favors the MBTA's original Route 3A station location, feels commuters, either running to catch a morning train or rushing home to an evening's dinner, will not greatly increase the financial coffers of area stores. Most train travelers will continue to make purchases in Boston and conduct local business on weekends.

"The business people in Cohasset Center have a lot of dreams," he stated.

In discussing their thoughts for a final report to be presented to the Railroad Mitigation Committee, the citizen's committee was in agreement that it should be as brief as possible. Committee members expect their finished report to be 18 to 20 pages long.

A date of Sept. 5 was set for all draft reports to be completed and turned in, and a public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 12, for final discussion of the report.

Road closing is clarified

Police closed a section of Jerusalem Road between Atlantic Avenue and Forest Street to non-resident traffic for about an hour on Saturday night due to a fireworks display that was attracting a crowd.

The Roy family was celebrating John Roy's 80th birthday with fireworks over the water and many other families in the area planned parties to enjoy the show, police said.

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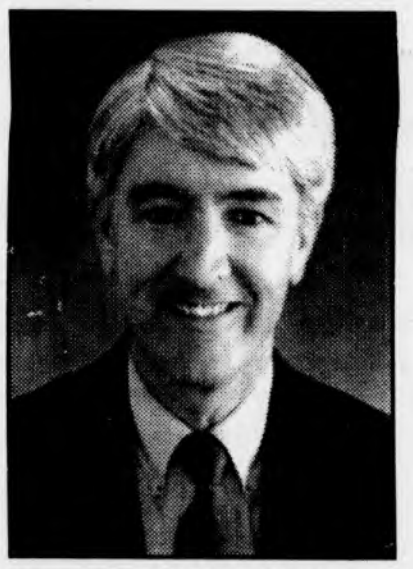

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Nathan Maynard heads to France for two-year mission

Nathan Maynard, 19, son of **Hermon** and **Pat McCarthy Maynard** is leaving on a two-year mission in France for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. His parents, both born and raised in Cohasset, now live in Antrim, New Hampshire. Nathan will interrupt his engineering course at Tufts University to serve this calling. He is presently at the training center in Provo, Utah in preparation for his assignment. Young Mormons serve missions voluntarily and without financial reimbursement.

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Kristin Grassie certainly did herself proud during her junior year at Wake Forest College. She made the dean's list for the entire year! This fall when she returns as a senior, she will be heading the rush for all of the sororities, a hard job indeed, but a fun one. Hope you will fill us in on all of your "doings" at Wake Forest, Kristin, and that you have a wonderful year.

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If you are a Cohasset High School alumni, you are invited to participate in this event — a **flag relay** at the new alumni field opening day, Sunday, Sept. 8. Join your fellow alumni! So far, the committee has identified graduates dating back to the 1950s, but there is no limit. The plan is for each present and past class to carry the commemorative flag partially around the new track prior to the flag raising.

Pre-registration is required. Class signs may be obtained at the field at 3:15 p.m., with the ceremony starting at 4 p.m. Be sure to be part of the festivities, including the flag raising and illumination. Refreshments will be served.

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Speaking of alumni, **Sandra Hitt** was in town for a brief visit recently. Sandra and her family all say hello. Her mom, **Florence Hitt,** is living in Washington. In fact, she would love to hear from you at: 2275 Chambers Lake Dr., Lacey, Wash. 98503.

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Hats off to **Larissa Huskins,** who will be a junior at Holy Cross this fall. Larissa, who made the dean's list, is majoring in economics. Good work (and we do mean work)!

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Aug. 27 is a very big day for two of Cohasset's finest gents — **Frank Wheelwright** and **Lot Bates.** They will be 80 years young on that day, and will have super celebrations we're sure. Hopefully Lot and Frank will let us know all about it! In any case, be sure to say big birthday wishes when you see both of them.

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Don't forget to make plans for the **Christine Burke Scholarship Fund clambake,** to be held Sept. 7 at Sandy Beach. The event promises to be one of the yummiest this summer. Call 383-9657 for more information. You'll be glad you did.

Nathan Maynard with his parents, Hermon and Pat McCarthy Maynard, outside the LDS Peterborough, N.H. chapel following his Missionary farewell.

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In case you haven't heard about it yet, the **Cohasset Swim Center** is holding a raffle for a super prize — free membership for next year! Isn't that a great idea? They are trying to raise money to make a kiddy pool for the real babies who go there. The spot is all picked out, and everyone is really excited. All that's needed now is to raise the money. Call the center to find out all the details. The drawing will be on Labor Day weekend, and the number to call about the raffle is 383-9463.

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We want to be sure to give a round of applause to the **Cohasset Swim Team** — an undefeated season is an awesome thing to accomplish, and you all did it with great style!

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One more request — remember the **Food Pantry!** There is a need for the following items: toothpaste, personal soap, facial tissue, detergents, canned vegetables, white sugar, minute rice, cereals, mayonnaise, canned fruit, salad dressing, pasta sauce, canned vegetables and diapers.

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Don't forget that the last **carillon concert** of the summer is planned for this Sunday, Aug. 25. The carillonneur will be **Sally Slade Warner,** bell ringer of St. Stephen's Church and Phillips Academy in Andover. People come from all over to hear the concerts, and we are lucky to have such a fine place to hear such lovely music.

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Be sure to visit the new **Rockland Trust Bank,** which opened this week. They want all of us to take a peek and fill out an entry blank for a drawing for a clambake in your own backyard.

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Happy birthday greetings go to **Margaux Yeager** this week. She turned Sweet 16!

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It sure has been fun for **Hap** and **Leah Pompeo** lately. They have had their daughter, **Tara,** her husband, **Rich,** and their granddaughter, **Sage,** home before they depart for Hawaii, where they will be working for six months. Hap and Leah will miss them like mad when they leave, but what a great place to visit — Tara's sisters are already making their plans!

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We were saddened to learn that **Parker Malley** passed away a few weeks ago. He was 91 years old, and what a great guy he was! We'll bet most people from Cohasset have at least one story to tell about him and his kindness to others, his nice manner and his love of family and friends. We could go on and on! Our thoughts are with his family at this time.

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Happy birthday greetings go to **Norman Swain.** We hope his day is a happy one indeed.

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That's the news for this week. We hope you will call with yours. Summer is almost over, and surely you have one story to tell us! Give me a call, please, at 383-0560.

—Sallyann
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Engagements

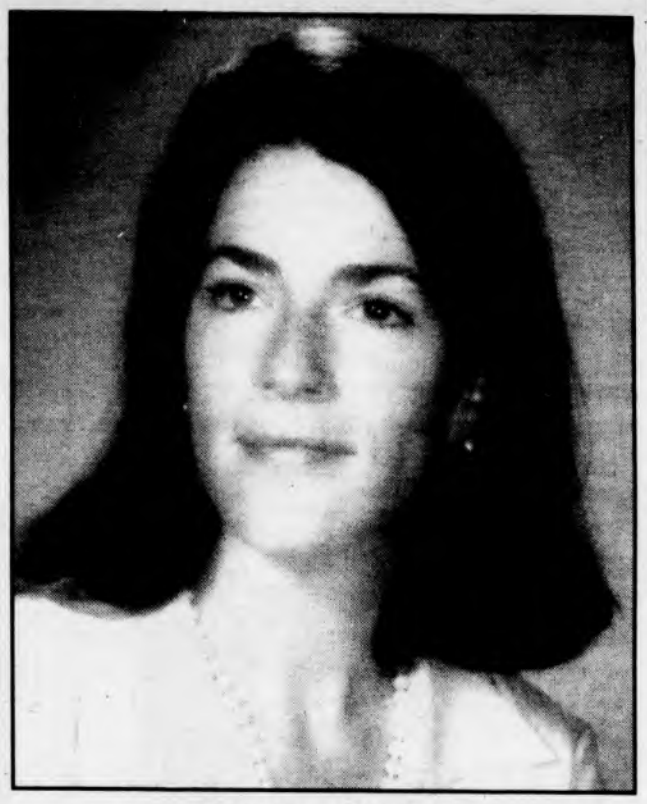
Ciciotte/DeVries

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Ciciotte of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Lee Anne Ciciotte, to Kurt DeVries, son of Arlene DeVries of Ho-Ho-Kus, N.J., and Martha's Vineyard and the late Daniel DeVries.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cohasset High School and Emerson College, Boston. She is employed as a media executive at Konjolka/KSL Media, Wellesley.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Syracuse University and is self-employed.

An October 1996 wedding is planned.



Lee Anne Ciciotte

Obituaries

Richard P. Gunville

Richard P. Gunville, 62, of Cohasset and Portland, Maine, died Aug. 17 at Maine Medical Center, Portland, following a brief illness.

Born in Cohasset, he graduated from Sacred Heart High School, Weymouth, and attended East Coast Aero Tech.

Mr. Gunville was a longtime employee of the former Signorelli's Restaurant on Route 3A, where he ran the restaurant bar for many years until its closing in 1974. He then worked for Pastene Wine and Spirits as a salesman throughout the Northeast for 17 years.

He was an Air Force veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Gunville was an airplane mechanic, working at Wiggins Aircraft in Norwood from 1958 to 1961. He was also a U.S. Postal Service employee for five years.

He was the husband of Barbara J. (Signorelli) Gunville and leaves two sons, David Gunville of Stamford, Conn., and Mark Gunville of Ridgefield, Conn.; two daughters, Pamela Anderson of Denmark, Maine, and Dianne Vigue of Pownal, Maine; two brothers, Robert Gunville of Cohasset and Francis Gunville of Weymouth; and four grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 21 in St. Anthony's Church.

Donations in his memory may be made to the Leukemia Society, 180 Rustcraft Road, Dedham 02026.

Arrangements were by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Eleanor V. Soule

Eleanor V. (O'Brien) Soule, 76, of Cohasset, died Aug. 16 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Born in Boston, she was raised and educated in South Boston. She lived in Stoughton for several years before moving to Cohasset in 1952.

Mrs. Soule, a homemaker, was an active volunteer at Pine Street Inn, a homeless shelter in Boston, and a dedicated volunteer at South Shore Hospital.

She was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post Auxiliary and the Senior Citizens in Cohasset. She was also a communicant of St. Anthony's Church.

Mrs. Soule was the wife of the late George E. Soule and leaves two sons, George E. Soule Jr. of Weymouth and Kevin W. Soule of Cohasset; a daughter, Elizabeth Soule of Cohasset; a brother and sister, Paul O'Brien and Florence O'Brien, both of Dennisport; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Aug. 21 in St. Anthony's Church.

Donations in Mrs. Soule's memory may be made to A.L.S. Lou Gehrig Disease, Chapter 7, Lincoln Street, Wakefield 01880.

Bereavement support offered

The Hingham Visiting Nurse Association, 10 Downer Ave., Hingham, will offer a seven-week Bereavement Support Group on Thursdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m., from Sept. 12 through Oct. 24. The group will focus on helping people cope with grief and loss and is open to anyone who has suffered the death of a family member or friend within the past year.

Grace Lettis, HVNA coordinator of bereavement services, will facilitate the weekly meetings. "The grieving process can be a lonely one," said Lettis. "There are no easy answers, but the support group can help participants deal with their loss."

There is no charge for the series, but pre-registration is required due to space limitations. For more information or to register, call HVNA office at 749-1160.

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EDITORIAL

Unfair dismissal

Reeling from bad reviews following the first session of town meeting last week, Town Moderator George Marlette discharged a team of long-standing, hard-working tellers and checkers and hired a new team for Monday night.

Unfortunately and understandably, many of those dismissed are deeply hurt by our moderator's actions.

The new group, sworn in at Monday's town meeting, performed their duties efficiently.

But the fact is, the crowd was about half the size of last week's and much more educated about the venue.

Most of us have visited the Music Circus over the years to see shows featuring rock 'n roll stars , country and western performers or comedians. Others have watched their children graduate from high school under the big top.

But we've never been to town meeting there before. And with town meetings, there is no dress rehearsal.

The two sessions, which focused on emotionally-charged issues, drew unprecedented turnouts. We are appreciative that South Shore Playhouse Associates was able to pitch in this summer by donating use of the Music Circus for these historic special town meetings, which would have overwhelmed the high school gym.

We understand that Mr. Marlette had to take preventative action on several fronts to avoid a repeat fiasco. But we doubt any team of tellers and checkers could have handled last week's chaos effectively considering the historic numbers in a highly-charged environment, in an unfamiliar setting for a town meeting.

This week's session did go smoothly.

But our long-time, trusted team of tellers and checkers, who sat this one out, should hold their heads high. They have served the town well over the years and gave their best effort last week under very difficult and confusing circumstances.

The town owes each and every one of them a debt of gratitude. We sincerely hope this experience will not dissuade them from ever getting involved again.

About last week, Mr. Marlette says, "I'm not blaming anyone. I'm the guy who fell on the sword."

While this may be true — the perception is, the tellers and checkers are the scapegoats for the poorly run session.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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Reconciliation and renewal urged

To the Editor:

The long, arduous and contentious year leading up to this present Town Meeting has been the most painful and hurtful in the history of this town we love. Whether we have just moved to Cohasset or our families have been here for generations, we are living on a tiny point of land on our wonderful planet that many of us consider the most beautiful and bucolic in the entire United States.

Sadly, despite our most serene of surroundings, the past year has seen our citizens descend to the depths of cynicism, mistrust and suspicion among families, neighbors and both elected and appointed officials who lead our community.

We have lost a sense of community, a sense of shared values, and perhaps most importantly, a sense of trust and optimism for the future of our town.

I speak as a resident of Cohasset for only 11 years, as one who has come to deeply respect the rich ethnic diversity of our town, although this is too often forgotten both within and outside our borders.

We consist of people who make their living on the sea as fishermen, those who make their living with their hands, those who work in both the visual and performing arts fields, and of those who are artisans, judges, lawyers, teachers, doctors and professionals in a wide range of fields.

Please, my fellow townsmen, in the words of that great Biblical prophet Isaiah: "Come, let us reason together."

Let us now put aside our political, philosophical, economic and personal differences to effect a renewal of the spirit of goodwill, caring, trust, hope and sharing for the benefit of all.

We are not all blessed with the same intellectual gifts, economic and financial blessings, educational experience or ethnic heritage, but we have one most important thing in common.

Very simply, we are all human beings searching for a sense of inner peace, contentment and happiness for ourselves and our loved ones. We want success for ourselves and our children, remembering that success is a journey and not a destination.

My fellow citizens, to renew our commitment to each other, re-establish common decency and trust among us and aid us in healing the wounds of division in our town, I call upon our Board of Selectmen, School Committee and Advisory Committee to jointly and officially designate and declare a "Cohasset Weekend of Reconciliation and Renewal."

Activities on such a weekend might include "A Day of Prayer and Reconciliation" in our houses of worship, a dance for young and old on the main street in the village, neighborhood cookouts, greetings of friendship to those we meet as we go about our errands on Saturday, an ethnic food festival on the Common with music and song or an old-fashioned sing-a-long to celebrate our rich and diverse heritage.

We must resolve to restore civility in our public discourse by lowering our voices, by respecting one another's viewpoints, by listening and hearing what others are saying, and by refraining from assuming the worst of motives in others, in order to move forward together for a better future for ourselves, our children and our grandchildren.

In the words of the greatest of all American presidents, Abraham Lincoln, delivered at the close of his second inaugural address: "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive to finish the work we are in. . ."

And then, friends and neighbors, let us move ahead together with lowered voices, civility and respect for others' viewpoints toward a better and more peaceful future together, remembering in our hearts that flashing light off our shores for the past 136 years — flashing 1-4-3 — I love you!

Wigmore A. Pierson
123 Atlantic Avenue

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Common sense is lacking

(The following letter was sent to the Cohasset Board of Selectmen. The Cohasset Mariner obtained a copy from the board's correspondence.)

Selectmen:

I worked at the Hall for many years and also worked the elections, and I have never seen such a disgraceful display of town government as I saw last night (Aug. 12).

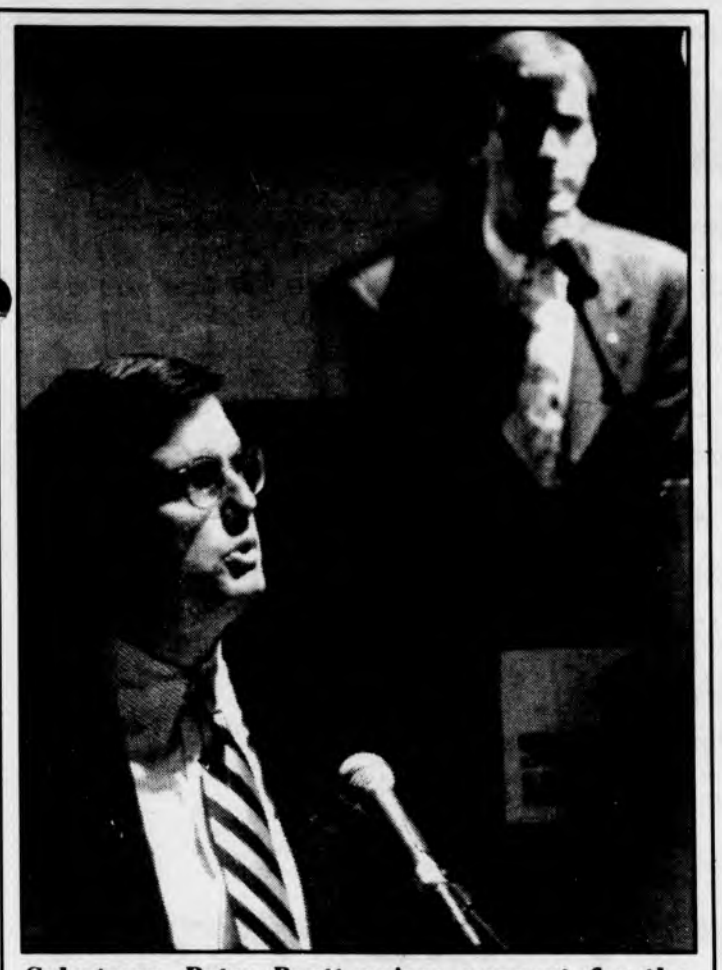
You are all so worried about our young people! What about our young men and women who have to move from this town because they cannot afford to live here?

State of the art buildings do not make for a good education. My son attended St. Paul School in Hingham for nine years and ate at his desk every school day. This had nothing to do with good study habits and discipline. Common sense is lacking here. You are forcing young and old out of this town. I hope it's worth it, but I rather doubt it.

As long as we're throwing caution to the winds and we seem to have plenty of money, maybe we could spend a little on a new "No U Turn" sign for in front of Lilac House Antiques at 26 South Main St. That also is a disgrace to the town.

(I have been a resident of the town for 32 years.)

Joan St. John
Stockbridge Street



Selectman Peter Pratt voices support for the Straits Pond sewer article at Monday's special town meeting as Town Moderator George Marlette listens in the background.

Staff photo/Victor Pryles

School architect choice supported

To the Editor:

Although I was a supporter of Article 6 (to relocate the new school facing the existing Deer Hill School), I wish to disassociate myself from one of the charges by proponent Andrew Foster. He criticized the School Facilities Committee for selecting an architect without competitive bidding.

Professional services, whether architectural, engineering, accounting or medical, should not be selected on the basis of the lowest quoted price but by assessment of reputation for integrity and competence, and of the anticipated quality of service. The real cost is not the fee for the service, but the cost of implementing the recommendations of the professional. We can't afford to use less than the best doctor (or architect) that can be found.

Congratulations to Moderator George Marlette for realizing that voters, like children, appreciate having limits set and firmly enforced. A sense of order provides a sense of security. Of course, it is also necessary to exhibit kindness, courtesy and patience for the harmless irrelevancies of clueless speakers, while being severe with the uncivil and destructive.

Unfortunately for both moderator and attendees, there seems to be no correlation between common sense and loquacity. But, after all, democracy is the process of counting heads without any regard for what is in them.

R.M. Campbell
Old Pasture Road

To rail or not to rail?

That is the question to be debated on next week's edition of "On the Mark with Ilana Marks."

Coastal Coalition member Nancy Buckley of Hingham will debate Andrew Brennan, environmental affairs manager for the MBTA, during a live broadcast at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 28 on cable channels 3 and 53.

Live calls from viewers will be accepted during the show. To submit a question in writing, send to "On the Mark," P.O. Box 717, Scituate, Mass. 02066 or E-mail to ILANAMARKS@aol.com.

The show will be rebroadcast at 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 30.

A rebroadcast of the interview with congressional candidate Ed Teague of Yarmouth will be shown at 8 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 23 on channels 3 and 5.

With The Candidates

Delahunt cites health care, middle class as major issues

By SCOTT DALTON
Cohasset Mariner

The Norfolk County District Attorney and congressional candidate is crisscrossing the 10th District this month as the battle to succeed outgoing U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds continues to heat up.

Working out of a vacation house in Chatham last week, William Delahunt met with Cape Cod Community Newspapers to discuss various issues surrounding the race.

He counts health care, the environment and the restoration of the middle class as central planks in his campaign platform and said the time has come to move in a new direction.

"Health care is the dominating issue," he said. "But you have to go back to what is happening to the middle class; it's disappearing. We end up with a nation of haves and have nots where the wealth is totally unequal...we have to chart a different course."

Delahunt is a self-proclaimed "union guy" who would like to see the hours of the work week reduced and benefits increased, saying corporations can afford to pay for it.

The Boston Globe last weekend questioned his middle class mantra, saying Delahunt had real estate worth more than $800,000 and was at one time worth close to $2 million.

Born and raised in Quincy, Delahunt has served 20 years as Norfolk County's district attorney, building a record that he said speaks well of him and is second to no one. During his 1994 campaign for the post, he announced that he would not seek re-election.

The presumed front-runner in the Democratic race to succeed Studds, Delahunt has faced numerous accusations during the campaign. Charges surrounding the use of campaign funds and the reluctance of Delahunt to release income tax information have become fodder for debate as the Sept. 17 state primary looms. His three fellow Democratic candidates have called on him to follow their lead and release tax return information, but Delahunt has refused, calling it an issue of privacy.

"For a fleeting moment, I was worth a million dollars. I assure you I'm not now," he said. "Is this campaign about my income tax returns or is it about the issues I discussed?...My gross income is less than some in this race and more than others."

The Boston Globe reported that Delahunt estimated his net worth at $1.83 million in cash and land holdings before his divorce in 1991. Delahunt said that the question about tax returns merely clouds the important questions in the race to succeed Studds.

The Norfolk District Attorney said he has complied with all state requirements on releasing financial information and accounting for the more than $27,000 he spent from 1993 through 1995 on 400 food and drink bills.

"I don't come from a background of personal wealth and I need to establish relationships," he said. "My technique and my approach has been to meet as many people as I could and I did that in full compliance with the structure that exists. Those are the rules and I play by them."

Questions about campaign spending have dogged his race for months. Two phone calls, one from a vacation resort in Jamaica and another from Middlebury College in Vermont, received heightened scrutiny after they were charged to his campaign fund. Delahunt said in both cases, the calls concerned legitimate, fund-raising issues.

"Communication is important in terms of success to a specific fund-raising event," he said, adding that the call from Jamaica concerned a Milton fund-raiser and the Vermont call involved fellow graduates and supporters at Middlebury.

"You have a process now where you have fewer and fewer candidates running for office. The middle class can't afford to run for office," he said, listing Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Gov. William Weld and Sen. John Kerry as examples of wealthy politicians. He also included fellow Democratic congressional contender Ian Bowles. "I mention that with no degradation to Ian, but he comes from a different social strata."

Choosing to focus on specific issues, Delahunt said he is prepared to compare his record to any of the Democratic or Republican challengers. Although he said his long-term commitment to the environment does not often manifest itself in his work as a district attorney, Delahunt said he has been a leader in his community in acquiring open space. He said he considers environmental questions matters of public health and decried a "litany of acts" proposed by the Republican-dominated Congress. He also attacked State Rep. Ed Teague, R-Yarmouth, who is seeking the Republican slot on the congressional ballot.

"Mr. Teague has the second worst record on the environment," he said. "He's not the Cape Cod candidate, he's the major corporation (and) business candidate. He's not the Cape Cod candidate. Not if the environment is a paramount issue to the people on Cape Cod."

Delahunt said he would welcome an opportunity to debate Teague should they both succeed in their efforts to capture their respective party's vote.

In terms of civil rights, a field in which outgoing Studds is renowned, Delahunt said he will be long remembered for his work as a district attorney.

"Whether it's gay rights or anti-Semitism, I'd put my record up against anyone, including Congressman Studds, with all due respect," he said, adding that his commitment to domestic violence issues is also strong. "When it comes to civil rights and human rights, I think it's one thing passing laws and it's another changing attitudes. It's not just someone's personal safety being assured; they should feel welcome."

Delahunt said he would favor reducing the regular work week to 36 hours or perhaps 32 hours to allow more time for what he called "family values." He said he considers himself a "union guy" in the tradition of his grandfather, who was a leader of the 1919 Boston Police Officer strike.

"If we talk about family values and we have to work 60 or 70 hours a week and both parents work, when is there time for family values?" he asked. "Let's increase the benefit for the rest of us. I bet the major corporations could afford it. Let's shift the public policy to what we can do to improve living standards for the workers."

He said he favors strengthening the collective bargaining laws, noting that large corporations with extensive legal staffs can sometimes draw out matters for five years or more.

While the 10th Congressional district is a strange creature, running from the union city of Quincy, through the South Shore and out to the Cape, Delahunt said he prefers to concentrate on the similarities, not the differences, of communities in the region.

"None of us live in vacuums," he said. "I was at a bingo game last night at St. Pius' in Yarmouth and I was meeting people (originally) from Randolph, Dedham, Canton and Weymouth," he said. "There's much that binds us really...I think there is more in common than separates us. This is a coastal district. Quincy has 26 miles of coastline."

He added that the fishing industry problems that currently plague the Cape are not solely germane to this side of the canal. "I've met some folks in Marshfield, lobstermen, who share many of the same concerns."

Beyond the ocean, Delahunt said the 10th District also shares similar demographics and fears concerning national issues such as health care.

He said there are many cases of rising costs coupled with stagnant insurance benefits and that the middle class is the group that suffers.

He said he favors allowing people to chose between health care options, but added that the concept of universal health care should be the point from which all other reform follows.

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Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Were you one of the investors who threw in the towel during the recent market downturn? Facing down what looks like a bear market can be frightening indeed, despite listening to endless diatribes in the financial press about the virtues of being a long-term investor.

How can you keep your head when investors around you are losing theirs? By assembling a portfolio with modest volatility. That way, you can stand pat during the severest of bear markets.

For example, a portfolio split equally between common stocks and money market funds is only half as vo as the stock m ket. Should stoc prices tumble b 40 percent, th value of you portfolio will fa by only 20 pe cent.

But of co this type of portfolio comes saddled with its own limitations. The problem with allocating your assets this way is you reduce potential returns significantly. In this instance, your long-run annual average return potential is only about 7.5 percent. Alas, we wish you could have everything — with this portfolio, you have to sacrifice some return for reduced volatility.

But there's hope. It may seem impossible to trim volatility and earn double-digit returns. But by building a diversified mutual fund portfolio containing many different categories of assets, you can reduce volatility without sacrificing a fat chunk of your return. Call it the All-Weather Portfolio.

It works by spreading capital equally across seven categories of assets: blue-chip stocks, small-cap stocks, international equities, domestic bonds, international bonds, gold, and money markets. The chart accompanying this article neatly illustrates the annual returns this portfolio would have earned during the past 22 years, as well as those of the S&P 500 index. We collated this data for the year ended 1994, the latest and best data available for these funds.

Guess what? After more than two decades, an investor's $10,000 initial investment would have grown to $174,700, a 13.9 percent annual return. An equivalent investment in the S&P 500 would have grown to $112,300, or 11.6 percent annually. Even more important, you would have dodged every bear market along the way. Although stocks declined by as much as 26.5 percent in 1974, the largest annual decline in the All-Weather Portfolio was a very modest 3.7 percent.

Seasoned investors already know that runaway inflation drives interest rates up and bond prices down. But runaway inflation also drives the price of gold higher. We've offset losses in the bond market by gains in gold, using a gold fund that the experts highly recommended. Similarly, returns among the other categories of assets in the portfolio are less than perfectly correlated with one another. That levels the peaks and valleys in the portfolio's value.

But shouldn't lower-risk portfolios provide diminished returns? Students of capital-market theory would say that portfolio risk and return are inextricably linked— the higher the risk, the higher the returns. So, does our strategy fly in the face of modern investment theory? Nope.

Since the All-Weather ortfolio is more iciently diverfied than a ortfolio conning a handful lomestic large-cap stocks — such as the S&P 500 index — it comes much closer to the portfolio described by efficient-market theory. In short, the All-Weather Portfolio contains a better balance between investment return and non-diversifiable risk. It works because it conforms more closely to modern capital-market and portfolio-management theory.

How can you assemble your own version of this portfolio? Buy no-load mutual funds that invest in each category of asset contained in the All-Weather Portfolio. With mutual funds' relatively low minimum investment requirements, an investor can create a portfolio with around $20,000. Choose mutual funds that stay fully invested at all times, and those that have low expense ratios. Use index funds whenever possible.

The same portfolio we show here had a recent beta of 0.38, versus the market's beta of 1.00; this means the funds' volatility was 62 percent below the overall market's. At that point in time, the portfolio had a yield of 3.1 percent, annual expenses equal to a measly 0.7 percent, and annual returns that potentially could run 11 to 12 percent on average over the longer run.

Managing the portfolio won't leave you chewing your pencil eraser late into the night. Set initial allocations, then rebalance them one to four times a year. Rebalancing keeps the portfolio highly diversified; it also forces you to sell funds in categories that have appreciated and add to those in categories that have fallen. In other words, you buy low and sell high.

This portfolio combines all the elements required for long-term investment success: Its holdings are diversified, are oriented toward the long-term, and strike a reasonable balance between risk and return. It automatically requires that you buy low and sell high. Its costs are moderate and it's simple to maintain. So if you're afraid of the stock market, get constantly stiffed by sour tips from your broker, and always get stuck buying at market tops and selling at market bottoms, the All-Weather Portfolio is just what you need.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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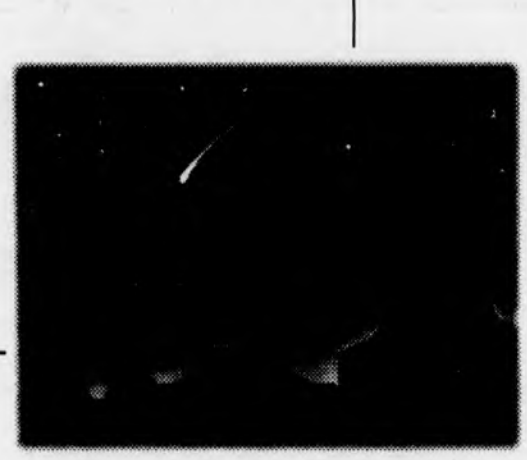

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Mariner Sports

Henry Roth saves the day!

Twelve-year-old earns Sportsmanship Award by helping out fellow sailor

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Twelve-year-old sailor Henry Roth of Cohasset will never be compared to Vince Lombardi when it comes to his attitude about winning.

In fact, a motto for the three-sport athlete at Derby Academy in Hingham could be: Winning isn't everything, it's the only thing — providing your competitor has a working rudder.

Roth, you see, performed a tremendous act of sportsmanship as he prepared for the first day of competition in the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships in Cohasset last Tuesday.

It's the type of feat Gordon Lightfoot writes songs about. There's "The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald" and maybe someday, "The Legend of Henry Roth."

Roth, a member of the Cohasset Yacht Club who has been sailing for five years, was getting ready to head out to the start of the Laser Radial races. It was his first time ever competing in that division.

While getting his boat ready, Roth accidently lost hold of his tiller and fell into the water, sinking to the bottom.

Rather than bellyache that he was without an important part of his boat just minutes before the start of what he knew would be a tough series of races, Roth simply ripped off his shirt and dove into the water, retrieving the tiller.

But Roth wasn't done fishing for lost sailboat equipment just yet.

As Roth shivered in the cold, damp wind, a fellow competitor had the same mishap with his rudder. Unlike Roth, however, he paced the dock, wondering just what to do. Diving into the chilly water wasn't at the top of his list of possible options.

Roth simply shrugged, dove back into the drink and retrieved the rudder.

"I was already wet so I dove down and got it," he said, unimpressed with his act. "He was thankful."

And well Ross' competitor should have been. If not for the unselfish act, he may have eventually had to take the plunge on his own.

That show of good will towards his fellow competitor unanimously earned Roth the regatta's Sportsmanship Trophy. Roth heard whispers beforehand that he may be the one to snag the award, but he didn't take them seriously.

"I was really surprised," Roth said. "My friends told me I might win, but I was still surprised I did."

The regatta committee decide before the competition that it would sit down at the end and come up with a winner. Word was sent out to all workers and volunteers to keep their eyes and ears peeled to any news they heard of any feats that could possibly be considered.

The event's co-chairman, Chuck Peterson, said he didn't hear of Roth's opening-day plunge until the final day. When Peterson and the rest of the committee heard what Roth did for the other racer, the decision was made.

"That kind of made it a unanimous choice for the Roth kid," Peterson said. "There was absolutely no doubt about it."

Peterson believes the name Henry Roth will live on for years to come in the seaside community. The story will be told and re-told, each with a bit of poetic license thrown in by the storyteller to spice it up. By the time the final version comes out, Roth will be standing along Paul Bunyan and Lightfoot will be kicking around some lyrics for a "Best of" album.

Fifty years from now one of the kids who competed in the regatta will tell his grandchildren about the great Henry Roth.

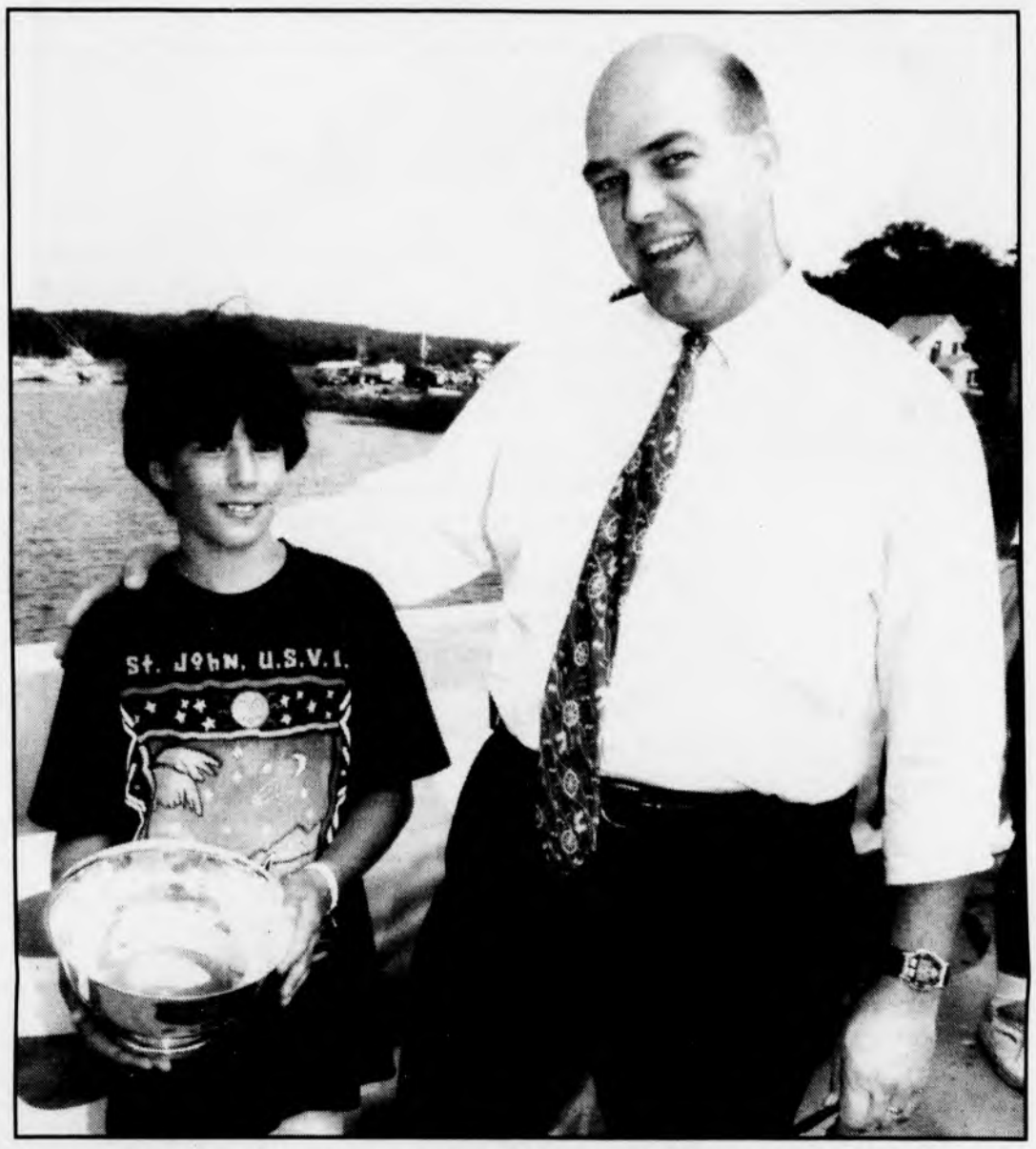
There he was, a mile from shore, bucking 10-foot waves and harsh, cold winds. Through the biting wind Roth spied another boat in distress. Not fearing for his own safety, Roth dove into the rough waters and powered his body through the water until he reached the other boat.

Roth noticed it was taking on water and quickly threw the boater the only life jacket and dragged him back to his own boat as they both watched the injured vessel disappear from view forever.

Still soaked to the bone, Roth caught up to the field and went on to win the Laser Radial division of the championships.

By the time the story reaches these dramatic proportions, few of us will be around to dispute it, much less remember the events. But that's O.K. It's legends and tall tales that make for good bedtime stories for young aspiring sailors.

They'll remember The Legend of Henry Roth.



Henry Roth, 12, of Cohasset, shows off his Sportsmanship Trophy during the awards ceremony for the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships. A member of the Cohasset Yacht Club, Roth dove into the water and retrieved the rudder of a fellow competitor, just prior to the start of the first day of racing. Congratulating Roth is Peter Kortright, regional president of BayBank.

Recreation soccer registration

The final soccer registration for girls and boys grades K to 7 will be held at the recreation department office, Cohasset Town Hall, from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 7.

Soccer registration is for both fall recreational and spring soccer. The fee is $55 per child for each program. A separate check of $30 is necessary for the uniform deposit. Both checks should be payable to Cohasset Soccer Club.

Fall soccer begins Saturday, Sept. 21, and continues through Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996.

Call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791 with any questions about fall soccer.

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

No, I didn't go to the freshman soccer game

The first signs are already here.

Dates for sports physicals are pouring in. Youth league football and soccer players have picked up their uniforms and practices are underway.

Little League All-Stars tournaments have ended and Olympic gymnastics hero Kerri Strugg is quickly irritating the American public with a voice that would break glass.

The Big Tuna (Hold the Mayo as WEEI's Steve Buckley refers to him) is as ornery as usual.

We've put our hopes in Bledsoe, Glenn, Coates, McGinest and the rest of the Patriots.

And yes, even Vaughn, Wakefield, Stanley, Clemens and (gulp) Greenwell.

There really is nothing quite like the fall and sports.

Reardon

It's the time of year when I have to soul search and decide if I'm going to cover a Cohasset or Duxbury girls soccer game, a Hanover or Abington cross country meet, or a Rockland/Duxbury boys soccer game.

It's the time of year when I have to explain to irate parents that JV soccer team results aren't going to be between the sports pages unless they get motivated and write them themselves.

It's the time of year when I have to try and coordinate three photo assignments in three different towns in one afternoon, while my colleague Dave McKee does the same.

It's the time of year when I spend my Sunday evenings calling coaches from five different towns, when I'd rather be listening to the Lost-45s.

It's the time of year when I have to explain to youth coaches that someone from their league has to send in results.

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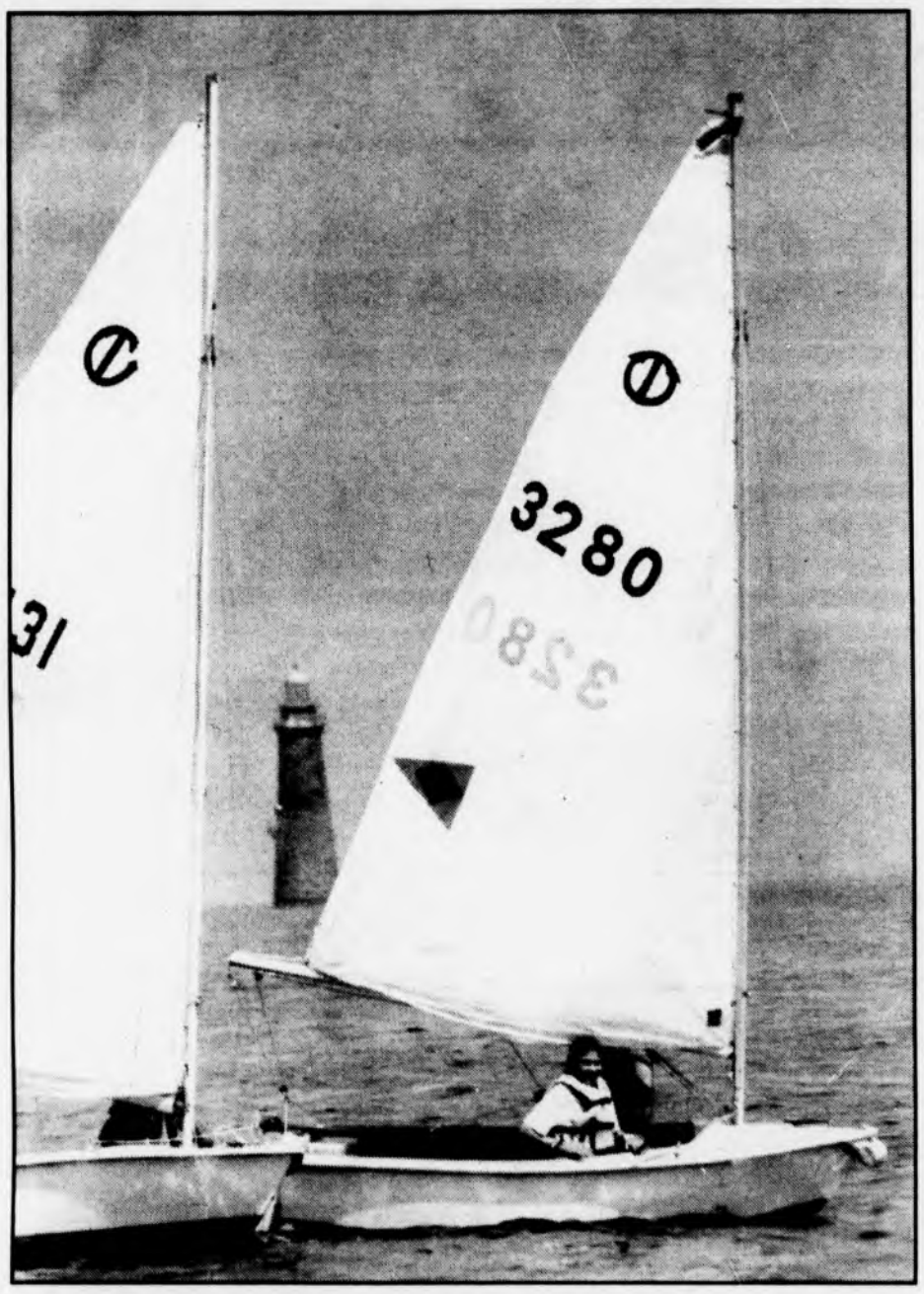
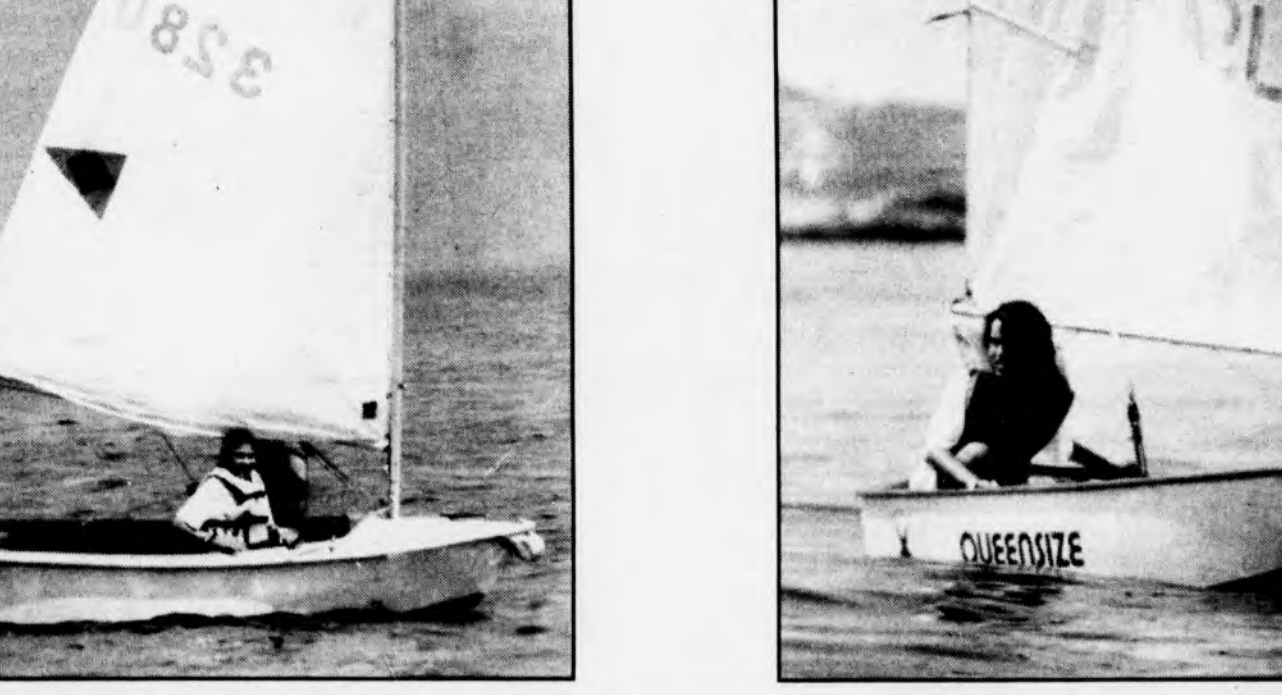
Sailing like the wind in championships



Kate Henderson and Sarah Motley of the Cohasset Sailing Club are in good position as they pass a competitor in the Turnabout Class.



Anke Heranns of the Cohasset Yacht Club steers her boat during the Optimist Class competition.

Staff photos by Alan Chapman

Cohasset Yacht Club members Kate Henderson and Sarah Motley tend their Turnabout.

The Optimist Class is bunched together at the start of one of its races.

Mariner Sports

Mass Bay junior regatta a success

Continued from page 1

cold, raw and raining. Wednesday was clear and sunny, but there wasn't any wind until one-thirty in the afternoon."

Thursday, the final day of competition, looked to be the best day of the three with clear weather. But just before the boats began to head out of Cohasset Harbor for the races' start, a thick fog developed.

"The fog just slammed in tight," Peterson said. "The visibility was about 25 feet. One-hundred yards inland people probably didn't even know there was fog."

Still, the event's organizers planned for all different scenarios. When the fog became thick, Harbormaster John Winters and his staff of Bob Baggs and Anthony Wigmore were close by to monitor the sailors' safety.

Winters was just one of a number of important workers vital in making the junior championship a complete success.

Lynn Previte, chairman of the social committee, did an excellent job in planning the pasta and meatball dinner for the kids on the first night of competition and the cocktail party for their parents. The dance filled the yacht club to near capacity and lunches for the kids were on time every day.

"All of the social activities went great," Peterson said, commending Previte's efforts. "It was a real fun week. The racing was competitive. The social activities were great and everything went off like clockwork."

The scoring of the races was run with such efficiency, Peterson said the results were posted in half the time they are in other regattas. Peterson said the scoring, directed by Joan Pyfrom and Judy Simmons, as well as housing, coordinated by Laura McAuliffe, provided the foundation of the regatta.

"When people have a nice place to stay and get there scores quickly, it keeps them at the site," Peterson said. "The mood then falls from competitive from social. That's when a lot of the fun starts.

"There was a good social calendar of things to do."

Sponsorship of the event was solid with BayBank, West Marine, Table Talk Pie Co., Simpson Spring Water Co. and Christy's Markets serving as the primary sponsors.

The junior championships move to the North Shore next year and Peterson doesn't think they will return to Cohasset for about 10 years. Site locations switch every year from North Shore to South Shore venues.

Peterson said he would like to be a part of the 1997 regatta, probably in a consultation capacity. He suspects many of the workers will also be asked for feedback as to how they handled certain situations.

"I would do it again at the next reasonable opportunity," Peterson said. "The bottom line is it's a fun event for the kids."

Cohasset resident Kimberly Ulmer, 11, looks for her mast at the Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships.

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Mass Bay Sailing 1996 BayBank Junior Championships final results

International Optimist
Timothy Corbett, Hingham Yacht Club (score 5.5)
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Opti I (ages 13-15)
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Craig Fagan, Scituate Harbor Yacht Club (score 5.75)
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Kari Johnson, Hingham Yacht Club (score 9.75)
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J. Adam Triana, Hingham Yacht Club (score 4.25)
Matt Everett, Manchester Sailing Association (score 13)
Anke Heremanns, Cohasset Yacht Club (score 16.75)
Laser
Scott Hoffer, MIT Sailing Association (score 4.25)
Ryan Staszko, Cohasset Yacht Club (score 8.5)
David Robbins, Pleon Yacht Club (score 10)
Laser Radial
Alex Hamlin, Manchester Yacht Club (score 7.5)
Caleb Silsby, Manchester Sailing Association (score 15.75)
David Connolly, Portland, Maine Yacht Club (score 16)
Turnabout Overall
Peter Onman, Winchester Boat Club (score 3)
Andrew Kimball, Winchester Boat Club (score 11)
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Turnabout (advanced)
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Kate Henderson, Cohasset Sailing Club (score 12)
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Robin Cunningham, Cohasset Sailing Club (score 11)
Turnabout (novice)
Morgan Chessia, Satuit Boat Club (score 3)
Cameron Nugent, Cohasset Sailing Club (score 10.75)
Kevin Gaughen, Hingham Yacht Club (score 12)
Duplin
Peter Onman, Winchester Boat Club (score 3)
Andrew Kimball, Winchester Boat Club (score 8)
Club 420
Peter Levesque, Portland, Maine Yacht Club (score 5.5)
Rachel White, Portland, Maine Yacht Club (score 9.75)
Tom Loutrel, Portland, Maine Yacht Club (score 15)
Rookie Race (no novice experience)
Morgan Chessia, Satuit Boat Club (score 3)
Cameron Nugent, Cohasset Sailing Club (score 10.75)
Kevin Gaughen, Hingham yacht Club (score 12)

Senior bowling group opens season

Senior and retired men from Hingham and Cohasset who enjoy bowling are invited to join a local group of bowlers who share fellowship and an enjoyment of the sport. The men meet Monday and Wednesday mornings at the South Shore Country Club bowling lanes from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. through the fall and winter season until May.

The first gathering of the season will be held Monday, Sept. 9. Teams alternate, and interested bowlers are invited to join the group, regardless of their bowling skills. Participants come only when they wish to. Attendance at all gatherings is not required.

For further information, call Henry Shields Day at 749-4868 or Lou Smith at 749-2233.

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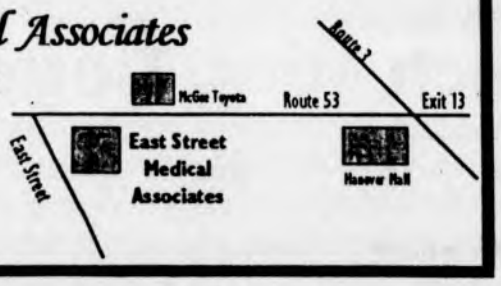

No, I didn't go to the freshman soccer game

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Varsity high school sports come first. Period.

It's the time of year when I have to tell a parent that a cross country team that goes out for a pasta dinner at Papa Gino's the night before a meet would make as exciting a feature as my drive home from work.

It's the time of year when fat high school kids think they're athletes because they can squeeze themselves into a football jersey.

It's the time of year when youth coaches wear the same corduroy jackets as the eight-year-old soccer players on their teams.

It's the time of year when I have to squeeze past the Press Box Bouncer with my Mariner press pass in order to cover a game.

It's the time of year where the great debate of whether or not cheerleaders are athletes or not heats up again. For the record, I believe they are.

It's the time of year when field hockey referees feel compelled to blow their whistles every six seconds — because they own one.

It's the time of year when "Extra Points" add to a field-goal kicker's stats, not just rattle anti-tongue-in-cheek crowd.

It's the time of year when the Skippers play the Clippers.

It's the time of year when Hull High's football field slowly turns into the coldest spot in North America.

And finally, it's the time of year when I wish the players, coaches, athletic directors, fans, booster members and fellow sportswriters the best of luck for a happy fall!

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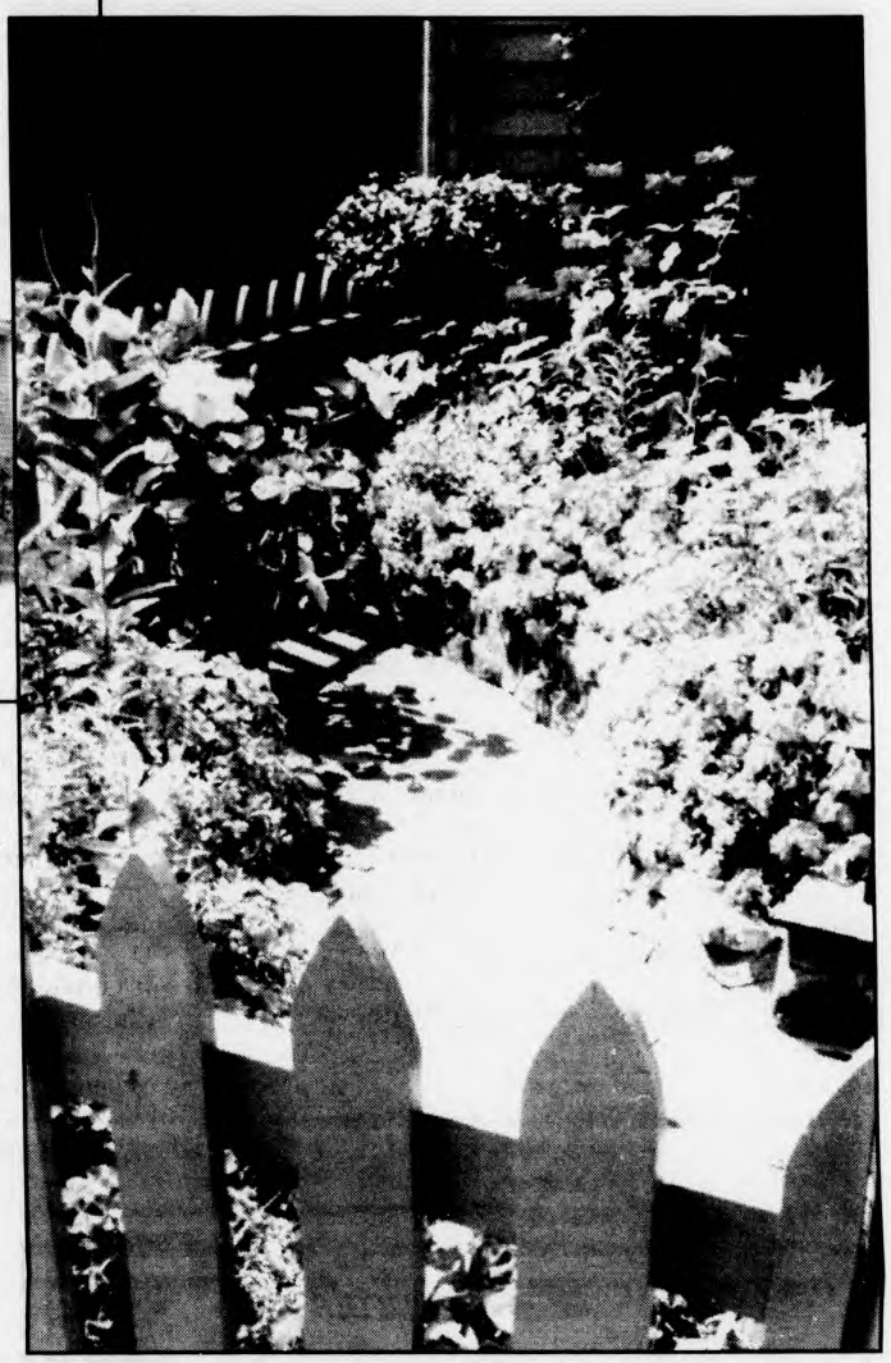

'Homeport', the Flint home at 99 Border St. is surrounded in summertime color. The flower boxes, mounted on the front of the house, spill over with Vinca ivy, salmon-colored geraniums and white impatiens. As you enter the front gate, Mrs. Flint has planted a bed of mixed perennials that delight the eye — tall, red Bee Balm, speckled pink lily, blue Veronica, bordered by salmon-colored impatiens. A honey-peach colored Hibiscus adds just the right touch of color. Mrs. Flint invited me to view her gardens in the rear of her lovely home where she has created an enchanting "secret garden" framing her lovely water views. What a labor of love — please be sure to stroll by and view this work of horticultural art.

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Thursday, Aug. 8

9:49 a.m., threats (bodily harm), Woodland Dr.

12:04 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

4:07 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Highland Ave.

5:42 p.m., property (lost), Cohasset Harbor.

7:05 p.m., MV stop, Town Lot.

8:14 p.m., officer wanted, Arrowwood Rd.

8:20 p.m., assist citizen, Elm Ct.

8:56 p.m., officer wanted, Church St.

10:18 p.m., officer wanted, Crocker Ln.

Friday, Aug. 9

5:16 a.m., assist citizen.

6:14 a.m., noise complaint, Cushing Plaza.

7:06 a.m., property (lsot), CJC Hwy.

8:58 a.m., 9-1-1 call vertification, Old Coach Rd.

9:24 a.m. fire alarm, Elm St.

9:58 a.m., medical aid, Parkingway.

10:00 a.m., suspicious, Beechwood Cemetery.

1:10 p.m., annoying phone calls, CJC Hwy.

1:18 p.m., annoying phone calls, Locust Rd.

2:50 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Sohier St.

3:32 p.m., public drinking, Sandy Beach.,

4:25 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

5:19 p.m., disturbance family, HQ.

5:52 p.m., abandoned 9-1-1 call, Atlantic Ave.

5:56 p.m., by-law violation, Cushing Rd.

7:29 p.m., disturbance, Spring St.

8:49 p.m., disturbance, CJC Hwy.

10:26 p.m, disturbance, Lighthouse Ln.

11:27 p.m, suspicous auto, Sohier St.

11:28 p.m, disturbance, Sohier St.

Saturday, Aug. 10

12:15 a.m., noise complaint, Aaron River Rd.

1:23 a.m., suspicous, Howard Gleason Rd.

1:51 a.m., noise complaint, Forest Notch.

7:44 a.m., medical aid, Country Way.

10:42 a.m., general services, N. Main St.

11:49 a.m., medical aid, Country Club Cir.

12:05 p.m., officer wanted, Aaron River Rd.

12:22 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St.

1:44 p.m., disturbance, Woodland Dr.

5:31 p.m, disorderly conduct, Sandy Beach.

6:08 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

7:42 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

9:00 p.m., fire alarm, Hobart Ln.

9:12 p.m., disturbance, Border St.

9:27 p.m., fire, N. Main St.

10:08 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

10:33 p.m., fire, N. Main St.

11:15 p.m., animal complaint, Fernway.

11:19 p.m, medical aid, out of town UNK.

11:22 p.m, disturbance, Border St.

11:27 p.m, MV stop, N. Main St.

11:33 p.m, MV accident, CJC Hwy.

Sunday, Aug. 11

12:38 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.

2:02 a.m., noise complaint, Border St.

2:12 a.m., noise complaint, Forest Notch.

5:27 a.m., fire alarm, S. Main St.

5:42 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.

9:50 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

11:02 a.m., disturbance, Old Coach Rd.

12:14 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

12:35 p.m., fire, gas leak (outside), Rust Way.

12:37 p.m., 9-1-1 call verification, Border St.

12:43 p.m, disturbance, Forest Ave.

12:56 p.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.

2:31 p.m., general services, Border St.

5:11 p.m., investigation, Beechwood St.

5:15 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

5:28 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St.

7:07 p.m., assist other police dept., Hull St.

8:42 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

10:04 p.m., disturbance, Lighthouse Ln.

10:56 p.m, fire alarm, Elm St.

11:11 p.m., MV stop, Black Horse Ln.

Monday, Aug. 12

6:10 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:14 a.m., MV theft, Oak St.

7:22 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.

8:36 a.m., general services, Deep Run.

2:27 p.m., suspicious, S. Main St.

2:59 p.m., suspicious, Black Horse Ln.

3:31 p.m., fire, Lamberts Lane.

4:25 p.m., property (found), CJC Hwy.

4:36 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:31 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

7:33 p.m., medical aid, Beechwood St.

7:39 p.m., public service, Sohier St.

7:48 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.

8:01 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

10:35 p.m., general services Morticai Lincoln Rd.

11:34 p.m., fire alarm, Howard Gleason Rd.

Tuesday, Aug. 13

12:04 a.m., general services, Beechwood St.

12:34 a.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

4:01 a.m., general services, Hugh Strain Rd.

7:04 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.

8:57 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

9:28 a.m., fire, CJC Hwy.

10:41 .am., officer wanted, Surry Dr.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK, SS.
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To Annette D'Argenio, The Massachusetts Department of Mental Health and to all persons interested in the estate of Annette D'Argenio of Cohasset in said County, a mentally ill person, a person under guardianship.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell at private sale certain real estate of said Annette D'Argenio, which is situated in Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk, in accordance with the offer set out in said petition for her maintenance.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the fourth day of September, 1996, the return day of this citation.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this FIRST DAY of AUGUST.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register

8/22/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
NORFOLK, ss.
SUPERIOR COURT
No. 96-1746

To MARY JANE BRAZIL and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Soldiers and Sailors Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended

GREETING:

ROCKLAND TRUST COMPANY claiming to be the holder of a mortgage covering real property situated in Unit A-6 120 Wheelwright Farm, Cohasset, County of Norfolk, Massachusetts given by Mary Jane Brazil to Rockland Trust Company dated October 30, 1989 and recorded at Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in book 8472 page 83 has filed with said court a bill in equity for authority to foreclose said mortgage in the manner following: by entry to foreclose and by exercise of power of sale set forth in said mortgage.

If you are entitled to the benefits of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940 as amended, and you object to such foreclosure, you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said court at Dedham on or before September 30, 1996 or you may be forever barred from claiming that such foreclosure is invalid under said act.

Witness, ROBERT A. MULLIGAN, Esquire, Chief Justice of our Superior Court, the 15th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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Local rotarians pitch in to fight polio

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Several months ago, Cohasset Rotary Club's president and a former president, Peter Guild and Peter Pearce, attended a meeting where Rotary International members passed a hat and collected $700 to fight polio in Kenya.

The Cohasset rotarians were then told that Kenya needed $8,800 more to effectively launch its program to eradicate the disease.

Monday night, at a tri-town rotary dinner at the Chart House, the Cohasset club presented T.R.O. Owade, Kenya's deputy ambassador to the United Nations, with a ceremonial check for $9,000.

"The gift of the Cohasset Rotary is truly a gift to the children of Kenya,"said Owade.

The Rotary International PolioPlus program began in 1985, when then international club president, Carlos Canseco, challenged rotary members to help him realize his dream of a world free of polio.

Rotary International has since raised over $245 million, and has helped immunize more than one billion children.

As of this year, 150, or 86 percent, of the countries in the world are polio free, said Louis Marciano, a former governor of the Rotary district, which covers all of Rhode Island and southern Massachusetts.

Polio in the remaining 23 countries, including China and India, will be the most difficult to combat, because of remote regions and lack of funds.

However, progress is being made.

In 1988, 35,000 cases of polio were reported; by 1995 that number had dropped to 3,753, said Marciano.

Rotary is working with the World Health Organization, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the United Nations Children's fund, and several other organizations.

"To eradicate the disease we encourage government and nongovernment (agencies) to join together. It is usually people like you who make a difference," Owade told the rotarians.

The goal of the World Assembly, which 160 countries attended, is to wipe out the disease by the year 2000.

In order for a country to be considered disease-free, there must be no reported cases for a two-year period.

Small pox is the only disease that is considered eliminated around the world.

"Polio will be the second," Marciano said.

Over a week ago, Kenya began a massive campaign against polio, which affects the spinal cord.

By December, officials hope to have vaccinated every newborn to five-year-old child.

The polio vaccine also immunizes children against five other diseases: diphtheria, measles, tetanus, tuberculosis, and whooping cough. These diseases make up the plus in PolioPlus.

Two years from now, said Marciano, Cohasset rotary members will celebrate with Kenya.

"We'll have great pride to know that we are the country and the club that took care of another country," said Marciano. "It is a great thing to do."

Cohasset's contribution will go towards laboratory work, research, and program delivery improvements.

Kenya will play an integral role in studies, and will serve as an example to neighboring African countries.

If polio is eradicated, $1.5 billion will be saved worldwide.

Come to a carillon concert

Sally Slade Warner, carillonneur of St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Cohasset, will play the final recital in the 72nd annual series of Summer Carillon Recitals on the church's 57-bell Taylor carillon Sunday, Aug. 25, at 6 p.m. The concert will feature requests previously submitted by listeners, as well as a selection of original music for carillon and transcriptions of familiar music.

The event will take place rain or shine and is free of charge. In case of rain, the music may be heard from parked cars. Printed programs will be available in the program stand by the church courtyard on Highland Avenue and will also be distributed on the common and at the entrance to Stagecoach Way. Listeners are invited to bring lawn chairs, blankets and picnic suppers. Following the recital, a tour of the tower and carillon will be offered to interested individuals. All are invited to attend.

Further information may be obtained by calling St. Stephen's Church (383-1083 weekdays between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.); Church Carillonneur Sally Slade at (508) 475-2599; or Assistant Carillonneur Mary Kennedy (383-9599).

Edward Rowe Snow Day to be celebrated Aug. 25

The annual Edward Rowe Snow Day celebration, honoring the storyteller/historian who was known as "Mr. New England," will be held Sunday, Aug. 25, beginning at 11 a.m. at Fort Warren on Georges Island. The event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Boston Harbor Islands, Inc., Metropolitan District Commission and M& M Marine Services.

Mr. Snow's widow, Anna-Myrle Haegg Snow, a native of Illinois, passed away in February. Mrs. Snow had attended all the previous Edward Rowe Snow Day gatherings, and this year's celebration will also honor her memory.

Following a gathering in remembrance of Mr. Snow and his preservation work in Boston Harbor, videos will be shown, and folk music will be provided by Curraugh's Fancy from 1 to 4 p.m. Participants may take the 10 a.m. boat from Long Wharf, Boston, or boats from Hingham or Lynn, to Georges Island.

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Schools open Sept. 4

Kindergarten moves to Deer Hill

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

When school opens Wednesday, teachers and administrators will face the challenge of meeting the needs of the town's expected 1260 students.

As Cohasset public school enrollment continues its upward climb — the school department has had to make adjustments for overcrowding at the Osgood School.

This year all kindergarten sections have been moved to the Deer Hill school, which houses grades four through six, and will follow that school's schedule.

Supt. Stephen Hart said he is looking forward to the new school year.

"It's always exciting coming back," he said.

A highlight this year is the opening of the new high school athletic complex, called "Alumni Field," set for Sept. 8. The field, which is encircled by an all-weather track, has been more than a year in the making.

Hart noted that the track is available to the whole community and citizens are already using it for running and walking.

And in light of the recent controversy

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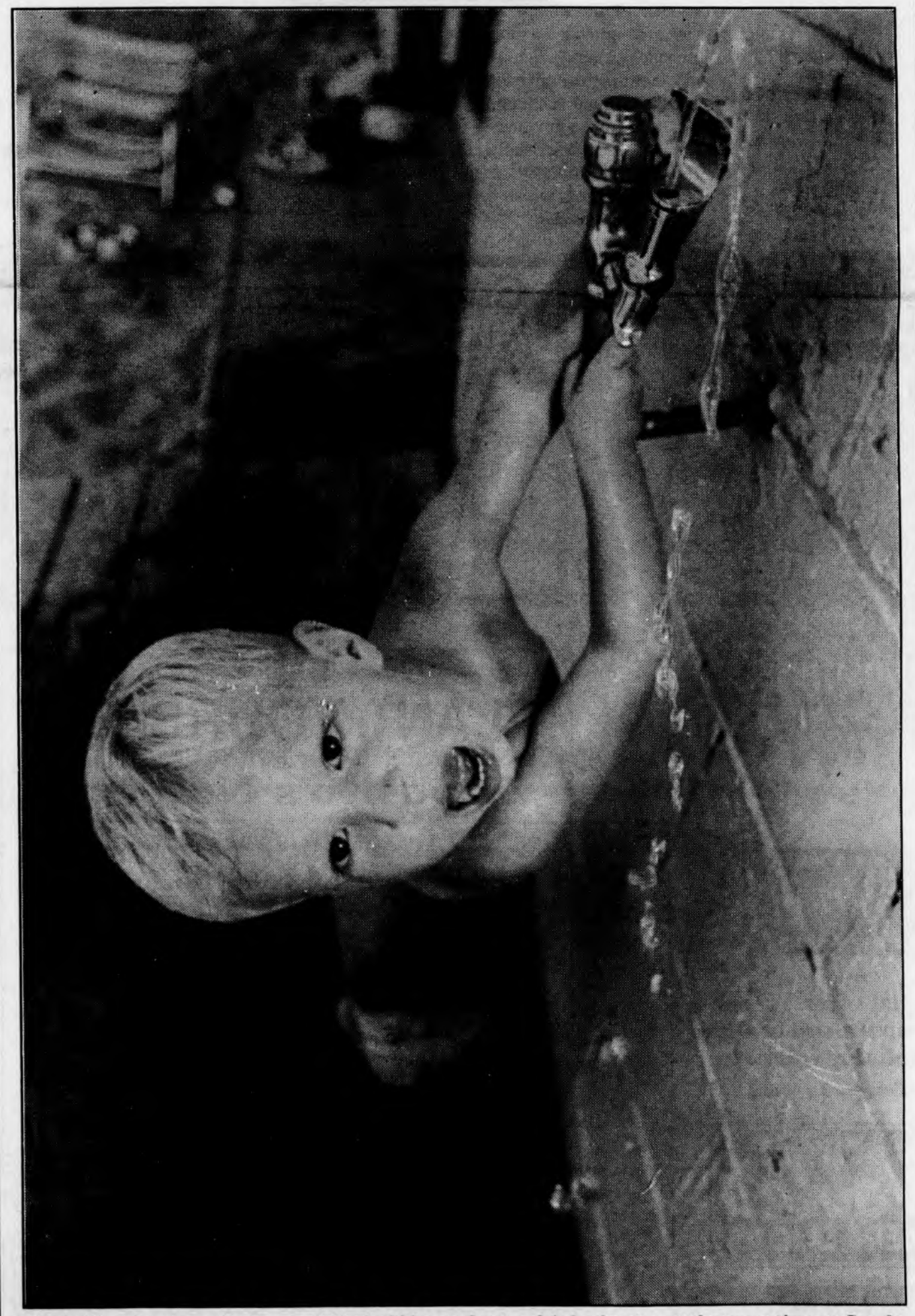
Last Splash



Chris Murphy struggles to reach the bubbler and get a drink of water at the same time at Sandy Beach.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Selectmen:

Mitigate don't litigate train

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset selectmen will not join their Hingham counterparts in a lawsuit against the MBTA nor will they ask the governor to stop the railroad project.

The board continues to be split on support for the $215 million train restoration project but a majority of selectmen have agreed not to formally oppose it.

> *'The board is split and I don't think we can send a letter. But we can certainly speak as individuals.'*
>
> **— Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown.**

In June members of the Coastal Coalition, an anti-train group, showed selectmen a video they put together about the dangers of grade crossings and asked the board to co-sign a letter Hingham selectmen wrote to Governor William Weld asking him to reconsider his decision to give

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Cat-astrophe is prevented

Feline trio gets new lease on nine lives

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

When Buttonwood Books employees, Peter Thornton and Andrew Clarke, took out the trash on Aug. 19 — the last thing they expected to see in the Cohasset bookstore's dumpster was a litter of abandoned kittens.

"I was stunned," said Thornton of Norwell.

Surrounded by broken glass, the three-week old cats were flea-infested, very frightened and very hungry when Thornton said he heard

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Cohasset's Week

Use 9-1-1 for emergencies

Police Chief Brian Noonan urged residents not to hesitate to dial 9-1-1 for emergencies.

He said some people, reporting emergencies, are still using 383-1212, the phone number used for emergencies before 9-1-1 came on line more than a year ago, and at times, are getting a busy signal.

For routine business or inquiries, residents should call 383-1212 or 383-1055.

There are enough 9-1-1 lines to cope with multiple emergency calls, Noonan said.

Town hall union contract approved

August's special town meeting approved appropriating $25,900 to fund salary increases, longevity payments and a signing bonus in a new contract inked between the town and the Konohasset Clerical and Custodial Association, the 11-member town hall union.

The three-year contract for fiscal years 1996-1998 is retroactive to July 1, 1995 and will expire June 30, 1998.

James Blackington of the personnel board said the contract was "fair and equitable."

Deborah Cook of the advisory board said the increases of 2-1/2, 2-1/2 and 3 percent a year bring the union in parity with other town employee unions.

In accordance with a new town by-law approved last spring, the contract was provided to the advisory board July 11 which was at least 30 days before town meeting, as required.

McGuire, who noted that negotiations took six to seven months, said this is the second contract for the union which was formed about six years ago.

One hard-fought contractual item won was getting the "entire" Thanksgiving holiday off, McGuire explained. Because the town hall is open 2-1/2 extra hours on Thursdays — employees previously had to make up the difference, she said.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Aug/Sept. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 29	——	——	5:57	12:10	11.4	6:18
Fri. 30	12:32	12.0	6:46	1:01	11.6	7:10
Sat. 31	1:24	11.8	7:36	1:50	11.6	8:02
Sun. 1	2:16	11.3	8:25	2:40	11.4	8:54
Mon. 2	3:09	10.7	9:14	3:31	11.0	9:47
Tues. 3	4:02	10.0	10:06	4:24	10.5	10:42
Wed. 4	4:59	9.4	10:59	5:19	10.0	11:40
Thurs. 5	5:58	8.9	11:55	6:17	9.6	——

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New animal control officer is named

Kathleen McGuire, 6 Reservoir Rd., is the town's new animal control officer.

Selectman appointed the 28-year-old resident to the 19-hour-per week, post this week. The town appropriates about $11,000 annually for the position.

In a memo to selectmen, Police Chief Brian Noonan said he received eight applications for the job and interviewed four candidates.

"I feel Ms. McGuire is highly motivated and possesses the experience that the job requires," Noonan wrote.

McGuire, who is a Cohasset volunteer fire-fighter, has worked as a veterinary assistant at the Scituate animal shelter where she provided a range of care to the animals including administering medication, monitory overall health, grooming and feeding, and maintaining records for all borders and adoptions.

A Cohasset High School graduate, McGuire, who attended Chamberlayne College in Boston, works part-time as general manager at Rte. 3A Towing on Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

McGuire, who will report to Noonan, said she has always loved animals.

Selectmen asked Town Administrator Gregory Doyon to look into getting McGuire a pager.

People with animal control inquiries or reports of animal problems should call the police department at 383-1055 or 383-1212.

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce recently donated $500 to the Cohasset Police Department for its bike patrol program. The chamber believes the program will create a more moblie police unit in the village and harbor areas, reducing vandalism and crime. With bike patrol officer Chris Tarantino are Chamber officials Dean Rizzo (at left) of Aquarius Sunrooms and Domenic Micarelli of the Artist's Son Gallery and Picture Framer.

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PICTURE THIS/Charles Peterson

Name: Charles Peterson

Occupation: Branch manager, Rockland Trust at Shaw's Plaza.

Goal: To continue growing with Rockland Trust.

Best vacation: San Torini, Greece.

Best day of your life: June 10, 1996 — the day my daughter was born.

Biggest worry: The problems I'll face as a parent in raising my daughter.

Favorite season: Winter. I'm a skier.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite TV show: 'Friends.'

Favorite movie: 'One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest.'

Favorite book: 'A Time to Kill,' by John Grisham.

Favorite junk food: Gourmet pizza.

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Person you'd most like to meet: Lance Armstrong, the professional cyclist.

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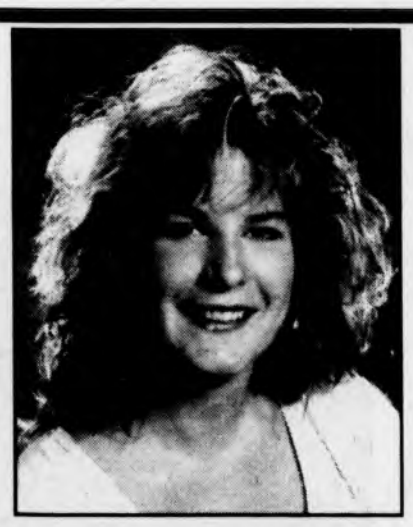
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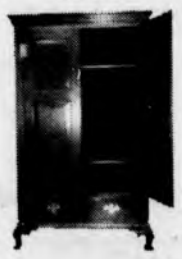

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Mitigate don't litigate train, selectmen say

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Greenbush the green light.

They also wanted Cohasset selectmen to write to the state Inspector General asking him to look into the "wasteful spending" that, they contend, the project entails.

Selectmen Nan Roth and Ronnie McMorris, both in the first year of their first term, were polled Monday on the project and both said they support Greenbush because it will help alleviate traffic problems that plague the region. Rather than opposing the train, they said the town should be putting its energies into mitigation efforts to make sure the town's interests are protected.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown remains personally opposed to the project but does not think the board should take an official position in opposition. Selectman Michael Sullivan did not attend Monday's meeting.

"The board is split and I don't think we can send a letter," Brown said. "But we can certainly speak as individuals."

An abutter to the rail right-of-way, Selectman Peter Pratt, who opposes the train, said this week that he has not received a clear determination from the state ethics commission on whether or not he can participate in formal discussions regarding mitigation issues that do not directly affect this property. But he did say, selectmen should "be leaders of the community in considering the actions of Hingham."

Hingham is suing the MBTA because it is using state and not federal dollars to build Greenbush therefore eliminating federal environmental review of the project. Hingham contends this is to skirt problems, the MBTA will face, in restoring the train which runs through that town's national register historic district.

Pratt called the MBTA's action in this matter "unprecedented" and warned that Weld has denied the town its rights under federal law.

But the MBTA maintains that state environmental laws are as tough as the federal ones and that it is legal to pay for Greenbush with state dollars while using federal dollars for the Plymouth and Middleboro lines, the other two legs of the Old Colony project.

Coalition members at Monday's meeting said they felt the MBTA would do whatever it wanted, making any town mitigation efforts moot.

"What if Andrew Brennan says 'No, no, no,'" said Rocky Lane resident Janice Brown. Brennan is the MBTA's representative in dealing with the Greenbush corridor communities.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon pointed out that mitigation factors can be built into the final contractual permitting document giving them the force of law.

Russ Bonetti of Parker Ave. suggested train opponents get involved by attending the local mitigation meetings which have attracted few residents. Only one citizen attended the last mitigation meeting two weeks ago. The town has two mitigation committees, one consisting of town and public safety officials and the other is made up of citizens at large. Both will submit a report to selectmen.

Coalition members also questioned the wisdom of asking the MBTA to consider moving the station to the village. It is currently planned for the former Winter Garden skating rink site off Rte. 3A but Brennan has said the MBTA is receptive to the village site.

Janice Brown said a village station would wreak havoc on downtown traffic.

"We can't move roads," she said.

But selectmen said more people could walk to the train if the station was located downtown and the station would also help to revitalize the village.

A special town meeting on the train in Oct. 1994 and a local referendum in 199[illegible] were both split down the middle on the train issue.

Pauline Litchfield to retire

Town Hall custodian Pauline Litchfield will retire Sept. 19.

In her letter announcing her retirement, Litchfield said, "It has been a pleasure working with the employees of the town."

Selectmen said they would send Litchfield a letter thanking her for her years of service and wishing her well on her retirement.

Selectmen said they will investigate the possibility of using outside contractors to provide custodial service for town hall.

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Shaw's construction moves along

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Construction crews working on the new Shaw's Supermarket at Cushing Plaza began demolition of the old Rockland Trust Company building last week.

This set the stage for pouring the foundation for the new supermarket, a job that should be underway within a month, according to Shaw's spokesman Bernard Rogan.

Rockland Trust Company has moved into its new building, Rogan said, and the other shopping plaza tenants are weathering the construction project well.

"By now, everybody is familiar with the drill over there," Rogan said.

Following construction of the supermarket foundation, the building's wall will go up, which will allow work to go on throughout the winter months. Pouring the foundations is critical to the project timetable. With delays anticipated during inside the building is important.

Before the building is completed, though, construction will begin on the site drainage system. Improving what Rogan called the "water management system" adds time to the project, but is a fundamental part of it.

"The whole site will be changed in one way or the other," he said.

Rogan said Shaw's officials are "always talking" with prospective tenants who may want to move into the new Shaw's Plaza, but renting space there will wait until after the supermarket is open.

"Then we'll be able to really sit down [with the prospective tenants]," Rogan noted.

The new supermarket is expected to open in August, 1997.

Cohasset Dramatic Club must pay $1K retainer

The Cohasset Dramatic Club will provide $1,000 to the town as a retainer to cover any clean-up or repairs to town hall.

The club will also pay a total of $700 rent for use of town hall for auditions, rehearsals and performances, selectmen said this week.

In explaining the need for a retainer, selectman Peter Pratt said that the shows require a lot of maintenance of the restrooms and auditorium.

"I hope the Dramatic Club will always have a place in the building...but at some point it's not a good deal for the taxpayers," he said.

Bruce Wilson of the Dramatic Club said he was committed to seeing that the club is more responsible.

Selectmen also want to have a look at the club's insurance policy, which Wilson agreed to provide.

Sewer counsel bill gets nod from selectmen

Selectmen recently approved payment of $11,176.56 to the town's sewer counsel Goodwin, Procter &Hoar.

At a later date, the board will discuss whether to retain special town counsel for litigation matters relating to the town sewer project. Non-litigation issues are being handled by the Cohasset's new town counsel Paul DeRensis, selectmen said.

Selectman Nan Roth favored keeping Goodwin, Procter & Hoar, which is paid $265 hour, on board for the time being.

"Paul DeRensis is doing so much right now," she said about town counsel's workload.

But Selectman Ronnie McMorris said the matter should be put on a future agenda for discussion.

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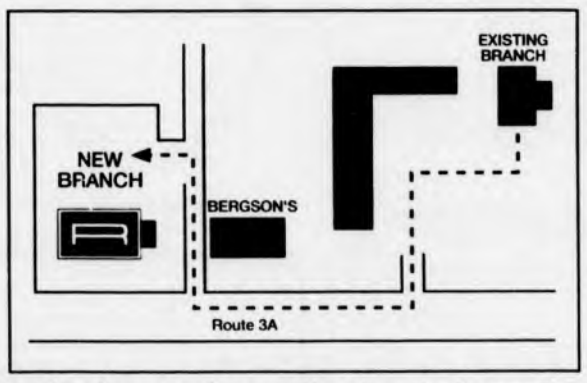

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CARPOOL (PG) 1:30, 5:00,
ALASKA (PG) 3:45, 6:45
COURAGE UNDER FIRE (R) 9:00

Feline trio gets new lease on nine lives

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their little cries.

"I got up on the dumpster and saw them in there," Thornton said. "I can't tell you what it felt like to look down and see a very scared pair of little eyes looking up at me."

'I can't tell you what it felt like to look down and see a very scared pair of little eyes looking up at me.'

— Peter Thornton.

After getting some milk into the tiny kittens by allowing them to lick it off their fingers, Thornton and Clarke brought them to the Scituate animal shelter, where they are well on the way to recovery, said shelter director Joan McCafferty.

It was lucky they came along when they did, McCafferty said, noting that the kittens, who weighed in at just a few onces each, could not have survived long in the dumpster.

A week and a half later, the kittens no longer require around-the-clock bottle feedings and are thriving on a milk substitute and chicken-flavored baby food, McCafferty said. With more flea baths and tests scheduled, it will be another three weeks before they can be adopted, starting the second of their nine lives.

Sadly, abandoned and stray animals are nothing new to McCafferty, who noted that this kind of thing happens all too often.

"Something like this is deliberate and cruel, because the kittens suffered," she said.

While animal abandonment is an unfortunate fact of life, McCafferty said people wanting to dispose of their pets should at least make the effort to leave their animals at the shelter where they will be cared for until they are adopted by another family.

One of the region's few "no-kill" shelters, McCafferty said Scituate's shelter has placed 40 strays or abandoned cats this year alone.

"It's been a particularly bad year for us. We no sooner adopt one out and we get two more in," she said.

Currently at maximum capacity, the shelter's storage and feeding rooms have been converted into isolation rooms, where strays must be kept until they undergo a battery of tests for a variety of ailments including feline aids and leukemia, both of which are contagious among cat populations.

With the shelter's three newest feline additions well on the way to a full recovery, McCafferty is optimistic that she will be able to place the kittens in good homes. For information on adopting a pet call the Scituate Animal Shelter at (617) 545-8703.

Joan McCafferty of the Scituate animal shelter holds the three kittens found in a dumpster at Cushing Plaza by two employees of Buttonwood Books.

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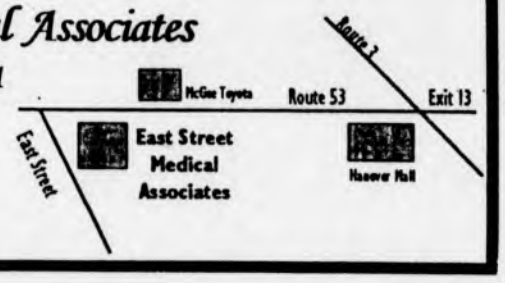

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Dive into water rate appeal urged

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

As Hingham and Hull move forward with their lawsuit appealing the Department of Public Utilities' recent rate hike approval for the Massachusetts-American Water Company, North Cohasset residents are pushing to have their town officials enter the fray.

"I am upset at our selectmen and our water commissioners who dropped the ball and aren't picking it up," said Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante. "They're not doing anything to help us."

Plante said she hopes to appeal to Cohasset selectmen and to press to have town counsel get involved somehow in the neighboring towns' suit.

Plante, who has been leading the local opposition to the more than 150 percent water rate increase, continues to encourage the 600 or so Cohasset residents, who get their water from the private Hingham company, to write to the DPU as well as local and state officials and register their complaints.

Since receiving their first new bills, residents complaints have ranged from confusion in interpreting the bills, to anger about the higher rates for what many claim is poor quality water.

In Hull, Town Manager Phil Lemnios said local officials and citizens continue to be mystified by the DPU's decision to approve such a large increase to a company that he said has consistently provided poor water service.

In November, Mass-American filed its rate case with the DPU, seeking a 164 percent water rate increase to offset the the costs of building its new $40 million water treatment facility on Main Street in Hingham. The new plant, which was designed to improve water quality and flow for its more than 10,500 customers in Hingham, Hull and North Cohasset, went on-line in April, and the new rates which will more than double the average customer's bills went into effect as of June 1.

Mass-American Director of Rates and Revenues, Rod Nevirauskas, noted that the first bill which went out around June 21, was pro-rated to June 1, but does not yet reflect the full increase. Customers' second bills, due out the third week in September will show the full 150 percent increase, he said.

In addition to a letter writing campaign, Plante happily lent a hand gathering some of the more than 1,000 signatures on a petition being to the DPU to reverse its decision.

Such reversals are rare, said DPU Executive Director Timothy Shevlin. And while he acknowledges that the department has received some complaints about the higher rates, that is not an unusual occurrence after a rate case is decided and customers' bills go up.

Still, Shevlin said the DPU's decision includes an agreement to monitor quality of service on an on-going basis.

"We may revisit this if we find the quality of service is not improved," Shevlin said.

In the meantime, Hingham's town counsel James Toomey said with the appeal filed, the DPU is now compiling the record and transcripts from the rate hearings held in the spring. After missing the deadline to intervene, Cohasset town officials served as limited participants in the hearings at that time, but Toomey suggested that there could be a way Cohasset could attempt to intervene in the appeal.

Toomey said he is not sure how quickly the legal challenge will move along but plans to do whatever possible to expedite the process as customers continue to pay higher water rates.

"I think we have a good case with significant legal issues," he said.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

News of two new babies is truly Grand!

It's a boy! His name is **Derek Robert Jamieson!** Derek was born Aug. 21 to **Ray** and **Christine Jamieson,** and everyone is just too thrilled for words! His grandparents are **Bob** and **Roberta Raffa** and **MaryAnn** and **Jim Jamieson.** You can bet there will be plenty of tug-of-wars over this handsome guy, with so many people to love him! Watch for Derek to be strolling "around town" and give him a huge Cohasset welcome when you do see him!

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Norwich University sent some good news this week. **John P. O'Leary** of Jerusalem Road was named to the dean's list for the spring semester. He is a member of the Class of 1999, with an undeclared bachelor of science major. He also received the Military Order of the World Wars for overall improvement in military and scholastic studies. We salute you, John!

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Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Howe are pleased to let us in on the fact that they just became great-grandparents for the sixth time last week! **Cameron Palmer Burton** was born at Beth Israel Hospital and weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces. His mom and dad are **Marnie** and **Craig Burton.** Everyone is doing well and is happy as can be. We sure do congratulate you all!

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Eric Swain, headmaster of Thayer Academy, announced the third trimester honor roll last month, and the ones we are proud of are **Catherine A. Fallon,** daughter of **Leslie A. Fallon,** and **Jeffrey Schneider,** son of **John J.** and **Jeannette Schneider.** Both were recognized for their outstanding academic achievement. Catherine is a member of the Class of 1997, and Jeffrey is a member of the Class of 2001. Keep up those good study habits!

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Elizabeth Eaton Steadman was among 98 women awarded master of business administration degrees by Simmons College Graduate School of Business at ceremonies held last week. Lots of you will remember Elizabeth as **Sunny Eaton,** a 1961 CHS grad. Sunny, who now lives in Duxbury, is the daughter of local resident **Louis F. Eaton Jr.** She is a graduate of Mount Holyoke College and holds a master's degree in education from Harvard University.

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How many of you remember **Kristen Barry,** formerly of **Charlotte's Salon & Boutique?** After she was in New York for only three months, she was hired by Joan Lunden of "Good Morning America" as her personal stylist. Kristen does Joan's hair every morning and has been travelling throughout the United States and Canada doing on-location shows. Kris' name will be appearing in lots of places; for instance, Good Housekeeping and Ladies Home Journal. She certainly has had the opportunity to work with many stars — were you one of them?!

Cardinal Cushing School and Training Center's assistant recreation director, Anne Matheson of Cohasset, and recreation director, Tom McElamn of Hanover, recently received 'Employee of the Year' awards at the Hanover school.

Speaking of **Charlotte,** did you know that her annual benefit fashion show raised more than $3,000? Proceeds were evenly divided between Cranberry Area Hospice and South Shore Hospice. She is one swell lady who does lots for so many!

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Dean of students Jo-Anne Vanin has announced the names of students who qualified for the dean's list for the 1996 spring semester at UMass, Amherst. The following Cohasset students were named: **Joseph F. Andrade,** Cedar Street; **Adam M. McNamara,** King Street; and **Rebecca Tosca,** Pleasant Street. We surely congratulate you three scholars, and please be aware of how proud we are of all of you!

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Be prepared! Now that double sessions for teams and their coaches have begun, there is sure to be a heat wave. We have never known it to fail. It sure is exciting for all the teams, though, because they will get to play on the brand-new fields. Which reminds us — don't forget the dedication of the field Sept. 8, beginning at 4 p.m. Be proud of our new field — it is the talk of the town and the South Shore.

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Hope everyone saw the great picture of **Henry Roth** holding his sportsmanship trophy. It was awesome! A member of **Cohasset Yacht Club,** he dove into the water and retrieved the rudder of a fellow competitor just at the start of the first day of racing. What a guy!

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That's the news for this week. We hope your news will be in print next time! It can be! Just give me a call at 383-0560.

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White/Hecht

Susan Hecht, daughter of Lawrence and Erma Hecht of Merrill, Ia., married Leonard White, son of Matthew and Marianne White of Cohasset, April 21 at Finkbine Mansion, Des Moines, Ia.

Matron of Honor was Cathy Kearney of Iowa, sister of the bride. Lil Gomezdelcampo and Jeanene Carvajal were Bridesmaids.

Best Man was Michael A. White of Cohasset, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Jennifer Dunlap and Paul Burk.

The bride is a graduate of Drake University, Des Moines, and is working towards a PhD in history at the University of California, Irvine.

Her husband is a graduate of Cohasset High School and Rutgers University and holds a master's degree in physics from the University of California, Irvine. He has done graduate work in neurobiology at the University of California, Davis and is employed with Americorps. He is also a computer consultant.

The couple is residing in Woodland, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard White

Come to a concert at the Abbey

Aisling Gallery will present Cherish the Ladies Sunday, Sept. 1, at 7 p.m. at Glastonbury Abbey, 16 Hull St., Route 228, Hingham. Traditional and Irish music and singing will be featured.

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Back to school

Your family just made it back from summer vacation. Everything is finally unpacked, things are settling down, and now it's time to gear up for the new school year.

If you're not prepared, you're not alone. For many families, gearing up for the new school year causes panic and stress.

After making trips to the mall for pencils, paper, notebooks and new outfits, parents then have to cope with getting children back into the routine of the new school year.

Very often by the second week in September, many parents find themselves drained both financially and emotionally.

Other families are facing the stress of a new school: some have just moved, some have children starting high school or middle school, or their child is heading off to kindergarten.

Whatever the situation, the new environment can create emotional turmoil for both children and parents.

Parents can feel overwhelmed by preparing for the new school year. Here are a few tips for a smooth start to the school year.

• Gradually ease the family into the new school routine. Take time to make a smooth transition into new bedtimes and morning routines.

• Don't feel pressured to spend a lot of money on new clothes for school. One or two new items may help your child feel better about their image, but hold off on making a lot of purchases. Children often have a better idea of what they want after seeing what their classmates are wearing, and may also be more comfortable about holding onto clothes from the previous year when they see others doing the same. Don't forget that summertime weather lingers throughout September, so all of that new flannel and corduroy may end up making your child very hot and cranky by the end of the day. Another plus to waiting: many items go on sale after the start of school.

• If possible, visit the school ahead of time. Making the trip removes the question mark for the child about a situation that is full of uncertainties. If a child feels comfortable at least with their physical surroundings, it may make other classroom anxieties easier to manage.

• If your child is a kindergartener heading off for the first time, or your child is starting a new school and they have trouble making transitions, find out what would make them feel more comfortable. Encourage them to bring a comforting object with them to school — but not too valuable, since things can and will get lost. Having a small reminder of home may make your child feel better during the day.

• If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to call your child's teacher and/or school administration. If a younger child is having trouble adjusting, the teacher may be willing to allow the parent to remain in the classroom for a little while. If a child is having academic difficulty, the teacher will often have useful advice for the parents about what they can do to help at home. Remember, you are a critical part of your child's education, and most teachers and administrators welcome parent invovlement.

• If back-to-school stress is wearing you down, call the Parental Stress Line at 1-800-632-8188. Staffed by trained counselors, the Parental Stress Line of Greater Boston is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year for parents and caregivers who need support.

Thoughts on selectmen's meeting aired

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

This week's selectmen's meeting proved a number of interesting things. First, it showed that Mr. Doyon overstepped his bounds when he mistakenly told a reporter that in recent years the town selectmen and voters supported Greenbush restoration. His comments were incorrect.

Second, it became clear that there is little enthusiasm for committees set up to "mitigate" with the MBTA. (Mitigate: to make less severe.) Members of the audience, indeed, on the board as well, expressed serious reservations about trusting the MBTA. Battles with the authority are frequently mentioned in the papers (Whitman, Abington, Halifax, Hingham and Scituate).

Third, there appeared little enthusiasm for restoration among board members.

Fourth, the myth of traffic relief continues. Unfortunately, even the MBTA's SDEIR indicates otherwise. Of 38,000 cars on Route 3A each day, only 890 would be removed; of 67,000 on Route 3, only 440 would be eliminated. (SDEIR, pg. IV-28)

Selectwoman Nan Roth gives "very reluctant" support to restoration. Why? She feels it is the best way to improve commuting to Boston. So, her concerns about less than 2 percent of all South Shore commuters outweigh other facts she also knows. Like diesel particulate health hazards, like 264 grade crossings per day/1320 per week etc. Is this what she wants for Cohasset? I encouraged others to vote for her but am now realizing I may have made a serious mistake.

I suggest our board contact Selectman Kevin Dacey in Braintree. Mr. Dacey can relate how their town spent thousands of dollars on traffic and "mitigation" studies. Our board would then learn how the MBTA rejected their comments/suggestions/requests.

Our selectmen must work harder to protect our town from Greenbush restoration which the T itself concedes will bring "no more than a marginal change in highway traffic volume." (IV-28) The Final EIR has been delayed several times because of problems (lack of money? fudging air pollution figures? a conflict with the upcoming elections?) and so Greenbush is still not a reality. It is our job, our obligation, to continue the fight, realizing that the best "mitigation" is to keep the train out of our town altogether.

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Political Notes

Annual GOP Cookout slated for Sept. 8

Those who like jazz and want the latest outlook on the Massachusetts, global and domestic economies are invited to attend the annual Cohasset GOP cookout at the seaside Guild estate, 365 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. The event is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 8, from 4:30 to 7 p.m.

Special guests will be former Secretary of Economic Affairs Gloria Larson of Hyannis; congressional, general court and county candidates for Barnstable, Bristol, Norfolk and Plymouth counties and the Mark Kross Trio, playing the music of Benny Goodman, Duke Ellington and New Orleans jazz.

The cookout is open to the public, but reservations must be made in advance by calling Julie Guild (383-6443), Polly Logan (383-0031), Carl Harris (749-7167), Rita Strong (934-0880), Joan Francis (545-1361) or Shawnie Littlehale (659-4191).

The donation is $25 per couple or $13 per person. Limited tickets at the event will be $15. Checks for reservations may be sent to: Cohasset GOP Cookout, c/o Janet Fogarty, 15 Cedarledge Village, Cohasset 02025.

Co-Op 8 sponsors sunset cruise in September

Co-Op 8, the coalition of Democratic Town Committees on the South Shore consisting of the towns committees of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Norwell, Scituate, and Weymouth, will host a Sunset Cruise on Sept. 7.

The ship will leave Hewitt's Cove, Rte. 3A, Hingham at 5 p.m. and return at 9 p.m. Many Democratic candidates are expected to attend the Co-Op's annual fund-raiser. Entertainment and hors d'oeuvres are included in the $25 ticket price. Plenty of free parking is available.

For tickets, call Betty Kinsella at 545-3122; Deb Marinelli at 925-5660; or Karen DeTellis at 337-0199.

Cohasset man helps rescue women from burning car

By STEVE ADAMS
Cohasset Mariner

"Dangerous curve" and "Slow — children" signs attest to the potential dangers of Clapp Road, a narrow, winding, heavily wooded street in Scituate's West End.

Those warnings were apparently ignored Sunday afternoon when a car driven by Jeanne Buell, 40, of Rockland, clipped a telephone pole and skidded broadside into a tree near the Norwell town line.

A neighbor, Arthur Masciarelli of Clapp Road Way, and passerby, John Lucitt of Cohasset, pulled the two occupants out of the flaming vehicle.

The driver of the car, Jeanne Buell, 40, of Rockland, has been charged with operating under the influence of alcohol. She and her passenger, Donna Casey of Cohasset, remain hospitalized in fair condition at South Shore Hospital in Weymouth.

Masciarelli, a resident of a nearby cul-de-sac, had just come in from mowing the lawn when he heard the impact around 2 p.m.

"I just ran and reacted to where I heard the sound," he said. Running barefoot through his neighbors' backyards, he approached the car along with Lucitt, who had been driving eastbound on Clapp Road.

Fern Langella, Masciarelli's next-door neighbor, had been working in her garden when she heard a loud bang.

"There were no tires screeching, just a loud crash," she said. "Just from the sound of it you knew it was bad."

She ran to investigate the source, then raced back to her house to call the police.

"The dashboard was already in flames and the car was smoking a lot," Langella said.

The impact of the tree on the passenger side door had spun the car entirely around. Passenger Casey had facial lacerations, was bleeding from the mouth and appeared to have a broken arm, Masciarelli said.

Lucitt pulled the driver, Buell, out the driver's side door while Masciarelli extricated Casey.

The two men laid the victims on an adjacent front lawn and waited for emergency personnel to arrive. When Casey appeared to stop breathing, Masciarelli sent neighbor Langella to fetch a blanket and pillow to prop her up. Both victims were unconscious when ambulance crews arrived.

A nearby mailbox was melted by the flames following an accident Sunday afternoon in the West End of Scitute that injured two local women. Arthur Masciarelli of Scituate and Cohasset resident John Lucitt pulled the two women from the burning vehicle

Staff Photo /Steve Adams

The flames were so intense they melted a nearby mailbox and charred the leaves of the tree 15 feet above the road.

Masciarelli's wife Carol had been out shopping and arrived home to find the street blocked by emergency crews.

"I was afraid it involved one of the kids," she said.

Arriving home, she was startled by the sight of her husband, still clad in a tank top and white shorts, coated in blood.

"The kids and I are all right," were the first words out of his mouth.

Masciarelli said he has seen three accidents on the road since December.

"People fly down this road," Masciarelli said. "I've been nervous since I moved here about the kids wandering off."

He said he was afraid the car might explode while he was pulling the women out, but never seriously hesitated.

"There's no way I could have lived with myself watching this girl burn to death," he said.

Buell was also cited for speeding, causing serious bodily injury, marked lanes violation and operating to endanger.

The posted speed limit in the area is 30 mph, but many cars ignore the signs, Masciarelli said.

"People fly down this road," he said.

With The Candidates

Support for Greenbush thin among candidates

By STEVE ADAMS
Cohasset Mariner

Talking to South Shore voters during his first bid for Congress this summer, Democrat Ian Bowles of Falmouth said he's gotten an earful about transportation issues.

But the residents weren't sharing horror stories about expressway gridlock or complaining about the South Shore's status as the only Boston suburbs without commuter rail service. They were conveying their opposition to the Greenbush commuter rail restoration.

"Based upon what I know now, I'm inclined to oppose it," said Bowles.

Among candidates for the 10th District congressional seat, positions on the $215 million Scituate-to-Boston commuter rail project range from half-hearted support to out-and-out opposition.

Bowles said he plans to meet with MBTA officials to give them an opportunity to justify the project before taking an official position, but right now, the public safety and environmental aspects of the 17.7-mile commuter rail line restoration concern him the most.

State Rep. Edward Teague of Yarmouth, the front-runner for the Republican nomination, also opposes Greenbush, calling it a waste of taxpayers' money.

"It appears that even by the most optimistic estimates by the MBTA, just the capital construction cost will be $60,000 per passenger," said Teague. "That's an extraordinary sum of money. That and the environmental issues make this project highly questionable."

Teague said he prefers the creation of express bus lanes on the Southeast Expressway and expansion of commuter boat service, including commuter boats from Scituate Harbor, as more cost-effective alternatives.

If elected, Democrat Phil Johnston of Marshfield said he would make sure federal environmental agencies keep a close eye on the project.

He cited the MBTA's original plans to site the layover station alongside the North River in Scituate as an example of the need for federal intervention. EPA New England Administrator John DeVillars, a former Dukakis cabinet member with Johnston, helped force the MBTA to consider other options, such as the currently favored Scituate landfill site.

"(DeVillars) required that site be changed. I think it's appalling that they were going to place the terminus in wetlands," Johnston said.

Johnston said the Weld administration should have forced the MBTA to pursue a tunnel under Hingham Square to protect the national historic district there. A supporter of expanded mass transportation in general and Greenbush in particular, Johnston said the rail project is only one part of the solution.

"I've been driving in this traffic mess from Marshfield to Boston for 25 years," Johnston said. "One of the reasons I ran for Congress is to do something to straighten it out.

"I think it is an example of why it's important to people from the South Shore to have someone in Congress who lives on the South Shore," Johnston added. "I've experienced the traffic chaos for the past 25 years and I feel passionately that we need to address it sooner rather than later."

Johnston said the building boom on the lower South Shore, and the potential for growth in Plymouth, the largest town in the state geographically, will put increasing pressure on the Southeast Expressway.

"I doubt very much either of the other Democratic candidates have any special sensitivity to the problems. They haven't been forced to drive in it," he said.

Democratic front-runner William Delahunt of Quincy also supports Greenbush with reservations, particularly those raised by the town of Hingham. He said if elected, he would not attempt to hold up any possible federal funding.

"I'd attempt to secure the funding, given the decisions by the administration and the state legislature," said Delahunt, the Norfolk County district attorney. "I think we have to take steps to try to mitigate any adverse impact as far as the local communities, take every reasonable measure to see that that happens."

Delahunt offered a possible explanation about why two candidates from Cape Cod oppose Greenbush.

"They obviously never had to negotiate the traffic up Route 3A," he said.

He said he also favors expansion of water transportation, such as the planned ferries from Quincy's Marina Bay to downtown Boston.

"I generally support developing a commuter rail," said Democratic contender Walter Murray of Hull. "However, having grown up in Hingham, I can truly understand the problem of grade crossings through historic Hingham Square."

Murray, who lived in Hingham until he turned 18, said he would not support Greenbush unless the MBTA agrees avoid the Hingham Square crossing, either by building a tunnel or re-routing the tracks away from the area.

Like all of the candidates, Murray sees the need for upgraded mass transportation.

"It would be an asset to South Shore. Anything that allows a parent to get home earlier than they would have, to sit and eat a family dinner, would be valuable," he said.

Ilana Marks of Scituate, a leader of the anti-rail Coastal Coalition, said the group will probably endorse both a Republican and Democratic candidate prior to the Sept. 17 primary.

"Right now it seems like there are a lot of definite 'maybe's' coming out of the camps," Marks said.

Marks said the South Shore's next congressman will play a key role in the Greenbush project if a lawsuit recently filed by the town of Hingham prevails. The lawsuit challenges the Federal Transit Administration's decision to allow the MBTA to reject federal funding for the Greenbush line. The other two spurs of the Old Colony restoration — Plymouth and Middleboro — received 80 percent federal reimbursement.

Hingham officials interpret that decision as an attempt to evade a stringent federal environmental review of the project, which applies only if federal funds are used.

"If it goes back to 80 percent federal funding, our congressman will play a much larger role," said Marks. "If indeed Hingham does succeed with that, this will be back to a federal project and our congressman will be able to stop the train, or make sure it gets done."

Kindergarten moves to Deer Hill

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surrounding the proposed new elementary school — a project Hart says the school department is looking forward to getting on with — the field ceremony will provide a chance for the community to come together, officials hope. The new school, which will replace the 70-year-old Osgood School, drew one of the largest turnouts at town meeting in the town's history earlier this month.

This week, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown publicly encouraged citizens to put their differences behind them and attend the field celebration.

Hart said with the addition of two half-day kindergarten sections, Osgood was one classroom short. So by moving the kindergarten to Deer Hill, the extended-day kindergarten and day-care programs were moved to Osgood; and a collaborative class, previously housed at Deer Hill, went to the high school.

This year new principals, Paul Callahan of Hingham at Deer Hill and Merilee Cantelmo of Marshfield at Osgood, will be at the helm of their respective schools.

Callahan replaces Donna Hartlage, who resigned earlier this summer, and Cantelmo replaces Linda Whitney, who stepped down to spend more time with her family.

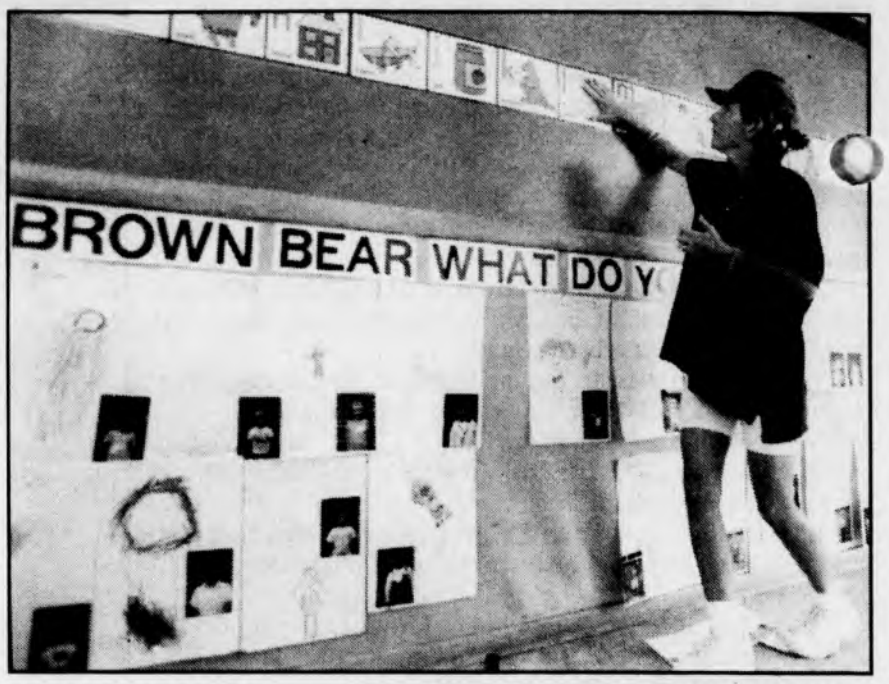
Curtis Collins starts his second year as principal of the junior/senior high.

Other new faces include Lynn Silvia who is the new director of student services; reading teacher Patricia Ford and science teacher Daniel Jones at the junior/senior high; fifth-grade teachers Roger Bourassa and Kathleen Jordan and sixth-grade teacher Robert Bergquist at Deer Hill; second-grade teacher Lauren Cook at Osgood; Linda Anderson, technical coordinator at Deer Hill and Joanne Hurley, new adjustment counselor at Osgood.

The school department will also hire a new kindergarten teacher for an additional class this year and a special needs teacher at Osgood.

This year's expected total enrollment of 1260 is up from 1230 a year ago and 1183 in 1994. The 78 students who graduated in June will be replaced by 108 new seventh-graders. The junior/senior high houses grades seven-through-12.

Hours at the town's schools are:



Mary-Kate McKenna readies the walls in Mrs. Price's kindergarten class which has moved from Osgood to Deer Hill.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

• Junior/Senior High, 7:34 a.m. to 2:06 p.m.

• Deer Hill, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Morning kindergarten, 8:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

Afternoon kindergarten, 12 to 2:30 p.m.

• Osgood, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Lunch prices — $1.40 at Osgood and $1.60 (or $2.25 for the deluxe lunch) at Deer Hill and the Junior/Senior High haven't changed. Opening day menu includes grilled hot dog on a roll with chips; carrot sticks with dip; fresh fruit and milk choice.

Effects of the four-year-old Education Reform Act, the state law that sets out to standardize education across the state, are still being felt in Cohasset, Hart said.

"There's a great emphasis in development of curriculum — to reflect the changing needs of society," he explained.

Hart said schools are being asked to do more with integrating technology into the curriculum and in subjects such as English, math and science to place more emphasis on critical reasoning.

Under education reform, he said Cohasset schools continue to prepare for eventual state assessment tests and a test for 10th graders, which students will have to pass as a requirement for graduation.

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Aladdin lights up the stage

The cast of Aladin, produced by the Children's Drama Workshop, performs a chorus number in the popular musical.

Iago (Katie Kuppens), Jafar (Brian Krupczak), and The Genie (David Ingber) in a scene from Aladin.

(Below) Abu (Lisa Spirito) and Aladin (John Crowley) are just two of the many young stars in the production sponsored by the recreation department.

Brian Krupczak is an awesome Jafar as he talks to Aladin (John Crowley).

Staff photos/Bill Wadsworth

Director Elizabeth Deveney thanks the cast and crew.

Aladin (John Crowley) and Jasmine (Sera Genovese) sing a duet.

Teen Center serves up beach volleyball

Greg Ernst (front left) sets up the defense with his teammates during a recent afternoon of volleyball sponsored by the Teen Center at Sandy Beach.

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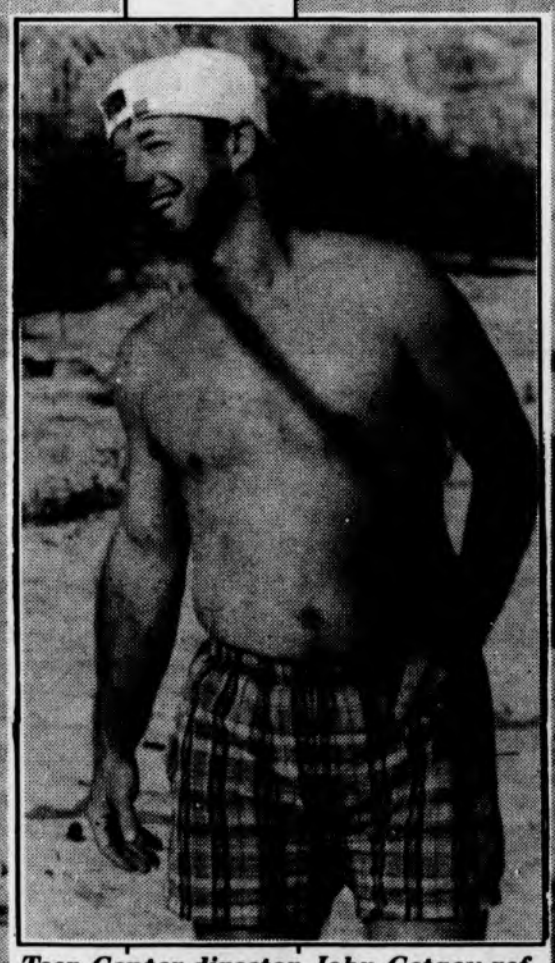
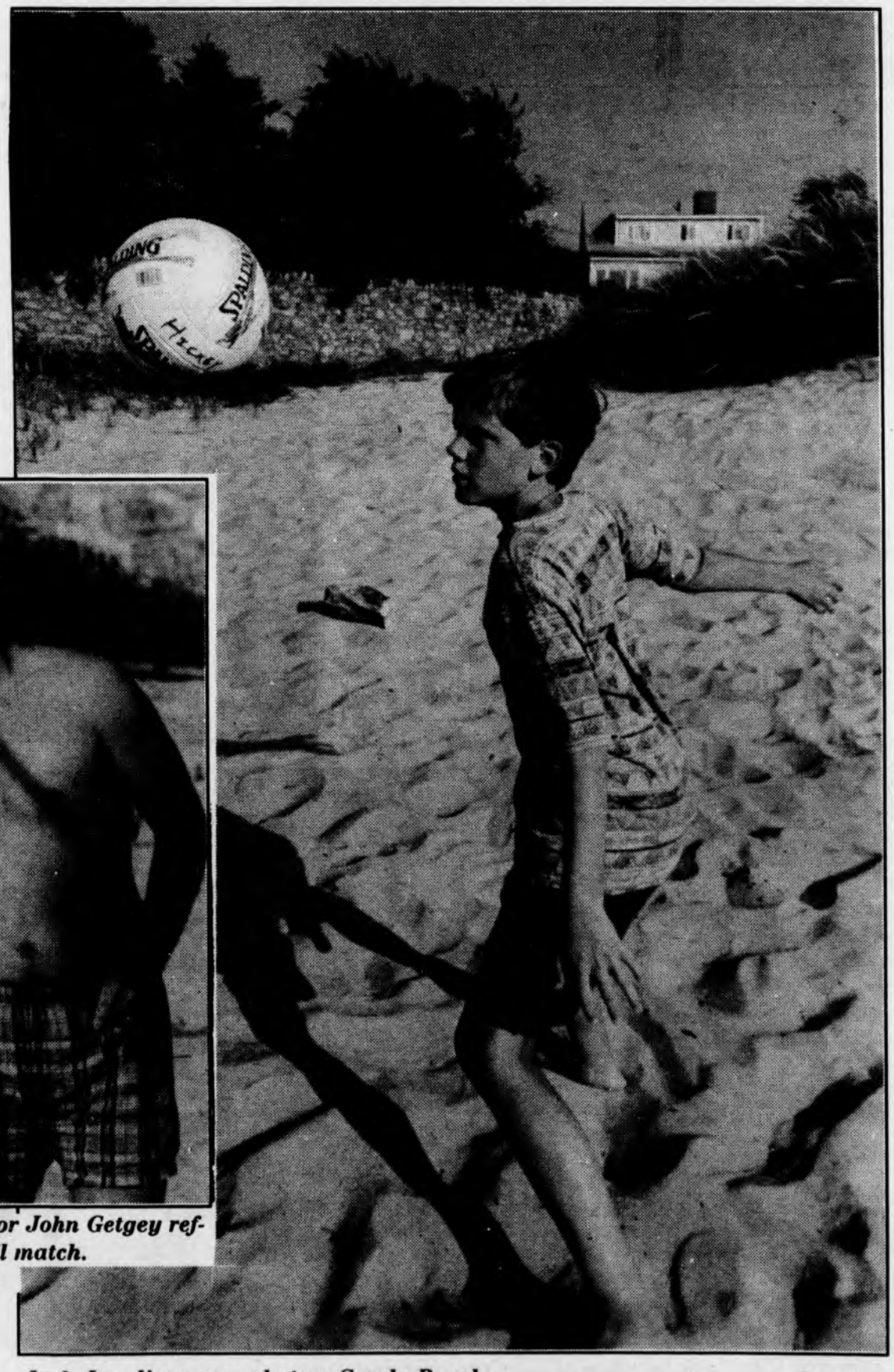
Jeff Garber serves in a volleyball match among members of the Teen Center.



Teen Center director John Getgey refereed the volleyball match.



Jack Jerz lines up a shot on Sandy Beach.

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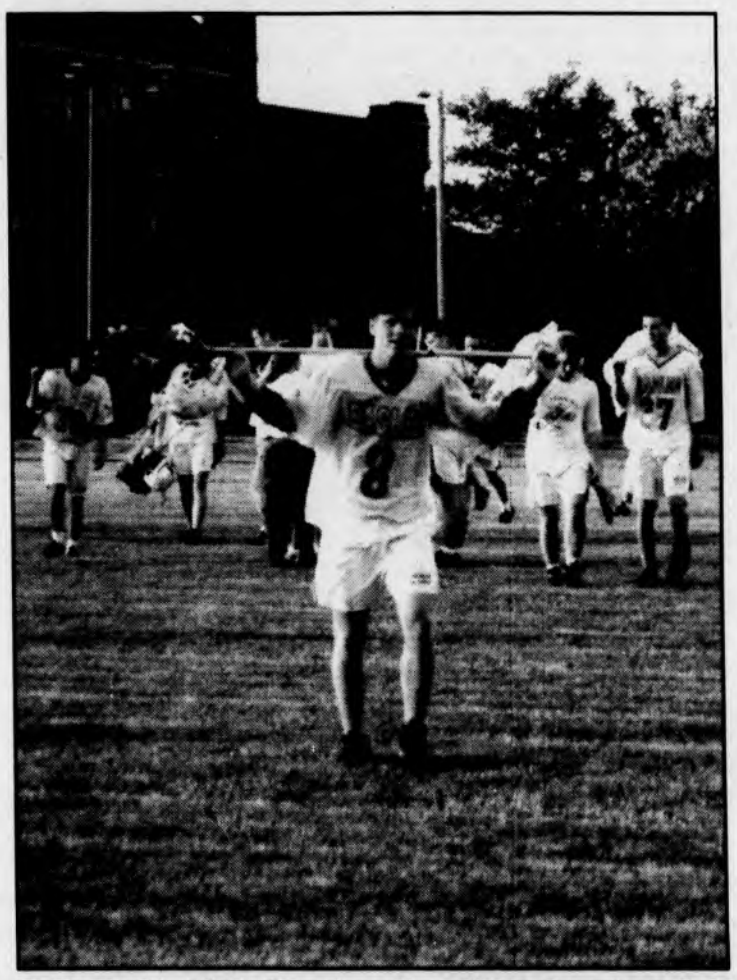
The Offseason Grinder

For football and lacrosse standout Matt Rossi, game is won off field



B.C. High's Matt Rossi walks off the lacrosse field following a game. The speedy defender is also a crack tailback on the Eagles' varsity football team and believes the squad has a good shot at a 1A Super Bowl bid.

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Matt Rossi has never been one to back away from hard, exhausting conditioning work.

After spending a season in the fullback slot on Boston College High's varsity football team, the solid, 6-1 200-pound Cohasset resident decided he wanted to move to the the tailback position.

Rossi knew he'd have to improve his speed so he went to work this summer, dedicating himself to a conditioning program that would wear out most high school athletes.

From June to mid-July, Rossi worked out for two hours per day, sprinting the steep Oak St. hill, jumping rope and lifting weights.

That was just for starters. The *real* work followed shortly after.

Once the middle of July rolled around, Rossi increased his workouts to five days a week, anticipating the preseason football practices.

Rossi arrived in camp stronger and faster than last year. He's reaping the benefits of his summer regiment now. Rossi No. 1 on the tailback depth chart and is expecting to carry the ball 20-25 times per game.

He is enjoying preseason practice more than ever before. There is a strong feeling of optimism among the players and Rossi is excited by the prospects of what the Eagles can accomplish this season on the gridiron.

"I don't want to talk too early," Rossi said, "but I believe we definitely could be Super Bowl contenders."

Rossi is concentrating solely on football now, but it's on the lacrosse field in the spring where the tri captain has made his biggest mark and became a household name in lacrosse circles around the state.

Rossi helped lead the Eagles to a final-four trip in last spring's tourney before falling to Weymouth, 11-9. The season was hardly a disappointment, however, for Rossi or his teammates.

B.C. High finished with an overall 14-3 mark, garnering a sixth-place state ranking in the process. A fairly new program with just seven seasons under its belt, the lacrosse squad qualified for its fourth consecutive tournament and head coach Tom Frisoli earned Coach of the Year honors in the Boston Globe.

Rossi, too, wound up with a number of individual honors. Playing in the defender position, he used his speed and strength to score three goals and assist on 11 others. His aggressiveness in his own end and ability to set up the Eagles' offensive pressure caught the attention of opposing coaches. Rossi was selected to the All-Scholastic squads in both the Patriot Ledger and Boston Herald, along with second-team honors in the Globe. Add the Central Division All-Star selection to the list and Rossi had the type of season high school players dream about.

Rossi was pleased with his junior year campaign and credits his overall speed and strength as the contributing factors to his success.

"It helped that I was faster than a lot of people I was defending," Rossi said. "You may not have the skills of another player, but if you're faster than him it doesn't really matter because you can beat him to the ball. You don't have to use head fakes and body fakes to try and get by him.

"It's just a nice thing to have."

Rossi first became interested in lacrosse when he was looking for an alternative to playing baseball. He attended Cohasset High in the seventh and eighth grade, playing on the baseball team both years. When he transferred to B.C. High, Rossi decided to give lacrosse a try.

"I was interested in trying something new," he said. "I don't want to put baseball down because I still like it, but you can use more of your skills playing lacrosse. It's a quicker game."

Rossi's big break came during his sophomore year when he was promoted to varsity from the JV squad just three games into the season. Although his skills on the field were still understandably raw, Rossi's play was good enough for the coaches to insert him into the starting lineup where he has been ever since.

"They practiced me a couple of times and then put me in the lineup," Rossi said.

Rossi came into his own this past spring and will captain the team with two other South Shore residents; *Hingham's Dan Sullivan and John Tisiaski.*

When the football season comes to an end, Rossi intends to get back to serious training for the lacrosse season during the winter. He spends the cold months lifting in the Eagles' weight room under the supervision of Scituate's Mark Conroy. Conroy, a science teacher at B.C. High prepares lifting programs for athletes on an array of teams.

Rossi has confidence in Conroy's methods and weightlifting knowledge. "He really knows his stuff. Mr. Conroy is one of the best around."

With defending state champion Newton North losing some key players from its '96 team, Rossi is confident the Eagles' laxmen can compete with the perennial lacrosse powerhouse.

"We have a strong defense coming back and a lot of good players up front," Rossi said. "I think we could contend next year."

There's little doubt Rossi will do the work he needs to in order to help put the Eagles in a solid position to win.

That happens with athletes who put as much into their conditioning as their games.

For Rossi, his success is determined in the offseason.

Recreation soccer registration

The final soccer registration for girls and boys grades K to 7 will be held at the recreation department office, Cohasset Town Hall, from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 7.

Soccer registration is for both fall recreational and spring soccer. The fee is $55 per child for each program. A separate check of $30 is necessary for the uniform deposit. Both checks should be payable to Cohasset Soccer Club.

Fall soccer begins Saturday, Sept. 21, and continues through Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996.

Call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791 with any questions about fall soccer.

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

My pen's out of ink and I don't have another

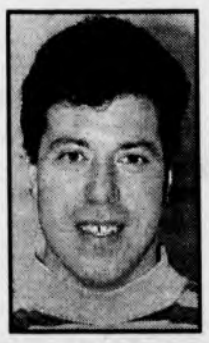
The ball didn't drop in Times Square. There were no wild parties, hats or noisemakers. Resolutions? Nope, not this time.

The calendar may say it's Aug. 28, but as far as we're concerned in the sports department, it's the start of a new year.

Bring on the high school sports!

As exciting as the prospects of a new sports year are, there is that ping of anxiety. You want things to run smoothly all Fall; plenty of photos, balanced coverage and few conflicts come tournament time. But of course, there are always flies turning up in the ointment. For the most part, they're minor inconveniences. Nothing so bad you'd have visions of lining up opposite Cohasset's defensive line without any equipment.

Still, there are certain situations that wake me up in the middle of the night, heart pounding and dripping with sweat.



Reardon

I'm hoping I can go another season without a field hockey game being decided by a "stroke off," after overtime and sudden death don't break the deadlock.

And then there's the ghastly thought of covering a football game where team rosters aren't readily available. It's very rare for both squads not to supply a roster, but it has happened. You try writing down the names of the offensive linemen who opened up the hole for the running back's 40-yard touchdown jaunt without a handy roster by your side.

Then there are the times when one player is wearing another's jersey. That's when having a roster is more of a curse than a luxury. It would be completely disastrous if the "man with no name" rushes for 210 yards and three TD's.

When the weather gets frigid, you have to be as mentally prepared to cover the games as the players who are participating. There's nothing worse than underestimating just how cold it really can get on Cohasset High's soccer field. You wind up spending the half in your car with the heat blasting. The worst case was covering the Hull/Cohasset football game, three years ago. It was so cold on Hull Gut, I parked my car up close to the end zone fence and took notes from my own little press box on wheels.

Back to field hockey. I hope somewhere along the line I'm not "invited" to play with a group of crack field hockey players after they felt offended by something in the column about their sport. To avoid that right now, for the record based on my own experience, I TRULY BELIEVE SOME OF THE BEST CONDITIONED AND MOST TALENTED ATHLETES play field hockey in the Fall.

I dread the first call I get, and rest assured I will get it, that there was no coverage of the PeeWee "Z" Pop Warner football game against Walpole. Of course, you realize the 4-foot-nothing, 80-pound halfback will rush for 350 yards on four carries in leading his team to a 77-6 rout. And I'll be accused of missing the boat because I didn't witness the historic

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Mariner Sports

Alexander Shipp listens intently to the coach during the VIP soccer clinic.
Staff photo by Victor Pryles

Gymnasts In Motion

Gymnastics 1996 Session I: Ruthann Ardizzoni, Director.

Instructors: Patti Donahue, Susie O'Brien, Karen Clemente, Lauren DeAngelis, Jan Porter, Carolyn Pratt, Erica Hettstrom, and Jodi Colwill.

Session I starts the week of Sept. 9.

Session II starts Dec. 2.

The program consists of warm-ups, rotations on the beam, uneven bars, vault, floor exercise and conditioning. The size of each class is small and enrollment is limited. Gymnastic classes will run for 11 weeks and continue throughout the school year. Parents may observe the last class of Session I and again the end of Session II.

Cost for 11 weeks is $74.25 M, $84.25 NM. To participate in the gymnastics program you must be three by Sept. 9. All tumble bugs and preschool gymnast must be trained – no diapers.

Gymnastic registration will be held in the gym Thursday, Sept. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, and 5 to 7 p.m. Registration may be taken over the phone at that time if you are unable to come in. Registration is not complete until payment has been received. We accept Visa, Discover and MasterCard.

MONDAY:

10:30-11:15 a.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

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Noon - 1 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4-6.

1-2 p.m. Sports for Kids #300500, age 4-6.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg. Gymnastic, #301300, age 6-8.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Beg./Int. Gymnastic, #301500, age 8-12.

5:15-7 p.m. Team Level 4A, #301900.

7-8 p.m. Jr. High & High School, #301400.

TUESDAY:

2:15-3:15 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Boys Gymnastics, #301300, age 5 & 6.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Sports for Kids Mixed, #300500, age 6-9.

5:15-7:45 p.m. Level 5-8 and high school team, #301800.

WEDNESDAY:

1:30-2:15 p.m. Tumble Bugs, #3008[illegible] age 3.

2:15-3:15 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg. Gymnastic Girls, #301300, age 5-8.

4:15-6 p.m. Level 4A Team, #301900.

6-7 p.m. Jr. High & High School, #301400.

THURSDAY:

9-10 a.m. Sports for Kids, #300500, age 4-6.

10-11 a.m. Gymnastics Mixed, #301200, age 5 & 6.

11-11:45 a.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg./Int. Gymnastic, #301500, age 8-12.

4:15-5:30 p.m. Level 4B Team, #301600.

5:30-7:45 p.m. Level 5-8 and High School Team, #301800.

FRIDAY:

12:15-1 p.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

1-2 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

2-3 p.m. Sports for Kids, #300500, age 4-6.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Sports for Kids Mixed, #300500, age 6-9.

4:15-6:15 p.m. Level 4B Team.

SATURDAY:

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Open workout. All Team members may drop in for extra workout once a month. TBA monthly. Cost: $5 at the door.

Women, men and cheerleaders interested in lessons in gymnastics should call the center.

Teams: All teams meet twice a week and have a monthly fee.

Level 4 Team A: Monday, 5:15-7 p.m.; Wednesday, 4:15-6 p.m. Cost $60. Monthly #301900.

Level Unsanctioned 5 to Level 8 Team and High School Team: Cost $80. Tuesday, 5:15-7:45 p.m.; Thursday, 5:30-7:45 p.m. Monthly #301800.

Level 4 Team B: Thursday, 4:15-5:30 p.m., and Friday, 4:15-6:15 p.m. Monthly #301600. Cost: $60.

Nantasket Beach is star of tonight's 5K race

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

While local groups are busy promoting the town and its seaside history as tourist attractions, Blackie Palmer is hoping to promote what Hull is known most for this evening.

An expected 100 runners will gather on Nantaskest Beach for the 6:30 p.m. start of the 1st Annual Blackie's Restaurant 5K Beach Run.

Palmer, the restaurant's owner, and race director Karen Petrillo said on Monday they both have received positive feedback from the community about holding a race on the beach itself. A 5-mile race, which also started and finished on the beach, was discontinued several years ago.

As the biggest and most popular attraction in town, Palmer doesn't believe enough attention is paid to the beach as unique natural resource of Hull.

"Not enough people are trying to promote the beach itself," said Palmer. "I play a lot of different sports and was once an avid runner. There used to be a beach race and I wanted to start another one up again."

And as owner of a restaurant, Palmer gets the chance to converse with people. Many, he said, are runners and receptive to the idea of the beach race.

"People come into the restaurant and I find that many of them are runners," Palmer said.

The Beach Run joins the Nantasket Seaside 4-mile Race as a chance for runners to get in a late-summer competition on a course which offers gorgeous scenery that many other towns just don't have.

The race, which is described on the entry blank as a "too-scenic-out-and-back-course," is by post-entry only. Starting in front of Blackie's, the course follows the beach to just over 1-1/2 miles in the Kenberma St., area where it doubles back to the finish.

Money left over from the event will go towards the Hull Booster Club, an organization Palmer is a strong supporter of.

"Any time you can make donations to kids and sports, it's a great boost to the community," Palmer said.

For $10, entrants receive a T-shirt, refreshments and beer. The application also warns that runners may not be heading home that soon after the race's end by stating Blackie's "is a good place to hang out after," which could "make your spouse real mad."

Palmer said the beach run is not a one-shot deal. He is excited about the prospect of the race becoming an annual event in the twilight of the summer.

"Absolutely," Palmer said of the possibility the race will continue.

Senior bowling group opens season

Senior and retired men from Hingham and Cohasset who enjoy bowling are invited to join a local group of bowlers who share fellowship and an enjoyment of the sport. The men meet Monday and Wednesday mornings at the South Shore Country Club bowling lanes from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. through the fall and winter season until May.

The first gathering of the season will be held Monday, Sept. 9. Teams alternate, and interested bowlers are invited to join the group, regardless of their bowling skills. Participants come only when they wish to. Attendance at all gatherings is not required.

For further information, call Henry Shields Day at 749-4868 or Lou Smith at 749-2233.

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event.

Fortunately, I figure the odds of any one of these incidents occurring is 1,000 to 1. The odds do climb to 5-1, however, when it comes to my pen running out of ink at the South Sectional soccer finals.

And guess who forgot to bring an extra Bic.

TK O'Malley Road Race on Oct. 6

Registration for the TK O'Malley 10K Road Race is underway. The race starts at 1 p.m. on Oct. 6 at the Gates School in Scituate. There is also a fun walk at 8:30 a.m. at the Lighthouse and a 1K fun walk at 11:30 a.m. at Central Field. Pre-registration for the race is $10, while registration on race day is $12. The first 400 registrants will receive a long sleeve T-shirt.

For more information call Howie Ardolino at 617-545-1463.

FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon.
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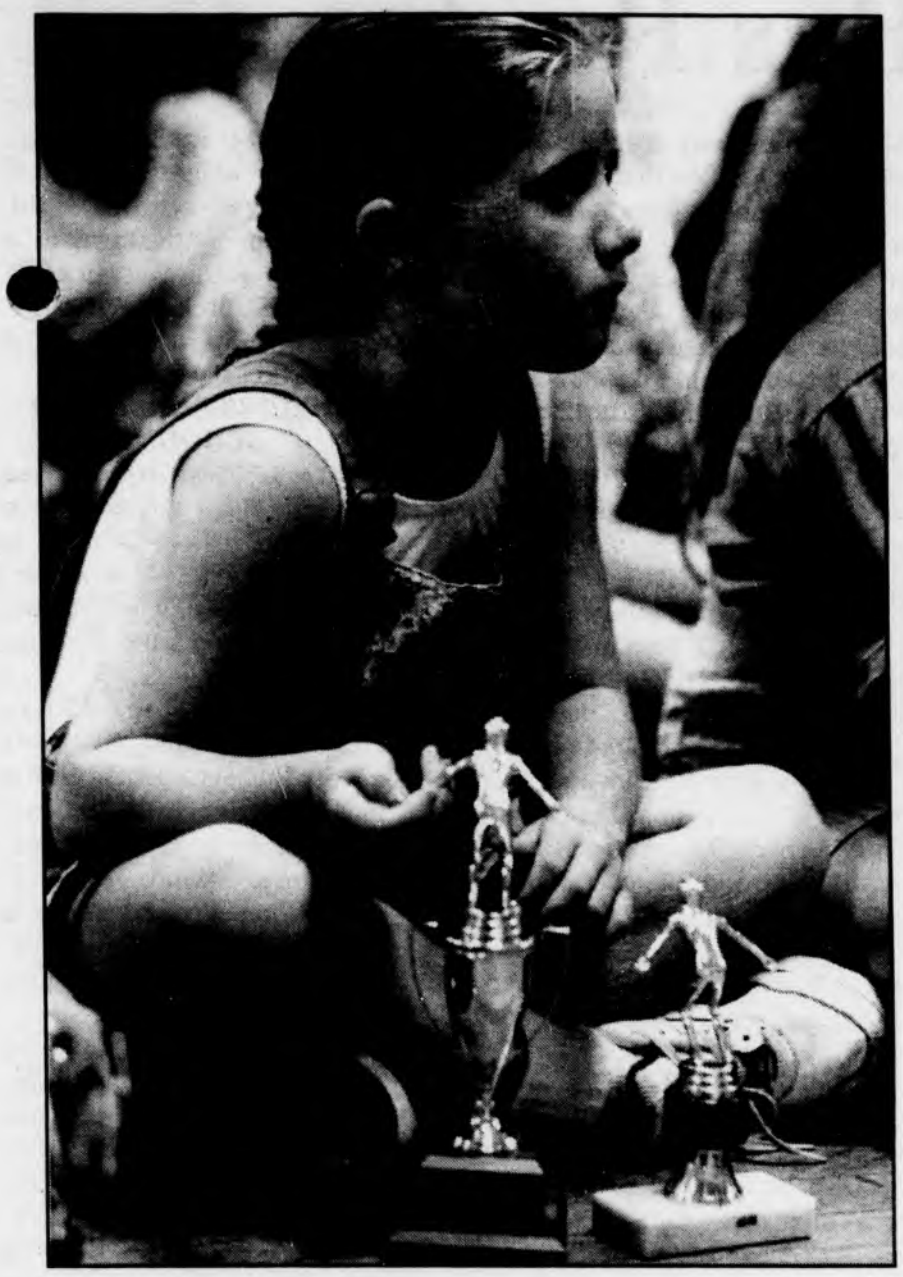


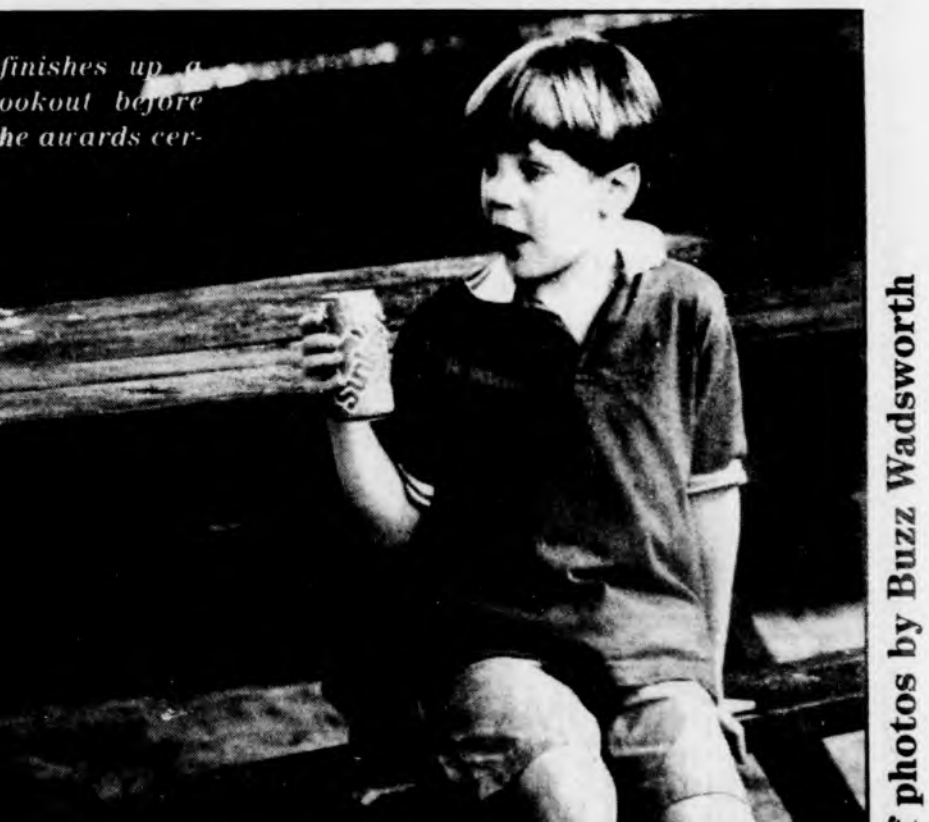
Co-head coach Becky Golden chats with several of the Cohasset Swim Team's younger members.

Lindsay Durkin sits with her trophies at the awards ceremony and listens as other honors are presented.

Living it up!

Swim team closes out season with annual cookout and awards ceremony

Michelle Lemaire and Meg Anderson help themselves to the array of desserts at the swim team's cookout.



Katie DeWaal shows her mother, Julia, the trophy she earned for a successful summer of swimming.

Mac Chase receives the Coach's Award from coaches Amy Wojtasinski (center) and Dawn Meehan (right).

Wesley Ulmer finishes up a soda at the cookout before heading in for the awards ceremony.

Staff photos by Buzz Wadsworth

Cohasset School Bus Routes

JOSEPH OSGOOD SCHOOL
Bus routes begins at approximately 8:15 a.m.

Bus Route #1: 106 Beechwood St., 102 Beechwood (inc. 101 Beechwood), Norman Todd at Beechwood (inc. Todd Lane & Hammond), 215 South Main St., 382 South Main St. (inc. 391), 431 South Main St. (inc. 423), River Road (inc. 363 S. Main St.), Stanton Road at South Main St., 324 South Main St., 302 South Main St., Cedar Lane at South Main (inc. 254 So. Main), Westgate at South Main St., 224 South Main St. (inc. 220 So. Main), 184 South Main St. (inc. 197-245), Elm Ct. at Elm St. (inc. 96 Elm St.), 57 Elm St. (inc. 43 Elm St.), 17 Border St., 31 Border St., 43 Border St., Border at Parker Ave. (inc. 136 Border), Blackhorse Lane at Summer St. (inc. 31 & 38 Summer St., 69 Summer St., South Main at corner of Summer St., 134 South Main St., Paul Pratt Library (inc. 103-109 So. Main St.), Highland Ave. at Town Hall, 306 No. Main St., 316 No. Main St., 354 No. Main St. (inc. 362), 330 No. Main St., 362 No. Main St., Sandcastle.

Bus Route #2: 406 No. Main St., 23 Cedar St., 39 Cedar St., 54 Cedar St., Cedarledge at Cedar, 244 Cedar St., Cedar at Hull (inc. 11 Hull St. & 271 Cedar), 57 Hull St., Lamberts Lane at Hull, 149 Hull St. (inc. 139), 177 Hull St. (inc. 167-191), 790 Jerusalem Rd., Howe at Jerusalem (inc. 714-732), Howe at Jerusalem (inc. 698-700 & Ted Lane), Windy Hill at Jerusalem, 348 Forest Ave., Forest Notch at Forest, Black Rock at Forest, 231 Forest St., Surrey at Forest (inc. Old Coach & 215 Forest), 178 Forest Ave., 162 Forest (inc. 154-174), 88 Forest (inc. 98), 81 Forest Ave., 77 Forest Ave. (inc. 79 Forest), Heather Dr. (inc. 41-54 Forest), Cedar Acres at Forest, Rocky Lane at No. Main St.

Bus Route #3: Margin St. at Kimball's, Margin St. at Stockbridge, Atlantic Ave. at Howard Gleason Rd., 22 Atlantic Ave., 41 Atlantic Ave., 95 Atlantic Ave., 131 Atlantic Ave., 181 Atlantic Ave. at Beach (inc. Mohawk), 6 Nichols, 88 Nichols, 131 Nichols, 150 Nichols, 374 Atlantic Ave., 430 Atlantic Ave., Linden at Linden Circle, Rustic at Jerusalem, Deep Run at Jerusalem, 392 Jerusalem, 364 Jerusalem, 322 Jerusalem, 20 Jerusalem Lane at Jerusalem, 278 Jerusalem, 268 Jerusalem, 241 Jerusalem, 224 Jerusalem, Gammons Rd. (inc. 108-110 Jerusalem), 74 Jerusalem Rd. (inc. 85-96), Redgate-Fernway at Jersualem, Keds.

Bus Route #4: Pond at Buttonwood, Woodland at Pond, Holly Lane at Pond, Bancroft at Pond, Virginia at Pond, Lantern Lane at Pond (inc. 35 Pond), 62 Spring St., Oak at Spring, Norfolk at Cushing (inc. Ash, Hull, Short), Pleasant at Cushing (inc. Smith Place, James Lane), 92 Pleasant St. (inc. 65-96), Reservour at Pleasant, 69 Old Pasture (inc. 42-90), Evergreen at Old Pasture (inc. 10-14 Old Pasture), Arrowwood at Clayspring (inc. Tupolo), Clayspring at Pond (inc. Bayberry and 167-176 Pond), 14 Pleasant St. (inc. 21).

Bus Route #6: Whitney Woods at King St., 326 King St., Pond St. at King St., Lily Pond at King St. (inc. 441, 434, 344), King St. at Schofield (inc. 450-460 King St.)., 227 Beechwood St., 249 Beechwood St., 297 Beechwood St., Boundbrook Lane at Beechwood St., Riverview at Beechwood (inc. 435 Beechwood & Wheelwight), 467 Beechwood St., 475 Beechwood St., 52 Church St., Doane St. at Beechwood (inc. 497-547 Beechwood), Flintlock at Aaron River, Bates Lane at Doane, Hillside at Beechwood (inc. 448-447 Beechwood), 456 Beechwood St., Mill Lane at Beechwood St., 388 Beechwood St., 368 Beechwood St. (inc. 362), 297 Beechwood St., 276 Beechwood St., 244 Beechwood St., Ledgewood at Brewster, 670 CJC Highway, Mendel Road at CJC.

KINDERGARTEN A.M.
Route begins at 7:45 a.m.
Whitney Woods at King St., Schofield Rd. at King St., 431 King St., 487 King St., 403 Beechwood St., Beechwood at Doane St., 52 Church St., Flintlocke at Aaron River, Carbone Lane, Bates Lane, Hillside Dr. at Beechwood, Mill Lane, 23 Ledgeway, Hammond at Beechwood, 11 Beechwood St., 278 South Main St., 171 South Main St., 27 Summer St., 86 Summer St., Parker Ave. at Border St., 109 South Main St., 171 South Main St., Smith Place at Cushing, 54 Old Pasture, Arrowood at Clayspring, Tupelo at Clayspring, Bayberry at Clayspring, Woodland Dr. at Pond St., Ash St. at Cushing, Keds, 166 Sohier St., Fairoaks (turn around).

KINDERGARTEN P.M.
Pickup begins at 11:20 a.m.
43 Elm St., 57 Elm St., 23 Elm Court, Elm Ct. at Elm St., 30 Margin St., Howard Gleason at Atlantic Ave., 26 Atlantic Ave., 95 Atlantic Ave., 155 Beach St., Highland Ave. at Town Hall, 306 No. Main St., 317 No. Main (inc. 306-326 No. Main and Rocky Lane), 324 No. Main St. (inc. 330 No. Main St.), 373 No. Main St., Cedar Acres Lane at Forest, Heather at Forest, 216 Forest Ave. at Old Coach, Forest Notch (inc. 260 Forest), 327 Forest Ave. (turn around), 282 Forest Ave., 31 Cedar St., 244 Cedar St., 49 Hull St., Lamberts Lane at Hull St., 149 Hull St., 177 Hull St. (inc. 175-177), 237 Hull St., 93 Black Rock Rd., 554 Jerusalem Rd., Linden Dr. at Linden Circle, Rust Way, 364 Jerusalem Rd., 322 Jerusalem Rd., 91 Nichols Rd., 129 Nichols Rd., 133 Nichols Rd., Keds.

MINI BUS
Beach St., Beach St., North Main St., Pond St., South Main St.

DEER HILL SCHOOL
First stop approximately 7:50 a.m.

Route 1: South Main at Beechwood, 175 Beechwood, Woolworth's, Hammond Ave., Ledge Way, Beechwood at King St., Bound Brook, Beechwood at Riverview, Beechwood Ball Park, Beechwood at Hillside, Beechwood at Mill Lane, Pine Ridge, 3A (670).

Route 5: Hull St. at Cedar St., Cedarledge, 498 No. Main St., Hull St. at Lamberts Lane, 167 Hull St., Jerusalem Rd. at Howe Rd., Jerusalem Rd. at Windy Hill, Forest Ave. at Black Rock, Forest Ave. at Surrey Dr., Fox Run, 60 Forest Ave., King St. at Whitney Woods, 288 King St., King St. at Pond St., King St. at Lily Pond St., Beechwood at King St.

Route 3: No. Main at Red Gate Lane, No. Main at Rosano Lane, Forest Ave. at Cedar Acres, Forest Ave. at Heather Dr., Forest Ave. at Old Coach Rd., Forest Ave. at Forest Notch, Jerusalem Rd. at Linden Dr., Jerusalem Rd. at Deep Run, 262 Jerusalem Rd., 356 Atlantic Ave., 76 Nichols Rd., Jerusalem Rd. at Nichols Rd., Jerusalem Rd. at Red Gate Lane, Unitarian Church, Ripley Rd. at Tower Lane.

Route 4: Clay Spring Rd. at Tupelo Rd., Pleasant St. at Reservoir Rd., Pleasant St. at Cushing Rd., Cushing Rd. at Ash St., Spring St. at So. Main St., Beach St. at Atlantic Ave., Atlantic Ave. at Dean Rd., Meadow Lane, Atlantic Ave. at Whitehead Rd., Kimball's, St. Anthony's Church, Pond St. at Lantern Lane, Pond St. at Bancroft Rd., 100 Pond St.

JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Route 1: First stop 7 a.m. 245 South Main, South Main at Beechwood, Beechwood at Norman Todd, Woolworth's Parking Lot, Beechwood at King, King at Lily Pond Lane, 288 King St.

Route 2: First stop 6:55 a.m. North Main at Cedar, 490 North Main St., Hull at Cedar St., Hull at Lambert's Lane, Hull at Grace Dr., Jerusalem at Howe Rd., Jerusalem at Windy Hill Rd., Forest at Forest Notch, Forest at Surrey Dr., Forest at Heather Dr., Forest at Cedar Acres Lane, King at North Main St.

Route 3: First stop 6:55 a.m. North Main at Red Gate Lane, North Main at Rosano Lane, Jerusalem at Linden Dr., Jerusalem at Deep Run, Jerusalem at Atlantic Ave., Atlantic at Nichols Rd., 76 Nichols Rd., Nichols at Jerusalem Rd., Jerusalem at Red Gate Lane, North Main at Green St., Unitarian Church.

Route 4: First stop 7 a.m. Summer at South Main, Kimball's Motel, 99 Atlantic Ave., Atlantic at Beach St., 88 Beach St., North Main at Sohier St., Osgood School, Sohier at Fair Oaks Lane.

Route 5: First stop 7 a.m. Bound Brook Lane, 455 Beechwood, Beechwood Ball Park, 670 Chief Justice Hwy.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

•Your Money's Worth

How to avoid a trust blowup

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Averell Harriman had the best of intentions in 1935. That year, the railroad magnate and future ambassador to Great Britain set up four trusts to take care of his children.

The suit ... charges Pamela Harriman with restructuring the trust's investments in order to support her extravagant lifestyle. According to the suit, Averell Harriman's two daughters, Mary Fisk, 77, and Kathleen Mortimer, 76, were "dependent on trust income for all or part of their livelihoods," and lost $200,000 in annual trust income because of this misconduct.

Nearly 60 years later, Harriman's good intentions have landed his heirs – two daughters, six grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren – in U.S. District Court in New York. On Sept. 13, the heirs filed suit against Pamela Harriman, the U.S. ambassador to France and Harriman's widow; Clark Clifford, former defense secretary under Lyndon Johnson and Washington, D.C., attorney of BCCI fame; and six other trustees, charging them with breach of their fiduciary duties, gross negligence, and willful malfeasance. The suit also charges several trustees with self-dealing, professional malpractice, and scheming to defraud the beneficiaries. Because of their actions, the heirs say, roughly $25 million in trust assets has now shriveled to $3 million.

To date, the heirs are still fighting with Pamela Harriman and her co-defendants in court to get $30 million in damages.

Naming trustees is one of the single most-nettlesome areas of estate law. Countless experts say if you don't do it correctly, all of your good intentions for your heirs will go up in smoke. The Harriman case illuminates the issues.

Specifically, the Harriman heirs say the defendants squandered $21 million in trust money on a failing New Jersey resort without disclosing "the personal economic interests" that Pamela Harriman had in the investment, and another $3.1 million on "risky startup companies." According to the suit, "No due diligence had been conducted before making these investments." Furthermore, the suit says, the defendants kept the heirs in the dark about these investments.

Even more alarming, the suit also charges Pamela Harriman with restructuring the trust's investments in order to support her extravagant lifestyle. According to the suit, Averell Harriman's two daughters, Mary Fisk, 77, and Kathleen Mortimer, 76, were "dependent on trust income for all or part of their livelihoods," and lost $200,000 in annual trust income because of this misconduct.

Harriman and Clifford could not be reached for comment.

Clearly, setting up a bullet-proof trust isn't easy. But by understanding the issues and pitfalls, families can better protect the assets they'll leave to their children.

The Harriman story is a public illustration of the importance of setting up fail-safe trusts. Every family should learn from them. Experts also advise the following:

Get a pro. Alexander Bove, a Boston trust and estate lawyer, says anyone who plans to set up trusts for large sums on behalf of their beneficiaries should avoid rancor by not choosing relatives.

Make sure the trustee follows the law. New legislation, known as the "prudent investor" law, is already in effect in 16 states, including Florida, California, and Texas.

This law says trustees must now view trust portfolios as a whole, as well as consider the prudence of individual investments. That means they'll have to practice the fine art of asset allocation by taking "a sophisticated approach," says Richard Marin, a managing director at Bankers Trust. For example, trustees must consider the effects of inflation and any tax consequences. However, beneficiaries beware: The new law still gives trustees wide latitude to invest in risky derivatives, contracts that derive their value from another financial instrument.

Be sure the trustee understands your goals. For example, if you are allowing your children to receive trust funds for education, the trustee should have a sense of whether you mean to pay strictly for a college tuition or also for an apartment off campus. Alexander Bove also suggests incorporating language in the trust agreement that allows you to remove a trustee if you are unhappy with his or her performance.

Stay informed. Generally, non-professional trustees must file annual reports to each beneficiary; professionals must do so quarterly. These reports must note each beneficiary's capital account balance, type of investments, and performance. If you don't get that information and the trust documents allow it, you have the right to get rid of the trustee.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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Police Log

Tuesday, Aug. 13

12:40 p.m., MV violations, Brook St.

2:14 p.m., property (found), West Gate Ln.

4:15 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

5:18 p.m., assist motorist, Kimball's Park Lot.

6:29 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:57 p.m, animal complaint, James Ln.

9:02 p.m., public service, CJC Hwy.

9:30 p.m., missing person, out of town.

9:45 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:41 p.m., officer wanted, Nichols Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 14

7:59 a.m., medical aid, Pond St.

10:05 a.m., medical aid, Hatherly Rd.

10:22 a.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.

10:42 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.

11:53 a.m., public service, Jerusalem Rd.

6:16 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

7:14 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

7:48 p.m., annoying phone calls, Lamberts Ln.

9:11 p.m., disabled auto, Atlantic Ave.

9:11 p.m., disturbance, Parking Way.

10:32 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.

10:33 p.m., assist citizen, Reservoir Rd.

11:38 p.m., notification, S. Main St.

Thursday, Aug. 15

7:43 a.m., MV stop, Brewster Rd./CJC Hwy.

8:55 a.m., annoying phone calls, Hull St.

10:15 a.m., larceny, Cushing Plaza.

12:30 p.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.

2:21 p.m., officer wanted, Lighthouse Ln.

3:39 p.m, MV accident, Forest Ave.

4:44 p.m., disabled auto, N. Main St.

5:02 p.m., medical aid, Spring St.

5:25 p.m., notification, Fernway.

6:53 p.m., notification, White Head Rd.

7:15 p.m., assist citizen, Fernway.

8:05 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.

8:54 p.m., general services, Pond St.

10:19 p.m., disturbance, Howard Gleason Rd.

10:38 p.m., noise complaint, Sohier St.

10:52 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

Friday, Aug. 16

12:37 a.m., well-being check, Carbone Ln.

12:44 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.

6:12 .am., assist other PD, Wampatuck Ave.

10:54 a.m., medical aid, Wampatuck School.

11:09 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

1:20 p.m., suspicious, Elm St.

1:49 p.m., medical aid, Bound Brook Ct.

5:11 p.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St.

5:18 p.m., general service, HQ.

6:01 p.m., animal complaint, Fernway.

6:42 p.m., vandalism, HQ.

9:12 p.m., suspicious auto, Beechwood St.

10:50 p.m., notification, Jerusalem Rd.

11:40 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.

Saturday, Aug. 17

12:06 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St.

12:09 a.m., noise complaint, Hull St.,

12:29 a.m., assist other PD, Gannett Rd.

12:40 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

12:42 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St.

1:35 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

8:25 .am., general services, Beach St.

10:30 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

12:24 p.m., assist motorist, Elm St.

12:30 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

1:25 p.m., annoying phone calls, Elm St.

1:48 p.m., MV violations, James Ln.

1:58 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

3:29 p.m., assist motorist, Square.

4:28 p.m., MV stop, Sandy Beach.

5:16 p.m., investigation, Cedar St.

6:22 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:46 p.m., MV violations, Nichols Rd.

7:43 p.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.

8:53 p.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.

9:05 p.m., assist other PD, Jerusalem Rd.

10:29 p.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.

11:01 p.m., disturbance, Elm Ct.

11:15 p.m., assist citizen, Hillside Dr.

11:18 p.m., disturbance, Nichols Rd.

11:36 p.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

Sunday, Aug. 18

1:22 a.m., suspicious person, S. Main St.

1:32 a.m., disabled auto, King St.

2:05 a.m., general services, Border St.

2:31 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

3:33 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

8:37 a.m., burglary/breaking & entering, Cedar St.

10:54 a.m., burglary/breaking & entering, Black Rock Rd.

11:04 a.m., MV stop, King St.

1:05 p.m., assist other agency, the harbor.

1:10 p.m., MV violations, James Lane.

2:27 p.m., MV violations, Atlantic Ave.

2:50 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

3:09 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

3:41 p.m., MV violations, White Head Rd.

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Village farmers' market update

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The market will be held every Thursday from 3 to 7 p.m. through Sept. 26. These hours were chosen to attract people who cannot do their shopping during the conventional 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. time. The market area is located in the municipal parking lot (in front of the old garage), behind Cohasset Village. Ample parking will therefore be available for both vendors and customers. Set up time will begin at 3:30 p.m. on the day of the market. Clean up is planned at 8 p.m.

Vendors will sell items such as fruits, vegetables, fresh and dried flowers, herbs, oils and vinegars, breads and baked goods. Confections and homemade crafts are also welcome.

Additionally, live folk music will be performed during selected farmers' market evenings.

Future performers are: Aug. 29, singer/songwriter David Crossland.

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Anti-smoking funds cut

Local programs affected

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

While concern about smoking and tobacco use is reaching new heights on a national level, here in Massachusetts law makers are cutting back programs that help people kick the habit.

Despite voters' 1992 approval of a 25 cent per pack cigarette tax to help fund tobacco control programs across the state, including those sponsored by the South Shore Boards of Health Collaborative, the state legislature recently voted to cut funding by $10 million.

"It's ironic, with so much emphasis being placed on this at the national level," said director Dawn Sibor of the South Shore Boards of Health Collaborative Tobacco Control Program.

And according to Sibor, the cuts are not limited to tobacco programs. They will also have an impact on Department of Public Health programs including DARE and some other school-based activities.

While statewide the cuts amount to 13 percent, the Collaborative's program received a 20 percent cut, Sibor said. Formed in 1994, the Collaborative's original budget, which covers not only salaries but also unique educational programing

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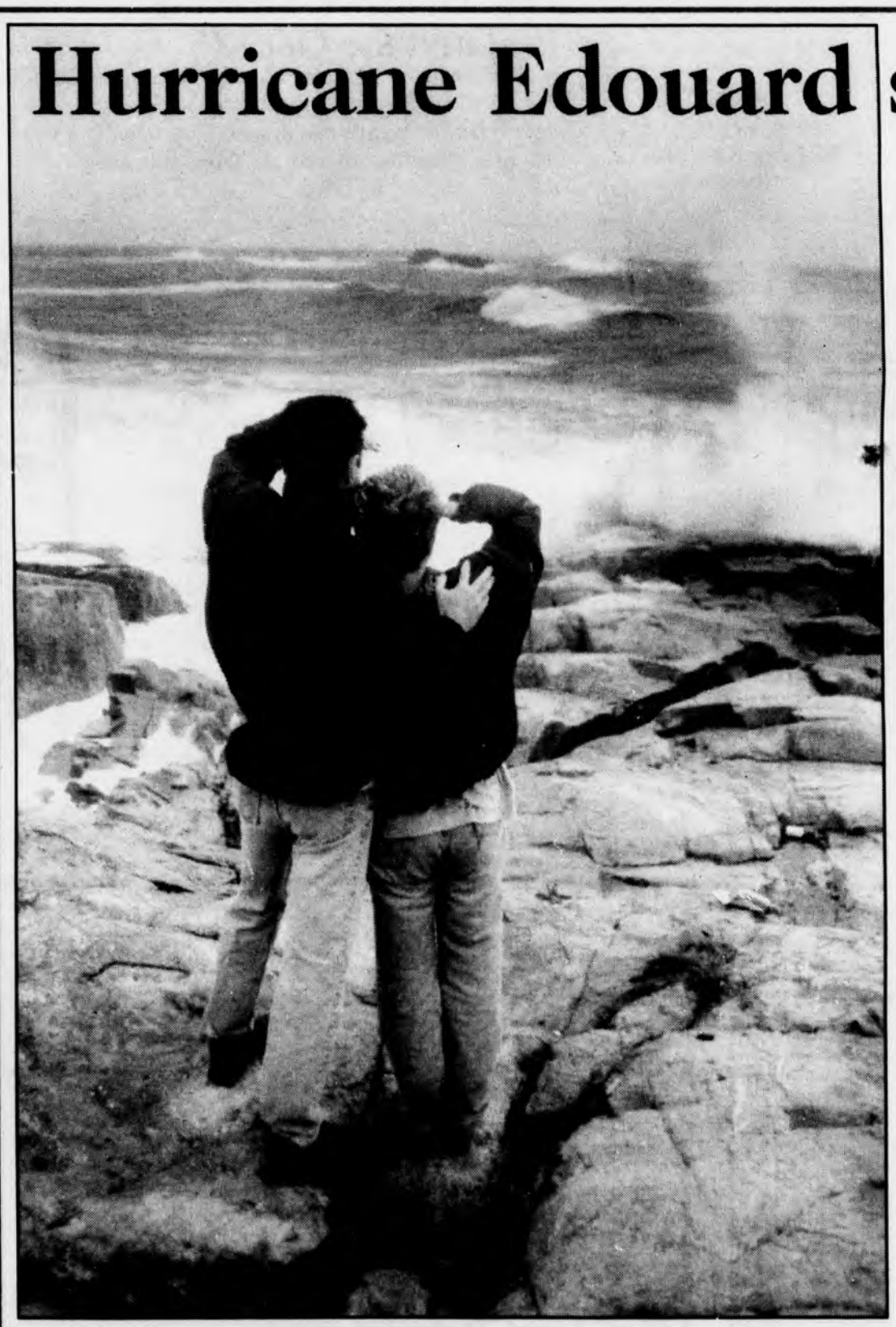
Hurricane Edouard stays off the coast



Michael Bendinelli and Elizabeth Donovan take in the show provided by Hurricane Edouard and the wild surf on Jerusalem Road near Forest Avenue on Monday.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

But town was ready for worst

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Hurricane Edouard may not have lived up to its reputation — but Cohasset's emergency plans were in place just in case the storm struck a wallop.

Civil defense director Arthur Lehr said the police, fire, water and department of public works were prepared for the worst. Eastern Edison also had a truck in town which was not needed because there were no power outages in Cohasset.

The Red Cross set up an emergency center at Scituate High School which Cohasset would have shared if needed. In emergency conditions, residents would be evacuated to Cohasset High and driven from there by school buses to Scituate High, Lehr explained.

"(Gov.) Weld declared a state of emergency but it was not needed in Cohasset," he said.

Lehr said the hurricane turned out to be a dud as far as Cohasset is concerned.

"I woke up at 2 a.m. expecting to go to work and it was practically calm — so I said the heck with this. They (public safety) knew where to get me if needed," Lehr said noting high tide was between 2:30 and 3 a.m. Monday morning and could have caused flooding problems if there had been enough wind.

Eastern Edison spokesman Ruth Stetson reported very scattered outages in the company's 17 communities. Eastern Edison serves Cohasset.

Two of Cohasset's neighbors, Scituate and Norwell, experienced outages when a limb fell on a wire on River Street in Norwell at 2:53 p.m., Monday, knocking out power to 1,950 customers in those towns. All power was restored by 3:38 p.m., Stetson said.

The hurricane season starts around June 1 and ends Oct. 1 when the nor'easter season starts, Stetson said. Edison takes hurricanes very seriously and conducted a storm meeting last Thursday going over a check list of supplies, staff and schedules.

"Safety, safety, safety is our first priority," Stetson said. "We don't want to lose anyone in our service area or any of our workers who are out trying to restore service."

Athletic complex to open

Town-wide ceremony slated on Sunday

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Earlier this summer "Opening Ceremonies" meant the Olympics in Atlanta.

But now with the 1996 Olympic Games a memory — Cohasset is gearing up for its own "Opening Ceremony" to be followed by weeks of athletic contests.

Alumni Field, the new town field complex at the high school, will officially open at 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 8.

Organizers hope that townspeople will flock to the much-anticipated event which will feature Cohasset High alumni from

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Turkey Hill acquisition is moving forward

While local conversation groups wait to hear if a state grant application has been approved, they are soliciting donations for the additional monies needed to acquire Turkey Hill.

A spokesman for the Trustees of Reservations said last month the groups are three-quarters of the way toward their goal of raising $307,000.

A decision on the state grant is expected in October, according to Trustees of Reservations Southeast Regional Supervisor Tom Foster. If the grant is awarded, and the fund-raising is successful, the property could be con-

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Cohasset's Week

Cohasset Mariner Almanac

Official National Weather Service data, compiled by Bob Skilling, Hingham Weather Station at Clifford Court

Temperature	High	Low	Precipitation
Wed. Aug. 28	63	61	0.22 inch
Thurs. Aug. 29	82	60	0
Fri. Aug. 30	73	57	0
Sat. Aug. 31	82	59	0
Sun. Sept. 1	72	55	0
Mon. Sept. 2	67	63	0.61 inch
Tues. Sept. 3	82	63	0.38 inch

What if Edouard tracked to the west?

If Hurricane Edouard had tracked some 50 to 100 miles farther to the west, we would have had a much more significant storm here. The hurricane tracked almost due north along 70 degrees west longitude from east of Cape Hatteras, and then turned to the northeast well before reaching Cape Cod. Predictions of a track more to the west of north which would have brought the center into Connecticut or Rhode Island failed to materialize. If those predictions had come true, we would have had a destructive hurricane on our hands here in Cohasset. The strongest winds in a hurricane moving northward up the east coast of the United States occur to the right of the center, and blow from the southeast and south. In addition, the forward speed of the storm was less than 20 mph when it reached 40 degrees north latitude; much slower than the average 30 to 50 mph for most northward moving hurricanes. This allowed for gradual weakening over the cooler ocean waters.

The effects here were of a minimal tropical storm with winds gusting to 30 to 45 mph, and rainfall was moderate. The lowest barometric pressure was not that low here, at 29.79 inches. The central pressure of the storm was still well under 29 inches as it passed to our southeast.

The tropics continue very active with Hurricane Fran now taking aim at the southeast US coast. We might even experience some effects of a second storm later this week. The high-level steering winds continue from the southwest here.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Sept. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 5	5:58	8.9	11:55	6:17	9.6	——
Fri. 6	6:58	8.6	12:40	7:16	9.4	12:54
Sat. 7	7:58	8.5	1:41	8:14	9.4	1:53
Sun. 8	8:54	8.7	2:38	9:08	9.5	2:48
Mon. 9	9:43	8.9	3:28	9:56	9.7	3:38
Tues. 10	10:27	9.2	4:12	10:40	9.9	4:23
Wed. 11	11:07	9.5	4:52	11:20	10.1	5:06
Thurs. 12	11:44	9.7	5:30	11:59	10.1	5:45

Tides at all ports from Annisquam to Wellfleet are within 10 minutes of the above.

Final August temperatures and precipitation

Mean temperature	70.2	degrees
Departure from normal	0.5	degree above normal
Month's high temperature	88	degrees on Aug. 23
Month's low temperature	51	degrees on Aug. 20
Total precipitation	2.23	inches
Departure from normal	1.69	inches below normal
Normal August precipitation	3.92	inches
1996 total precipitation	34.34	inches
Departure from normal	3.55	inches above normal
"Wettest" August	18.94	inches in 1955
"Driest" August	0.99	inch in 1984
"Wettest" single August day	6.93	inches in 1955

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen will set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Boards have openings

There are openings for volunteers on several town boards for information, please call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Compost bins available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, composting containers are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. Prices range from $20 to $30.

The new containers are on sale at from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday and Wednesday through Saturday at Aquarius Sunrooms on Depot Court. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

Special Town Meeting is slated for Oct. 28

Selectmen set fall's special town meeting for Monday, Oct. 28 which they say will allow enough time in September for boards and departments to submit warrant articles in time to have the warrant printed.

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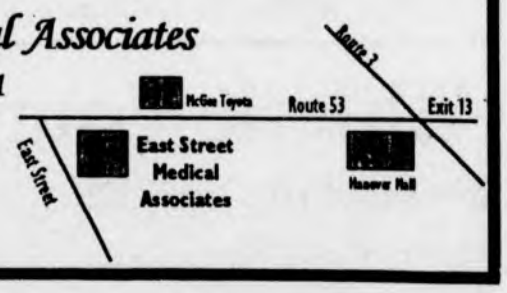

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Name: Kathleen McGuire

Occupation: Town's new animal control officer.

Goal: To provide the citizens with the best service possible in my new role.

Best vacation: Disney World.

Best day of your life: The day I got the job as Cohasset animal control officer.

Biggest worry: Getting bitten by an animal with rabies.

Favorite season: Winter.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite TV show: 'Home Improvement.'

Favorite movie: 'Back Draft.'

Favorite book: Anything by Stephen King.

Favorite junk food: Any of them and all of them!

Person you'd most like to meet: Clint Eastwood.

Pet peeve: People who neglect their animals.

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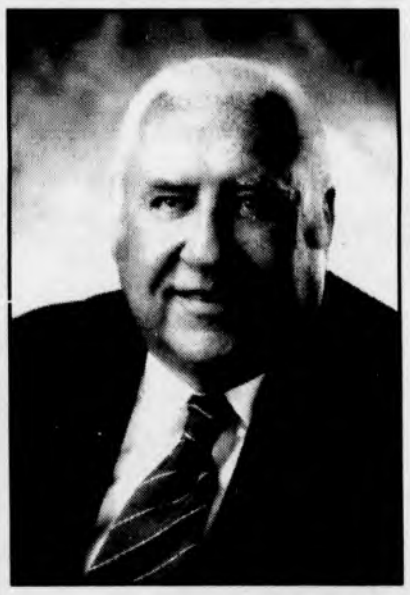

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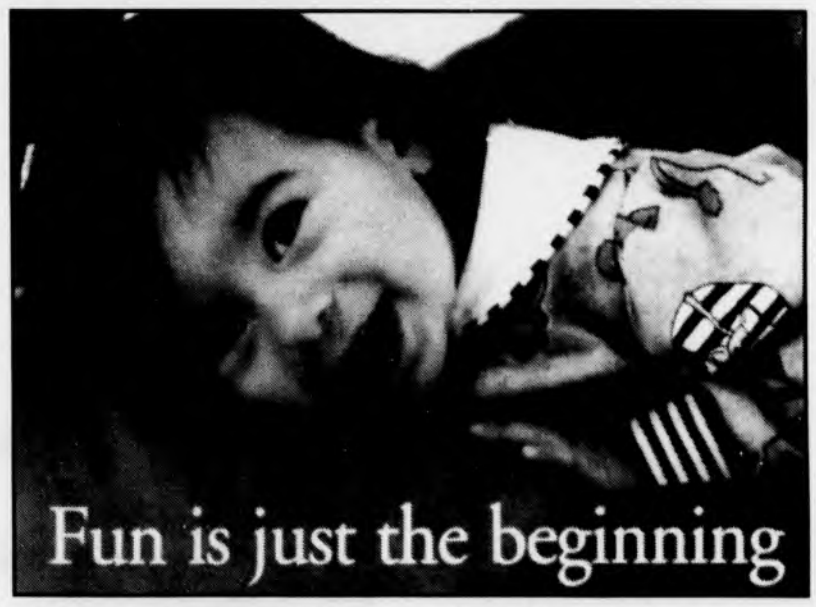

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Athletic complex to open Sunday

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classes that graduated as far back 60 years ago to this year. The Sons of the American Legion will provide the color guard, the Star Spangled Banner will be performed by Cohasset High vocalists led by Emily Henderson, and the PSO will provide refreshments for the ceremony which is expected to last about an hour.

Gary Vanderweil, who has been one of the driving forces behind the project, will make a few remarks. And alumni and current students will take a triumphal lap around the new, state-of-the-art track, said athletic director Clark Chatterton.

The field lights will also be turned on to ceremonially kick off the high school season which gets underway on Monday when the girls' field hockey and soccer teams play.

Chatterton explained that the new flag pole is due to arrive today or tomorrow. Wayne Sawchuk, who has served as clerk-of-the-works for the project and has been involved with the field since its inception, will get a crane and put it up in time for Sunday's celebration, he said.

The $775,000 track & field project successfully passed the 1994 annual town meeting and subsequent debt exclusion override vote.

After the design was finalized and upgrades made to Milliken field, and construction of two new tennis courts and repairs to others were completed, the field construction project began in June last year.

The project was a long time coming.

Milliken Field was built in 1938 on land donated to the town by Mrs Hugh Bancroft. Lillard Field (directly behind the high school) was added in 1958. In 1985-87, a field study committee failed to win town meeting support for a new field. The next committee, formed in 1987, picked up where its predecessor left off. It took several years of planning but this time the whole town got behind the project.

The ribbon cutting and flag raising at Alumni Field is set for 4 p.m., Sunday. The track around the new field (shown here in this photo taken last week) has now been striped, athletic director Clark Chatterton said Wednesday.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

New faces are among school staff

When school doors opened yesterday, close to 20 new staff members streamed in with the students.

All but one of the new hires are filling existing positions that opened up due to retirements or job changes.

To accommodate the increased number of kindergartners, Lori Hyslip has been added as a teacher. There are six kindergarten sections this year. There were only four last year.

There are three new administrators in the system. Both the Osgood and the Deer Hill School have new principals.

Marilee Cantelmo, who recently was an elementary principal in Bedford, and was formerly a elementary curriculum coordinator for Cohasset, will be at the Osgood School. Cantelmo lives in Marshfield.

Peter Callahan, who has been an assistant principal at an elementary school in Canton for the past six years, will be at the Deer Hill.

Lynn Silva, who has extensive experience in special education, will be the new director of student services. Sharon Kilpatrick has been hired as her secretary.

Other new faces at Osgood are Lauren Cook, a second-grade teacher and Joanne Hurley, an adjustment counselor.

The Deer Hill also welcomed two fifth-grade teachers, Roger Bourassa and Kathleen Jordan; Robert Berquist, a sixth-grade teacher; Linda Anderson, a technology coordinator; and Kim Maynard an activity aide.

New teachers at the high school are: Dan Jones, a science teacher who graduated from Cohasset High; Sandra Conway a health aide; and Alice McCarthy an instructional aide.

Teachers Melissa Barry, Rose Collins and Bill Kite will be returning after a one-year leave of absence.

Nigel Cracknell of England will be teaching English at the high school, while Cohasset's Ron Emmons will be teaching in England for the year.

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Turkey Hill acquisition is moving forward

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veyed to the towns by the end of the year. While the towns will own the property, the Trustees will manage it.

Earlier this year, the Trustees of Reservations said it had entered into an agreement with the heirs of Joseph Saponaro to purchase the 55-acre property that straddles the town line between Hingham and Cohasset.

The Trustees, the Hingham Land Conservation Trust, the Cohasset Conservation Trust, and conservation commissions in Cohasset and Hingham, obtained an option to buy Turkey Hill for $810,000.

Hingham's share of $164,500 for the 30 acres on its side of the town line was voted at the April town meeting. Cohasset voters have agreed in principal to contribute $109,600 towards the purchase and will vote on the appropriation at a special town meeting this fall.

Foster explained that the towns have applied for a state grant of $450,900 to cover 54 per cent of the purchase price. While officials in Boston have been impressed by "the great collaborative effort" of the towns and the private groups to acquire this land, Foster acknowledged that there is a great deal of competition for a limited amount state grant money.

The private conservation groups are now trying to raise the balance of $207,000, which includes funds for additional expenses, such as legal fees, appraisals, demolition of the former riding stable, and any site clean-up costs. An additional $100,000 will be needed to renovate the Saponaro house for use as a caretaker's residence, for construction of a parking lot, and landscaping around the entrance.

Foster also noted there is a possibility that an observation platform could be built at a former Nike missile radar tracking site on Turkey Hill, and a cinder block building used in connection with that installation could be converted to a visitors center, with exhibits that chronicle the history of the property, as well as maps of the Turkey Hill trails.

Turkey Hill is one of the last undeveloped coastal drumlins—created by receding glaciers—on the South Shore. During the War of 1812, local residents gathered at Turkey Hill to witness a naval battle off the coast of Scituate. Today, the hill provides a spectacular view of Boston Harbor, the Harbor Islands, and the city's skyline.

Foster said Joseph Saponaro, Jr. of Winchester has agreed to sell the property to the conservation groups, rather than to a developer, to maintain the land as open space, which will expand a "green belt" that now includes the 2,900-acre Wompatuck State Park and 800-acre Whitney and Thayer Woods.

The joint effort of the five parties involved allows each to effectively purchase the property at a fraction of its actual cost, Foster said.

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Anti-smoking funds cut, local programs affected

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for 14 South Shore Communities was $300,000. After two cuts, the most recent being the largest so far, Sibor said the budget is down to $225,000.

Sibor said she is not sure to what extent programs will have to be cut, but the Collaborative has already eliminated some hours of operation and its Hanover office is no longer open on Fridays.

"We're reviewing the budget now to determine if there will also have to be cuts in programs and materials," Sibor said.

Despite the cuts, Sibor said the Collaborative remains committed to its goal "to make smoking history on the South Shore."

"We're out there trying to help people quit smoking and prevent kids from starting," she said.

In addition to free cessation and education programs to help people quit smoking, the collaborative also offers merchant training to bring tobacco vendors on the South Shore up to speed on state and local tobacco regulations especially the prohibition of the sale of tobacco products to minors under 18 years of age.

Over the last two years, the Collaborative's community educators have visited every tobacco vendor in all 14 towns and has provided signs on the law for merchants and materials for employees on how to check identification to avoid selling tobacco products to those under 18.

Sporadic compliance "stings" staged by the Collaborative, in which minors are sent into a store to purchase cigarettes, have been held throughout the South Shore. Depending on town regulations, stores which are repeatedly caught selling tobacco products to minors can face fines and or lose their permit to sell tobacco for a period of time. The incentive to tow the line is great for many convenience stores whose tobacco sales can add up to 40 percent of their business, Sibor said.

The Collaborative has also worked with individual towns' boards of health to bring about tougher smoking regulations including smoke-free schools, municipal buildings and vehicles, bans on cigarette vending machines in restaurants and on free-standing cigarette displays in stores. Many towns have restaurants that are either 75 percent non-smoking or smoke-free and some communities have resorted to tobacco permitting to keep area merchants in compliance with the law.

Vastly improved rates of compliance show that the Collaborative has made great strides in helping to enforce a law that is designed to keep young people from getting hooked on smoking or other tobacco products.

"Our compliance rates have gone up incredibly," Sibor said, adding "when we first started we had to buy a lot of cigarettes (during stings) and that gets expensive."

In communities like Cohasset, Sibor said many of the regulations the collaborative has helped foster in other towns were already in place. Tobacco permitting for vendors has been in place for more than a year as have regulations keeping municipal buildings smoke-free and prohibiting cigarette vending machines. Merchant compliance has been high with a rate of 87 percent in the most recent check, but as high as 100 percent in an earlier sting.

"Cohasset's board of health has been very interested and very supportive of our efforts," Sibor said, adding "it's a town that is very interested in protecting and promoting good public health."

Cohasset's Health Agent Dr. Joseph Godzik said he has and will continue to support the Collaborative's efforts and is disappointed to hear about the budget cuts.

"I think it's unfortunate that the legislature is not following the will of the voters who said in the referendum that the 25 cent tax will be used for tobacco control programs," Godzik said.

Health Education Coordinator Michael Gill agreed. Gill's supplemental health education programs funded through a Department of Education grant, which also gets revenues from the cigarette tax, have been cut. In fact, since starting the programs, which include peer education and peer leader groups as well as elementary health education and training programs to help teachers integrate health and tobacco education into their curriculum, Gill said he's seen four cuts bringing his annual grant from $48,000 to $28,000 this year. Gill will try to keep programming in place but will have to eliminate some staff.

While this year's cut only amounts to $4,000, Gill said it is a significant loss.

"It's a shame. For small schools like ours a few thousand is a big part of our budget," Gill said.

And while Cohasset does not have the DARE program, its similar "PALS" program in which police work with teachers to educate students about the hazards of drug use and how to handle peer pressure, will also be cut by about $2,000 this year.

Gill recalled joking with health educators hired through the grant and telling them that if they did too good a job, and everyone quit smoking there would be no cigarette tax to fund their jobs. But that isn't the reason for these cuts, said Gill.

"It's the politicians who keeping robbing the money from us," he said.

But at least one local legislator share's Gill's disappointment about the budget cut. State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, said while she herself is a smoker, she consistently has supported the work of tobacco control programs like the South Shore Boards of Health Collaborative.

"I want to discourage young people from smoking," Murray said, adding "I'm not in favor of cutting this at all."

Murray commended the strides the Collaborative has made in all 14 of its member towns and said she will try to get the funding back in place.

"Dawn and her group have done a marvelous job. We really shouldn't cut programs like this," she said.

Community blood drive planned

The Red Cross has scheduled the next Cohasset Community Blood Drive for Wednesday, Sept. 18. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Unitarian Parish House, 23 North Main St., from 2 to 7 p.m. Babysitting assistance will be provided after 3 p.m.

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School board to reach out to town

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By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Keeping in line with plans discussed as the school year wound down last May, school committee members are gearing up for improved communication with the public as a new school year begins.

In April, school committee members touted the importance of better communication with townspeople and discussed dubbing this year "The Year of Dialogue."

During the Aug. 29 meeting members discussed tackling the large task piece by piece.

"We ought to start with something very basic," said School Committee Member James Kirk, who serves on the communications subcommittee with member JoAnne Chittick. "We ought to start with listening."

He suggested that "comment/question" boxes be placed in public buildings throughout town.

People could write their thoughts down on specially designed forms that would be placed beside the boxes.

Writers could also put down how they would like their input addressed. They could be contacted personally or the comment could be discussed at a school committee meeting.

As a pilot project, Schools Supt. Stephen Hart suggested placing the boxes in the schools or in his office. Then any kinks, such as the wording of the form, could be worked out.

At earlier meetings, each member was given a group or groups to concentrate their energies on.

Focus groups include: teachers and staff, town boards, parents, students, local businesses, the Parent Student Organization, the media, and service organizations.

Committee members would then share what they learned, or questions they were asked, at their regular meetings.

Although a working dialogue with different groups in and outside the school system was discussed earlier this year, the events of the summer seemed to underscore its importance.

"There has been a lot of water over the dam," said Kirk.

Internet policy established

The school board iscussed the new Internet policy last week. The policy states that the school department believes that knowledge of the Internet is fundamental to success in the information age and integral to the curriculum. The policy also states that since "not all material available on the Internet is of educational value," guidelines have been set.

Parents and students are required to read the guidelines and sign the policy. If guidelines are not followed Internet privileges may be revoked. Unacceptable uses include: giving out your password, vandalism, copying software and providing personal information such as your name, phone number or address.

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SHE'S THE ONE (R) 1:45, 4:30. 7:30, 9:40
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A TIME TO KILL (R) 7:00, 9:45
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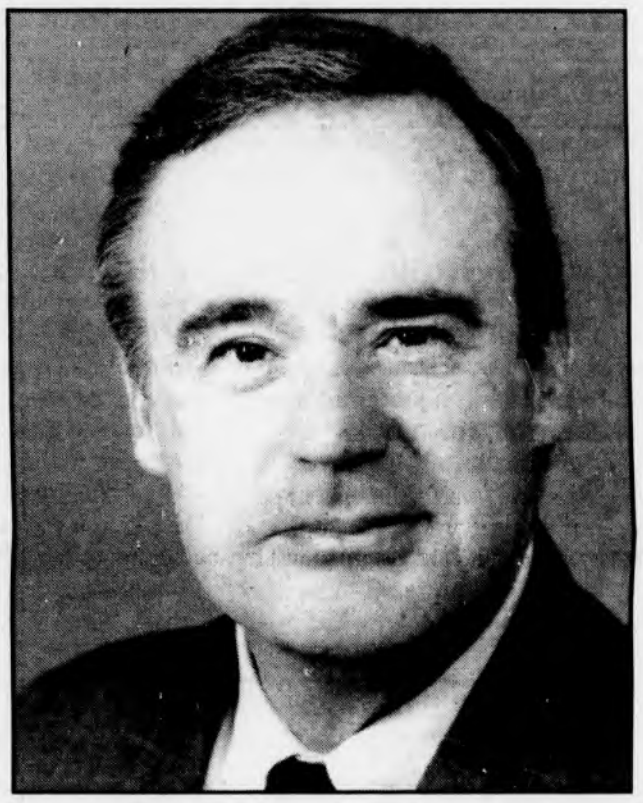

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Kudos to **Vince Longo** and his able crew for providing the town with another year full of outstanding entertainment. We also thank you for "the use of the hall" during the two Town Meetings! Where we would have gone, what we would have done — never mind, you were admirable! The Town of Cohasset says thanks!

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Speaking of summer and the weather that goes with it, does **Ron Rawson** always come to mind during a storm? Did you know he was directly responsible for the wall at Sandy Beach that will keep water out of Nichols Road — the same water that used to float all of Atlantic Road in front of the beach? If you knew the gentleman, be glad! If you did not, be thankful he had the foresight to protect our beach and keep everything "natural." And thank you Ron (and **Ruth**) for all your years of dedication to the town!

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Ooops! We forgot to wish **Helen** and **Al Livingston** a happy anniversary. The big day was Sept. 2! We are not sure of the years to be celebrated, just that we are happy for every single one! Congrats!

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One anniversary we are sure of is **Ruth** and **Carlton Pratt's,** who celebrated their 55th Sept. 4. Can you just imagine? They're such a perfect couple to be together for that long — yes!

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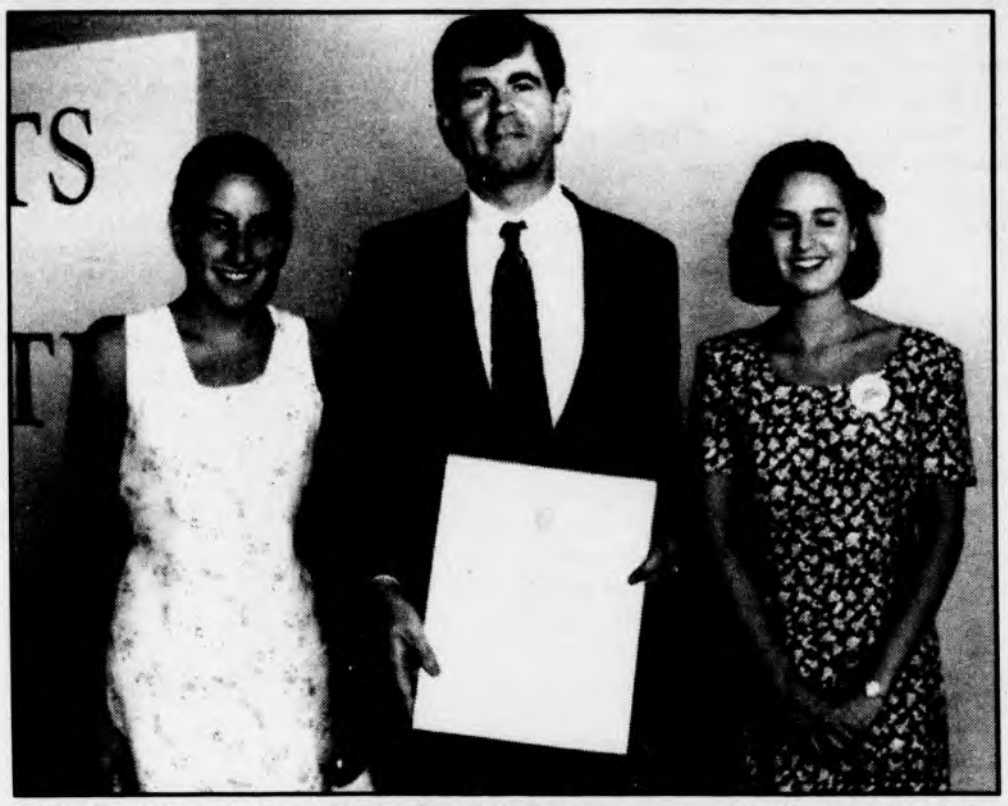
On to more special events. This time it's the birthday of one of Cohasset's best ladies, **Babe Trott,** who will be 93 this Saturday, Sept. 7. If she isn't one special lady, who is? She has always done so much for so many, and we all remember every single thing and thank her for all of it! We wish her a happy day!



Julie Smith and Jane Flaherty of Cohasset pose with Secretary of the Commonwealth, William F. Galvin, at the State House tours volunteer luncheon. This event was an opportunity to recognize student volunteers for their outstanding service as volunteer State House Tour Guides this summer.

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Jeepers, creepers! It is time to feel a little older, folks! Remember when I told you about **Lauren Wood** and her skating prowess? She always was (and is) awesome. That same Lauren just graduated from Mass. General with a master's degree in communication sciences and disorders. Now, for you folks who may not remember, Lauren is one more gal all Cohasset residents should be proud of. She is working at the Anne Sullivan Early Intervention Program in North Andover.

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Now is the time to plan ahead. Gosh, so much is going on in September! First of all, be sure you attend the **Alumni Field** opening this Sunday, Sept. 8, and if you are representing your class, remember to bring your "flag." Don't know how many have been uup there in the last couple of weeks, but it is trul a tribute to all who worked so hard to make dreams become reality! There is only one worry. All of the men and women who wanted to play on a field under lights at Cohasset may be a smidgeon jealous. Don't worry. Pretend that is you out there when you watch your favorite game, and pat yourself on the back for being part of the great new complex!

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Did you know that the 15th of September is going to be a special one at **South Shore Community Center?** They are honoring Grandparents Day from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. There will be a magic show and an ice cream social. Adults are free, and children pay $1.50 each.

It is suggested you pick up tickets in advance — everyone must have a ticket because of limited space. Come on and see the fast-paced magic/variety show! To add a special touch to the day, there will be a make-your-own-sundae party with Ben and Jerry's ice cream. Tickets for the event, which promises to be the best until the Halloween Parade, may be purchased at the center. Be sure to call 383-0088.

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Ann Dane, a freshman majoring in biology at the University of Rochester, has been named to the spring dean's list for academic achievement. Our hats are off to you, Ann. We are sure we will be penning your good work in the future!

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Have you noticed the great big smiles on the faces of **Thomas** and **Diane McMahon?** Would you like to know the reason? Her name is **Emily Rose McMahon,** born July 29 at 6:13 p.m., weighing in at 8 pounds, 10 ounces. You know that her paternal grandparent, **Christene Cummings Lavallee** is just as happy as anyone can be. You also know that Emily Rose will be spotted around town often!

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Okay, everyone. Summer is officially over, and we all want to hear about yours! Or anything! Even about the kiddo who left the nest for college. Please call!

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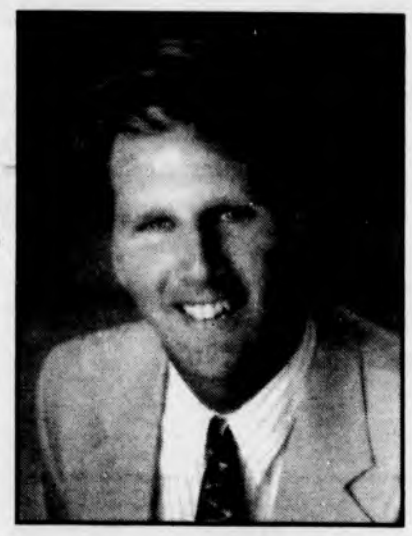

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Maid of Honor was Charlotte van der Werf, sister of the bride. Other attendants included Robynne van der Werf, Jana Shumway, Jera Rucker, Christy Porter, Jenni Porter, Lindsay Porter and Amanda Porter.

Brian Farr served as Best Man. Ushers were Jason Porter, Jared Porter, Caleb Porter, Cole Porter, Jeff Wimmer, Paul Benson Russell van der Werf and Zakkary van der Werf.

The bride is a graduate of Cohasset High School and attends Brigham Young University.

Her husband is a graduate of Mesa High School and served a mission for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Knoxville, Tenn. He is employed by Equinox.

Following a reception at Val Vista Lakes Country Club in Gilbert, Az., the couple took a wedding trip to San Diego, Calif.

They are residing in Provo, Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan J. Porter

Grandparents' Day is slated

Grandparents' Day, featuring a magic show and ice cream social, will be held from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., Sept. 15, at the South Shore Community Center, 3 North Main St. Adults are free, children are $1.50. Everyone must have a ticket because of limited space. Call 383-0088 for more information. This event is sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Hingham Institution for Savings, and Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream of Hingham.

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Reflections on Labor Day

Over the years, the topic of work has inspired plenty of reflections from a remarkable variety of sources, ranging from the Bible to a Nobel Prize winner for literature to one of our most controversial presidents.

"Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is," according to 1 Corinthians 3:13.

"You can't eat for eight hours a day nor drink for eight hours a day nor make love for eight hours a day," wrote William Faulkner. "All you can do for eight hours is work, which is the reason why man makes himself and everybody else so miserable and unhappy."

In 1971, Richard Nixon declared, "The work ethic holds that labor is good in itself; that a man or woman becomes a better person by virtue of the act of working. America's competitive spirit, the work ethic of its people, is alive and well."

A far less lofty perspective was taken by journalist Studs Terkel in the introduction to his 1974 book "Working."

"This book, being about work, is, by its very nature, about violence to the spirit as well as the body," wrote Terkel. "It is about ulcers as well as accidents, about shouting matches as well as fistfights, about nervous breakdowns as well as kicking the dog around. It is, above all (or beneath all), about daily humiliations."

Terkel added, "To survive the day is triumph enough for the walking wounded among the great many of us. The scars, psychic as well as physical, brought home to the supper table and the TV set may have touched, malignantly, the soul of our society, more or less."

To be sure, Terkel mentioned what he called "the happy few who find a savor in their daily jobs," such as "the Indiana stonemason who looks upon his work and sees that it is good; the Chicago piano tuner who seeks and finds the sound that delights; the bookbinder who saves a piece of history; and the Brooklyn fireman who saves a piece of life."

It's astonishing to note that long before "downsizing" became one of the most feared and loathed words in the American vocabulary, Terkel suggested that the time may have arrived to, as he put it, "redefine the work ethic and reclaim the idea from the banal men who invoke it."

The comments made by Ralph Helstein, then-president emeritus of the United Packinghouse Workers of America, are as thoughtprovoking today as they were over two decades ago.

"Learning is work," Helstein told Terkel. "Caring for children is work. Community action is work. Once we accept the concept of work as something meaningful, not just the source of a buck, you don't have to worry about finding enough jobs. The problem is going to come in finding enough ways for man to keep occupied so that he's in touch with reality. Our imaginations have obviously not yet been challenged."

We hope that you enjoyed Labor Day. We also hope that you're one of what Terkel called "the happy few."

— Bob Aicardi

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LWV sponsors candidates night

The Hingham League of Women Voters will hold a candidates night Thursday, Sept. 12, at Hingham Town Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Candidates for state and federal offices will offer their views and answer audience questions during the event.

For more information, call 749-6316 or 749-0573.

GOP cookout slated for Sunday

Gov. William Weld's former Secretary of Economic Affairs Gloria Larson will discuss Massachusetts' global and economic outlook at the annual GOP cookout. The event is planned for Sunday, Sept. 8, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., at the oceanfront home of Ted and Julie Guild, 365 Jerusalem Road, Cohasset. All South Shore and Cape residents are invited to attend. Advance reservations are required.

Guests will meet candidates from Norfolk, Plymouth, Barnstable and Bristol counties and hear an internationally known jazz band, the Mark Kross Trio, who will play the music of Benny Goodman and Duke Ellington as well as New Orleans jazz.

Larson's primary responsibilities from 1993-'96 were to promote economic growth and foster employment opportunities in Massachusetts. Included among the agencies Larson oversaw were Massachusetts Office of International Trade and Investment, Division of Energy Resources, Massachusetts Office of Business Development, Massachusetts Film Office, State Office of Minority and Women's Business Assistance, Massachusetts Jobs Council and Massachusetts Office of Travel and Tourism. Larson also served as secretary of consumer affairs, deputy director of consumer protection for the Federal Trade Commission and in many federal posts in Washington. She was director of Virginia's statewide program which provided legal services to low-income senior citizens.

Larson graduated with honors from Vassar College and received her law degree from the University of Virginia. She is currently with the law firm of Foley, Hoag and Eliot.

For cookout information, call Polly Logan (383-0031), Carl Harris (749-7715), Dana Tolan (337-4383), Joan Francis (545-1361) or Audrey MacDonald (934-0366). Tickets are $13 per person or $25 per couple. A limited number of tickets will be available at the cookout for $15.

Teague coffee planned for tonight

Republican congressional candidate Ed Teague (R-Yarmouth) will attend a coffee at the home of Jennifer and Doug Cope, Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m. at 13 Holly St., Hingham.

The Copes have invited all who would like to meet Rep. Teague to attend and share an informal evening of coffee and conversation.

For further information, call (508) 790-1200.

Co-Op 8 sponsors sunset cruise

Co-Op 8, the coalition of Democratic Town Committees on the South Shore consisting of the towns committees of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Norwell, Scituate, and Weymouth, will host a Sunset Cruise on Sept. 7.

The ship will leave Hewitt's Cove, Rte. 3A, Hingham at 5 p.m. and return at 9 p.m. Many Democratic candidates are expected to attend the Co-Op's annual fund-raiser. Entertainment and hors d'oeuvres are included in the $25 ticket price. Plenty of free parking is available.

For tickets, call Betty Kinsella at 545-3122; Deb Marinelli at 925-5660; or Karen DeTellis at 337-0199.

Back to School

Teachers, kids get ready for new year

Kindergarten teacher Lori Hyslip welcomes new Cohasset resident Lauren Wilson, who is new to town and new to school, as Lauren's mother, Anne, and brother, Ian, look on.

With a firm hold on his mother's hand, Rudy Helbock bravely peruses his new kindergarten digs in Mrs. Price's class.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

New kindergartner Allie Stefens gets used to audio-teaching equipment with her mother, Madeline, in Mrs. Mooney's kindergarten room at Deer Hill.

Art teacher Ann Berman staples her fine art reproductions of children up on the bulletin board near the entrance of the Deer Hill School.

Third-grade teacher Marion Atkinson puts the final touches on her classroom mural at the Osgood School.

Senior Scene

Local activities for seniors

Grandparents, grandchildren aunts, uncles and special friends are invited to attend a Grand Parent Day for all ages Sunday, Sept. 15, from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., sponsored by the Council on Aging. The event, which is free of charge to adults, will feature a magic/variety show and ice cream sundae social. The show will incorporate magical illusions, expert balloon sculpting, paper folding and audience participation.

Children's tickets must be purchased in advance, and everyone must have a ticket due to limited space. The cost for children is $1.50.

Festivities are sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Hingham Institution for Savings and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream of Hingham.

Other COA activities include a "Reflections" series, "More Writing About Our Lives," a new program for those with previous writing experience, beginning Nov. 6. Instructor Karen Flood will lead the class on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. at the South Shore Community Center. The cost is $50 for six weeks, prepaid.

"Working from Memory: Writing About Our Lives" will be offered Thursday, Sept. 26, free of charge at Barnes & Noble, Braintree, at 7:30 p.m. No previous writing experience is necessary, and participants are encouraged to bring their favorite writing materials and their curiosity.

Oct. 21 marks the beginning of "The Journey: Writing your Spiritual Autobiography." The eight-week program is slated for Mondays at 10 a.m. at South Shore Community Center, with instructor Karen Flood. No prior writing experience is required. The cost is $60 for eight weeks.

"Working from Memory," also taught by Karen Flood, will take place Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon at SSCC. No previous writing experience is necessary.

Other classes include: step aerobics, low-impact exercise, easy exercise, men's breakfast, yoga, and Chi Gong.

Morning nature walks are ongoing at 9 a.m., leaving from the Senior Center.

The Council on Aging is offering a Fall Foliage Adventure Tuesday, Sept. 24, in Bellows Falls, Vt. From that location, the Green Mountain Flyer, a circa 1935 diesel train, will take seniors on a two-hour journey through the Vermont countryside to Chester Depot. The group will view covered bridges, rushing waterfalls and spectacular fall foliage. On the train, guests will snack on apple cider, apples and cheese, followed by lunch at the Putney Inn, before visiting Basketville, where many of Vermont's famous baskets are still made by hand. The cost, including lunch, is $54 per person. Reservation deadline is Sept. 12.

A Christmas in New York trip is planned for Dec. 8-10. The event includes a walking tour, dinner at Patsy's, a ride around the city to enjoy the Christmas lights and a stop at the Empire State Building. Other activities include a visit to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, an international buffet in the Delegates Dining Room at the United Nations, a Christmas show featuring the Rockettes, a trip to Battery Park and a cruise to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. The cost is $400 per person, based on double occupancy. A deposit of $50 is required to hold a place. Final payment is due Nov. 8. Cancellation insurance is available.

For further details, call 383-9112.

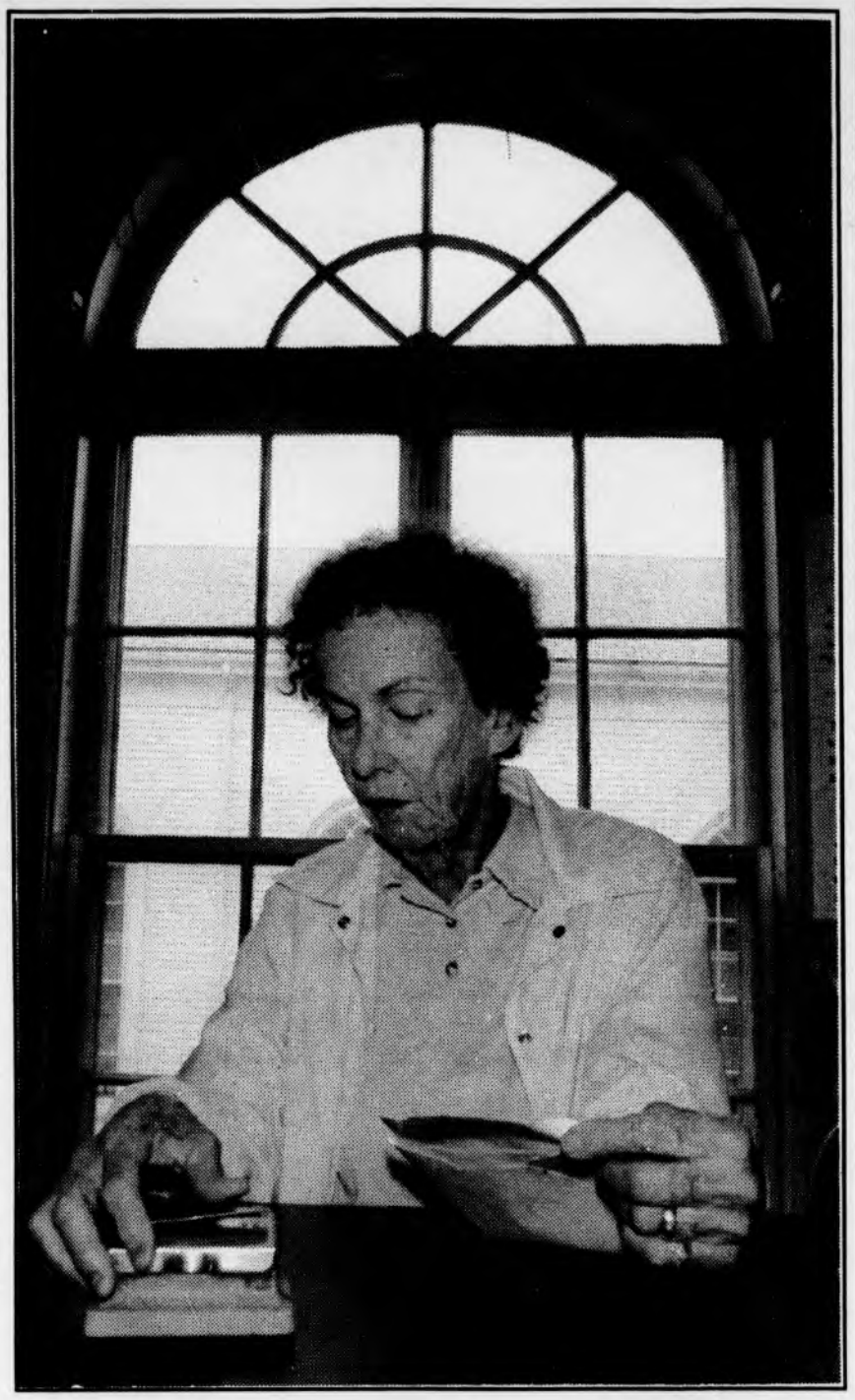
Volunteers are sought

Cohasset Elder Affairs is looking for volunteers for a new pilot project they will be administering.

The Elder Advocacy Specialist Service will consist of a network of trained volunteers to assist elders in the community. Interested individuals will be trained as elder advocacy volunteers, who will then assist seniors in need of securing services and benefits. The time requirement will vary depending on a volunteer's commitment. The outreach worker in the Elder Affairs office will closely supervise and support the volunteers.

The program is slated to begin by early November, with training beginning in October.

To find out more information or to volunteer, call Kathy Glenzel at 383-9116.



Connie Tolman is one of many Cohasset seniors who help out at town hall during tax-bill mailing time by stuffing and sealing envelopes.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Paul Pratt Library Corner

Tickets for "Big E"

The Paul Pratt Library has two tickets for the Eastern States Exposition, which will be given to any Cohasset resident expressing interest. Preference will be given to families with children who participated in this summer's reading program, "Catch the Summer Spark."

The "Big E" is New England's great state fair. It will take place from September 13-29 in West Springfield, Mass. The fair features live entertainment, a midway, horse shows and agricultural events, foods of the New England states, a circus and much, much more! It's a great event for the whole family!

If you are interested in the "Big E" tickets, please call the library at 383-1348.

Summer reading finale

Thursday, Aug. 22, approximately 70 children and adults enjoyed the annual summer reading program party at the Paul Pratt Library. Participants in the summer program, "Catch the Summer Spark," made their own sundaes and had cake and punch. The results of the summer-long "guesstimating" contest were announced. The winner, Phil Galligan, guessed the exact number of giant gumdrops in the jar: 126! Runners-up were Matthew Perejda and Courtney Hurley, each guessing 125, and Elizabeth Fegreus, who guessed 128. Each of them can collect a prize.

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Charter school may branch out

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Heading into its second year in business, several significant back-to-school changes are in store for the area's newest public charter school.

The Hull-based South Shore Charter School is expanding both its primary and secondary schools, doubling its enrollment, and looking into setting up a satellite campus in Brockton.

According to Timothy Anderson, the public school's founder and headmaster, having a satellite campus has always been part of the South Shore Charter School plan.

"Part of our mission is to disseminate the model were developing," Anderson said.

And one of Anderson's goals is to bring minorities into the school.

With a four percent minority student population, the South Shore Charter School is more diverse than all of the surrounding public schools, but Anderson said he wants that number to be higher and more reflective of today's world. The addition of an exchange program with students from Russia and South America attending SSCS this year is one way the school is adding diversity; the satellite school is another.

"We want to be as much like the world as possible for our kids," Anderson said.

The Nehemiah Life Development Center, a Brockton educational group offering after-school and Saturday school programs, job training and counseling, is interested in joining forces with SSCS for the satellite school, which, if approved, could be accommodated at the campus of one of SSCS's college partners, Massasoit Community College.

With all 25 original charters approved through the 1993 Education Reform Act used, and petitions for six additional charters on a waiting list, being part of SSCS as a satellite school could be the Nehemiah Life Development Center's best shot at the charter school experience, Anderson said.

"Many are hoping that within a year or two the legislature will lift the ceiling on the number of charters allowed," Anderson said.

If it were approved, the satellite charter school campus would be the first of its kind in the state. At this point, Anderson said state education officials have not determined whether satellite's will be allowed or how they could be established.

Another option for the Nehemiah Life Development Center which currently uses space in a local church for instruction, is becoming a pilot school of the Brockton public school system, Anderson said. This would allow them to follow charter school models and principles while still being governed by the local school committee and a part of the Brockton school department.

But the satellite campus plan has benefits for both SSCS and the Nehemiah Life Development center, could strengthen the Massasoit Community College affiliation, Anderson noted.

All 25 approved charter schools will open across the Commonwealth this year, giving families another education choice, and with non-traditional curricula and innovative teaching methods, serving as "research and development labs for other public school systems," Anderson said.

At the South Shore Charter school project-based and student-paced learning, along with active parental and community involvement, set the curriculum apart from that of other public schools. Students help shape the school's curriculum, work with teachers to design personal education plans and take an active role in SSCS's governing bodies.

With 94 percent of last year's student body returning and enrollment expected to more than double to 350 students this year, Anderson is riding high on the young school's early success.

And surrounding school districts are keeping a careful eye on the charter school and the effects it could have on not only their student populations but also their budgets.

State legislation for the charter schools requires that tuition dollars follow the students, which means some school districts will lose not only students but also state education (Chapter 70) dollars. In the last two fiscal years, the majority of South Shore school districts saw 100 percent reimbursements in state aid, but legislators warn that the state will not continue to pick up the tab forever.

In Cohasset, 15 local students are bound for the South Shore Charter School this fall.

Cohasset, one of two South Shore schools above the state's complicated education foundation figure, saw only a 50 percent reimbursement in state aid this year, but Supt. of Schools Stephen Hart said additional state aid this year helped softened the charter school blow. Without reimbursement, and with a per pupil cost of more than $5,400, Cohasset could see a more than $80,000 cut in Chapter 70 aid in future years.

Under current legislation, Cohasset will be weaned off state reimbursements, receiving 40 percent this year, and 30 percent next year. No reimbursements planned beyond fiscal year 1998.

But Hart is hoping state legislators will push for another way to fund the charter schools.

"If the state wants to support that type of educational program, they should be paying for it. It shouldn't be funded out of town and school budgets," Hart said.

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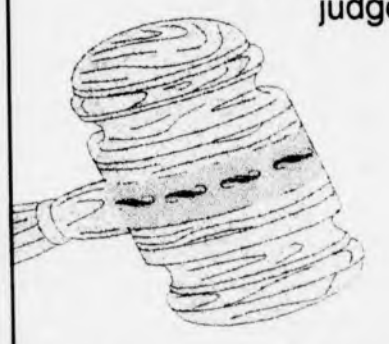

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Saturday & Sunday, Oct. 12 & 13. For students interested in continuing on with the form, Master Huang will continue into part two over the weekend. Cost $160 ($150 ppd by 10/9), or do all three days for a package price of just $185 (ppd only). Learning Tai Chi with Master Wei Lun Huang is sure to be quite a memorable experience. Don't miss it! **For further information on either of these events please call for free literature.**

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Mariner Sports

Cycling tours benefit hospice

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

There aren't enough good things Rockland's Richard Jones can say about the South Shore Hospice.

Hospice workers took care of his mother, Louise, when she was terminally ill with cancer. They also made his father, James, comfortable during his final days when, he too, was dying from the disease a year ago.

South Shore Hospice, a program of the South Shore Hospital, helps patients who are in the final stages of illness live their remaining months surrounded by friends and family in the familiar surroundings of their own home.

With a staff including nurses and home health aides, along with the services of nurses, doctors, homemakers and free support and bereavement groups, the hospice provided care to more than 525 families last year alone.

The hospice, Jones said, not only gave the care his parents needed, but helped them keep their dignity as well.

"They're extremely magnificent people — sensitive and caring," Jones said of the hospice workers. "There's not enough good adjectives to describe the work they do.

"My parents got plenty of respect and were able to die in the home they lived in for 50 years."

So, instead of words, Jones showed his appreciation through his actions.

The second annual Bicycle Tour for the Hospice of the South Shore, which drew 35 cyclists a year ago, is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 19.

The tour begins at the Cornerstone Office Building on Hingham St. in Rockland and traverses rural areas of some of the South Shore's most scenic communities

The event consists of two tours, a 50- and 100-mile ride.

The 100-mile tour begins at 7 a.m. and heads through the towns Norwell, Scituate, Marshfield and Plymouth before joining up with the 50-mile cyclists at the Halifax Country Club.

Fifty-mile cyclists set out at 9 a.m. and cover the same towns as those on the longer tour until peeling off into Halifax. From there, they head down Route 58 and over to Route 14.

Jones said the October date will provide cooler temperatures and the chance to get a first-hand look at the sights and colors of the South Shore in autumn.

"It goes by a lot of cranberry fields," Jones said. "It's a nice time of year for a ride."

Last year, a field of 35 riders raised $5,000, every cent of which went to the hospice. Jones is "anticipating" somewhere in the neighborhood of 60 cyclists this year, but would like to see the number creep closer to 100.

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Savage leads Cohasset contingent at Falmouth

Michael Savage led a group of 15 Cohasset residents who competed in the 24th running of the Falmouth Road Race on Aug. 18. Savage completed the 7.1 mile course from Woods Hole to Falmouth Heights in 54 minutes 26 seconds, good for 1,345th in a field of 8,500 runners.

Cohasset runners who also finished included Jane and Jeff Cohen, David and Geoff Nothnagle, the O'Sullivan clan of James, Jeremiah, Kathleen and Meghan, Linda McCarthy, John Dunn, Kathy Ofsthun, Bob Riley and Bill Cavanaro.

Recreation soccer registration Sept 7

The final soccer registration for girls and boys grades K to 7 will be held at the recreation department office, Cohasset Town Hall, from 9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, Sept. 7.

Soccer registration is for both fall recreational and spring soccer. The fee is $55 per child for each program. A separate check of $30 is necessary for the uniform deposit. Both checks should be payable to Cohasset Soccer Club.

Fall soccer begins Saturday, Sept. 21, and continues through Saturday, Nov. 16, 1996.

Call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791 with any questions about fall soccer.

HOT CORNER

Six-year-old Tommy Chase of Cohasset shows excellent form as he gets ready to field a ground ball at third base during the popular South Shore Baseball Club camp.

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Linemen are a quarterback's best friend

Football coaches can't emphasize enough just how important a summer regiment of running and lifting is if players expect to improve on the field.

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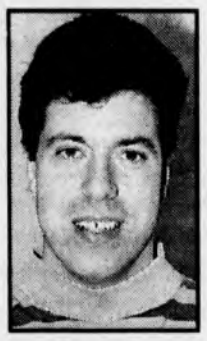
High school football players aren't dumb. They realize in order to compete against big, opposing athletes they have to get physically stronger.

The equipment is there, but more importantly, the motivation to get bigger and stronger burns stronger than a lifter's 16th bench press.



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The endurance factor also comes into play. With the large number of two-way players, weights and running become that much more important. Players stand more of a chance at getting injured because they're on the field twice as long as usual.

And you can bet getting knocked around, sustaining hard hits and giving all-out performances are all particularly fatiguing. Strong legs become that much more critical. Players, especially running backs and linemen, push off their legs to gain momentum while trying to knock the opposing player away from the ball.

Take a look at the NFL. Name the best quarterbacks then look at the size of players in front of them. Remember the "Hogs" from the two-time Super Bowl winning Washington Redskins team? That offensive line was as solid as a rock and they provided the protection quarterbacks Doug Williams and Mark Rypien needed to get their passes off.

Back to high school. I've always hated the term "Muscle Heads" when referring to guys who dedicate themselves to lifting and building up their bodies.

Do people actually realize how much time and energy it takes to get a chiseled build. And that's on top of football practice. To avoid injuries coaches have them doing the proper weight and stretching exercises. I may be wrong, but except for a few exceptions, the high school athletes on the whole are far bigger than athletes were when I was in high school.

It should be interesting to see just how the offensive and defensive lines do this season in moving their opponents off the ball. While the quarterbacks, receivers and running backs capture the majority of the fame, the linemen are in the trenches making their jobs that much easier.

And the stronger they are, the less likely it is for a quarterback to wind up flat on his back.

Here's to the least appreciated players on the field. That is, except for the quarterback's unconditional gratitude towards them.

Keep on pumping the iron!

Mariner Sports

Football jamboree kicks off Friday

The 1996 South Shore League Football Jamboree will be held Friday, Sept. 7, beginning at 6 p.m. at Carver High School. The game schedule is as follows:

6 p.m. Cohasset vs. Hull;

6:45 p.m. Abington vs. East Bridgewater;

7:30 p.m. Hanover vs. Norwell, Hanover vs. Norton, Norton vs. Norwell;

8:45 p.m. Scituate vs. Carver.

Underlined team is home team (press box side) and wears dark color. (Exception, Norton vs. Norwell scrimmage, both teams in dark color).

Team with first possession will put ball in play at the 35 yard line at scoreboard end of field. This will be decided by a coin flip at the pre-season coaches' meeting.

Teams will play two 12 minute periods.

No kickoffs.

Punts are allowed and can be returned.

Only officials can call time outs.

No bands or cheerleaders allowed.

Each school must provide 200 rosters.

No filming by any school allowed.

Admission is $5 adults and $3 students.

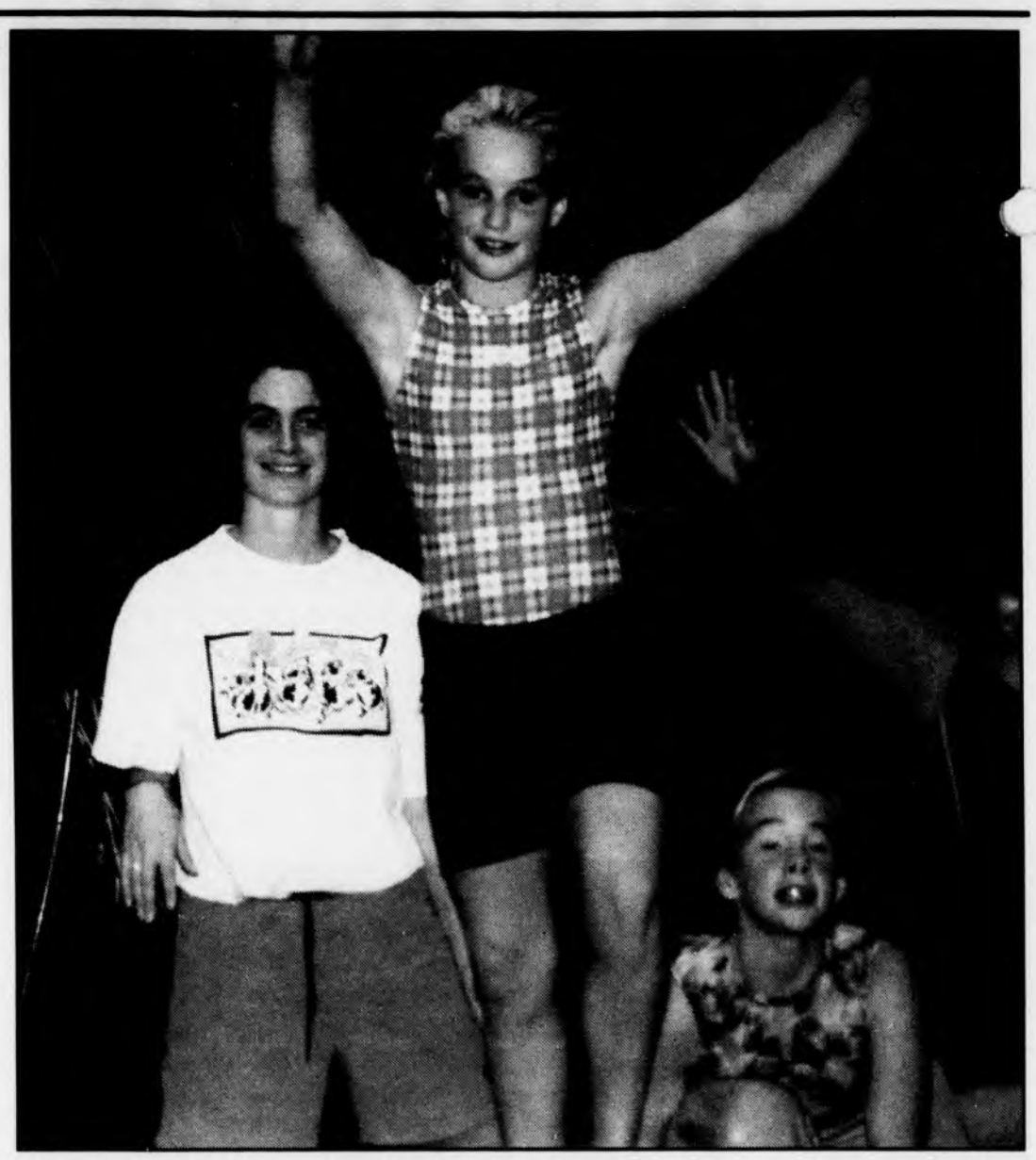
'Skate' program slated for Sept. 14

"Skate With Us," the Skating Club of Hingham's learn-to-skate basic skills program begins Sept. 14 on Rink B at the Pilgrim Skating arena in Hingham. Pre-registration will take place Saturday, Sept. 7 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the rink. Lessons are Saturdays from 11 a.m. to noon and run weekly until April 26. A $20 annual registration fee is due at registration and a monthly ice bill of $16 is paid the first Saturday of every month. Check or exact change please. Children must be at least 4 years old at the time of registration. Skate With Us is limited to 100 skaters. Registration will be taken on a first come first serve basis.

Skate with Us is a USFSA program that consists of comprehensive lesson/test structure that is exciting, rewarding, safe and fun. The U.S. Postal Service has joined with the United States Figure Skating Association (USFSA) to sponsor this program. It has proven to be an overwhelming success across the USA. Whether your goal is to achieve Olympic fame or simply to enjoy the recreational benefits of skating, the Skate With Us program is for you.

As in the past, the Skating Club of Hingham's Skate With Us will be taught by professionals with assistance from volunteer instructors from the skating club. All students receive basic skills instruction in small groups and are tested once a month. A skills and badge progression help encourage and reward skating progress.

Over the past several years the program has been very popular on the South Shore and has filled up quickly. Registrations will be taken the first Saturday of each month until the program is full. Don't miss out. Register early.



Gymnastics instructor Liz Buckley watches over Carlie Carter and Caitlin Flint during a practice.

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Cycling tours

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Still, he knows many events have had humble beginnings and eventually grew. He cited the Sturbridge-to-Provincetown fund-raising cycling tour as an example.

"That ride started out with 40 the first year, then 60 before becoming a huge event," Jones said.

Jones will be taking part in the event as well. An avid biker, his mileage was down from the 4,000 he put in last summer after being struck by a car during a training ride.

He escaped serious injury, but the separated shoulder Jones sustained was enough to keep him from riding for 10 weeks.

Jones had a fairly productive summer on the bike despite his injury. He still managed to log an impressive 1,800 miles, enough to make him well prepared for the tour.

The entry fee for the tour is $25 and cyclists are asked to gather a minimum of $100 in pledges.

Certified bicycle mechanics from Bicycle Junction in Pembroke have volunteered for the second year in a row to assist cyclists throughout the route with any problems they have with their bikes.

To obtain a registration form and further information on the cycling tour, call (617) 878-1228.

Anyone interested in volunteering to hand out water and orange slices at any one of the six aid stations should also call.

Back to School

Every child deserves a first-class education. The Legislature, under the Education Reform Act, tried to address inequities in the system, but ended up pleasing no one. Public-school systems worry about losing funds to the Charter Schools; parents in both systems worry that their kids will wind up with even fewer resources in this educational tug-of-war.

It's time the Legislature came up with a fair – and dependable – formula for funding public education.

If I'm elected to the State Senate, ensuring quality education – from prekindergarten through college – will be among my very top priorities. The kids – and parents – of the Plymouth & Norfolk District deserve no less.

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Mariner Sports

Field hockey jamboree, Saturday

The 1996 South Shore League Field Hockey Jamboree will be held Saturday, Sept. 7, at Hull High School.

The eight teams will be divided into two brackets and each game will last 20 minutes.

Bracket I	Shirt Color
1 Norwell	Dark
2 Hanover	Dark
3 E. Bridgewater	White
4 Carver	White
6:30 to 6:50 p.m.	1 vs. 4
6:55 to 7:15 p.m.	2 vs. 3
7:20 to 7:40 p.m.	2 vs. 4
7:45 to 8:05 p.m.	1 vs. 3

Bracket II	Shirt Color
5 Scituate	Dark
6 Notre Dame	Dark
7 Cohasset	White
8 Hull	White
8:10 to 8:30 p.m.	5 vs. 7
8:35 to 8:55 p.m.	6 vs. 8
9 to 9:20 p.m.	6 vs. 7
9:25 to 9:45 p.m.	5 vs. 8

Admission is $5 adults, $3 students.

A concession stand and restroom facilities will be available.

In case of bad weather there will not be a make-up date. Coaches will be notified.

Each team is to bring one game ball.

Gymnasts In Motion

Gymnastics 1996 Session I: Ruthann Ardizzoni, Director.

Instructors: Patti Donahue, Susie O'Brien, Karen Clemente, Lauren DeAngelis, Jan Porter, Carolyn Pratt, Erica Hettstrom, and Jodi Colwill.

Session I starts the week of Sept. 9.

Session II starts Dec. 2.

The program consists of warm-ups, rotations on the beam, uneven bars, vault, floor exercise and conditioning. The size of each class is small and enrollment is limited. Gymnastic classes will run for 11 weeks and continue throughout the school year. Parents may observe the last class of Session I and again the end of Session II.

Cost for 11 weeks is $74.25 M, $84.25 NM. To participate in the gymnastics program you must be three by Sept. 9. All tumble bugs and preschool gymnast must be trained – no diapers.

Gymnastic registration will be held in the gym Thursday, Sept. 5, from 9 a.m. to noon, and 5 to 7 p.m. Registration may be taken over the phone at that time if you are unable to come in. Registration is not complete until payment has been received. We accept Visa, Discover and MasterCard.

MONDAY:

10:30-11:15 a.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

11:15-noon, Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

Noon - 1 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4-6.

1-2 p.m. Sports for Kids #300500, age 4-6.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg. Gymnastic, #301300, age 6-8.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Beg./Int. Gymnastic, #301500, age 8-12.

5:15-7 p.m. Team Level 4A, #301900.

7-8 p.m. Jr. High & High School, #301400.

TUESDAY:

2:15-3:15 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Boys Gymnastics, #301300, age 5 & 6.

4:15-5:15 p.m. Sports for Kids Mixed, #300500, age 6-9.

5:15-7:45 p.m. Level 5-8 and high school team, #301800.

WEDNESDAY:

1:30-2:15 p.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

2:15-3:15 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg. Gymnastic Girls, #301300, age 5-8.

4:15-6 p.m. Level 4A Team, #301900.

6-7 p.m. Jr. High & High School, #301400.

THURSDAY:

9-10 a.m. Sports for Kids, #300500, age 4-6.

10-11 a.m. Gymnastics Mixed, #301200, age 5 & 6.

11-11:45 a.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Beg./Int. Gymnastic, #301500, age 8-12.

4:15-5:30 p.m. Level 4B Team, #301600.

5:30-7:45 p.m. Level 5-8 and High School Team, #301800.

FRIDAY:

12:15-1 p.m. Tumble Bugs, #300800, age 3.

1-2 p.m. Preschool Mixed, #301200, age 4 & 5.

2-3 p.m. Sports for Kids, #300500, age 4-6.

3:15-4:15 p.m. Sports for Kids Mixed, #300500, age 6-9.

4:15-6:15 p.m. Level 4B Team.

SATURDAY:

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Open workout. All Team members may drop in for extra workout once a month. TBA monthly. Cost: $5 at the door.

Women, men and cheerleaders interested in lessons in gymnastics should call the center.

Teams: All teams meet twice a week and have a monthly fee.

Level 4 Team A: Monday, 5:15-7 p.m.; Wednesday, 4:15-6 p.m. Cost $60. Monthly #301900.

Level Unsanctioned 5 to Level 8 Team and High School Team: Cost $80. Tuesday, 5:15-7:45 p.m.; Thursday, 5:30-7:45 p.m. Monthly #301800.

Level 4 Team B: Thursday, 4:15-5:30 p.m., and Friday, 4:15-6:15 p.m. Monthly #301600. Cost: $60.

Senior bowling group opens season

Senior and retired men from Hingham and Cohasset who enjoy bowling are invited to join a local group of bowlers who share fellowship and an enjoyment of the sport. The men meet Monday and Wednesday mornings at the South Shore Country Club bowling lanes from 9:15 to 11:30 a.m. through the fall and winter season until May.

The first gathering of the season will be held Monday, Sept. 9. Teams alternate, and interested bowlers are invited to join the group, regardless of their bowling skills. Participants come only when they wish to. Attendance at all gatherings is not required.

For further information, call Henry Shields Day at 749-4868 or Lou Smith at 749-2233.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

How to exorcise the IRS's demon audits

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

The IRS is getting quite a whupping these days. Congress now wants to chop the agency's annual budget by 10.5 percent after a series of hearings revealed the IRS squandered $4 billion of taxpayer money due to sloppy mismanagement of its computer modernization.

In its announcement of these cuts, YOUR MONEY'S WORTH one message came through loud and clear: Congress told the IRS to stop conducting its invasive "lifestyle audits" in which the agency tries to uncover discrepancies between taxpayers' returns and their "economic lifestyles," meaning, how taxpayers spend their money.

Does that mean taxpayers tagged for an audit can breathe easier knowing that the IRS won't be picking through their every last intimate financial detail?

No.

"For years now, the IRS has been conducting these lifestyle audits in many variations and will continue to do so," several Manhattan IRS auditors and agents told me. "They're just calling them by another name."

So, if you're one of the unlucky million or so who get an audit notice from the IRS during the year, you can still expect to undergo a computer-aided examination of your personal life — the so-called economic reality audit.

Taxpayers rarely win during an audit — about 87 percent of all audited taxpayers end up owing additional taxes and penalties.

That's because the IRS typically amasses a boatload of information on taxpayers before it even sits down to conduct an audit. The IRS will hunt for economic-reality clues before the audit by tapping the records of the Social Security Administration; banks; divorce, probate, and bankruptcy courts; and insurance agencies. It will also examine employer personnel records, subscriber-information services, and newspaper articles. An IRS agent will then interview anyone with any knowledge about your finances, including landlords, employees, employers, ex-spouses, and even neighbors.

Here's how taxpayers who receive audit notices should prepare:

Don't show. Ignore IRS notices that say, "You will be present at the initiation of the audit." Such demands are in violation of the Taxpayer Bill of Rights, a federal law. As with other audits, "it is not mandatory for the taxpayer to be present at an audit," says IRS spokesman Don Roberts.

Instead, hire a tax pro with extensive audit experience to help assemble your documentation and represent you at the audit. Consider enrolled agents, who typically are ex-IRS agents.

Treat your auditor with respect. Eight New York City IRS auditors and agents told me that taxpayers can make their audits easier by adhering to this simple rule.

Don't be intimidated. Don't answer questions such as, "What cash did you have on hand in 1993 usually, personally, or for business, not in a bank, in a safe deposit box, or hidden somewhere?" Says Michael Knight, a CPA in New Canaan, Conn.: "By law both the CPA and the IRS must shut down the audit when these questions are asked, because they can lead to civil or criminal fraud inquiries."

Don't be nervous, and don't be a jerk. Auditors are trained "to create silence." They often examine records without speaking, with the hope that taxpayers will volunteer information. You can request a delay at any time in order to seek help.

Be honest. IRS examiners are trained to ask for information they already have in order to test credibility. Also, auditors keep a daily log.

If you lose, appeal. Auditors use scads of cost-of-living data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics to see if reported income matches residential profiles. However, critics, including Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan, say these statistics are inflated. If you don't sign the audit-adjustment agreement, your case will automatically go to an IRS appeals officer. The average appeal results in a 40 percent decrease in taxes, penalties, and interest. In fact, you may not owe a dime; IRS statistics show that about one in five audited returns had nothing wrong with them.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

THE IRS'S REALITY CHECK

The Internal Revenue Service uses these criteria — part of its definition of "economic reality" — to see if your lifestyle matches your income.

- Address
- Neighborhood
- Number and age of dependents
- Education, tuition
- Work experience
- Average income for profession
- Total assets (including home)
- Licenses (professional, personal)
- Location and type of business
- Profit margins
- Number of employees
- Stocks and bonds
- Investment income
- Interest expense
- Bank accounts
- Trusts
- Personal living expenses
- Gambling winnings or losses
- Mortgage interest
- Automobiles, boats
- Trips
- Club memberships
- Hobbies
- Legal actions
- Weddings
- Use of credit
- Insurance coverage
- Cultural background
- Rental property
- Property sales
- Alimony paid or received
- Tax delinquencies

Source: Tax Savings Report

Correction

A chart detailing the the benefits of the All-Weather Portfolio two weeks ago had an incorrect figure for the average recent return. The correct average is 14.5.

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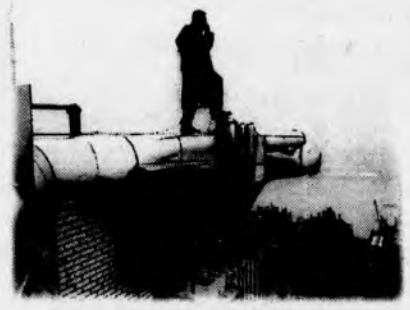

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School News

School lunch menu

MONDAY, SEPT. 9
Meatball sub, steamed carrots, fruit, pudding.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10
Grilled cheese sandwich, celery sticks with dip, sliced peaches, ice cream.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11
Spaghetti with meatballs, bread, garden salad, fruit pop.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12
Oven baked chicken, pretzel rod, buttered corn, apple, Jello.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13
Chicken nuggets, bread, mixed vegetables, sliced pears.

*All meals come with milk.

Grace Steele and Christine Kent crawl through the porthole at the Osgood playground during recess last year. Stay tuned to the Cohasset Mariner every week for all the latest school news.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Registration for school-age childcare

The Cohasset Public Schools' Enrichment Program is currently accepting registrations. The program is open to children in grades K-6, and runs every day that school is in session, and during February and April vacations.

Parents may sign up their children for the Breakfast Club, which runs from 7 a.m. to the start of the school day, or the afteschool enrichment program, which runs from the end of the school day until 6 p.m.

The Kindergarten Enriched Day runs opposite the regular kindergarten sessions, with a maximum enrollment of 18 children per session. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first served basis.

Children may enroll in any of the programs for two to five days per week. Drop-in slots are available with a reservation. Registration packets are available at the Deer Hill office, and there will be an open house for all new children enrolling on Tuesday, Sept. 3, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For program or tuition information, call Missy Walker at 383-6860 or (617) 934-7861.

Erdman Preschool accepting applications

Erdman Preschool, located at 330 First Parish Road, Scituate, is accepting applications for its afternoon program for three- and four-year-olds.

Call 545-9309 for more information.

Education Foundation annual fund-raiser

CEF President Mike Hurley announced the foundation's annual Evening for Education, the opening event of the 1996-7 school year, will be held Sunday, Oct. 6, at the South Shore Art Center, from 4 to 7 p.m.

The event is an opportunity to meet and welcome the new elementary and middle school principals and new faculty members of Cohasset schools and showcase the latest in technology for the foundation's language lab project for the high school.

Exhibits reviewing other successful CEF efforts will be on display. Tax deductible tickets are available from Pam Speed (383-2572) or Jim Kinch (383-2948).

Derby honor roll

Headmaster's list certificates were awarded to 33 students in grades 6-9 who achieved an average of A- or above in academic subjects.

Cohasset recipients were: Charles Anderson, Kara Gaughen, Corinna Noering, Morgan Pierson and Henry Roth.

Thirty-six students in grades 6-9 were recognized for second honors (achieving a B or B+ average in academic subjects. Cohasset students who were recognized included: Kristen Deane, Michael Fallon, Geoffrey McWilliams, Ashley Mihos, Carter Noon, Elliot Noon, Kate Schroeder and James Simons were recognized.

Derby Day celebrated

Derby Academy held its end-of-the-year ceremonies, Last Chapel and Derby Day exercises, at the independent school. Last Chapel has a special focus on the awarding of certificates to eight-graders who are leaving the school. Derby Day is the graduation ceremony for the ninth-grade class and includes the Derby Lecture, established by the will of Madame Sarah Derby, delivered this year for the 205th time.

At Last Chapel, Trustee President Bruce Minevitz awarded certificates to the following students: Thomas Anderson and Ashley Mihos, both of Cohasset.

The trophy for the winning boys intramural team, the "Darks," was presented to Michael Fallon of Cohasset, team captain.

Upper school students in grades 6-8 who received Honor Book Awards in recognition of having earned an A- or above in academic subjects for the entire year were: Cohasset residents Charles Anderson, Kara Gaughen and Corinna Noering.

Diplomas were awarded to ninth-graders Carl Dean and Michael Fallon of Cohasset.

Future plans — CHS Class of 1996

The following is a list of Cohasset High 1996 graduates and their college plans:

Katie Anderson, University of New Hampshire; Neven Bunstein, Holderness School; Christine Burns, Bryant College; Nathan Caldwell, Plymouth State College; Chloe Chittick, Colby College; Michael Coates, work; Andrew Collins, University of New Hampshire; Caitlin Connolly, George Washington University; Heather Conte, Boston University;

Allison DeLorenzo, University of New Hampshire; Grace Deveney, The Catholic University; Erin Devine, Bryant College; Lauren DeVito, Colgate University; Cyrus Dolph, work/school; Kathleen Donovan, University of Massachusetts, Boston; Michael Dunphy, University of Massachusetts, Lowell; Meredith Equi, taking classes; Megan Fahey, Arizona State University; Tafana Fiore, Wake Forest University;

Kevin Gentile, Assumption College; Elizabeth Good, Boston College; Anthony Green, Massasoit Community College; Edward Hamilton, Marine Corps; Jared Hardwick, Cushing Academy; Eric Henry, Bowdoin College; Amber Hopeman, U.S. Naval Academy; Tobey Horn, Bowdoin College; Fred Howard, Eastern Nazarene College; Jessica Hurley, Syracuse University; Cameron Hynes, work/school;

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It's Happening

Burke scholarship clambake planned

The 1996 Christine Burke Scholarship Fund Clambake will take place Saturday, Sept. 7, from noon to sunset at Sandy Beach, Cohasset. Rain date is Sept. 8.

Live entertainment will feature The Irish Volunteers and DJ Jay Fiori with Burke's Babe's. Raffle tickets for the grand-prize trip for two to Orlando, including 10-days' hotel accommodations and air fare, are $1 each or six for $5.

The clambake includes lobster, chicken, steam clams, clam chowder and corn on the cob. There will be hot dogs and watermelon for children. The event will feature a Big Old Pig Roast, donated right from the farm by Joe and Brenda Black from Camden, Ohio, and volleyball.

Donation for the meal is $30 per person. For ticket information, call American Legion Post, 383-9657, Duncan McCormack, 383-0550 or Jack Burke, 383-0815.

Scouts sign-ups slated

Scout registration for both boy and girl scouts will be held Tuesday, Sept. 10, in Deer Hill School cafeteria from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Girl Scouts will register Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes and Seniors. Boy Scouts will accept sign-ups for Tigers, Cub Scouts and Webelos.

For more information, call Mary McElroy, 383-0505, or Jeff Forsdick, 383-6329.

Teen center fun planned

The Teen Center has planned a Pizza Party on Friday, Sept. 6, from 7 to 10 p.m. All seventh-, eighth- and ninth-graders are welcome, and drinks will be provided.

The Teen Center will also be open Saturday, Sept. 7, from 7 to 10 p.m.

White-collar crime is topic

On Thursday, Sept. 5, host Wigmore Pierson's guest on "Pierson to Person" will be Tracy A. Minor, a litigation attorney with a major Boston law firm, who specializes in complex civil and criminal matters, including grand jury, pre-trial and trial.

Minor, who has represented a number of well-known Boston-area politicians and other professionals, will discuss white-collar crime. She is a summa cum laude graduate of Boston College Law School and was a writer and editor of the Boston College Law Review.

The show is broadcast live each Thursday from 8 to 9 p.m. from the North Scituate studio of Continental Cablevision. The program airs on Channel 53 in Hingham and Channels 3 and 53 in Cohasset.

The public is invited to be part of the studio audience. Those planning to attend should be at the studio on Gannett Road by 7:30 p.m.

For information, call Executive Producer Robert Belliveau at 545-2500.

Chamber music concert, Sept. 14

A special evening of chamber music will be presented Saturday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. at Broad Cove House, Hingham, by the Broad Cove Players. The group of musicians, who have accompanied Broad Cove Chorale and the Unicorn Singers over the years, have again joined forces to present a concert to benefit the organization and provide the audience with a varied program.

A champagne reception will follow the concert, which will display the talents of the six instrumentalists and a vocal quintet. Music by Mozart, Schumann, Milhaud, Dvork and Ibert will be performed.

The Broad Cove Players include Cheryl Ange, flute; Muriel Bledsoe, clarinet; Turner Bledsoe, oboe; Roger McClentic, bassoon; Annalisa Peterson, French horn; and Allen Balsbaugh, piano.

All seats for the concert are reserved, with a donation of $15 payable in advance. As a complement to an end-of-summer supper party, tickets may be booked at a special $10 per person rate for parties of six or more whose donation is received by Tuesday, Sept. 10.

Call 749-6561 for more information. Mail checks payable to Broad Cove Chorale to 66 Lincoln St., Hingham 02043.

Harbour Choral members are sought

The Harbour Choral Arts Society invites South Shore singers to participate in three open rehearsals, Mondays, Sept. 9, 16 and 23, at Lutheran Church of the Cross, Hanover, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Formal auditions for the concert choir are not required, but a commitment to weekly rehearsals and musical excellence are expected.

Auditions will be held for the newly formed Chamber Choir, scheduled to sing at the society's December concert and also at Quincy's First Night celebration Dec. 31. Chamber Choir singers must be active members of the Harbour Choral Arts Society.

The group's winter concert will consist of Haydn's "Missa Sancti Nicolai" and a set of seasonal pops numbers, including a round for choir and audience and a "Nutcracker"-inspired setting of "Jingle Bells."

The society is in its ninth year and their fourth under the direction of voice teacher and operatic baritone John Weiss.

For further information about rehearsals, Harbour Choral Arts Society or the new chamber choir, call Sue Stewart at 337-5491.

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Sunday, Aug. 18

4:31 p.m., medical aid, Lamberts Ln.
8:06 p.m., medical aid, Sohier St.
8:25 p.m., officer wanted, Church St.
9:51 p.m., disturbance, Mill Bridge.
10:02 p.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A @ Pond St.
10:29 p.m., officer wanted, Clay Spring Rd.
10:46 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
10:50 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.
11:08 p.m., MV stop, King St.
11:14 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

Monday, Aug. 19

12:00 a.m., property (found), Border St.
12:50 a.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.
1:15 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:30 a.m., MV accident, Border St.
7:08 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
7:48 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
8:28 a.m., property (lost), N. Main St.
9:03 a.m., escort, CJC Hwy.
10:09 a.m., medical aid, Pond St.
11:14 a.m., suspicious (other), Howard Gleason Rd.
12:00 p.m., suspicious person, Norfolk Ln.
12:25 p.m., assist motorist, Red Gate Ln.
12:31 p.m., medical aid, fire HQ.
1:02 p.m., animal complaint, N Main St.
4:27 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.
5:09 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.
5:50 p.m., annoying phone calls, Bancroft Rd.
7:36 p.m., annoying phone calls, Cedar Acres Ln.
7:51 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy., Border St.
9:01 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy., CJC Hwy.
9:27 p.m., MV stop, Red Lion Inn Pk. Lot.
10:08 p.m., officer wanted, Border St.
11:25 p.m., officer wanted, Margin Ct.
11:31 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

Tuesday, Aug. 20

2:29 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd./Forest
7:17 a.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St.
7:32 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
6:10 p.m., well being check, N. Main St.
7:52 p.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.
8:04 p.m., animal complaint, Norfolk Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 21

12:09 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
7:04 a.m., MV stop, S. Main/River Rd.
10:47 a.m., medical aid, Stanton Rd.
11:36 a.m., assist citizen, S. Main St.
12:33 p.m., medical aid, Cedar St.
12:52 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd.
3:17 p.m., general services, various.
3:18 p.m., investigation, Hill St.
3:30 p.m., assist other agency, Wood Way.
3:57 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.
4:26 p.m., disturbance, Atlantic Ave.
5:16 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
5:35 p.m., medical aid, Surfside Rd.
11:17 p.m., disturbance family, Atlantic Ave.

Thursday, Aug. 22

12:43 a.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.
5:44 a.m., disabled auto, Windsor Rd.
6:39 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
6:46 a.m., general services, N. Main St.
7:08 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
11:01 a.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.
1:59 p.m., officer wanted, Sandy Beach.
3:59 p.m., property (found), S. Main St.
4:15 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
6:30 p.m., disturbance family, Nichols Rd.
7:52 p.m., assist citizen, Sohier St.
8:49 p.m., MV violations, Forest Ave.
10:55 p.m., medical aid, J. St.

Friday, Aug. 23

1:51 a.m., suspicious person, Elm St.
7:41 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:39 a.m., medical aid, Samoset Ave.
11:00 a.m., public service other, Nichols Rd.
11:08 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.
11:16 a.m., officer wanted, Nichols Rd.
11:54 a.m., arrest, Ptl Quigley in with Kathy D'Elia, 125 Nichols Rd., violation of 209A order.
12:13 p.m., MV stop, Town Lot.
1:28 p.m., MV stop, West Corner.
1:56 p.m., abandoned auto, King St.
2:14 p.m., disturbance, Bancroft Rd.
2:56 p.m., officer wanted, Nichols Rd.
6:51 p.m., fire structure, HQ.
7:05 p.m., fire miscellaneous, S. Main St.
8:02 p.m., disabled auto, Atlantic Ave.
8:05 p.m., MV violations, Sohier St.
8:13 p.m., fire miscellaneous, Elm St.
10:19 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

Saturday, Aug. 24

1:16 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
1:31 a.m., officer wanted, Deep Run.
1:20 a.m., fire auto, CJC Hwy.
7:13 p.m., MV accident, Parker Ave.
7:22 p.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
9:29 pm., escort, CJC Hwy.
10:46 p.m., disturbance, Sohier St.
10:59 p.m., noise complaint, Square.
11:23 p.m., medical aid, Beach St.
11:40 p.m., officer wanted, Fair Oaks Ln.

Sunday, Aug. 25

12:03 a.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.
12:47 a.m., suspicious person, Doane St.
12:49 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
12:58 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
1:00 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
1:09 a.m., suspicious person, Sohier St.
1:13 a.m., officer wanted, Beach St.
1:55 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
2:01 a.m., MV stop, Square.
2:12 a.m., MV stop, Whitney Woods.
2:19 a.m., MV stop, Hull St.
2:22 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
2:43 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
12:36 p.m., parking violation, Howe Rd.
1:21 p.m, open door/window, CJC Hwy.
2:48 p.m., medical aid, Driftway.
3:36 p.m., officer wanted, Hull St.
4:43 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:51 p.m., medical aid, Forest Ave.
4:56 p.m., officer wanted, Cohasset Harbor.
5:26 p.m., arrest, Howard Gleason Rd.,Ptl. Quigley in with Owen L. O'Malley, DOB: 8/10/37, 29 Sohier St., offense: possession or sale of short lobsters.
5:26 p.m., arrest, Howard Gleason Rd., Ptl Quigley in with Lawrence A. Willwerth, DOB: 2/9/20, 381 Jerusalem Rd., offense: possession or sale of short lobsters.
6:23 p.m., medical aid, Kingsley Rd.
6:54 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.
6:56 p.m., assist motorist, Sohier St.
7:50 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.
8:08 p.m., disturbance, Joy Pl.
8:19 p.m.., MV stop, Stockbridge St.
8:37 p.m.., MV stop, Cushing Plaza.
9:51 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.
10:45 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

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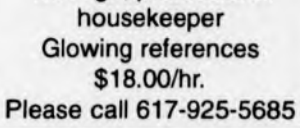

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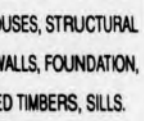

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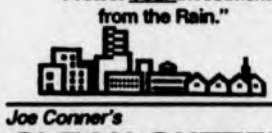

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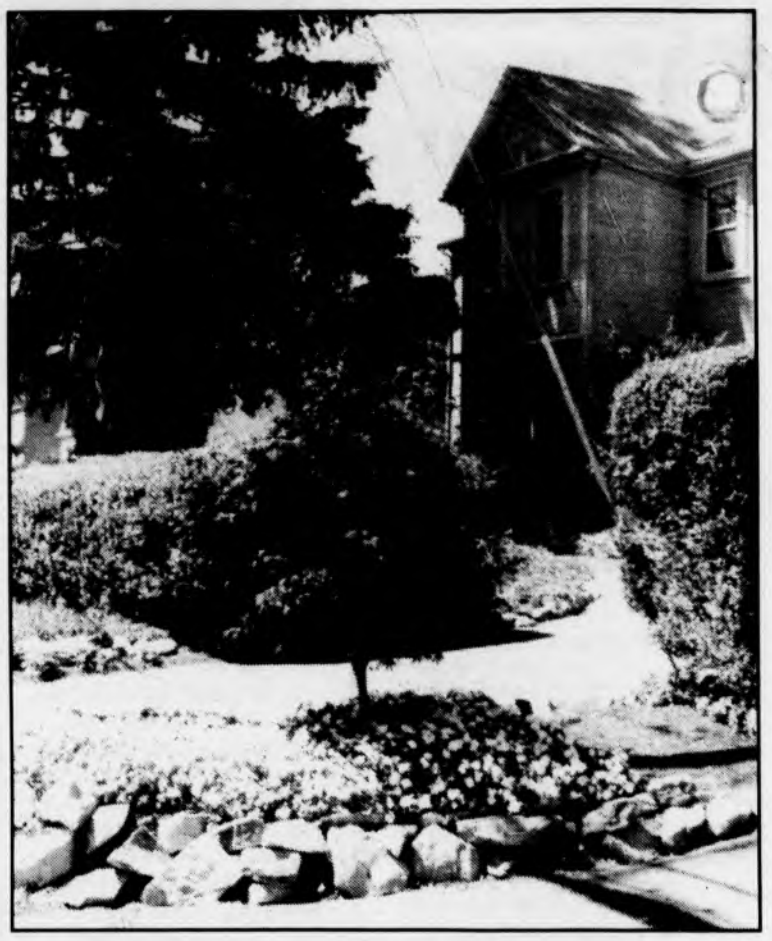

Pete Flaherty, owner and one of the occupants of the condos in his restored colonial at 108-110 Elm St. has planned and planted his grounds to the delight of all. The tree-belt border first caught my eye with its bright planting of deep fuchsia impatiens, purple alyssum, pale lavender pansies and deep, leathery, green periwinkle leaves. Two red Japanese maples with under-plantings of white impatiens flank either side of the tree-belt border. As you walk on the curving brick pathway, you enter a 'Secret Garden' filled with delights. Red and white impatiens border curving beds and gravel pathways where one can stop, sit on the many benches or wooden swing, and watch the birds feed at the feeding station that Pete has created complete with L.L. Bean thermometer, lobster traps and driftwood for just the right seaside touch. White impatiens border a flagstone path leading to a side patio, home to a cement bench with plantings of purple alyssum and yellow pansies leading to more beds and plantings on the rear of the property. It is evident that these grounds have been planted and maintained by Pete as a labor of love. A true gardener, Pete has created a lush, serene garden hidden behind his tall, manicured boxwood hedges.

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Unenrolled may sit this one out

Group makes up majority of Cohasset voters

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

In Cohasset registered Republicans edge Democrats slightly, by 1,142 to 1,074 — but with 2,960, the unenrolled make up the lion's share of the town's 5,183 registered voters. There are seven registered Libertarians in town.

With 22 percent, though, Cohasset — often touted as a Republican stronghold by outsiders — does have more than the state average of 14 percent registered voters opting for the G.O.P. Democrats number about 38 percent statewide (but only 20 percent in Cohasset) with independents making up 48 percent (57 percent in town).

If absentee ballots are a gauge, Town Clerk Marion Douglas says the turnout for Tuesday's state primary will be low. A week before the primary, only 19 citizens had voted absentee.

Polls will be open from 7 a.m to 8 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall.

But the election is generating excitement among Democrats, says Democratic town and state committee member Fred Koed of Spring Street.

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Cohasset Alumni Field dedication attracts all ages

Football opener Friday night under the lights

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

When the Cohasset High varsity football team takes it water break during practice, the players look down from the hill where the practice field is located and head coach Bob Knurek can just imagine what they are thinking.

Below them is the new Cohasset Alumni Field, which the Skippers will play on for the first time this Friday night at 7 p.m. against East Bridgewater.

Knurek knows the players are picturing themselves sacking the opposing quarterback or running for long touchdown in front of a rabid crowd of hometown fans.

"It's absolutely great," Knurek said on Sunday during the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the field. "Friday night football is great. The atmosphere brings the excitement up to an whole other level.

Knurek was just one of 300 athletes, alumni, citizens and coaches who gathered for the hour-long dedication.

The school's fall varsity teams entered the stadium for a lap around the all-weather track, along with alumni from as far back as 1936.

Gary Vanderweil, a member of the last undefeated football team in 1957, and a driving force behind the facility, said it was the work of many who made the new field a reality.

"There are so many people who worked on this project," Vanderweil said, "it's impossible to thank everyone in the time constraints of this ribbon-cutting ceremony."

The project not only included a new field, which will be used for football, soccer, lacrosse and field hockey, but the relocation of four tennis courts, more fields at the Milliken site and a new baseball field.

Long jump, pole vault and shot put facilities were also part of the project.

Vanderweil singled out Wayne Sawchuk, who oversaw the project, and Athletic Director Clark Chatterton for their contributions.

"We wouldn't be here if it wasn't for his work," Vanderweil said of Chatterton. "Wayne had the hardest job of any of us. He had to get this job in on budget."

State Sen. Bob Hedlund and state Rep. Mary Jeanette-Murray presented certificates in acknowledgement of the work that went into the massive athletic facility project.

Gerard Keating, who captained the football team and graduated from Cohasset High School in 1937, carried the flag during the relay part of the ceremony and varsity soccer player Emily Henderson sang The Star Spangled Banner just as the lights were turned on.

Chatterton was elated with the project and the ceremony.

"We've been talking about this since I came on in 1968 and its finally become a reality," he said. "It's good to see

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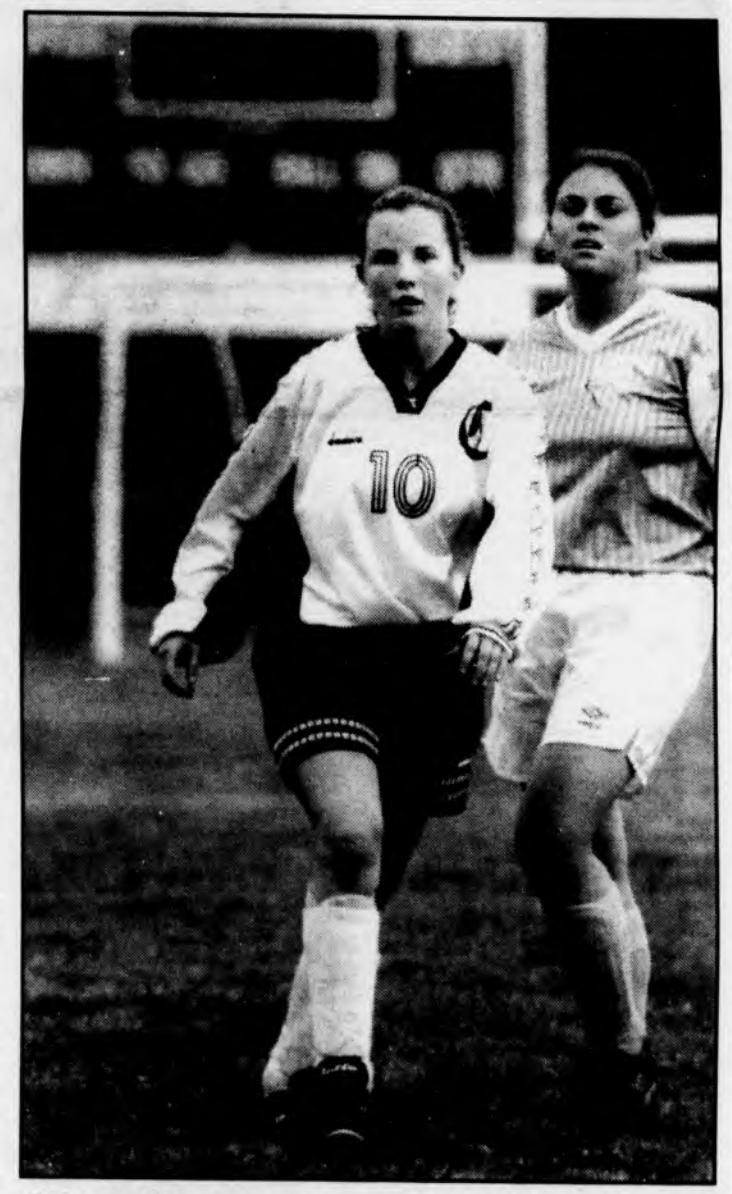

Cohasset's soccer standout Kathleen Fitzsimmons (#10) anticipates the action during the first game on the new high school field, Monday. The girls fell 3-0 to East Bridgewater.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Water quality problems plague North Cohasset

Activists want town action

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Two familiar figures were back before selectmen this week.

North Cohasset residents, Maria Plante and Diane Sullivan, both of Jerusalem Road, asked the board to help get relief from a huge water rate hike levied by the private water company that serves that part of town.

With 100-year-old pipes bringing them water, the 300-plus homes served by Mass-American Water Company in North Cohasset are having to pay much more for an an inferior product, the women say.

In a dramatic presentation, Sullivan displayed a "snow white" blouse stained with yellow blotches from the same poor quality water that has left green slime in her bathtub.

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62-acre Route 3A site is back on the market

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Just 16 months after a Dorchester construction firm purchased the former Webb-Norfolk Conveyer site in Cohasset, the 62-acre parcel is again for sale.

Mario Susi & Sons Construction bought the property, which sits off Route 3A across from Jonathan Livingston Plaza, in May 1995 for $1.3 million.

Currently assessed at $1,895,600, the site was formerly owned by the Jervis B. Webb Company, which for 30 years operated the Webb-Norfolk Conveyer plant, a company that produced motor-driven conveyers used by airports to move luggage and by other industries to move product lines. Webb-Norfolk closed its doors in December 1994, laying off more than 50 employees and relocating others to its Michigan headquarters.

Originally listed at $2.6 million, Susi & Sons own the property under the name Westwood Properties Limited Partnership and hope to sell it for $3.8 million. Susi & Sons could not be reached for comment.

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Cohasset's Week

Household hazardous waste day is Sept. 21 at pool lot

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The following items will not be accepted: explosives, ammunition or ordinances of any kind; propane tanks; medical waste; radioactive materials (smoke detectors, WW II artifacts, body fluids with tracer isotopes); non-hazardous materials unless recycling arrangements have been made.

For further information, call the Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121.

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Sept. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 12	11:44	9.7	5:30	11:59	10.1	5:45
Fri. 13	——	——	6:07	12:20	10.0	6:25
Sat. 14	12:37	10.2	6:44	12:55	10.1	7:04
Sun. 15	1:15	10.1	7:22	1:32	10.3	7:44
Mon. 16	1:54	10.0	8:01	2:10	10.3	8:27
Tues. 17	2:36	9.8	8:43	2:51	10.3	9:12
Wed. 18	3:21	9.6	9:28	3:37	10.3	10:01
Thurs. 19	4:11	9.4	10:18	4:28	10.3	10:55

Tides at all ports from Annisquam to Wellfleet are within 10 minutes of the above.

Volunteers needed to sit on town boards

Interested citizens are needed to serve on the drug & alcohol committee, the mosquito control committee, the private ways committee, and the conservation commission, selectmen said. Please call the selectmen's office at 383-9900 for more information.

Dredging meeting tonight

The town engineer will meet with Selectman Peter Pratt and other town officials at 7:30 p.m., tonight (Sept. 12) at town hall to discuss the dredging of Cohasset Harbor. Pratt encouraged other town board members and the public to attend the meeting which will include discussion on proposed drying of dredged material on Government Island for three to four months prior to upland dumping at a secure landfill.

Pratt said Monday the $300,000 grant from the state (with $100,000 town match) should cover the cost of hydraulic dredging of the town portion of the harbor, and the drying out of and shipping the material to a landfill.

About $53,000 has been spent on engineering so far, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

Pratt asked Doyon to work with town accountant Michael Buckley to come up with a "total rendering" of what has been spent so far by tonight's meeting.

Polluted material within the harbor, which is not suitable for ocean dumping, must be disposed of at inland landfills at a cost of about $100 to $120 per cubic yard.

Most of the town's harbor falls within federal jurisdiction. The Army Corps of Engineers is responsible for dredging about 90,000 cubic yards of silt material in the harbor's channel, a project expected to get underway by October of 1997.

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Cohasset's Week

Former Deer Hill School principal has resigned

Donna Hartlage, who served as Deer Hill principal a year, has resigned and accepted a negotiated $30,000 settlement representing about 1/2 a year's salary, school officials said.

Hartlage, who was accused of striking a pupil during a photo shoot last May, had two years remaining on her contract.

Supt. Stephen Hart suspended Hartlage without pay following investigation of the allegations.

School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder said Tuesday that after further discussions and review of the facts it became clear that Hartlage was not going to be able to exercise the kind of leadership needed to move the school forward.

"To her credit, when this became clear, she resigned," Kidder said.

Paul Callahan of Hingham is the new principal at Deer Hill.

Cable TV irons out its telecast problems

Continental Cablevision program director Wendy Copithorne told selectmen this week that better training will ensure that all selectmen's meetings are televised live.

Cohasset selectmen's meetings, which are usually held on Monday evenings, are normally televised live on Channel 3. However, two meetings over the summer were not televised because of operating errors, Copithorne said.

She said Continental has a new technical assistant who will visit all 16 towns, which televise meetings, on the mornings before the telecasts to make sure all systems are ready to go.

Copithorne also reported that there were 13 volunteers and four cameras covering the special town meeting at the Music Circus last month.

Community blood drive is planned for Sept. 18

The Red Cross has scheduled the next Cohasset Community Blood Drive for Wednesday, Sept. 18. The Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at Unitarian Parish House, 23 North Main St., from 2 to 7 p.m. Babysitting assistance will be provided after 3 p.m.

New donors are welcome and needed. To make an appointment for donating at a specific time, or for further information, call Kevin or Ann O'Connor at 383-1290.

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Mary Gorman, Scituate
Terence J. Gorman, Scituate
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Eileen Hayes, Scituate
Richard Hayes, Scituate
David Hines, Scituate
David Hockman, Scituate
Joyce Hockman, Scituate
Rae Hynes, Scituate
George Kelly, Scituate
Tom Lahage, Scituate
Bob McGilvray, Scituate
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Jane Lane, Scituate
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Claire McDonough, Scituate
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Larry McDonough, Scituate
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Nancy Murray Young, Scituate
Shirley Musto, Scituate
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Ben Summers, Scituate
Steven Sunnerberg, Scituate
Alexander Sutton, Scituate
Barbara Tarentino, Scituate
Robert Tarentino, Scituate
John Thomas, Scituate
Sally Thomas, Scituate
Yvonne Twomey, Scituate
Stuart Walker, Scituate
Michael Zoob, Scituate
Rose Zoob, Scituate
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Mary Akoury, Weymouth
Michele Akoury, Weymouth
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Hugh Ellison, Weymouth
Barbara Froberg, Weymouth
Sarah Gallahue, Weymouth
James Garner, Weymouth
Linda Getgen, Weymouth
Patrick Hamilton, Weymouth
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Robert MacLean, Weymouth
Kay Maguire, Weymouth
Robert Maguire, Weymouth
Tabitha May, Weymouth
Joseph McGrath, Weymouth
Ann Meaney, Weymouth
Joseph Mullen, Weymouth
Rosemary Owens McDonald, Weymouth
Kristen Parks-Fuqua, Weymouth
Edmund J. Rainsford, Weymouth
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Nearly a full year after Cong. Gerry Studds threw in the sponge after 24 years, the voters of the 10th District will have a chance to narrow the choice of his successor to two.

Now, after such a long gestation period you'd think that a lot of excitement would be building up for the primary voting next Tuesday.

Apparently not.

Only 19 citizens had taken out absentee ballots in Cohasset — usually a gauge of voter interest — a week before the election. Voting hours, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

The excitement next Tuesday clusters around both the Democratic and Republican races for the seat that Studds occupied for nearly a quarter of a century, since Richard Nixon was president.

Chief contenders for the Democratic nomination are Bill Delahunt, the Norfolk district attorney; Phil Johnston, the former state secretary of human services; and Ian Bowles, an environmentalist and first time candidate for office.

A fourth candidate, Walter S. Murray of Hull, has not made many ripples during the campaign.

On the Republican side. Ed Teague of Yarmouth, the the state house minority leader, is contesting with Bill Sargeant of Orleans, the son of former Gov. Frank Sargeant (1971-75).

A third Republican, Steven Pappas of Weymouth, has not been very active on the hustings.

Outside of Congress, the only contests on either ballot are for Norfolk County treasurer and for Governor's Council from the Fourth District.

Tim Cahill of Quincy, Gary Jones of Brookline, Mike Joyce of Braintree and John Vozzella of Walpole are seeking the Democratic nomination to face incumbent Republican treasurer Robert Hall.

Joe McEttrick of Milton is trying to unseat Chris Ianella Jr. on the Governor's Council. Both are Democrats.

The three major Democratic candidates for Congress represent the three major divisions of the district — the populous north, the far South Shore and the Cape and the islands.

The favorite to receive the Democratic nod is Delahunt, the 55-year-old veteran politician who lives in Quincy and whose career started on the City Council in 1971, progressed swiftly to the State House and finally to the DA's office in 1975.

He calls himself a "lunch pail" Democrat in the mold of Jim Burke and Brian Donnelly, who represented the northern corner of the district before it was combined with Studds' domain by the census of 1990.

One of Delahunt's most noted achievements as DA was the establishment of the first domestic violence unit in the nation in his office and the first sexual assault unit in the state.

He has been under attack for his refusal to revealed his income tax returns and his use of campaign funds for what his opponents claim are personal expenses, including dining in Bermuda and Boston Celtics tickets.

Johnston, 52, lives in Marshfield and represented his hometown in the state legislature from 1976 to 1984, then served Gov. Michael Dukakis as secretary of human services from 1984 to 1991.

He resigned his $100,000 a year post as the Clinton administration's New England director of the Department of Health and Human Services in January in order to run for Congress.

Johnston has campaigned hard on his record as an advocate for more human services, including better access to health care.

Bowles, 30, is from Falmouth (actually Woods Hole) on the Cape but has spent the last seven years in Washington, lately as vice president of the Conservation International Foundation. He left that job to run for office.

He went to Washington as a member of the staff of Cong. Claudine Schneider of Rhode Island, a environmental and women's advocate. He was her expert on foreign affairs, defense, housing and global environmental issues.

Bowles has never run for public office before and counts on his youth and record as an environmentalist to counter that political know-how of his adversaries, particularly on the ecologically sensitive Cape.

Teague, 46, hails from Yarmouth on the Cape and has represented the First Barnstable District since 1988. his rise in Republican ranks was swift. He became minority whip in the House in 1993 and minority leader in 1991.

A conservative, he stresses "fiscal responsibility," opposes abortion and gay rights, and has focused his campaign on bringing the federal deficit under control.

Sargent, 50, has homes in Charlestown and Orleans and is best known as a science writer, chiefly on environmental subjects.

Unopposed on their respective ballots are Republican Sen. Bob Hedlund and his Democratic challenger Bob Delahunt, a second cousin once removed to Bill, the Congressional candidate.

They'll face each other for the Plymouth Norfolk Sate Senate seat on Nov. 5.

Also unopposed are the Democratic county officials, Register of Probate Thomas Patrick Hughes of Quincy and Commissioners John Gillis of Quincy and Bill O'Donnell of Norwood.

Except for Treasurer Hall, there are no other Republican candidates for county office.

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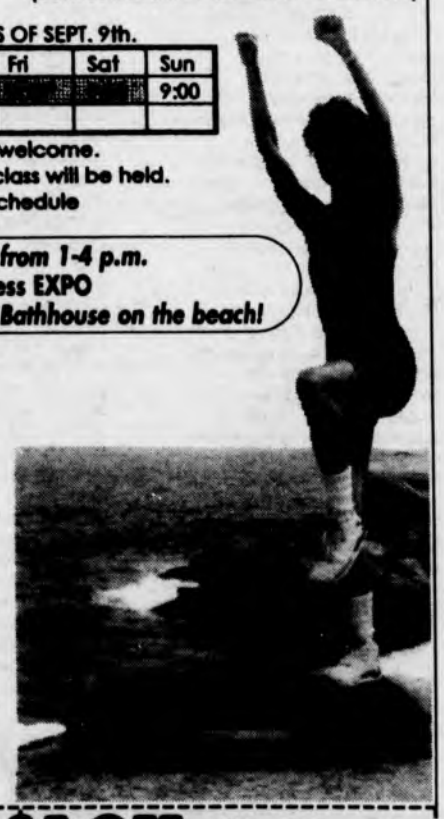
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Mosquito board urges residents to guard against the EEE virus

Of concern to South Shore residents is the recent news that mosquitoes carrying the Eastern Equine Encephalitis virus have been found in considerable numbers in Westerly, Rhode Island. More recently, the virus has been detected in mosquitoes in three additional towns near the Massachusetts border.

The history of EEE on the South Shore indicates it is a relatively rare disease. According to Massachusetts Audubon Society's pamphlet on mosquitoes, "In Massachusetts, a total of 69 clinically confirmed human cases of EEE have been reported in the 52-year period between the first identified major human outbreak in 1938 (34 cases) and the 1990 season." For those who contract the disease, however, the neurological impact can be devastating, and approximately one third of the cases are fatal. Infants, young children and the elderly seem to be most susceptible.

Fortunately, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health monitors both the actual and probable presence of the EEE virus in local mosquito populations and releases timely information to the general public.

At this point, the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee urges all Cohasset residents to take the following precautions:

• If you have areas of stagnant water on your property, either drain the areas or treat them with mosquito dunks available from hardware stores or garden center.

• Avoid outdoor activity during peak hours of mosquito feeding in the early morning and early evening.

• If an individual must be outside during these hours, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use an insect repellent that includes DEET. Massachusetts Department of Public Health recommends a concentration of DEET of 10 percent or less for use on children and products with less than 30 percent for adults. DEET should never be used on infants.

For additional information, call the Cohasset Board of Health (383-9900, Ext. 121), Charles Gainor (383-0498) or the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project (617-585-5450 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.).

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Special TM warrant to close

Selectmen will close the warrant for the Oc.t 28 Special Town Meeting at their meeting Monday (Sept. 16). Warrant articles must be submitted by Monday's meeting, they said this week.

Make up majority of Cohasset voters

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"The turnout is a function of races," said Koed, who is also an election worker. "There is not state rep. race (in either party) and no senate primary race.

"The 10th Congressional race is the main reason people will come out to vote," he said.

There's a hot, three-way race between Bill Delahunt of Quincy, Phil Johnston of Marshfield, and Ian Bowles of Falmouth on the Democratic ballot. A fourth candidate, Walter Murray of Hull, provides another choice.

Long-time U.S. Congressman Gerry E. Studds, D-Cohasset, is not seeking another term.

Koed explained party members use the primary to pick the nominee of their party. He doesn't feel unenrolled voters, as a rule, pay as much attention to primary races and will look more closely at the candidates as the November election nears.

On the Republican side in the 10th Congressional race, voters will choose between Ed Teague of Yarmouth and Bill Sargent of Orleans with token opposition generated by Steven Pappas of Weymouth.

Republican town committee chairman Julie Guild said in her view the reason for the large number of unenrolled voters is a trend toward voting the person and not the party principles.

"People are more independent and don't want labels next to their names," she said.

Registrar, Judy Volungis, who is also a member of the Republican Town Committee said, although Tuesday's turnout may be low, there will be familiar faces.

"There is a certain number who vote in every election, no matter what — rain, hurricane or whatever."

Unenrolled voters must ask for a particular party's ballot Tuesday. After voting they must fill out a card to return to being unenrolled or they will remain registered in the party whose ballot they selected, Douglas explained.

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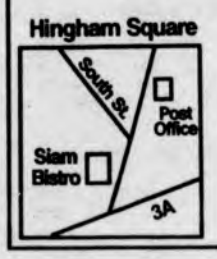

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62-acre Route 3A site is back on the market

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But according to William Richey, vice president of the Richey Marketing Group of Boston — the exclusive agent for the property, the expansive parcel offers ocean views and with zoning changes would be suitable for up-scale residential development.

"I'd really like to see a nice upscale development or a mixed-use development," said Richey, noting "there is a demand for housing in Cohasset."

Retail or corporate use or elderly and assisted living are some other options for the site, said Richey who noted that while the property has only been on the market for a month, interest has been raised by residential developers.

"It's a prime piece of property. One of the nicest we've handled lately," Richey said.

But Cohasset developer Wayne Sawchuk said there are serious limitations to the parcel that would make residential development unlikely.

"The biggest problem is the lack of septic facilities," said Sawchuk who maintained that any additional development would require the construction of a separate septic treatment facility.

"It's going to be a very difficult site to develop and they're asking too much to encourage manufacturing or industrial use," he said.

The land's location next to the controversial Cohasset Heights Landfill and its proximity to surrounding conservation land, provide additional pitfalls for a developer, Sawchuk said.

A golf course or a new, more expansive South Shore Music Circus were two development notions Sawchuk offered for the former Webb-Norfolk property. By moving the Music Circus, the existing site on Sohier could be used for school playing fields or an MBTA commuter parking lot when the Greenbush train returns, he suggested.

Selectman Peter Pratt said he also had concerns about residential development because he fears it will have not only and economic impact on the town's budget but also an environmental impact on surrounding conservation land.

"Clearly, anything on the backside of that property is within the watershed protection zone," said Pratt, who would like to see some light industrial use of the site rather than residential use.

"This land should remain zoned industrial," said Pratt, who maintained he would "fight against any down zoning to residential use."

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Activists want town action

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"It's not right," she said. "Somebody's got to pay attention. Think of the water people drank."

For eight months or so, the two local activists have waged a tireless battle to convince taxpayers to subsidize the installation of sewers to the 345 homes in North Cohasset.

While that fight has not yet been won and will certainly ignite again during the annual town meeting season next spring — the women are pushing the water rate issue now.

The combined impact of sewer betterments, sewer maintenance and operational costs, and the water-rate hike will make a large dent in North Cohasset homeowners' wallets.

About $400 annually will go toward Mass-American's 156 percent rate hike approved last spring by the state Department of Public Utilities. The average homeowners' bill will go from about $250 to $650 a year, officials say.

Sullivan and Plante suggested having the town buy out Mass-American in North Cohasset or have the town buy the water and sell it to the homeowners at the same rate as residents on town water pay. About 10 percent of Cohasset homes and all of Hull and Hingham are served by Mass-American.

Selectman Peter Pratt, a former water commissioner, said the town did not buy the water system in North Cohasset 45 years ago along with the rest of the town for engineering reasons.

But he said the town should see if there is any benefit in getting involved in the appellate process launched by Hingham and Hull. Those towns are appealing the rake hike in Supreme Judicial Court.

The century-old pipes in North Cohasset could provide the key to relief, Pratt said.

"Maybe rate relief is tied up in the decrepit nature of the pipes. I think North Cohasset in a per subscriber basis is the most decrepit part of the distribution system," he said.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris suggested that town counsel look at the DPU rate decision to see if the rate hike is based on quality of service.

Selectmen agreed to have the health agent obtain water samples from 10 North Cohasset homes this week and have the samples tested at the Cohasset Water Department. Selectmen also want to talk with officials in Hingham and Hull to see if there is any benefit to Cohasset joining the appeal.

They also suggested North Cohasset residents call the selectmen's office with complaints which will be logged in and reported to the D.P.U.

Much of the increase approved by the D.P.U. covers construction and operational costs of Mass-American's new $40 million water treatment facility on Main Street in Hingham. Plante and Sullivan argue that in North Cohasset, they are not getting any benefit from the new facility and therefore should not have to pay for it.

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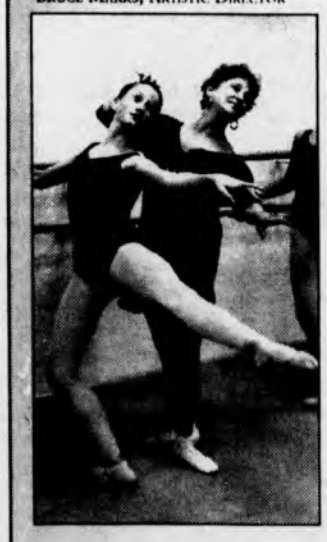

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Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite holiday: Halloween.

Favorite TV show: 'Seinfeld.'

Favorite movie: 'Gone With the Wind.'

Favorite book: 'A Prayer for Owen Meaney,' by John Irving.

Favorite junk food: Nachos.

Most embarrassing moment: This interview!

Person you'd most like to meet: Amelia Earhart.

Pet peeve: People who aren't patient and won't wait their turn..

Lupus benefit walk slated

The Lupus Foundation of America, Massachusetts Chapter, will hold its fourth annual "Walk on the Charles" Sunday, Sept. 29. Registration starts at 9 a.m., and the three-mile walk begins at 10 a.m.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Mark your calendar for Grandparents' Day!

We must begin the column this week with a welcome back special — two lovely families have "come home," and we're so glad!

First of all, our new neighbors, **Kathy** and **Dave Marks Jr.** just moved in at 1 Red Gate Lane. We are sure most of Cohasset knows that already. The wonderful improvements they've made on the outside are surely causing heads to turn when people drive by. Dave and Kathy's two daughters, **Lisa,** 13, and **Laura,** 11, got a huge Cohasset welcome at their respective schools, and they are right at home already. As Dave says, "It is nice to be back home." Be sure to tell them how nice it is to have them here when you see them!

Then, another well-known family made a wonderful return, and **Cliff** and **Peg Dickson** couldn't be more pleased. **Lee** traveled all over the country before deciding Cohasset was the best. She and hubby **Jim,** along with their son, **Andrew,** 4, bought a house right next door to Cliff and Peg! So, when you see Cliff in his truck and there is a dear little boy sitting next to him instead of the trusty Golden, you'll know that's Andrew. We are pretty sure the dog will still get the window seat, though! Anyway, welcome to all!

And happy birthday greetings to same — Lee and Jim both just turned 40! A great celebration, we're sure!

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On the subject of birthdays, our little **Kelsie** turned 7 yesterday, Sept. 11, can you believe it? Kelsie is really a big girl now, in first grade, and her teacher is none other than Fran Drago, one of Cohasset's finest ladies! Small world, huh? Happy birthday, Kelsie!

Erin McAllister

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Erin C. McAllister is quite a gal! She made the dean's list for the spring semester at UMass, Amherst, with an average of 3.91! Erin is entering her senior year as a communications major; for the past two summers, Erin has been employed as the marketing assistant at **South Shore Music Circus,** a challenging job to be sure! In fact, last fall Erin was declared the winner of the South Shore Music Circus annual scholarship of $1,500 toward her college degree.

Needless to say, everyone who knows her knows what a great, hard-working person she is, and is very proud of her and her efforts. Also a little bit in awe — how does she do it all?

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We went to the **Farmers Market** again last week, and honest, it's great! There's wonderful produce, beautiful flowers, yummy Zinnia's food — anything and everything you could want! Plus, the people you haven't seen in ages are there — all of that and one more detail that we'll bet you don't know! All of us know **Louis** and **Jean Bailey** and their wonderful gardening prowess. Well, they have a stand there, with veggies and homemade muffins (using their veggies). All of their proceeds go to the South Shore Association for Retarded Citizens! So when you go today, support them and their efforts, and give them a hug for being who they are — two wonderful people!

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Congrats to **Ann Dane,** a freshman majoring in biology at the University of Rochester. She was named to the spring 1996 dean's list for academic achievement. Ann is a CHS grad — one more to be proud of. Gosh, our educational system is good!

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Here is a unique something to do this Sunday, Sept. 15. **South Shore Community Center** is honoring **Grandparents Day!** From 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., they are having a magic show and ice cream social, and it is an intergenerational event. Adults are free, and children are $1.50. Everyone must have a ticket because of limited space. The show promises to be awesome — balloon sculpturing, paperfolding and lots of laughs for young and old alike. To round out the day, you make you own sundae with Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream! Call 383-0088 for more info. Sounds super, huh? Glad I'm a grandparent!

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Had a nice chat with **Glenn Pratt** last week. He wanted to be sure everyone knew to save the date Sunday, Nov. 10, at noon. It will be a memorial day of sorts. All squares will be dedicated to veterans of Vietnam and Korea — at Parker Ave. and Elm Street — then wind up at 4 p.m. at the Senior Center at South Shore Community Center. More details will follow. We want you to be aware of the date now — careful planning! With Glenn in charge, you know it will be great. Stay tuned. . . .

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Congrats to Cohasset's **Lynn Cornelius,** who finished first in the 35-39 age group in the Mass Triathlon in Sharon Aug. 4. Lynn, a senior communications associate at South Shore Hospital, completed the grueling event in one hour, 25 minutes. She competed in the New England Triathlon Tour in Hyannis on Aug. 24, no word on how she did — we can guess — fantastically well!

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One more reminder — the 14th annual **Cohasset Soccer Breakfast** is Sunday, Sept. 22, at **Deer Hill School** from 8 a.m. to noon. The price is $3 (free for children under 5). Proceeds are used to help offset the cost of the annual awards banquets for boys and girls and new uniforms for both as well. Be sure to support them, and have a wonderful breakfast, too!

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and is employed as an account executive at Integrated Marketing, Cohasset.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Richmond and is executive vice president of Passkey, Ltd. and president of Integrated Marketing.

A June 1997 wedding is planned.

Jennifer A. Block and Brian E. Layton

Obituaries

Ethel A. Gebhardt

Ethel A. (Cummings) Gebhardt of Hingham, formerly of Cohasset, died Aug. 31 at Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home following a long illness.

Born in Quincy, she was a resident of Hingham for 35 years.

Mrs. Gebhardt was a homemaker.

She was the wife of the late Francis Gebhardt and leaves a son, Paul F. Gebhardt of Hingham; a daughter, Judy L. Moore of Cohasset; a brother, Leo Cummings of Rockland; two sisters, Phyllis Cummings of Boston and Irene MacIver of Hingham; and two granddaughters.

A funeral Mass was held Sept. 7 at St. Paul's Church, Hingham. Interment was in Woodside Cemetery, Cohasset.

Donations in her memory may be made to Etrusco, 1 Common St., Scituate 02006.

Arrangements were made by Pyne-Keohane Funeral Home, Hingham.

Join South Shore Toastmasters club

There's a Toastmasters club in the neighborhood. The Network Voice Toastmasters Club, which is affiliated with the South Shore Women's Business Network (SSWBN), was founded in February of 1996. The club meets every other Wednesday night at 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Senior Services, 20 Pond Park Rd., Hingham.

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EDITORIAL

The clearest choice: Johnston vs. Teague

Picking candidates to back in the primary races for the 10th Congressional District — served so well by retiring Congressman Gerry Studds for 24 years — forced us to examine our priorities.

After all, it was easy to become complacent about representation with Gerry Studds in the House. He has been a tenacious and well-informed fighter for the issues that affected our home turf.

Now we have to make a new choice on leadership.

After much soul-searching, we boiled down our criteria to two points.

How fervently, consistently and intelligently has the candidate expressed his ideology, and what ability does he have to forge a coalition with the opposition to get important legislation passed?

Frankly, we're sick of the national trend in which candidates in both parties waffle toward the middle based on the latest polling. We want candidates who have "fire in the belly" for their beliefs, but enough common sense in the brain to forge necessary compromises.

Based on those benchmarks, we pick Phil Johnston for the Democratic contender and Ed Teague for the Republican.

Former state Rep. Johnston of Marshfield is an unabashed liberal. He has never changed his position on a woman's right to choose. He was ahead of his time in humane welfare reform, heading up then-Gov. Michael Dukakis' "ET" program, which provided education and child care for welfare moms so they could go to work.

Picked by President Clinton to be the New England Director of Health and Human Services, he has experience in health care that has made him a strong advocate of reform. He currently is targeting the HMOs and their profits, saying consumers need a "bill of rights" to ensure access to treatment.

On a more local level, he has been a longtime advocate of a comprehensive mass transit plan to relieve overcrowding on Route 3 and believes it is time for Congress to "force the (mass) transportation issue." He sees improved transportation as essential for job development in the region.

State Rep. Teague of Yarmouth is an equally unabashed conservative. He remains a staunch pro-life advocate and still supports House Speaker Newt Gingrich despite his negative poll numbers. Whether or not you like Speaker Gingrich, Mr. Teague says you can't deny he caused a much-needed revolution to downsize government.

He believes many of the problems with welfare could be fixed if absentee fathers were forced to pay child support and cites among his successes in welfare reform a move in 1994 to cut Medicaid funding for fertility drug treatments for welfare recipients.

He is a strong supporter of small business and takes pride in his work on the environment despite criticism that he is too pro-development. Believing that people need to make reasonable compromises, he cites as an example self-contained septic alternatives, which would allow development in environmentally sensitive areas.

He is for Bob Dole's proposed tax cut but only if we can balance the budget. He believes there is $30 billion in Medicaid and Medicare funds that is wasted through fraud and abuse, and he would save additional dollars by cutting people who are substance abusers off Social Security.

Both candidates have demonstrated their ability to work with their colleagues across the aisle. As a liberal state representative, Phil Johnston was relegated to a basement office by the Democratic leadership, but he reached out to GOP members to fight for rules reform.

Likewise, Ed Teague, as leader of the minority party, has worked effectively with Democrats to pass important local legislation.

Those are our candidate choices, and in many ways they're polar opposites. And that, we believe, will create a very healthy debate of the issues in the general election.

Our choice was not easy. We recognize William Delahunt's strong record against domestic violence and for civil rights and Bill Sargent's dedication to the environment. We also applaud Ian Bowles for encouraging young people to get involved and hope he stays in politics.

Whatever your choice, make sure you express it by getting out to vote on Tuesday.

— The Editors

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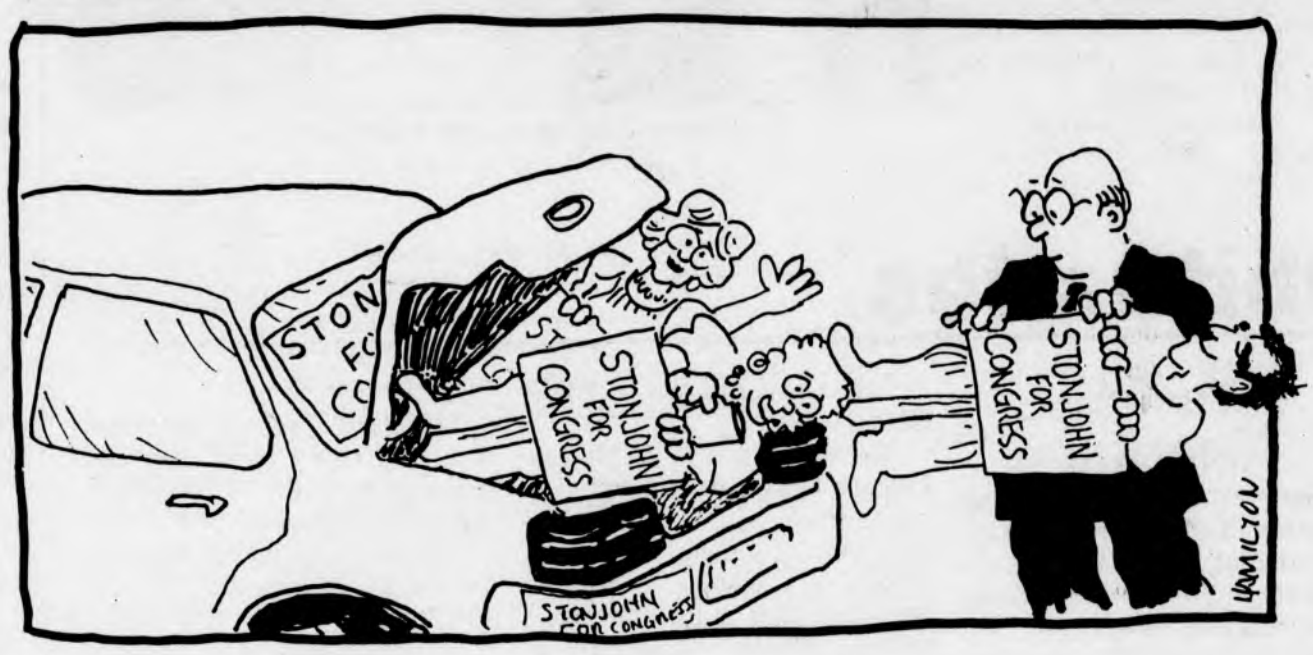

Anti-Greenbush activist says:

Politicians shouldn't ignore danger of diesel emissions

To the Editor:

On Aug. 28, and in several re-broadcasts, Continental Cablevision presented to South Shore viewers the local-access program "On The Mark with Ilana Marks." Andrew Brennan, manager of environmental affairs for the MBTA, presented some new and important information regarding restoration of the Greenbush rail service.

Mr. Brennan, as MBTA spokesman, publicly acknowledged for the first time in the one year since I provided the confirming data to Gov. William Weld, Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci, the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs and the Executive Office of Transportation and Construction, that all air-polluting emissions of diesel locomotives were simply left out of the air-quality analyses presented in the Greenbush Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Report of March, 1995. He acknowledged that this "may have been wrong." These are very mild words indeed to describe a process which, for all three Old Colony rail lines and over a period of years, has dismissed all alternatives to the MBTA's original project intentions through the deception of comparing these alternatives to mythical zero-emission diesel locomotives. The MBTA, by leaving out the very serious air-polluting emissions of its proposals and the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, by repeatedly accepting this absurdity, have made a mockery of the environmental process in Massachusetts.

A deadly mockery. Mr. Brennan also admitted his awareness, stated three times, that the diesel particulate emissions of MBTA commuter-rail locomotives pose a lethal health threat to people locally exposed: "We're talking about a serious death threat from particulates." On that basis, he stated the MBTA's intention to electrify its diesel commuter-rail services. He cited "ability" and "costs" to explain that this would not happen for decades.

In a telephone conversation I had on Sept. 9 with Mr. Brennan, he acknowledged his televised error in stating that the Greenbush project was supported by the author(s) of a Harvard School of Public Health study which has correlated particulate pollution to increased illness and death rates among people locally exposed. Prof. Douglas Dockery, the principal author of the study in question, is not acquainted with the individual mistakenly cited by Mr. Brennan. Professor Dockery is aware of the significant particulate and sulfate emissions of heavy diesel engines, and has been helpful in providing background information to TREQ (Technical Resources for Environmental Quality, Inc.), a non-profit public interest organization advocating the environmental rights of the people of Massachusetts.

I believe Mr. Brennan, as environmental director of the MBTA, is beginning to understand the magnitude of the threat to the health and lives of people living and working near existing and proposed MBTA diesel services. TREQ is also investigating the pollution-related hazards to the people who ride, and will ride, these trains on a daily basis; and to those who will ride Red Line trains running parallel to future Old Colony diesel services.

The question remaining to be answered is whether Massachusetts politicians of both parties will continue to ignore the growing body of evidence which now clearly establishes the public health and mortality risks of diesel emissions. Will the campaign funding provided by urban investment interests, the real constituents of obsolete single-destination public transit, continue to take precedence over the health and lives of people?

For further information about TREQ, call (617) 364-3617 or write to: TREQ, 25 Woodland Road, Milton 02186.

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Surplus funds to be spent at special town meeting

Boards, departments get their requests in

By DOREEN LEGGETT
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen hope to avoid any surprise requests for a portion of the $927,000 of free cash available at October's special town meeting.

The majority of town boards met on Sept. 4 to discuss the articles they plan to put on the warrant for the Oct. 28 meeting. Selectmen requested that all drafts of articles be submitted by Sept. 16.

"So we can all have a clear awareness of what will happen before we see it on a printed piece of paper," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown, referring to the fact that some articles are first seen on the floor of town meeting.

Selectmen and members of the advisory board had asked department heads to delay their requests for capital items from the spring town meeting to the fall meeting.

A firm number of the amount of free cash available from fiscal year 1996 wasn't known at the spring meeting. Free cash is a combination of: unspent monies in each departmental budget, which are returned to the town treasury; unanticipated revenues; and any unpaid taxes from prior years (unpaid taxes for the current year are subtracted from this number).

Two of the articles slated to be on the warrant for the fall town meeting were not held over from the spring.

Design review board members made a request for an article in the amount of $75,000 to hire a project manager who would manage the school, DPW garage and sewer construction projects.

"It could conceivable save us a substantial amount of money," said Max Pounder, a design review board member. "The (design review board) could attempt to draw up a job description."

"I think the concept makes a lot of sense," said Selectman Michael Sullivan.

The advisory board requested approximately $1,500 to cover the cost of the recent special town meeting. The $3,000 voted earlier was not enough.

"We want people to be aware of what it costs to run a meeting," said Roger Whitley, chairman of the advisory board.

Harold Litchfield, head of the department of public works, had the greatest number of capital requests with eight:

- $75,000 for aerial spraying of gypsy moths. Officials report that next year is slated to be bad in terms of gypsy moth infestation.
- $12,000 and an additional $25 per cubic foot of ledge to put in 300 feet of water line from the proposed DPW garage to the recycling transfer facility. A hydrant would be installed near the transfer station gate to wet down the compost and prevent fires.
- $7,500 for construction of an office area near the trailer at the transfer station, so employees can observe people dumping trash.
- $35,000 for the purchase of a dump truck.
- $60,000 to extend the water main from Cedar Ledge to the site of the new DPW garage.
- $11,965 for personnel costs. Litchfield has hired some new employees at a higher rate.
- $24,243 for two stainless steel sand spreaders which will be attached to the trucks for sanding in the winter.
- $1450 for repair of the glass bin at the recycling center

Resident Joe McElroy of Windy Hill Road requested that Litchfield make the number of requests nine by adding an article to fund repairs on private ways.

"One- third of the roads in town are deplorable," McElroy said.

Before Proposition 2 1/2 was instated the town used to set aside $50,000 or $75,000 a year.

If there is money remaining in free cash after departmental requests are met, the board will consider asking town meeting to set aside $25,000 or $50,000 for repair of private ways. Several officials also said there was a need for a geographical surveying system (GIS).

"It is definitely something the town should look into," said Assistant Assessor Cheryl Pooler.

The assessors requested an article that would defer the sewer betterment charges of residents who are already getting taxes deferred.

Library trustees are requesting $49,600 for the second part of their air conditioning project.

The school department requested $90,000 for two new school school buses which would replace 10-year-old buses. The school committee earlier decided that remaining with the in-house system was more effective than hiring a private company.

The schools also requested $140,000 for acoustical, lighting and reconditioning work at the high school auditorium.

The water resource protection committee may ask for $10,000 if one of its two grant requests for water testing and capacity building are approved by the state.

The board of health may receive a grant of $20,000 from the state for comprehensive waste water management. Health Board Member Kevin Ulmer said the board may require additional funds to generate a list of what sites need to be inspected.

McElroy asked that the selectmen support an $18,000 article which would raise the tax abatement on the town's disabled veterans from a flat sum of $175 to a percentage rating of 15 to 30.

Conservation Commission members hope selectmen will support or sponsor a request of approximately $125,000 for the town's part of purchasing Turkey Hill for open space.

The council of elder affairs asked for $5,000 to start up a work tax relief program, and additional money to fund the outreach coordinator position from 18 hours to 25 hours a week. The cost would be approximately another $75 a week. .

The fire department requested $10,000 for portable radios and $9,800 for fire engine repairs.

Town committee plans new war on drugs

Parental apathy a problem

By STACEY POWERS
Special to the Mariner

Members of the Drug & Alcohol Committee reconvened this week to discuss an action plan and develop a strategy to combat the problem of substance abuse involving minors within the community.

Special guest at Monday's meeting was Det. Capt. Rodney Rumble of the Weymouth Police Department. Rumble has had an abundance of experience in drug enforcement on the South Shore. A former resident of Cohasset, Rumble started the South Shore Drug Task Force in 1989 by inviting five local communities to participate in ridding their towns of drugs.

"I have seen a lot of heroin and cocaine on the streets and especially marijuana which is making a strong comeback," he said.

The task force has since grown to nine towns, including Scituate, that actively seek to eliminate the accessibility of drugs.

Committee chairman Craig Muir said that "parental denial is the biggest cause for disappointment among committee members." .

Rumble emphasized that people should not "bury their heads in the sand" when it comes to recognizing that a problem exists.

Some action that Rumble has seen work well in fighting the war on drugs is sting operations in liquor stores, the use of K-9 dogs in the schools and integrating undercover agents throughout the community, all of which he stressed can only be successful with the full cooperation of the school systems and local police departments.

"We've all got to work together in creating a balance between enforcement and education. The worst sin is not to try," he said.

Rumble also suggested hosting a drug awareness day, similar to ones held in Weymouth and Hanover, for the whole town to participate, with K-9 demonstrations and inviting MADD (Mothers Against Driving Drunk) and SADD (Students Against Driving Drunk) members to attend.

"You must start somewhere to accomplish anything. Even the smallest bit helps." He commended the committee's efforts to "stick with it" over the years and noted that they have lots of energy "but it needs to be channelled."

Muir pointed out that the committee has developed a petition to circulate around town that will go before selectmen showing the support of the residents in stopping the illegal use of drugs and alcohol by minors in the community.

Rumble counseled that in setting up a future direction for the committee to follow, they must first establish their goal, beginning with the issue of the lack of interest in the committee by parents. Rumble pointed out that expanding the committee should be one of their priorities.

"Recruiting even a few people is a great place to start rejuvenating your group."

Formed about eight years ago, the committee has gone from having 15 members at its high point to presently having five active members.

"People express interest in becoming involved," explained Muir. "But when it comes time to follow through, they somehow can't make it."

Rumble said that in order to succeed with any type of strategy, the committee needs the support of the community.

"You can do it with the power of the community behind you," he said.

The next Drug & Alcohol Committee meeting is at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 24 at Town Hall.

Jennifer Spofford, Abigail Faulkner and Olivia Sullivan go for a jog around the new track during opening ceremonies at Cohasset Alumni Field on Sunday.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

School notebook

Education foundation starts its fifth year

Fund-raiser is Oct. 6

By JIM KINCH
Cohasset Education Foundation

The Cohasset Education Foundation has begun its fifth year as a resource and conduit for innovative support to Cohasset Public Schools. Incoming President Mike Hurley announced to the directors at an August meeting that CEF had received a grant from South Shore Playhouse Association in support of the "Artist in Residence" program.

"I am especially pleased to announce this $1,500 grant at the beginning of our year, since this contribution underscores the Playhouse Association's commitment to Cohasset schools by their fourth year of endowment, while providing a positive bounce for the new CEF funding season. We are deeply indebted to the Playhouse Association for their continuing generosity to Cohasset's children," Hurley said.

The CEF will formally open it fifth year with a public fund raiser at South Shore Arts Center Sunday, Oct. 6, from 4 to 7 p.m. Pam Speed, chairperson for the event, has entitled the gathering "An Evening for Education."

"This occasion is an important part of our community outreach," she noted. It will be a chance for the CEF to reflect on our past accomplishments and look forward to new goals."

The CEF has made considerable strides in funding its latest project, the High School Language Laboratory. "We will use this evening to showcase the latest technologies that are under consideration and give everyone a good look at the level of sophisticated hardware now available," said Dr. Gary Garber, CEF director for the lab project. Gary has conducted an extensive review of the existing systems available and is developing a full proposal for the CEF. "It is quite astounding what is out there and the versatility available in some of these systems," he observed.

The evening will also showcase the works of Cohasset students in the arts and graphics and feature performances of several musically talented undergraduate artists. Cohasset's principals are special guests of the CEF. Along with High School Principal Curt Collins, incoming headmasters Paul Callahan (Deer Hill) and Merilee Cantelmo (Osgood) will be on hand to meet with the community and discuss their plans for the future.

"I look at this evening as a chance to welcome these leaders and enjoy some time in the relaxing atmosphere of the Arts Center for the benefit of our schools," stated President Hurley.

Tax-deductible tickets for the evening are available from directors of the CEF or by calling Pam Speed (383-2572), Mike Hurley (383-9509) or leaving a message on the CEF line at 383-2833.

Individuals interested in learning more about the mission of the foundation and its activities are encouraged to call the CEF at 383-2833 or to write the Cohasset Education Foundation, P.O. Box 224, Cohasset 02025 to request a copy of the CEF brochure and additional information about its programs.

As a registered non-profit organization, all donations to the project fund are tax-deductible and dedicated to enhancing the educational environment of Cohasset Public School students.

Lori Hyslip and her kindergarten class are ready to start the new school year at Deer Hill. Kindergarten was moved to Deer Hill this year to help alleviate overcrowding problems at the Osgood School.

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Derby Academy hosts fair

Derby Academy, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham, is hosting its first Secondary School Fair for South Shore families interested in learning more about independent secondary school educational opportunities. The event will take place Tuesday, Sept.17, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Representatives from 32 local and regional schools from five New England states will be available to meet and talk with students and parents about their programs, including coed and single sex, day and boarding and independent and Catholic schools. Most will have materials to hand out to visitors.

Schools represented at the fair will be: Archbishop Williams High School, Belmont Hill School, Boston College High School, Buckingham, Browne and Nichols School, Catholic Memorial High School, Cushing Academy, Dana Hall School, Gould Academy, Governor Dummer Academy, Groton School, The Gunnery, Holderness School, The Hotchkiss School, Kent School, Kimball Union Academy, Lawrence Academy, Milton Academy, Noble and Greenough School, Northfield-Mt. Hermon School, Phillips Academy, Phillips Exeter Academy, Pomfret School, Proctor Academy, Roxbury Latin School, St. George's School, St. Paul's School, St. Sebastian's School, Tabor Academy, Thayer Academy, Taft School, Walnut Hill School and Westover School.

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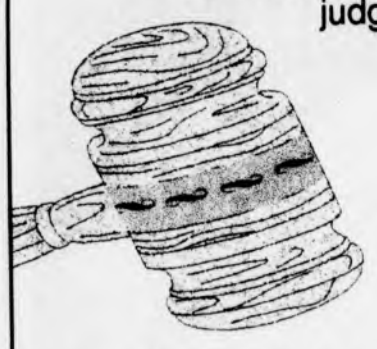

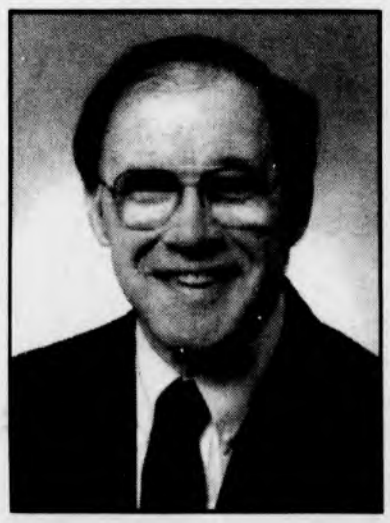

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Art notes

Photos exhibited at James Library

James Library Center for the Arts, Norwell, will present the "Enright Collection," an exhibit of award-winning photographs by Judith and Sean Enright of Norwell, during the month of September. This is their first combined mother-son showing, featuring scenes in Kenya, India, Nepal, China, Ireland, Europe and parts of the United States.

The exhibit is open weekdays from 2 to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., marking the first in the season's monthly art exhibits in the James Gallery, 24 West St., Norwell Center.

Proceeds from the sale of any photographs will be donated to the Irish studies program at Stonehill College in memory of the late Police Sgt. John J. Enright, Sean's father and Judith's husband.

For further information about the "Enright Collection," call 659-7100.

Art center lists fall courses

South Shore Art Center, 119 Ripley Road, Cohasset, is offering courses and workshops this fall. Registration will continue through Sept. 17. For the first time, there will be special classes for young people in grades 9-12.

Janet Killian will travel from Sturbridge to teach a class in beginning and intermediate Chinese brush painting. Other new adult courses include design and form, color theory and expression for artists, themes and techniques in photography, papermaking and handcoloring black and white photographs. Adult classes are offered in the day and evening for all levels of ability and include drawing, oil, acrylic, figure drawing, monoprinting, watercolor, clay and colored pencil.

Courses for grades 9-12 include monoprinting on the press, with artist Esther Maschio; learning the techniques of additive and subtractive, viscosity, trace and cognate. Yard art, the creation of environmental yard art sculpture, is also offered.

Young artist classes include creative sculpture, expressions and impressions in printmaking, folk arts and crafts from around the world, "The Artist and the Book," which includes illustration techniques of children's favorite authors, handbuilding and wheel, creative sculpture and 3rd dimensional clay.

Holiday workshops run throughout the year.

New faculty members at SSAC include Ruthe Sholler, a former art specialist with Hingham Public Schools; Melinda Sokoloff, a teacher at the Museum School, New England School of Art & Design and Cambridge Center for Adult Education; Anne Heywood, an associate member of the Pastel Society of America, whose work is featured in the new "Best of Pastels" book; and Susan Fusco-Fazio, who has taught at Wheelock College and the Museum of Fine Arts.

To register or request a brochure, call 383-ARTS. The center is wheelchair accessible.

Donna Green book-signing at Bowl & Board

Local artist Donna Green will participate in the 30th anniversary celebration of Hingham's Bowl & Board by autographing copies of her books for interested readers. The event will take place Saturday, Sept. 14, from 10 a.m. to noon.

Green's paintings are prized by collectors throughout the world and have appeared in exhibitions in Stockholm and The White House. Her art also appears in seven popular hardcover books, including her best-seller "To My Daughter, With Love," which she also authored. Her latest book is a new edition of Margery Williams' classic tale, "The Velveteen Rabbit."

For more information, call 749-5451.

Conservatory offers classes for all ages

South Shore Conservatory has introduced new fall classes, which begin the week of Sept. 16.

Musicians and non-musicians alike may participate in the Conservatory's "Exploring Music" program. Under the direction of SSC faculty member Rich Begel, the class examines reasons behind individual tastes in music. All styles of music will be explored, as well as the emotional content of performances and the "color change" in music.

"Creativity in Musicianship" is offered at two levels to help musicians, fourth grade through adult, improve their playing or, for vocalists, their singing. Concepts explored in the class include musical thought, imagery, philosophy of music and practice skills.

For younger students in first through third grade, the Conservatory introduced "Miniature Musiking" for the first time this summer. In the class, children learn to recognize different instrument families by sound while acting out "Peter and the Wolf." They sing songs and participate in games involving movement, dance, beat keeping and instrument playing.

For young children ready to begin the transition from home to school, SSC's one-day First Time Playschool program helps ease the transition. Children are introduced to music in the arts-based program, which promotes interaction with other children.

A "Joy of Music" class offers children an introduction to music through song, rhyme, game playing and movement. In recorder class and "Guitar Fun," children learn simple music making.

Vocal instructor Sarah Moran Smith is teaching "Young Songsters" and "Young Singers" programs to children interested in group singing.

In addition to piano and voice lessons, SSC now offers private lessons on fiddle.

For further information or to enroll in a class for the fall semester, call 749-7565 (Hingham) or (617) 934-2731 (Duxbury).

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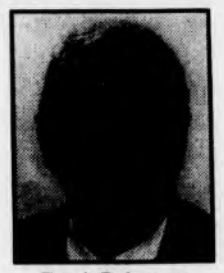

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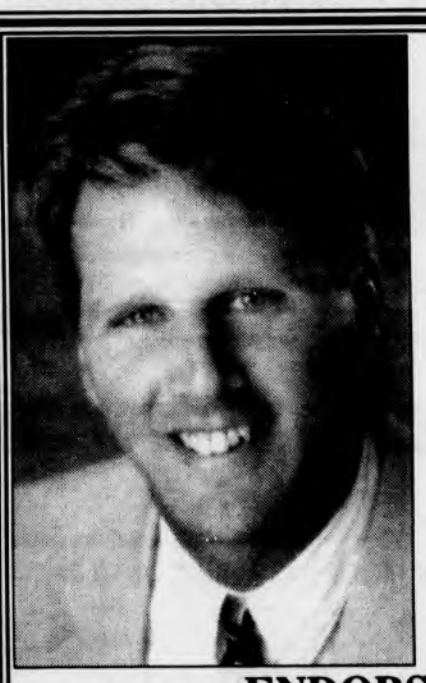

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As part of its "Music at St. Stephen's Concert Series," St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset, will present mezzo-soprano Evelyn Czaja in recital Sunday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m. Dr. Elaine Kwon will accompany Czaja in works of Bach, Schubert, Donizetti, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Persichetti and Dvorak.

Czaja sang with the former Repertory Opera Theater of Oak Park, Ill., Chicago Opera Theater, DuPage Opera in Illinois, Lake Shore Symphony and the Northwest Symphony. She is an avid stage director and has been music director for several area high school musicals.

Czaja holds a bachelor of music degree from Rosary College, Illinois, and a master of arts in applied vocal pedagogy from Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago. She also teaches private voice and is a member of the Music Teachers National Association, National Association of Teachers of Singing, Musicians Club of Women and MacDowell Artists Association.

The church is located at 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset, and is handicapped accessible. Free-will offerings will be accepted at the concert. For more details, call 383-1083.

SSCC offers fall classes

South Shore Community Center is accepting registrations for fall classes.

Offerings include: **Computer Kids,** Tuesdays, beginning Sept. 24, for 10 weeks ($90/$95 non-members); **Keyboarding for Kids,** Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 30, for five weeks ($80/$85NM); **Gym Dandy** with Mary Foley, which runs for eight weeks, with classes for children ranging from newborn to 18 months ($54/$64NM); **Dance** for children with instructor Donna Viau, beginning Sept. 17 for 10 weeks, Tuesdays (street dance, ballet and jazz, Dance Visions) and Wednesdays (Creative Magic Dance, pre-ballet/jazz, dance theater and advanced dance theater) ($67.50/$77.50NM); **Bowling Clinic,** ($40, $46/NM, 10 weeks); **Tai Chi** for beginners and advanced students (form and push classes), $70/$80NM or both classes for $130/$140NM; **Living Lean,** Wednesday, Sept. 25, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., presented by nutritionist Patricia Messing ($35/$38 NM).

For more information about classes or to register, call SSCC at 383-0088.

Teen Center news

The Teen Center will be open Friday and Saturday, Sept. 13 and 14, from 7 to 10 p.m.

On Friday, Sept. 20, Rahul Roy will visit the Teen Center from 5 to 7 p.m. Roy is a guitarist, teacher and leader of his own band. He will conduct a workshop and demonstrate various types of music, including jazz, blues and rock 'n roll.

Following the workshop, students will be able to jam with Rahul, and are encouraged to bring their own instruments.

Magic show and ice cream social

Grandparents' Day, featuring a magic show and ice cream social, will be held from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m., Sept. 15, at the South Shore Community Center, 3 North Main St. Adults are free, children are $1.50. Everyone must have a ticket because of limited space. Call 383-0088 for more information. This event is sponsored by the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Hingham Institution for Savings, and Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream of Hingham.

Chamber music concert Sept. 14

A special evening of chamber music will be presented Saturday, Sept. 14, at 8 p.m. at Broad Cove House, Hingham, by the Broad Cove Players. The group of musicians, who have accompanied Broad Cove Chorale and the Unicorn Singers over the years, have again joined forces to present a concert to benefit the organization and provide the audience with a varied program.

A champagne reception will follow the concert, which will display the talents of the six instrumentalists and a vocal quintet. Music by Mozart, Schumann, Milhaud, Dvork and Ibert will be performed.

The Broad Cove Players include Cheryl Ange, flute; Muriel Bledsoe, clarinet; Turner Bledsoe, oboe; Roger McClentic, bassoon; Annalisa Peterson, French horn; and Allen Balsbaugh, piano.

All seats for the concert are reserved, with a donation of $15 payable in advance. As a complement to an end-of-summer supper party, tickets may be booked at a special $10 per person rate for parties of six or more whose donation is received by Tuesday, Sept. 10.

Call 749-6561 for more information. Mail checks payable to Broad Cove Chorale to 66 Lincoln St., Hingham 02043.

Fall recreation programs noted

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Thursday — Grades 4-6, flag football, Osgood Field, 3 to 5 p.m.

Each program meets for two hours weekly for a five-week period. Some programs will have to be postponed due to inclement weather. Please call the Recreation Office at 383-6791 after 1 p.m. for program status.

Children may bring snacks and drinks and must be picked up promptly.

Checks are payable to: Town of Cohasset. Checks and forms may be either dropped off at the Recreation Office or mailed to Cohasset Recreation Department, 41 Highland Ave.

Fee schedules: one child in any five-week program, $23; second child, $20.

Two-day program: first child, $40; second child, $18; third child, free.

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Last year's drought is history

Scoring is coming quick for Lady Skippers

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The team had nearly a dozen chances in every game last year. Shots would go just wide or clang against the post. No matter how hard they tried, the Cohasset High's varsity field hockey players had problems scoring goals.

At 1-1 on the season through Wednesday, the Lady Skippers already have four tallies.

Lauren Dooley, who looks to be this year's top playmaker on the squad assisted on Megan Connolly's goal in Monday's tight 2-1 loss to East Bridgewater on the team's first game on Alumni Field.

The disappointment of the opening win was short-lived, however, as Conolly netted a pair and Kristen Reynolds, in her first season, slammed home her first goal ever in Cohasset's exhausting 3-2 non-league win over Marshfield.

Jo Hurley had a big offensive output with a pair of assists and Emily Collins added one.

Head coach Debby Bostwick said Dooley has been the difference in the two games so far.

"She's the key playmaker in setting up the goals," Bostwick said. "And she's beating everyone to the ball."

Katie Buckley, Hurley and Collins all played well in limiting Marshfield's range to the goal and netminder Jackie Hurley stopped three big shots in the latter stage of the game to frustrate the Lady Rams from closing the gap.

Cohasset should be able to mount serious offensive threats this season with Connolly, Dooley and the play of links Alia Afshar and Buckley. Sweeper Katie Devine should have a big season and Reynolds will only get better with more experience.

Eighth-grader Kelly Lourden and Jill Magner are both on the varsity squad and will be ready to play in Friday's game against Notre Dame of Hingham.

"Hopefully we'll capitalize on the win," Bostwick said.

Cohasset's Katie Buckley (Left) breaks down the field with a teammate close in tow.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

The gymnasts of the future take a group break suring a practice at the South Shore Community Center in Cohasset.
Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni

Girl booters are rock solid all-around

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset High varsity soccer coach Maureen O'Day-Clark says defending Division 3 State champ Hanover, East Bridgewater and Abington look to be the three strongest teams in the South Shore League this season.

But after the top three, O'Day-Clark believes just about anything can happen within the SSL.

"Those teams are all going to be good and Hull has a new coach (Colleen Reale of Rockland), so you never know.

"I think it will be a good season."

O'Day-Clark has good reason for optimism.

The Lady Skippers are coming off a season where they advanced all the way to the Division 3 South Sectional semifinals before losing a heartbreaking 1-0 game to Dover-Sherborn.

Cohasset has a healthy mix of talented freshmen and anxious seniors, eager to return to the tournament and advance even further than in '95.

The Lady Skippers don't have a team that will fold once the tournament comes along. Save for Hanover's Lauren Trechok, Cohasset just may have the best goaltender in the league with Catie Campbell between the posts.

"She's right up there," O'Day-Clark said.

The veteran squad also includes forward Kathleen Fitzsimmons, right midfielder Andrea Freeman, center midfielder Andrea Grew, left fullback Emily Henderson and right fullback Rebecca Jenkins. Kelly O'Donnell starts at the center midfield position, while juniors Hannah Begin and Ali Kinchla have impressed O'Day-Clark at sweeper and stopper, respectively.

"They're really strong back there," she said. "Ali's more aggressive than she was last year."

Freshman Eileen Ridge should complement Fitzsimmons nicely up front, giving the Lady Skippers that much more of an offensive punch.

"She's really aggressive," O'Day-Clark said. "I think her and Kathy are going to be real good up top."

O'Day-Clark doesn't single out any superstars on the team, but believes Cohasset will thrive on its teamwork.

"They're all equally important," she said. "They have experience under their belt."

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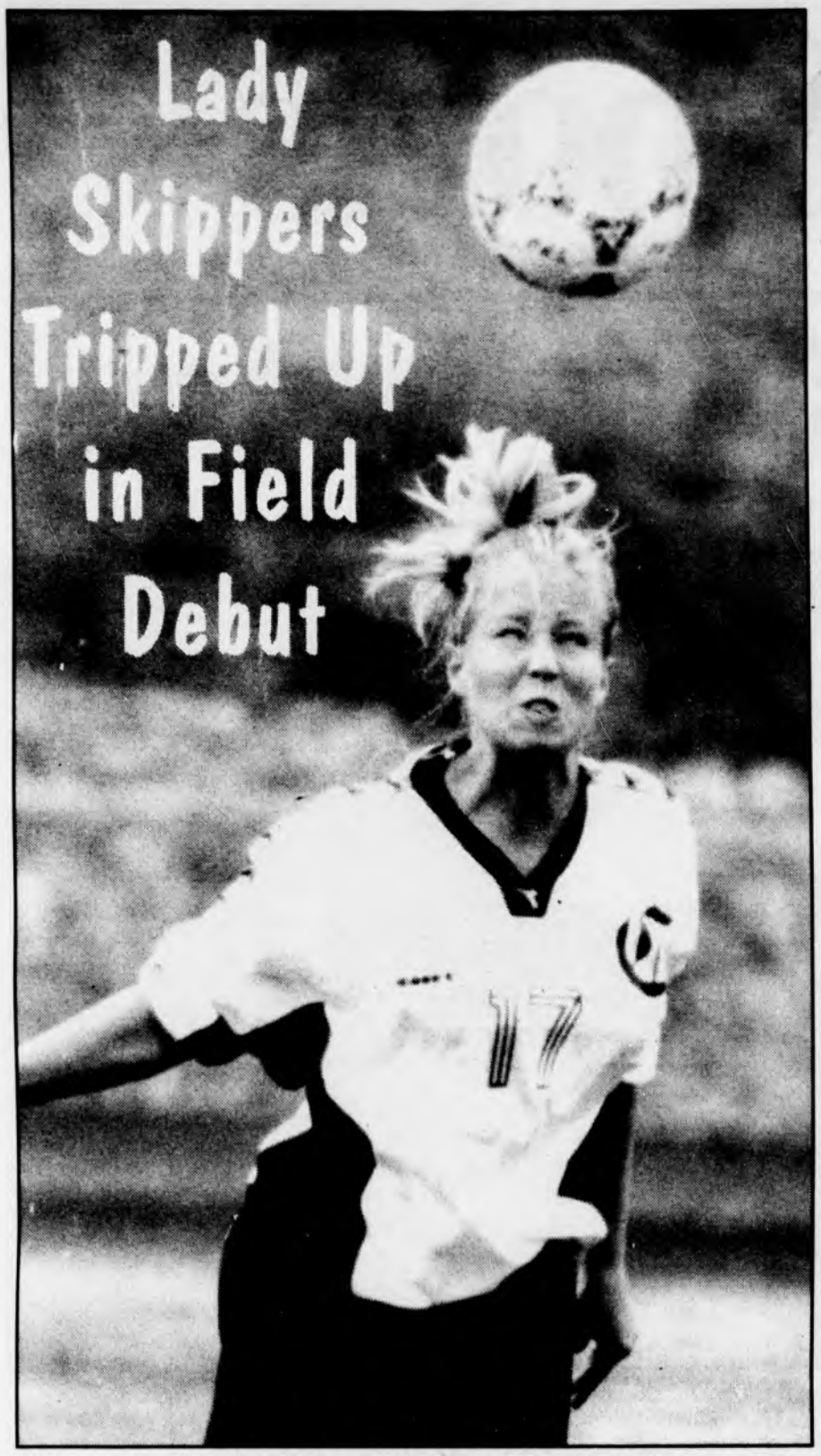
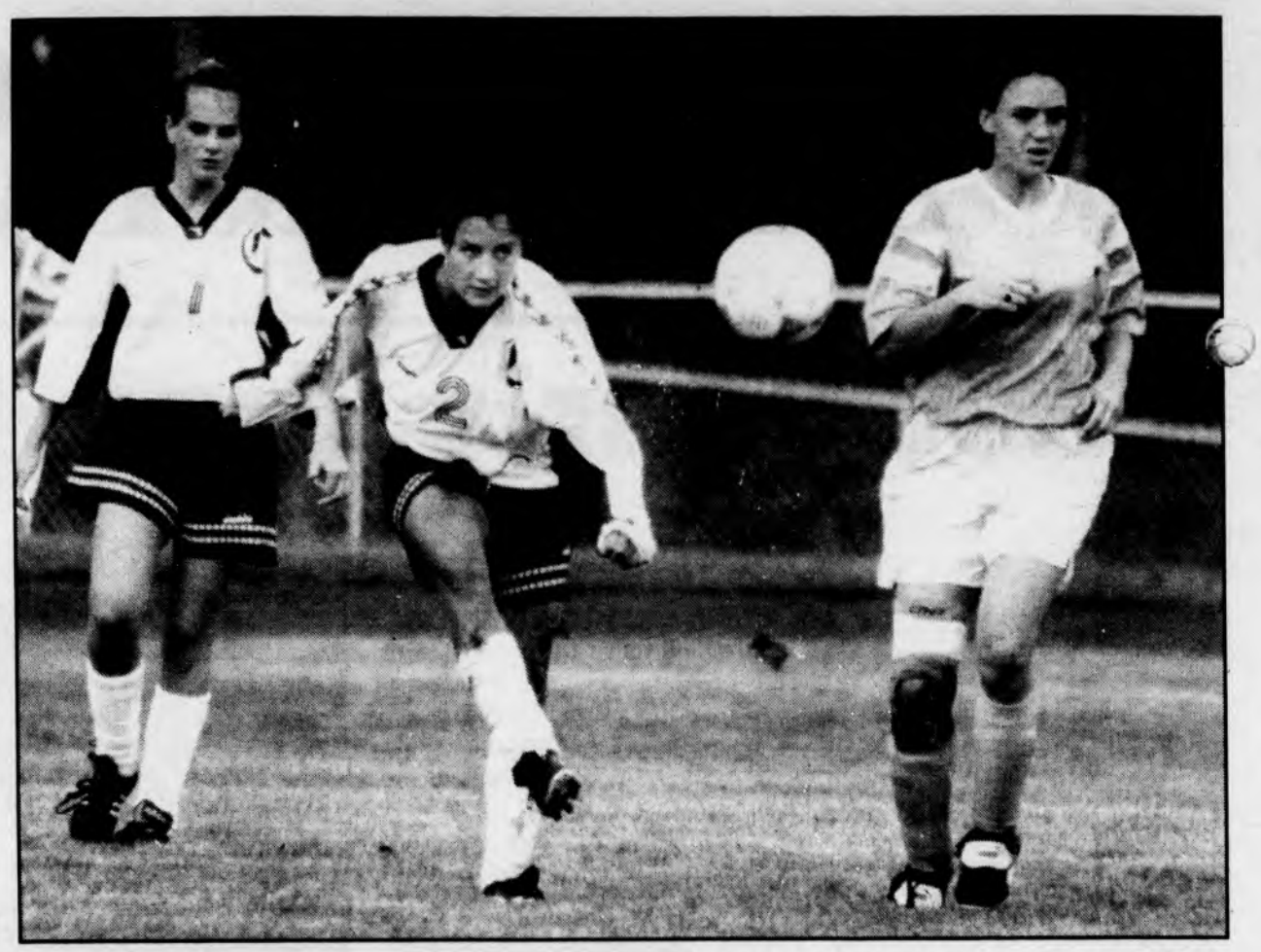
Lady Skippers Tripped Up in Field Debut

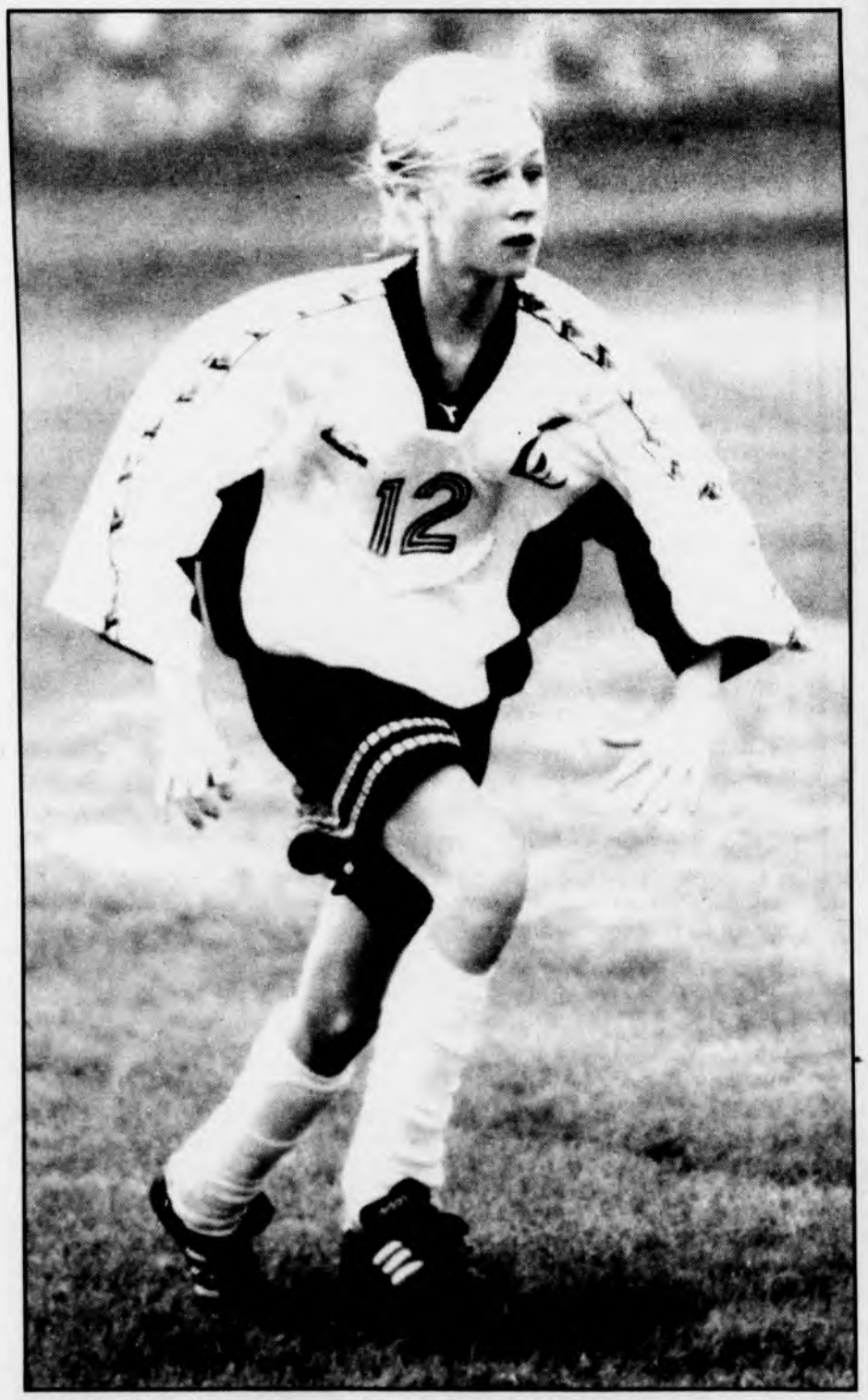


Rebecca Jenkins heads the ball away from the Cohasset goal.



Andrea Freeman (2) passes upfield as Andrea Grew (7) watches from behind.

Lady Skipper goalkeeper Catie Campbell darts to cover up a loose ball.



Freshman Eileen Ridge follows play up the field.

(Above) Rebecca Jenkins clers the ball from the goal area during the Cohasset High varsity girls soccer team's 3-0 loss to East Bridgewater. The Lady Skippers were the first team to play on Alumni Field.

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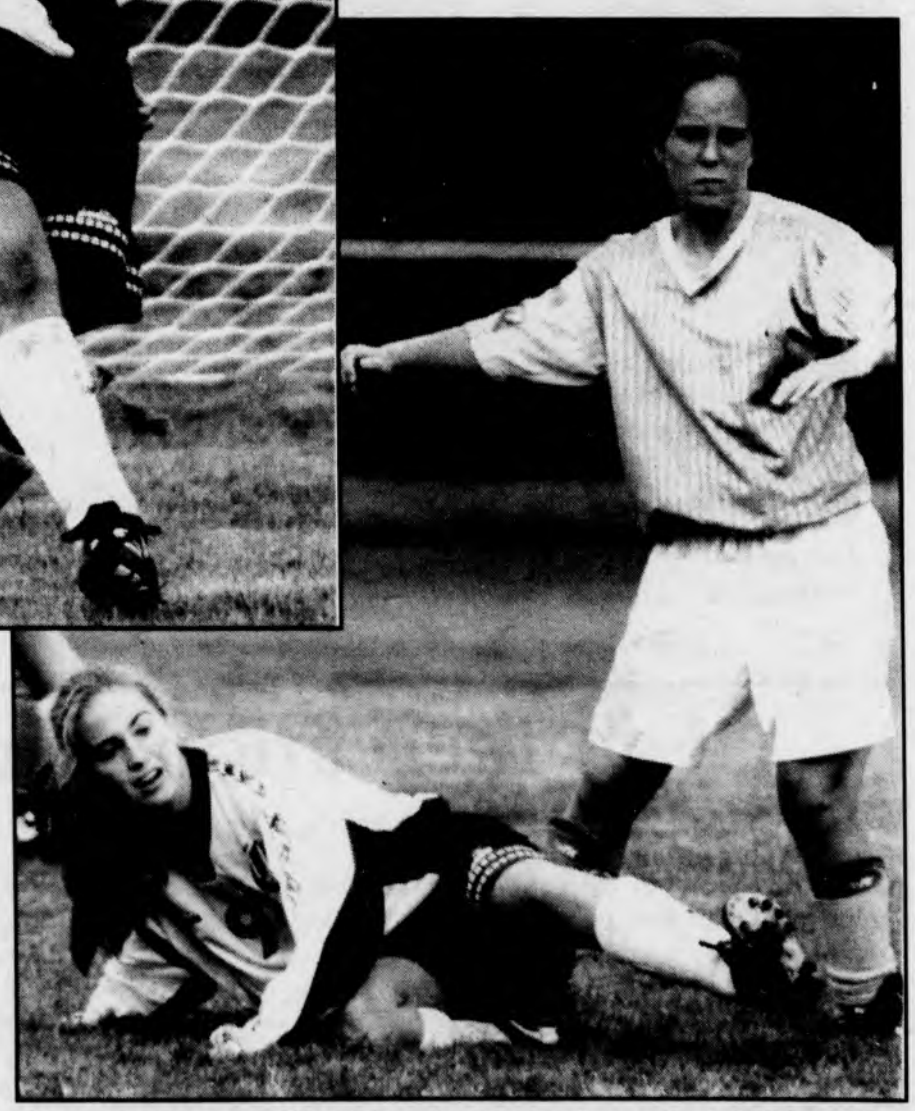
Alan Chapman



Hannah Bregan (9) slides in front of an East Bridgewater attacker to know the ball away to one of her Lady Skipper teammates.

Mariner Sports

New look for Sharks' cheerleaders

Sunday's Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football games against Middleboro also featured some fancy footwork and acrobatic moves by youth cheerleaders at the Scituate High School field.

Wearing new uniforms purchased during the off season and paid for by contributions collected by a can drive at the town landfill, girls in three age groups provided half-time entertainment during the three games attended by several hundred spectators.

The girls have been practicing since mid-August, putting in as much time as the football players. In some instances girls practiced in the off season attending gymnastics classes.

Cheerleading coordinator Judy Pollard said the girls take their performances just as seriously as the football players.

The cheerleaders are divided into three age groups: Mites, PeeWees and Midgets.

The following is a list of cheerleaders and their coaches:

Mites: Kimberly Berlo, Tracie Berry, Amelia Butman, Shawna Cahill, Britney Colaneco, Anna Congo, Kristin Dillon, Carly Donovan, Katherine Donovan, Meaghan Donovan, Lindsay Durkan, Samantha Fishman, Joanna Gattuso, Ashley Greene, Katherine Gustafson, Sheila Harris, Sarah Judge, Brittany Lawrence, Bridget Murray, Amanda Nelson, Vanessa Plante, Mary Previte, Elizabeth Sienkiewcz, Sara Sousa, Katie Vaughn, and Kelli Wright. Head coach is Cinda Donocan. Junior coaches are Courtney Barnard, Debbie Page, Shannon Perry and Sunni Fidler. Mascots are Nicole Wright and Diana Crowley.

PeeWees: Nicole Bonomi, Meredith Byrne, Samantha Canton, Kelly Dillon, Jocelyn Liberty, AeJa Kuhn, Jacqueline Hayes, Lauren Hewins, Lila McCormack, Colleen McInerney, Katie Niland, Marissa Orlando, Erin Perry, Amber Phinney, Nicole Plante, Ryan Simpson, Courtney Tracy and Shawna Wright. Head coach is Michelle Bonomi. Junior coaches are Courtney Costello, Chantal Boudreau, Kelly O'Connor and Stacey Heman. Mascot is Sara Noonan.

Midgets: Samantha Alongi, Melissa Bonomi, Maura Callis, Kristen Conroy, Jill Duddy, Catlin McCormack, Keelin Mone, Kathryn O'Donnell, Kimberley Pollard, Lauren Vreeland and Dawn Smith. Coach is Kathy Duddy. Junior coaches are Louisa Sullivan, Anna Steverman, Robin Avila, Meaghan Rota and Kim Giacomozzi. Mascot is Michelle Pollard.

Midgets blank Middleboro 21-0

Record number compete in league this fall

The Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football Midgets continued their winning ways from last year with a convincing 21-0 win over Middleboro Sunday in a game which featured two touchdown passes by quarterback Mike Conroy and some key tackles by linebacker Brian Swider late in the game to preserve the shutout.

Dan O'Brien, who himself was a star quarterback for Scituate High School from 1987 to 1991 and who played youth football in Scituate, is coaching a team which has many new members from last year's squad which made the first round of the playoffs in the Old Colony Youth Football League.

The Scituate-Cohasset team, which is nicknamed the Sharks, were right in their element on the soggy Scituate High School field.

The scoring opened with a nine yard touchdown pass in the first period to David Butterworth who scampered across the end zone to the cheers of a couple of hundred parents and and friends who attended the game despite the threat of rain all day.

The game then settled into a defensive struggle. Coach O'Brien noted that it was strong defensive play that kept the Sharks pumped up. One such play was a fumble recovery by linebacker Nick Sousa in the first period.

Quarterback Conroy connect-

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PERSONAL FINANCE

A raging bull now shrieks 'Sell!'

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Despite leaving Wall Street powerhouse Shearson Lehman two years ago, stock market guru Elaine Garzarelli can still shatter the markets. Last July, she rattled an edgy Dow Jones industrial average when CNBC-TV broadcast her sell signal, causing the market to tank over a two-day period. In late August, the 44-year-old market prognosticator told her 70,000 individual and 100 institutional clients that a proprietary model of 14 indicators she uses to assess the health of the U.S. stock market gave her an ominous "sell" signal.

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One indicator showed that corporate cash flow isn't keeping up with earnings; a total of eight indicators rang a sell signal, too. In addition to those indicators, Garzarelli also says the yield on the 10-year bond is now three times greater than the S&P 500 dividend yield. "Whenever that yield is 2.5 times greater, it's a bearish sign," she says. "Prior to the '87 crash, it was 3.3 times greater."

As a result, Garzarelli is now telling her clients to move into cash, as she expects corporate profits to slow later this year and in 1997. These numbers, Garzarelli says, are prima facie evidence that investors are in for a bleak spell. "We could not just have a 1990 type of bear market," she now says. "We could actually crash."

Garzarelli's fire-engine red sell signal has been a rarity in recent years. Her model has been either bullish or neutral about the outlook for U.S. stocks since 1990, and the last time it suggested that stocks should be sold was back in 1989. Nevertheless, Garzarelli, a quantitative analyst with an emphasis in sectors and an economist by training, has stuck fast to her most recent sell signal for the last two months. She expects consumer durables (automobiles, appliances, boats,) to underperform the economy through the second quarter of 1997.

Furthermore, Garzarelli says consumer nondurables and services (banking, insurance hair salons, spas) should outperform the market throughout all of next year. Garzarelli is also saying she expects a recession to smack the U.S. economy by next year. "Historically," she says, "in a sideways to down market associated with economic slowdowns or slight recessions, six industries tend to outperform the S&P 500 quite consistently. They (include) electric utilities, household products like soaps, natural gas, and oil, including those that manufacture drilling equipment."

Garzarelli's recent bearish turn, though, has gotten her into heaps of trouble. Last July, the high-profile strategist who predicted the '87 crash turned bull to bear in a matter of days, an abrupt turnaround that augured a widespread market sell-off. Yet, her about-face left some confused. Critics hammered Garzarelli for her flip-flop, and derided her forecasting skills in numerous articles that appeared in dailies across the country.

With that zigzag, Garzarelli became the latest poster ogre on the street. Many market watchers were bewildered by her turnaround. "I don't know how you go from being decidedly overweighted in stocks to underweighted in a three-day period," a sector analyst for Merrill Lynch wondered.

"How does that help her clients? She made brokers rich, but not her clients."

But Garzarelli says she had a reasonable explanation for her change of mind. Here's what happened.

On Sunday, July 21, The New York Times quoted Garzarelli as saying the stock market correction was over. "The market can have a fairly nice move," she said, concluding that "the market could go up to 6400 at current interest-rate levels." But Tuesday, July 23, Bloomberg Business News and CNBC-TV reported that Garzarelli had changed her mind. That day, she told 60 institutional clients (including Dean Witter and Fidelity) in a telephone conference that stocks could fall as much as 25 percent from their highs in May and June. She recommended investors sell their stocks immediately and go to "maximum cash," the same as nine years ago. When her call hit the wires, what had been a 40-point gain for the Dow Jones Industrials melted down to a 44-point loss; the market lost another 76 points more early Wednesday before the selling subsided.

Garzarelli explains, "The most recent data I was relying on was my two-week report that came out in the beginning of July. By the middle of the month, I was just getting the new data and the revisions for the cash flow numbers. Every two weeks I sit down and run the complete model and look at the earnings revisions. The reality is, the numbers I use, and that everyone else gets, are constantly revised by both the government and corporations. When I talked to the Times reporter on Wednesday, we hadn't yet started the new report, which we planned to do that Saturday."

Over the weekend, Garzarelli updated her model. On Monday at 2 p.m., her assistant, Alida Melkonian, faxed the first quarter corporate cash flow indicators to her East Hampton home — that low revenue figure couldn't withstand an interest rate crunch, so her numbers said sell. "I thought, something has to be wrong here," says Garzarelli. "But Alida checked it and checked it. And there it was. I said to Alida, what are we going to do? My report doesn't come out for two weeks."

Garzarelli knew at that point that she was about to impale herself on the twin horns of a moral dilemma — should she wait and risk having her clients suffer the consequences, or should she contradict herself, jeopardize her reputation and tell her clients? "I decided, in an emergency like this, I should tell my clients to sell," she says. "I wanted to do the right thing."

But before Garzarelli could notify her individual customers, David Rolfe, chief investment officer at one of her institutional clients, Wedgewood Partners, Inc., in St. Louis, leaked her sell signal to Bloomberg, which then broadcasted her call. "I never talked to anybody in the press at all, I wanted to talk to my clients first," says Garzarelli. "I have an agreement with my clients not to talk to the press until a week after my report is released. But CNBC showed an old video clip of me talking, that made it seem as if I was giving an interview at that moment for its show. We got a lot of subscriber cancellations and some really horrible letters."

Once one of Wall Street's premier soothsayers, Garzarelli left her position as Lehman Brothers' premier sector analyst in Oct. 1994, the victim of cost-cutting and a clash with management after Lehman sold its retail securities business which catered to individual investors. "Lehman wanted to raise my sector fund's fees, and I objected," says Garzarelli. Lehman officials also asked Garzarelli to accept a 50 percent cut in her $1.5 million salary. She opted to shuck her 10-year career at the firm instead.

In March 1995, Garzarelli flung open the doors to her new money management and institutional research firm, Garzarelli Capital Management, in Boca Raton, home of Chris Evert and Wall Street powerhouse Muriel Siebert. She maintains homes in Boca Raton, New York City, and East Hampton.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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Mariner Sports

Cohasset Alumni Field dedication attracts all ages

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a lot of old friends.

"Let the games begin in earnest."

In all, 31 of the alumni classes were represented. Larry Shultz, who sits on several of the project committees, said many of the committee members continued working on the project even after their own children graduated from the high school. Shultz himself had three boys who all played soccer basketball and baseball.

"This is a dream come true," he said. "We've been working on this for 10 to 15 years.

"You just can't stop doing this stuff. It really gets inside you."

The Cohasset Parent School Organization (PSO) were busy handing out drinks and snacks at the end of the ceremony, but members were able to attend the gathering while it was in progress.

"It was great," said Darilynn Evans, a PSO member. "It was great to see such a good turnout from the town."

Also in attendance was Greg Koval, a member of the last undefeated football team and a track athlete as well. Koval played under lights once in high school when Cohasset took on Foxboro in the league jamboree when it was held in Middleboro.

"It's an unbelievable improvement," Koval said as he scanned the field. "What we used to play on, and the cinder track we used to run on. This is great. I can't imagine running on a track like this.

"Lights! My God!"

Backup quarterback and starting safety on this year's varsity football team, 10th-grader Justin Golden said Friday night couldn't come quick enough.

"We're really looking forward to the first game," Golden said. "We're ready to go and we're going to come out all fired up.

"I think there will be a lot more people there than if it was held on a Saturday. It's more exciting than a Saturday."

Golden enjoyed the ceremony and knows the excitement of the new facility and track goes beyond that of the high school athletes.

"I thought it was nice," he said. "We know it's going to be well taken care of. It means a lot to the town."

Cheerleading Co-Captain Courtney Goff holds the ribbon as soccer Captain Catie Campbell cuts the ribbon, while the other captains look on.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Midgets blank Middleboro

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ed for his second touchdown with a 15-yard pass to end Craig Davis in the third quarter.

David Butterworth added his second score of the afternoon in the third quarter with a game busting 60-yard romp into the end zone in the third period. Butterworth's brother, running back Bryan Butterworth, also added to the point total with a two-point conversion.

Coach O'Brien said linebacker Brian Swider made "several solid tackles" in the fourth quarter to lock up the win against a tough Middleboro squad that had several opportunities to score.

Middleboro's youth football teams fared better in the Pee-Wee and Mites games, which were played prior to the Midgets on the same field.

The Pee-Wee Sharks were entrenched in a defensive struggle all morning with Middleboro and lost 14-0. But coach Domenic Laundani, who has many first year players in his age division, said he was impressed with the grit of his players.

Even though the Sharks were unable to score Laundani said the offense had some flashes of spark including a 25-yard pass from quarterback Sean Conton to tight end Patrick Filipi near the end of the first half which he almost broke for a TD. Conton also connected with a nifty dump pass to fullback Danny Hughes in the third quarter, but Hughes was dragged down from behind by a dogged Middleboro linebacker.

In the first of three Shark football games of the day, Scituate's Shark Midgets, the youngest age group in local youth football, were outscored by Middleboro 26-0.

In addition to the scoring on the field, some other numbers were racked up with Jennifer Byrne of Scituate winning a $50 raffle.

The galley reported selling 16 cases of soda, five gallons of chili donated by T. K. O'Malley's restaurant, 49 pizzas from Papa Gino's, 160 hamburgers and 150 hot dogs.

Scituate-Cohasset Youth Football and Cheerleading has a record number of uniformed players this year. The program, which has grown steadily over the last four years has 58 players in the Mites division coached by Jack Carroll; 56 players in the Pee-Wees and 40 players in the Midgets division.

Fall recreation schedule

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programs not meet. The week of Oct. 21 through Oct. 25 will be utilized for make-up classes if necessary.

Children may bring snack/drinks to programs and all children must be picked up prior to, or promptly at the concluding program times. Children may stay after school to participate once parental permission is given on the registration form.

Please complete registration form, calculate appropriate fee and make checks payable to Town of Cohasset. Checks and forms may be either dropped off at the Recreation Office or mailed to: Cohasset Recreation Department, 41 Highland Avenue, Cohasset 02025 by Sept. 12.

Fee schedule: One child in any five week program $23; second child $20. Two day program, first child $40; second child $18; third child free.

FAX your sports news to Joe Reardon. 837-4843

Cohasset Fall Sports Schedule

BOYS SOCCER
VARSITY

Sept.	13	Norton	6 p.m.
	16	Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	18	Carver	3:30 p.m.
	24	Hanover	5 p.m.
	26	At Hull	3:30 p.m.
	28	Non-League	
	30	Norwell	6:30 p.m.
Oct.	2	E. Bridgewater	3:30 p.m.
	5	At Abington	5 p.m.
	8	At Norton	3:30 p.m.
	10	At Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	16	At Carver	3:30 p.m.
	21	At Hanover	6:30 p.m.
	23	Hull	3:30 p.m.
	26	At Norwell	5 p.m.

BOYS SOCCER
J.V.

Sept.	13	Norton	4:30 p.m.
	16	Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	18	Carver	3:30 p.m.
	24	At Hanover	3:30 p.m.
	26	At Hull	3:30 p.m.
	28	Non-League	
	30	At Norwell	3:30 p.m.
Oct.	2	E. Bridgewater	3:30 p.m.
	4	Abington	3:30 p.m.
	8	At Norton	3:30 p.m.
	10	At Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	16	At Carver	3:30 p.m.
	21	Hanover	3:30 p.m.
	23	Hull	3:30 p.m.
	25	Norwell	3:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER
VARSITY

Sept.	13	At Norton	3:30 p.m.
	16	At Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	18	At Carver	3:30 p.m.
	24	Hanover	6:30 p.m.
	26	Hull	3:30 p.m.
	30	Norwell	5 p.m.
Oct.	2	At E. Bridgewater	3:30 p.m.
	5	At Abington	7:30 p.m.
	8	Norton	3:30 p.m.
	10	Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	16	Carver	3:30 p.m.
	21	At Hanover	5 p.m.
	23	At Hull	3:30 p.m.
	26	At Norwell	6:30 p.m.

GIRLS SOCCER
J.V.

Sept.	13	At Norton	3:30 p.m.
	16	At Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	18	At Carver	3:30 p.m.
	24	At Hanover	3:30 p.m.
	26	Hull	3:30 p.m.
	30	At Norwell	3:30 p.m.
Oct.	2	At E. Bridgewater	3:30 p.m.
	4	Abington	3:30 p.m.
	8	Norton	3:30 p.m.
	10	Scituate	3:30 p.m.
	16	Carver	3:30 p.m.
	21	Hanover	3:30 p.m.
	23	At Hull	3:30 p.m.
	25	Norwell	3:30 p.m.

FOOTBALL

Sept.	20	E. Bridgewater	7 p.m.
	27	At Abington	7 p.m.
Oct.	4	Norton	6 p.m.
	11	At Scituate	7 p.m.
	18	At Carver	7 p.m.
	25	Holbrook	6 p.m.
Nov.	1	At Hanover	5 p.m.
	8	S. Boston	5 p.m.
	16	At Norwell	1 p.m.
	28	Hull	10 a.m.

J.V. FOOTBALL

Sept.	23	At E. Bridgewater	4 p.m.
	30	Abington	4 p.m.
Oct.	7	At Norton	4 p.m.
	14	Scituate	4 p.m.
	19	Carver	10 a.m.
	28	At Holbrook	TBA
Nov.	4	Hanover	4 p.m.
	18	Norwell	4 p.m.
	TBA	At Hull	TBA

MIDDLE SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Sept.	20	Holbrook
	25 or 26	At Wixon
Oct.	2 or 3	BMS
	9 or 10	Somerset
	16 or 17	At Falmouth
	23 or 24	BMS
	30 or 31	At Mattacheese
Nov.	6 or 7	BYE

FIELD HOCKEY

			Var.	J.V.
Sept.	13	Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	16	At Scituate	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	17	At Carver	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	24	Hanover	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	26	Hull	5:30 p.m.	4 p.m.
	30	At Norwell	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
Oct.				
	2	At E. Bridgewater	7 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
	7	At Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	9	Scituate	5:30 p.m.	4 p.m.
	11	Carver	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	18	At Hanover	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.
	21	At Hull	7 p.m.	5:30 p.m.
	23	Norwell	3:30 p.m.	4:30 p.m.

Police Log

Monday, Aug. 26

12:39 a.m., suspicious (other), N. Main St.

7:01 a.m., MV stop, N. Main/Woodside.

7:32 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.

8:52 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

10:14 a.m., medical aid, Doane St.

3:05 pm., medical aid, Pond St.

3:40 p.m., animal complaint, Arrowwood Rd.

4:30 p.m., disturbance, HQ.

5:24 p.m., traffic safety inspection, Pond St.

8:55 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:03 p.m., MV violations, Rustic Dr.

11:20 p.m., MV stop, Nichols Rd.

11:38 p.m., disturbance, CJC Hwy.

Tuesday, Aug. 27

1:10 a.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

10:27 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

1:15 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.

1:46 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

3:12 p.m., disturbance (general), S. Main St.

3:28 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

4:18 p.m., suspicious (other), CJC Hwy.

Wednesday, Aug. 28

12:20 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:23 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:46 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

8:10 a.m., MV violations, Ripley Rd.

8:38 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

3:00 p.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

6:38 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

7:51 p.m., investigation, CJC Hwy.

7:57 p.m., disturbance (family), Atlantic Ave.

9:48 p.m., MV stop, Lamberts Ln.

10:01 p.m., disturbance, Lighthouse Ln.

11:23 p.m., MV violations, Beechwood St.

Thursday, Aug. 29

12:17 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

1:35 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

6:47 a.m., threats (bodily harm), the Harbor.

7:32 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:39 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:23 a.m., medical id, Hollett St.

12:43 p.m., officer wanted, Doane St.

12:56 p.m., by-law violation, CJC Hwy.

2:21 p.m., disturbance family, Highland Ct.

3:12 p.m., by-law violation, Border St.

6:03 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:33 p.m., officer wanted, Town Parking Lot.

7:23 p.m., annoying phone calls, Sankey Rd.

7:29 p.m., general services, Elm Ct.

9:47 p.m., noise complaint, Square.

11:09 p.m., MV stop, Border St.

Friday, Aug. 30

1:09 a.m., MV stop, King St.

1:12 a.m, MV stop, Elm St.

1:54 a.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

7:04 a.m., animal complaint, Hill St.

10:11 a.m., suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.

10:52 a.m., medical aid, Hollett St.

12:08 p.m., medical aid, Church St.

12:30 p.m., suspicious person, Beach St.

12:35 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

1:50 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

3:00 p.m., vandalism, S. Main St.

4:44 p.m., vandalism, S. Main St.

5:03 p.m., general services, HQ.

5:51 p.m., serve restraining order, Highland Ct.

5:52 p.m., medical aid, Clipper Ship Hotel Parking Lot.

7:33 p.m., medical aid, Scituate HS Football Field.

7:57 p.m., officer wanted, Nichols Rd.

7:58 p.m., suspicious auto, Atlantic Ave.

10:09 p.m., MV stop, Brewster Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 31

12:09 a.m., disturbance, N. Main St.

12:10 a.m., disturbance, Aaron River Rd.

12:28 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

12:33 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

12:42 a.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

12:47 a.m., disturbance, King St.

12:50 a.m., MV accident, Sohier St.

1:29 a.m., MV theft, Jerusalem Rd.

4:14 a.m, medical aid, Beechwood St.

8:49 a.m, escort, Elm St.

10:25 .am., disturbance, Lantern Ln.

10:31 a.m., assist citizen, Nichols Rd.

5:40 p.m., MV stop, Hillside.

8:00 p.m., public service, Hingham.

8:11 p.m., assist motorist, Sohier St.

9:16 p.m., arrest, Sohier St., Det. Grassie in with Jason Goodman, DOB: 8/13/77, 76 Abbott Rd. Wellesley. Offenses: disorderly person. Arrested by Ptl. Jones.

9:33 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

9:50 p.m., suspicious auto, S. Main St.

9:50 p.m., assist motorist, Border St.

9:59 p.m., medical aid, Hull St.

10:11 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy.

10:59 p.m, disturbance, Sohier St.

11:32 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

Sunday, Sept.1

12:01 a.m., noise complaint, Barnes Field Parking Lot.

1:45 a.m., medical aid, HQ.

3:48 a.m., assist citizen, Rte. 3A, MaryLou's News.

12:42 p.m, animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

12:58 p.m., medical aid, Turner Rd.

1:39 p.m., officer wanted, Howard Gleason Rd.

1:45 p.m., officer wanted, Parker Ave.

3:24 p.m., officer wanted, Little Harbor.

8:14 p.m., notification, Pond St.

9:09 p.m., assist citizen, HQ.

9:22 p.m., noise complaint, Church St.

9:25 p.m. MV violations, Hull St.

11:20 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

Monday, Sept. 2

12:05 a.m., noise complaint, Elm St.

12:36 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A, Scituate line.

12:37 a.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

4:56 a.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

8:14 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.

1:34 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

2:31 p.m., officer wanted, Sandy Beach.

3:01 p.m., officer wanted, Border St. Bridge.

3:17 p.m., officer wanted, Sandy Beach.

3:33 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.

3:40 p.m., public service, Atlantic Ave.

4:16 p.m., disabled auto, Atlantic Ave.

4:24 p.m., parking violation, Jerusalem Rd.

5:14 p.m., disturbance family, Church St.

6:58 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.

8:03 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

8:47 p.m., larceny, N. Main St.

9:25 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave.

9:54 p.m., wires down (electric), Atlantic Ave.

Tuesday, Sept. 3

12:55 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.

1:23 a.m., suspicious auto, Shaw's Plaza.

1:27 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:38 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

2:19 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

4:12 a.m., officer wanted, Otis Ave.

8:10 a.m., larceny, Hull St.

8:35 a.m., medical aid, Sohier St.

11:29 a.m., medical aid, HQ.

11:40 a.m., animal complaint, Aaron River Rd.

12:10 p.m., assist citizen, Sa[illegible] Beach.

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Arrests down in August, chief says

In his August status report to selectmen, Police Chief Brian Noonan said arrests were down "more than usual" in August.

"There were a total of nine arrests. Two were for assault and battery (domestic), one for violation of a 209A restraining order, two for possession of short lobsters, three for protective custody, and finally, one for being a disorderly person.

"There were also two breaking and enterings reported during the month — one business and one residence," he said.

Noonan said the department received a total of 102, 9-1-1 calls last month.

Noonan said the seasonal police officers have been a big help this summer.

"Our seasonal police officers Christy Tarantino, Jr., and James McLean have been a tremendous help this summer taking some of the burden off of our regular officers who see their workload increase during July and August. I will give you a more formal report next month on their activities," he said in his report.

Another area the department expanded into this summer was police bicycle patrols.

"The bikes received rave reviews from both the businesses and residents," Noonan said.

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1:18 p.m., investigation, Cedar St.
2:10 p.m., MV violations, Atlantic Ave.
2:31 p.m., animal complaint, [illegible]ak St.
2:42 p.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.
5:17 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.
5:33 p.m., general services, HQ.
6:05 p.m., medical aid, Q St.
6:42 p.m., MV accident, Border St.
6:68 p.m., assist citizen, Surry Dr.
8:39 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.
10:23 p.m., disturbance, Border St Bridge.
10:30 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Wed., Sept. 4

12:22 a.m., open door/window, Pond St.
12:48 a.m., suspicious, CJC Hwy.
9:50 a.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.
10:07 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St.
10:13 a.m., public service, Sohier St.
10:25 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd.
10:49 a.m., sex offenses, Cohasset.
2:26 p.m., fire alarm, CJC Hwy.
2:56 p.m., suspicious person, N. Main St.
5:18 p.m., noise complaint, Schofield Rd.
6:27 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.
9:19 p.m., annoying phone calls, Cushing Rd.
10:26 p.m., medical aid, Church St.
11:07 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

Thursday, Sept. 5

7:22 a.m., suspicious person, N. Main St.,
7:28 a.m., arrest, CPD., Louis G. Dimitri, JR. DOB: 4/3/594, warrant.

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NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P2089E1

Estate of FREDERICK L. SWANSON late of QUINCY in the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that CARLA GETTO of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on October 16, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this sixth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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To Sophia C. Stoddard, et al and to all persons interested in the Trust under the Will of Elliot Stoddard late of Cohasset in the County of Norfolk.

A petition has been presented to said Court by Bank of Boston, Trustee of the Trust established under the will of Elliot Stoddard for the benefit of Sophia C. Stoddard, Alexander Stoddard Souther and others (as amended, the "Trust"), pursuant to M.G.L. c/203 S. 25, prays this Honorable Court for authorization to terminate and distribute said Trust, for reasons more fully set out in said petition.

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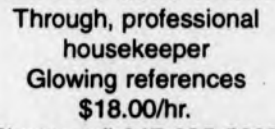

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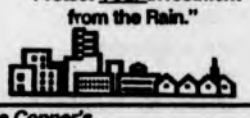

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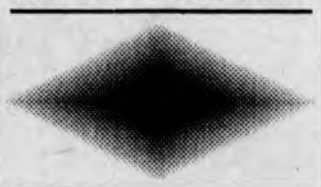

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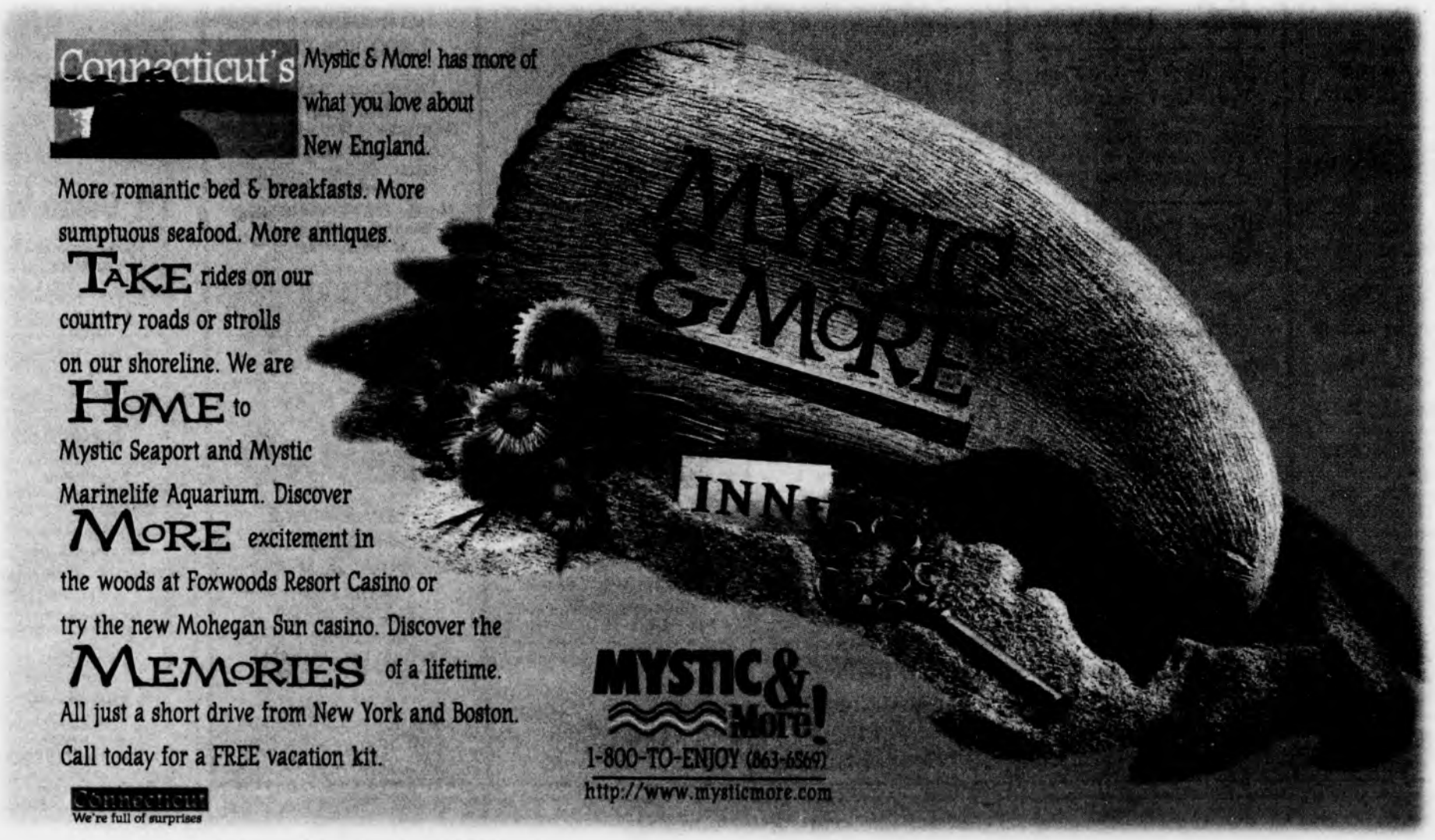

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Hart: school buses are safe

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Citizens who spotted school buses from Scituate and North River Transportation along Cohasset bus routes recently haven't been seeing things.

The state Registry of Motor Vehicles sidelined the entire Cohasset fleet — a total of six school buses — last week because the vehicles which range in age from two to ten years didn't pass inspection.

But Registry charges fleet is a mess

In the interim, the school department has been able to borrow three buses from Scituate and rent three from North River Transportation in Norwell at $170 per day each until the town's buses are back on the road, Supt. of Schools Stephen Hart said.

School officials hope to have the school bus fleet re-inspected and returned to service this week.

All school buses are inspected three times a year in December/January, April/May and August/September, explained Jayne Berry-Steel, public education specialist at the registry. Due to the number of towns involved, not all school departments' buses are inspected before school starts, she said.

Hart, who described the September inspection as "very inconvenient," said this is the first time Cohasset buses were inspected after school opened in September. He said buses can fail inspections even for minor problems. This time Cohasset buses failed because bus lettering did not say "owned and operated by Cohasset". Other problems included the condition of the rubber on the inside wheel cover, on which children in some seats rest their feet; tape the school department used to repair seats was not

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Primary recount possible

Blanks in Weymouth could be questioned

By ROB ROGERS and MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Even the morning after, the contest between Democratic candidates for the 10th Congressional District seat being vacated by U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds remained a horse race between candidates William Delahunt and Phil Johnston.

But with 100 percent of precincts reporting, unofficial results revealed Johnston and Delahunt each had captured 37 percent of the vote. Johnston had a slight lead, 17,422 to 17,207 — less than one half of one percent more votes that were cast for Delahunt.

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Cohasset election workers, Louise Flint and Elizabeth Logan, patiently wait for voters to check in.

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Government Island silt site may be sought

Dredging project plans moves along

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

For a while Government Island, which features the Lightkeepers' Residence — a popular spot for community and social events — could harbor more than some of the town's most historic sites and scenic views.

Officials are considering using an area down by the Sailing Club turn-around at the lower end of town reservation off Border Street to deposit dredged harbor silt until it dries out and can be dumped at an upland landfill.

"Here's the question: No one wants to put the stuff where it's wildly unpopular but the project has to move forward and have local de-watering at some point," said Selectman Peter Pratt, who has been one of the prime movers behind the harbor dredging project.

Finding a site to dry-out the putrefying material is just one step in the complicated process of obtaining the necessary permits and grant funding to get the town's harbor dredged — a project seen as critical by both commercial fishermen and recreational boaters.

The federal channel, which is getting narrower due to silt buildup, hasn't been fully dredged in 35 years. There has been periodic maintenance dredging of the harbor and federal channel since then but the last time a federal/town dredging project of this magnitude was undertaken in Cohasset was in 1939, Pratt said.

With the state's financial help, the town is responsible for dredging areas in the harbor while the Army Corps of Engineers, a federal agency, will tackle the harbor channel, which falls under federal jurisdiction.

A total of $400,000 — including a $300,000 state grant administered by the Waterways Division of the state Department of Environmental Management and a $100,000 town match should cover the town's dredging costs.

The town has spent about $54,000 on engineering costs so far, Pratt said.

Due to the entangled environmental permitting process, the two projects — town and federal — actually piggy-back onto one another, and could start as early as October 1997 if any further possible bureaucratic hurdles are cleared and federal funding is available, Pratt explained.

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Cohasset's Week

Household hazardous waste day is Sept. 21 at pool lot

The Town of Cohasset will hold a Household Hazardous Waste Day at the town pool parking lot off Sohier Street Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Tide chart

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Sept. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 19	4:11	9.4	10:18	4:28	10.3	10:55
Fri. 20	5:06	9.2	11:13	5:25	10.3	11:53
Sat. 21	6:07	9.2	——	6:26	10.3	12:13
Sun. 22	7:09	9.4	12:55	7:29	10.5	1:16
Mon. 23	8:11	9.8	1:56	8:32	10.8	2:18
Tues. 24	9:11	10.3	2:55	9:33	11.2	3:18
Wed. 25	10:06	10.9	3:51	10:29	11.4	4:15
Thurs. 26	10:59	11.3	4:44	11:23	11.6	5:09

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Republican Ray Buckley stands with other placard holders, all Democrats, near town hall on Tuesday. For full election results see page 11.

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Name: Marilee Cantelmo

Occupation: New principal at the Osgood School.

Goal: To provide the best learning environment possible for young children.

Best vacation: Bermuda.

Best day of your life: When I became a parent.

Biggest worry: That the children in our school will always be safe.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite TV show: 'Anne of Avonlea.'

Favorite movie: 'Mr. Holland's Opus.'

Favorite book: Anything by Roald Dahl.

Favorite junk food: Cape Cod Potato Chips.

Most embarrassing moment: When I forget someone's name.

Person you'd most like to meet: Mother Theresa.

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TIN CUP (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:00, 9:40
SHE'S THE ONE (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:30, 9:40
MAXIMUM RISK (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:20, 9:35
MATILDA (PG) 12:45, 3:00, 5:00
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Government Island silt site may be sought

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The 90,000 cubic yards of silt in the federal channel will be scooped out mechanically. It does not contain pollutants and can be dumped in the ocean at the Massachusetts Bay Disposal Area off Gloucester, Pratt said.

The 7,500 cubic yards of silt from the inner harbor will be dredged hydraulically. The areas, which do not pass environmental testing, cannot be dumped in the ocean and must be dried out on land before upland disposal. As the polluted material dries, it must drain into a marine environment, Pratt explained.

After further testing, town officials hope three of the four harbor areas, the town is responsible for dredging — Parker Avenue boat ramp, Cox's Point, and the area between Cox's Point and the Yacht Club — will be suitable for ocean dumping which is less expensive than upland disposal. They concede that the Lawrence Wharf area (near the Olde Salt House) which is contaminated will have to be dumped at a landfill — at a cost of about $120 a cubic yard.

If three out of the four town areas can be "ocean dumped" — the project will be about $77,000 in the black. If upland disposal is required for the silt from the all four harbor sites, the town will be about $100,000 in the red, Pratt said.

Depending on the weather, the drying process can take up to six months, Pratt said. If all four areas in the harbor fail to pass criteria for ocean dumping, the drying material (stored in porous bags) could be stacked nine feet high and cover 1/2 an acre.

Presently, sampling and testing prices are very competitive because of the numerous projects being undertaken and this makes it cost effective to the town to re-test the four areas to be dredged at a cost of $55,400, Pratt said. Two of the four town sites failed previous ocean dumping tests and results on the other two were in dispute, within the agencies involved, so the town was ordered to re-test those two sites, Pratt explained. All four sites will be tested for upland disposal; and three of the four for ocean dumping. Officials hope the Lawrence Wharf area will qualify for upland disposal at a certified landfill and not a toxic waste site, which would increase disposal costs.

Members of the harbor committee and selectmen will take a walking tour of potential silt drying sites in town. Besides the area by the Sailing Club, the Hagerty property and Lawrence Wharf were also suggested. The possibility of bringing in a barge to dry the material will be re-examined by town engineers, officials said.

In the interim, officials are scrambling to compile a "cost benefit analysis" for the state which insists on the need to quantify the advantages dredging has for the commercial fleet and recreational boat before releasing the grant.

On a related note, Pratt said the Cohasset Navigation Act, the law changing the federal lines of jurisdiction in the harbor — enabling the town and yacht club to relocate boat slips increasing mooring space — is attached to another federal act and could become law within two weeks.

Hart: school buses are safe

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up to registry flammability standards; and there was a problem with an emergency door buzzer, he said.

"There was nothing major like breaks or tires," Hart explained.

But the Registry disagrees.

Aubrey Haznar, registry spokesman, said Cohasset "does not know how to manage a garage" and has a history of repeated warnings. He claimed the school department treats the inspections as a joke and does not care about the safety of the public.

Haznar said listed oil leaks, lack of windshield wiper fluid, brooms in the aisles, faulty windshield wipers, no first aid kits, no dome lights, faulty break pads, and fuel pump problems among a myraid of other violations.

"It is pathetic to put children in these buses," he said and charged that the superintendent was "minimizing" the problem.

Hart said he would defy anyone to look at Cohasset buses and say safety was an issue.

"I don't agree with what (Haznar) said at all," Hart said describing several of the violations Haznar listed as "lies."

He noted that all school bus drivers perform a daily check and all school department buses meet manufacturers' specifications .

Berry-Steel said three Cohasset buses failed last spring. One for an improper railing and two for not having "body fluid kits" on board. The kits, which contain a mask, gloves and brush, are used for clean up purposes if a child vomits.

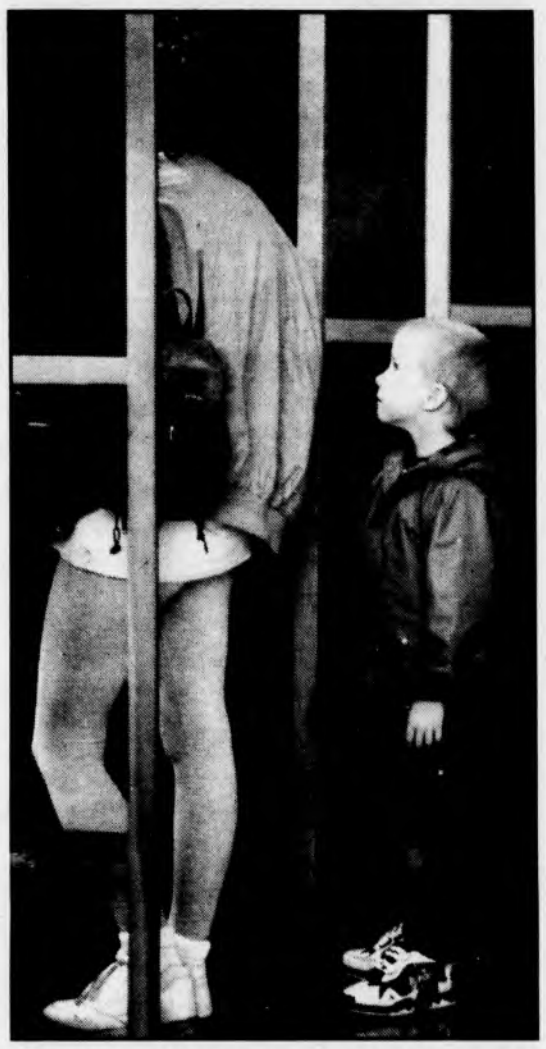
She said the state troopers who perform the inspections "go by the book" and enforce even minor infractions to ensure that the all buses are completely safe for the children.

In a related matter, the school department, which initially planned to ask for two new buses, is considering asking voters at October's special town meeting for money to buy four new school buses. The schools currently have two 1986 buses, two 1987s, one 1989 and one 1994.

Last May, the school department opted to stick with in-house bus service. The cost of the in-house service is $175,000, Hart said. That figure includes replacing buses on an eight-year cycle, insurance, maintenance, fuel and salaries and benefits for drivers.

The lowest bidder (North River Transportation) for the service was $180,000.

Cohasset parents have often commended the bus drivers on their personalized service, a benefit that could be lost if the service was contracted out, school officials said.



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Safety of Lamberts Lane is topic

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

After hearing pleas from concerned neighbors, selectmen decided to take steps this week to solve traffic and safety problems along Lamberts Lane.

About a dozen residents of the narrow, tree-lined street appeared before selectmen on Monday to air their fears and to ask for help in what they view a crisis situation which has been exacerbated lately by plethora of construction vehicles heading to and from the site of new home construction in the neighborhood.

Mary Foley, 184 Lamberts Lane, who acted as spokesman for the neighbors, asked selectmen to address short-term issues such as the lack of visibility on the street and the need for improved lighting and lower speed limits. Down the road, the group wants the street widened and straightened.

"We're appealing to the town to do something now about the street before someone is badly hurt or killed," Foley said.

The board will have 15 miles-per-hour traffic signs posted so the police will have grounds to go after truckers and others who exceed the limit.

Selectmen will also ask building inspector Bob Egan to investigate cutting down trees along the street; to get an estimate about blasting an outcropping of ledge so the road could be straightened; and to look into the street light issue; and to check out the condition of the culvert.

Before the town can take major action to widen or straighten the street, it must solve the dilemma of determining what it can reasonably do because the street is a "private way" which precludes use of any state funds for improvements.

However, the board is not absolutely sure Lamberts Lane is a private way because the planning board treated it as a public way during a site plan review last spring for new homes now being constructed on the street.

Selectmen will ask town counsel to look into the matter to help make a determination if it doesn't require too much research which could be costly.

"No one has researched it enough to make a determination one way or another," Selectman Michael Sullivan said.

The Lamberts Lane neighbors have submitted a citizens petition article for the October special town meeting to address their safety concerns.

Selectmen still need one more citizen to sit on the new committee to study private ways in town. Call the selectmen's office at 383-9900 if interested.

Ten minutes for walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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Train committee readies recommendations

By ANDROMEDA WEISSMANN
Special to the Mariner

More community input is needed concerning the Greenbush railroad restoration project before recommendations can be presented to the Mitigation Committee, the Citizens' Advisory Committee decided at a meeting last Thursday.

The decision came following a discussion of the preliminary draft of the advisory committee's recommendations on the $215 railroad project. The draft addressed citizen concerns about safety crossing the railroad tracks, the effects of noise on the community, and the environmental impact of the project.

At the meeting, each committee member presented a draft section of the report for discussion.

"The first drafts have moved us a long way toward where we need to get to," said committee chairman James Mullen.

However, the members determined there has not been enough public comment to finalize the report, particularly on issues such as the placement of safety fences and walls. Although the committee held two public meetings earlier this year, the second one was attended by only one citizen, which may have been because the meeting was scheduled in between the two sessions of special town meeting last month, Mullen said.

Consequently, the committee will hold a third and final public meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 25, and hopes to finalize its report that evening.

Much of last Thursday's meeting was spent discussing the committee's safety recommendations. According to a section drafted by member Barbara Canney, most railroad-crossing accidents are caused by warning equipment failures, drivers trying to bypass gates and "beat the train," or cars getting stuck on the tracks due to eroded roadways. Most pedestrian accidents also result from trespassing on the rails.

The committee is expected to propose that railroad crossings be designed to prevent such occurrences; that safety fences and walls be erected and electronic sensors installed to prevent unauthorized access to the tracks; that warning signs be clearly visible to drivers; and that the MBTA budget for and keep a regular maintenance schedule for all safety components.

Another expected recommendation is that the MBTA position guards at crossings at Sohier, Pleasant, Spring and Pond streets, to help children traveling to or

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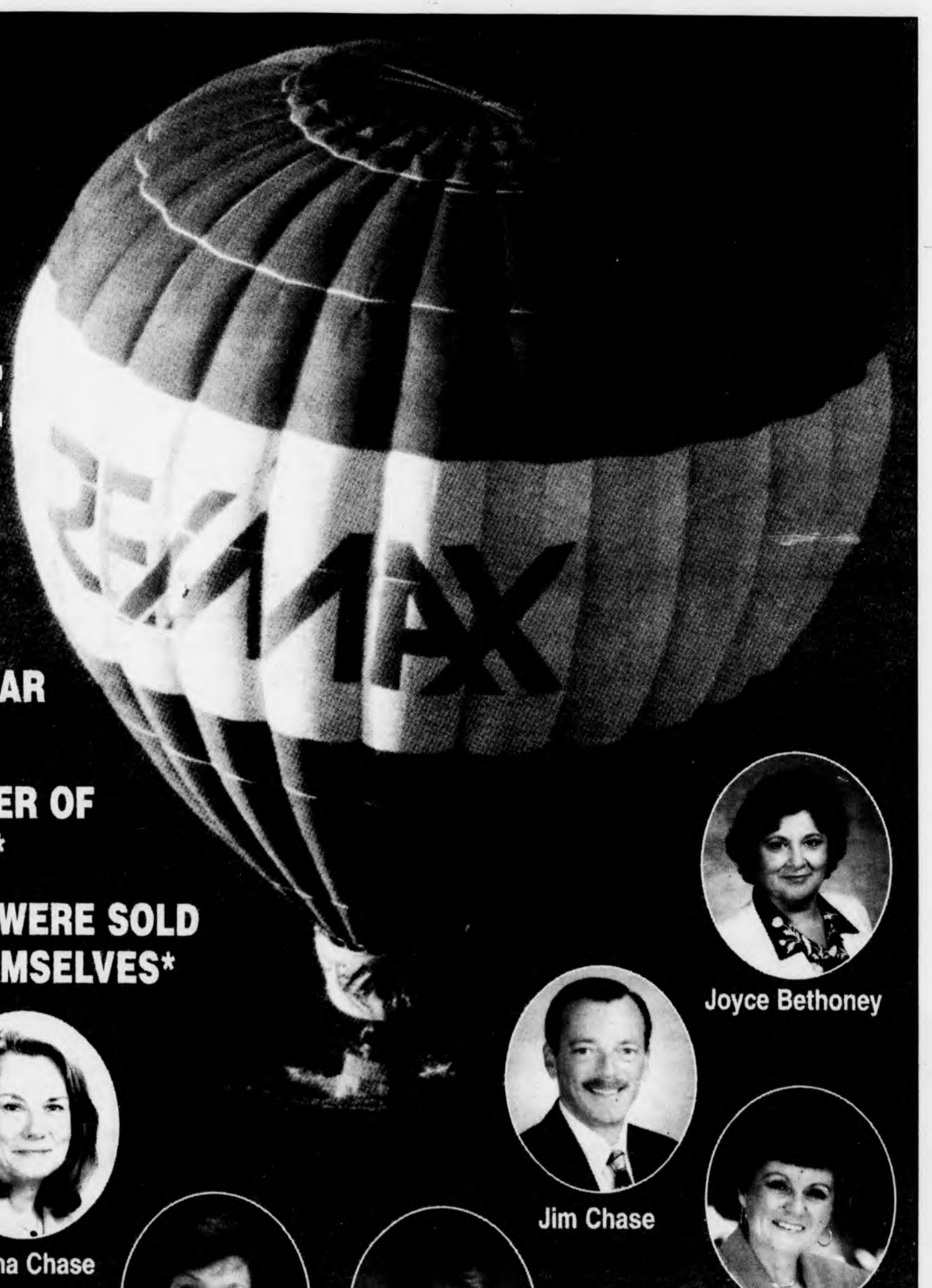

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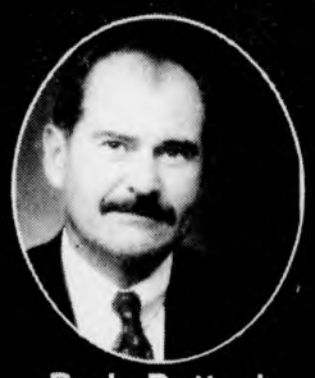
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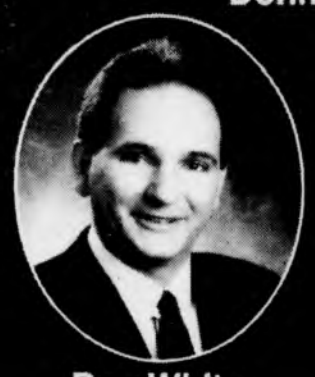
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Final Greenbush CAC meeting

The Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad line has scheduled its third and final public meeting for Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7:30 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall. The meeting will focus on the issues facing Cohasset with the restoration of the railroad.

The committee wishes to solicit comments from the public relative to mitigation measures. Station location, traffic and parking, air and noise pollution, wetlands and herbicides and safety and financial issues will be discussed.

Abutters and interested Cohasset residents are encouraged to attend. To comment for for further information, individuals may call one of the following members of the committee: James A. Mullen, chairman; Peter Pearce, John Rafferty, Edward F. Woods, Barbara Canney, Nancy J. Butler or Mary A. Foley, or call or write to Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Old Colony/Greenbush Railroad Line, Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., Cohasset 02025.

Train committee readies recommendations

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from school.

To address citizen concerns regarding noise pollution, the committee is expected to recommend that all road crossings be designed to permit train operation without the need for sounding whistles and horns, and that sound barriers run alongside more than 40 percent of the track.

The list of recommendations may also include the use of cement rail ties to prevent contaminants from leaking into ground water, keeping the railroad's path as narrow as possible to preserve the surrounding habitat, and close work between the MBTA and the Conservation Commission.

The committee did not have time last Thursday to discuss possible recommendations for the building of a train station.

The Mitigation Committee, made up of town and public safety officials, was scheduled to meet with the MBTA last night after the Mariner went to press to discuss the possibility locating the train station in the village and not out on Route 3A. Officials believe a downtown station might help revitalize Cohasset's village.

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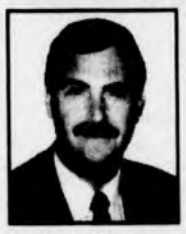

by Bob Travers & Barry Standish
General Manager Service Manager

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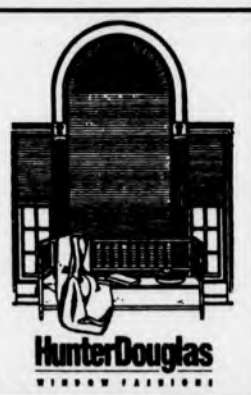

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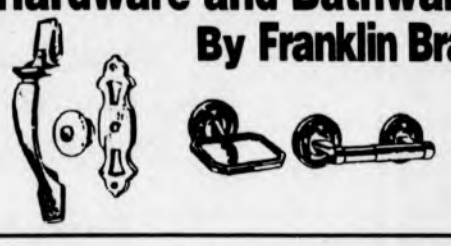

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Boston College High School sent us a list of students who earned themselves academic honors for the fourth term. Cohasset is proud of **Benjamin T. Smoot,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. John Smoot,** Hull Street, and **Robert Morgan,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morgan,** Jerusalem Road. Both gents are in the Class of 1999. Benjamin made high honors and Robert earned honors. Congratulations to you both, along with high hopes for a repeat performance this semester!

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Boy, do **Harry** and **Sharon (Souther) Silvia** have wonderful news to report — Their twins are home! **Shelby Nicole** and **Shannon Ashley** were born June 21, and are finally at home! Do you think there is much excitement in that household? You had better believe it! From all reports, they are strong and healthy and should be out and about shortly. Of course, they are beautiful, too! Anyway, maternal grandparents **Pam** and **Peter Souther** and maternal grandmother **Murielle** are positively glowing with pride and happiness, and we cannot wait to see those darling babies!

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Julienne R. Quemere, daughter of **Kathleen Quemere,** has been named to the spring term dean's list at Hartwick College, which indicates she does excellent academic work, and we applaud her and her efforts.

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Nicholas B. Terry, son of **David** and **Suzanne Terry,** Margin Street, is participating in the Bates College Junior Year Abroad program. Nicholas, a history major, is studying in Paris. He is a 1994 CHS graduate and a dean's list student. Nicholas is a junior at Bates.

❑

Great news! **Millard MacNeill** is at home recovering nicely and making steady progress! We are all thinking of you, Millard!

❑

Must take this time to wish our two favorite nieces, **Jeannine** and **Karen,** happy birthday greetings — both are already over, but we know each had a great day! We'll let you know when our other two favorite nieces, **Laura** and **Holly,** celebrate their special days in December.

❑

Wasn't it nice that **Donna Green** participated in the 30th anniversary celebration of Hingham's Bowl and Board by autographing copies of her books for interested readers? She is unbelievably talented, and her paintings are known all over the world — another wonderful local resident.

❑

Did you know that Cohasset Elder Affairs is still looking for volunteers for a new pilot program they will be administering? The **Elder Advocacy Specialist Service** will consist of a network for assisting elders in Cohasset. The program is supposed to start in November. Training will be held in October. If you would like to assist seniors in need or securing services and benefits, call **Kathy** at 383-9116.

❑

Had a nice talk with **Sue Fone** this week, and she and Ken are really loving Maine (other than the soggy summer they endured, just like the rest of us), but **"Pop" Fone** isn't doing as well as they would hope. As this goes to press, he is in the hospital undergoing tests, and they will do whatever is needed. We sure hope all turns out well for all three. We know it will! I'll let you know what their plans are as soon as I hear!

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That's the news for this week — actually for the next two, as I am headed to sunny California for two weeks. But that doesn't mean there will not be anyone to take your news. You can drop it off in the Mariner box, call the Mariner or call here — there will always be someone her to take your good news for me! See you Oct. 3!

— Sallyann
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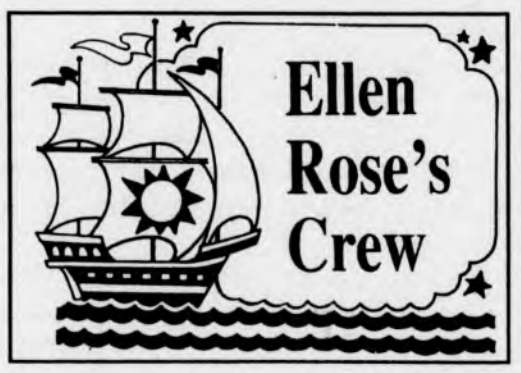
Join Ellen Rose's team



Sunday, Sept. 29, Cara, Bree and Maura McKenney will join families, friends and students from Cohasset High School, Milton Academy and Melrose High School in the Boston Marathon Jimmy Fund Walk. The McKenney girls, ages 12, 14 and 16, will be walking with, and in behalf of their 8-year-old cousin, Ellen Rose O'Brien of Melrose.

Ellen Rose has been a patient at the Jimmy Fund, battling a brain tumor since her fifth birthday. The last two years she has joined her cousins and friends on "Ellen Rose's Crew" and made the trek along the Boston Marathon Route completing the last 13 miles from Wellesley to Boston.

This year Ellen, an active second-grader, is eagerly awaiting the walk. Ron Goodwin, of Goodwin Graphics in Cohasset has once again donated the printing of the team T-shirts, and Ellen Rose's crew is looking for walkers!

The McKenney sisters invite anyone to join them on the walk. They've arranged for a bus to transport walkers from Boston to their start in Wellesley. The Jimmy Fund asks that each member of a team try to collect a minimum of $100 in pledges. Last year 6,000 walkers raised $1.5 million for cancer research and treatment at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute.

If you would like to walk, please call the McKenneys at 383-1338 to register and receive your team shirt.

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Arthur C. Rowe, Jr. aboard "The Morning Star."

Arthur C. Rowe, Jr.

Cohasset native, Arthur C. Rowe, Jr., 65, died of natural causes at his Florida residence Jan. 30, 1996.

While employed at Raytheon as a scientist/inventor, Mr. Rowe built the first microwave oven in 1954.

In 1958, he designed and built the first unsinkable sailing "pram" which he later sold to Boston Whaler.

A manager and aeronautical engineer with TRW in California, Mr. Rowe later built "The Morning Star" to sail to the West Indies and South America. The sail boat is now moored in Falmouth.

As a member of the scientific community, Mr. Rowe worked on perfecting the computerized windmill and German water turbine.

He enjoyed writing poetry.

A private service in Cohasset will be held Sunday. Mr. Rowe's ashes will be buried at sea via "The Morning Star."

Mr. Rowe leaves his children Christine MacDonald of Plympton, Linda A. Rowe of Weymouth, Sandy Conley of Amherst, New Hampshire, and

Arthur A. Rowe of Hull; and his grandchildren Katelynn and Nicole Conley, and Alden and Noah Rowe. He also leaves a brother, David Rowe of Torrence, California.

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EDITORIAL

Politics 101 Taught on a Personal Level

"Every vote counts." It's a cliché that's drummed into our American heads all our lives, and yet it's easy to forget it's true.

Phil Johnston's upset of William Delahunt in Tuesday's Democratic primary for Gerry Studds' House seat is the kind of thing that can remind us. Delahunt, the Norfolk County District Attorney, had been practically anointed the winner by political pundits and members of the media. But with the rain coming down hard, many voters stayed home, perhaps too comfortable in the assumption that their candidate had the edge.

But lawn signs don't vote, and pollsters' results aren't necessarily reflected at the polls. Whether or not a possible recount confirms his victory, Johnston wasn't supposed to do as well as he has done. But it didn't take a whole lot of votes — just over 17,000 out of 46,000 in a sprawling district that ranges from gritty urban to placid rural — to turn the election results around.

That's the power of the vote, and too often these days we forget to exercise it. By failing to set a good example, we neglect to teach our children that voting is a crucial responsibility of citizens in a democracy.

Community Newspaper Company, the parent of this newspaper, believes so strongly in the importance of the vote that we're sponsoring a debate between Senate candidates John Kerry and William Weld this Sunday in Boston. What will set this debate apart is the participating audience; we have invited more than 300 high school students from throughout eastern Massachusetts to take part in it. Many of these students will have a chance to ask questions directly to the candidates as they take part in what we see as an unusual "town meeting" on a grand scale. Our intention is to give these future voters a real taste of the political process as participants.

The lesson of the event is being delivered in the students' language. Time Warner Cable, a media co-sponsor, has made arrangements to bring MTV's "Choose or Lose" touring bus to the World Trade Center in Boston from noon until 2 p.m. on the day of the event. The bus is part of a national political awareness campaign to encourage voter registration and voting among 18- to 34-year-olds.

While few of the students invited to the debate are old enough to vote, we are impressed by their interest. They make us optimistic about the role many of them will play in two years, in four years and for many years after.

We're doing our part to inform children about the election process. It will be most effective if you set a personal example by casting a ballot Nov. 5.

Local church to conduct census

To the Editor:

Saint Anthony's Roman Catholic Church of Cohasset will conduct a town-wide Ecumenical Census Sunday, Sept. 29, between the hours of 1 and 8 p.m. All census takers will be properly identified. All of the churches in Cohasset are part of this project. Some of the churches in Cohasset have already supplied their census lists to the committee. We are left with having to visit approximately 2,100 households.

We hope to have more than 100 volunteers who will take the census. The census takers will come to your door and identify themselves and ask you if you are a member of Saint Anthony's Roman Catholic Church. If you are, they will ask you to fill out a form. You can fill it out and either give it back to them, mail it back to the rectory or place it in the baskets at the weekend Masses. If you are not a Catholic the census taker will give you a form that you may fill out and send to one of the other churches in Cohasset.

Why do the churches of Cohasset need a census at this time? The town census has been fluctuating in recent years. Saint Anthony's hasn't taken a census since 1960. The parish needs to identify those members who need to be served, i.e. identifying children for our Religious Education Program (CCD), identifying those who need the help of our priest or others in the parish. The parish needs to serve its members. To do this we need to know who those members are and what needs they might have. We also want to be able to communicate with our members. The new parish council is exploring different methods of serving the parish and we would like all of the parishioners to be aware of what is happening in our

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

parish, the archdiocese and the church.

The cooperation and patience of all of the citizens of the Town of Cohasset are needed for the success of this tremendous undertaking. We do not want to be intrusive. We ask that you restrain your dogs during this time. We want to thank you in advance for your cooperation and help in this very important undertaking.

We would like to thank the Mariner for publishing this message for the people of the Town of Cohasset.

Fr. John Mulvehill
Pastor, Saint Anthony's
Roman Catholic Church

The train is a bad idea

To the Editor:

Why Cohasset?

- Cohasset is a beautiful town.
- Cohasset is a quiet town.
- Cohasset is a family-oriented town, where we sacrifice much, both in money and convenience to keep this a peaceful haven for our families and ourselves.
- Cohasset is a wonderful seaside community, with abundant wetlands, which people have fought very hard to preserve in recent years.

Why not Greenbush?

- For all of the above reasons!
- Twelve dangerous grade crossings in Cohasset alone!
- A 30- to 50-foot strip clear cut through town!
- Diesel smoke, fumes, train horns!
- A two-story parking garage in our historical village?
- Fences and walls dividing neighborhoods!

These ideas are insulting to our town, please stop and consider why we do love and live in our town.

Don't give up the fight for better public transportation, but insist on a better solution. Continue to call and write the governor's office and tell him, No Greenbush! Despite what many think, it is not too late!

Mandy Burgoon
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Only 17 percent town turnout in Tuesday's primary

Johnston gets most votes in Cohasset

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Contrary to Cohasset's reputation as a Republican stronghold, Marshfield Democrat Philip Johnston was the largest vote-getter in Tuesday's state primary voting.

Fewer than 17 per cent of Cohasset's 5,183 registered voters cast ballots Tuesday, despite the district's first real Congressional contest in almost 25 years.

In all, 556 voters selected the Democrat ballot and 306 chose to vote for Republican candidates.

Johnston, the former state representative, was opposed by Norfolk County District Attorney William Delahunt, Ian Bowles of Falmouth, and Walter Murray of Hull, in his bid to face the the Republican candidate for the Congressional seat being vacated by U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds.

Johnston received 275 votes, to 107 for Delahunt, 80 for Bowles, and 15 for Murray.

On the Republican side of the voting for the 10th Congressional District seat, state Representative Edward Teague of Yarmouth received 185 votes. Francis W. Sargent, Jr. of Orleans received 70 votes, and 23 votes were cast for Steven Pappas of Weymouth .

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said she detected much disinterest by voters, and the heavy rain "didn't help."

Incumbent Senator John Kerry was unopposed on the Democrat side, and received 311 votes. Gov. William Weld, who is challenging him for the Senate seat received 217 votes on the Republican primary ballot.

None of Cohasset's voters selected the Libertarian party ballot. (See results, page 11).

Election results

DEMOCRATS

Senator in Congress	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Totals
John F. Kerry	138	173	311
Write-ins			
Blanks	126	119	245
Rep. in Congress 10th District			
Ian A. Bowles	39	41	80
William D. Delahunt	51	56	107
Philip W. Johnston	119	156	275
Walter S. Murray	9	6	15
Blanks	46	33	79
Councillor 4th District			
Christopher A. Iannella Jr.	74	92	166
Joseph P. McEttrick	113	122	235
Blanks	77	77	154
Senator in General Court Plymouth/Norfolk District			
Robert Delahunt Jr.	124	178	302
Blanks	140	114	254
Rep. in General Court 3rd Plymouth District			
Chartis Langmaid		2	2
Write-ins			
Nancy J. Buckley	2	1	3
Peter Pratt	1	1	2
Mary Jeannette Murray		3	3
Blanks	262	296	538
Register of Probate Norfolk County			
Thomas Patrick Hughes	119	163	282
Blanks	145	129	274
County Treasurer Norfolk County			
Timothy P. Cahill	58	75	133
Gary D. Jones	37	33	70
Michael J. Joyce	58	74	132
John D. Vozzella	11	18	29
Blanks	100	90	190
County Commissioner Norfolk County			
John Gillis	68	109	177
William P. O'Donnell	71	79	150
Blanks	389	396	785

REPUBLICANS

Senator in Congress	Pre. 1	Pre. 2	Totals
William F. Weld	122	95	217
Write-ins			
Susan Gallagher		1	1
Blanks	43	45	88
Rep. in Congress 10 District			
Steven Pappas	11	12	23
Francis W. Sargent Jr.	35	35	70
Edward B. Teague III	104	81	185
Write-ins			
Philip Johnston		1	1
Blanks	15	12	27
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Senator in General Court Plymouth/Norfolk District			
Robert L. Hedlund	139	114	253
Write-ins			
Dr. Nicholas A. Manganaro		1	1
Blanks	26	26	52
Rep. in General Court 3rd Plymouth District			
Mary Jeannette Murray	139	117	256
Blanks	26	24	50
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Write-ins	2	1	3
R. Janice Connolly	6	6	12
Blanks	157	134	291
County Treasurer Norfolk County			
Robert D. Hall Jr.	133	93	226
Blanks	32	48	80
County Commissioner Norfolk County			
Write-ins	1	1	2
Paul D. McDonough	6	6	12
Blanks	322	272	594

Blanks in Weymouth could be questioned

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By mid-morning Wednesday, the race was so tight that victory could not be assured until the town clerk reported the tallies from Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard.

Yesterday afternoon, it was not clear if Delahunt will seek a recount. A decision was expected by 5 p.m. yesterday after the Cohasset Mariner went to press.

Delahunt spokesman Lanny Johnson said yesterday it was "very likely" a recount would be sought because of the high number of blanks cast in Weymouth and Brockton.

"Why would someone come out in the rain and not vote?" he asked.

Both Weymouth and Brockton use the punch-card system and if a card is not punched enough so light shines through the hole, the card is counted as a blank.

"If my name were blank, I'd be governor," said Weymouth Town Clerk Frank Fryer about the 1,080 blanks (18.55%) on the Democratic Congressional ballot.

According to the Secretary of State's office, when the margin is less than one half of one percent — a candidate can petition automatically for a district-wide recount. Wider margins between the top two finishers in a race would require a recount by precinct.

The candidate seeking the recount must submit the signatures of 500 registered Democrats in the district for certification within three days, explained Jack McCarthy, spokesman for the Secretary of State's office.

Delahunt has until Tuesday to file with the state and a recount would have to be completed by September 30 for ballot printing purposes.

Lanny Johnson said the campaign was looking at a recount and would go ahead if they determine there is a likelihood of success.

Although pre-election pundits predicted an easy victory for Delahunt, Johnston captured towns throughout the South Shore and much of Cape Cod and narrowed the front-runner's lead in the cities of Quincy and Weymouth. While candidate Ian Bowles trailed a distant third, his success in many Cape Cod towns may have aided the Johnston campaign by taking additional votes away from Delahunt.

Johnston supporters brimmed with confidence on primary night as numbers poured in from throughout the district. Cheer after cheer went up from Johnston's headquarters on Marshfield's Ocean Street.

"We don't know what the final results will be, but we have carried the vast majority of communities in this district," Johnston said. "I think it was because of the message we had out there. Every man, woman and child deserves access to high-quality, affordable health care, and second that we value children, and we want to invest in children. We want the best public schools on earth."

Johnston's supporters credited a strong, loyal base of volunteers able to get important information out to his constituents with his surprisingly strong showing in the primary.

Portrayed as the front-runner from the beginning of the race, Norfolk District Attorney William Delahunt may have suffered from low voter turnout on a cold and rainy election day throughout the district.

Delahunt was still expected to win as of 8:15 p.m. Tuesday. Yet Delahunt campaigners said they were nervous about the low turnout during a gathering at the Black Cat Restaurant in Hyannis, where the candidate spoke of the need for party loyalty.

"Politics is a nasty business," Delahunt told his supporters. "The Democrats have to come together for the general election."

Johnston agreed, telling his supporters that either he or Delahunt would be the one to cast the vote that would remove Newt Gingrich as Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Claiming victory in every precinct, state Rep. Edward Teague won an easy victory in the Republican race over author Francis William Sargent and newspaper deliveryman Steve Pappas.

"This was an absolutely great victory," Teague said, speaking at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post in Hyannis. "Some doubted my ability to raise money, being an unknown outside of the Cape. But by Sept. 1, I had raised $500,000. Yet this race was not about financing. It was about working hard and looking ahead. I don't know who my opponent will be, but I won't be running against anyone. I will be running for the people of the 10th district."

Delahunt, 55, a Quincy resident, portrayed himself throughout the campaign as a tough, dedicated prosecutor and a champion of the middle class.

While promising to concentrate on health care and the environment if elected, Delahunt focused throughout his campaign on the need for what he called "the restoration of the middle class." Calling himself "a union guy at heart," Delahunt argued for reductions in the work week and increases in benefits for workers. Once an abortion foe, Delahunt now supports a woman's right to choose.

Delahunt bore the brunt of attacks from both Democratic challengers and Republican front-runner Edward Teague. Delahunt's opponents challenged his middle-class image, citing newspaper reports that suggested the district attorney was worth as much as $800,000. They also criticized his use of campaign funds to pay for long-distance telephone calls, lunch and dinner tabs, and donations to Middlebury College, his alma mater.

Johnston, 52, a Marshfield resident, left a presidential appointment as director of health and human services for New England to run for Studds' seat. He had formerly served as state secretary of health and human services under former Gov. Michael Dukakis and a state representative from the Fourth Plymouth District.

A self-described "liberal who can count," Johnston emphasized the need for health care reform throughout his campaign, proposing a "health consumers' bill of rights" which would include controls for health management organizations. Johnston also pledged his support for education and the environment, winning the endorsement of John DeVillars of the Environmental Protection Agency, as well as the Environmental Business Council of New England.

Bowles, 30, worked as a former executive with the Conservation International Foundation, a non-profit environmental advocacy group based in Washington. A Harvard graduate, Bowles focused on the economy and environment throughout his campaign. He was the first candidate to air television advertisements.

Teague, 46 brought his experience as state House minority leader to the race. The Yarmouth resident's "10-Point Plan" included Congressional reform, the economy, a balanced budget and welfare reform as issues he promised to tackle if elected.

Teague has defended the welfare reform bill crafted by national Republican leaders, and has pledged to work with those leaders if elected. He has received the criticism of his opponents and the censure of Democratic legislators after at least two occasions on which fellow Republican representatives voted in his place while he was away from the State House.

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Mariner Sports

'Knurek era' kicks off Friday

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Skippers set for gridiron opener

In the second year of what is now being referred to as the "The Knurek Era," the Cohasset High varsity football team has taken great strides. With 11 seniors anchoring the squad this year, head coach Bob Knurek looks forward to a competitive season.

However, the team's record seems almost secondary this season as the football program on the whole, has improved greatly under Knurek. This season, the Skipper's will field three teams, compared to two last year. Along with varsity and JV, Knurek has engineered the addition of a junior high team. Furthermore, the Skippers will play their home games this year on the sparkling new Cohasset Alumni Field. Every home game this season, apart from the Thanksgiving contest, will be played on Friday nights under the lights, which should bring an added sense of excitement.

Knurek is optimistic about this year's edition, but was hesitant to name individuals, citing only the players who have surprised him this year.

Seniors Matt Belson and Jerry Cogill are "huge, strong, and fired up on the defensive line and they're going to have some fun this year." Junior Jamie Buick will also be a key to the defensive line.

"Buick is our defensive end; he's very tough to block and he does his job there," Knurek said.

Andy Hamilton was another pleasant surprise for the Skipper coaching staff. "Hamilton was our preseason pick for the fourth captain," he said. He really stepped it up at middle linebacker for us."

Junior co-captain Pat Hurley will start at quarterback for the blue and will be joined in the backfield by senior co-captain fullback Grant Emde and sophomore tailback Raheem Shepard. Knurek also gave himself another option out of the backfield, as the Skippers will sometimes use Emde at tailback and bring senior Doug Cameron in to play fullback.

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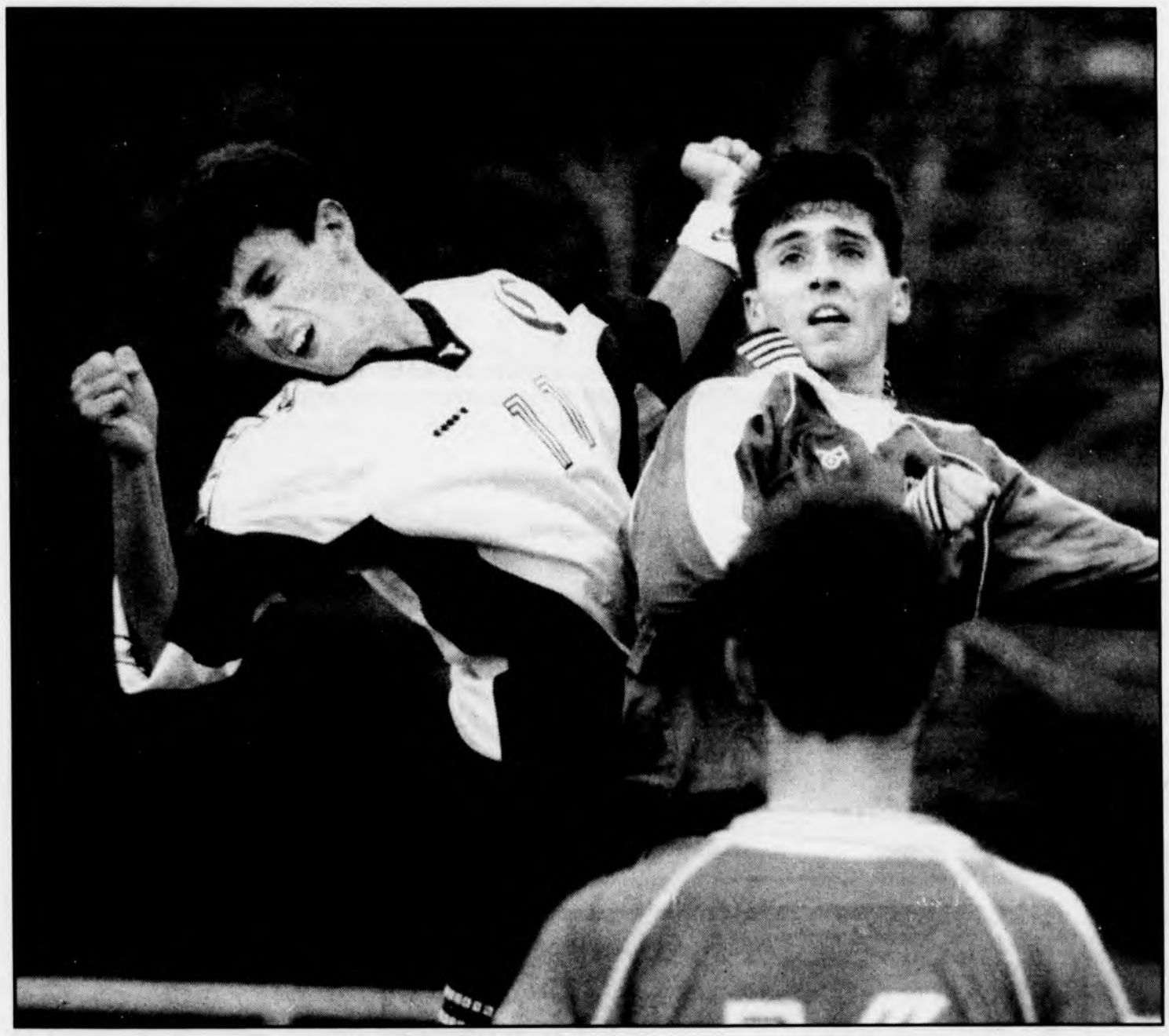

Cohasset High soccer player Ely Kahn (11) battles a Scituate player for possession of the ball during a South Shore League battle.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Lady booters are starting to come around

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

It took four games, but the Cohasset High girls soccer team finally has something to show for the grass and mud stains, bruises and aches.

The effort has been there, but the positive results that come with hard work have eluded the Lady Skippers.

"I was happy as could be," said head coach Maureen O'Day-Clark, whose squad played to a scoreless tie Monday against a tough Scituate team to break a three-game losing streak.

With six freshmen on the team, O'Day-Clark's squad doesn't have the seasoning of the '95 club. She has been trying different combinations on defense and is anxious to build up the Lady Skippers' consistency in front of the goal. It was during that time Cohasset sustained the losses to East Bridgewater and Abington.

"Monday was so good for the team," she said. "We really needed that. It was hard for my girls. They were playing hard. I think they'll come around."

The Lady Skippers (0-3-1) showed definite signs of breaking out of its funk last Friday in a 1-0 loss to Norton. Working on its defensive scheme, Cohasset had tough 3-0 losses to East Bridgewater and Abington both, before regrouping to take on the Lady Lancers.

Although "it took a while to get going," against Norton because of the one-hour bus ride, O'Day-Clark said the team "played a great second half."

Midfielder Hannah Begin and forward Eileen Ridge have been two of the steadiest performers for the Lady

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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

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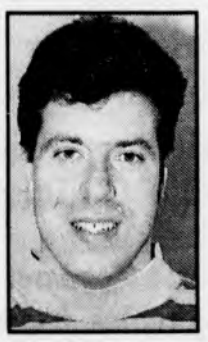

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By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

In the second year of what is now being referred to as the "The Knurek Era," the Cohasset High varsity football team has taken great strides. With 11 seniors anchoring the squad this year, head coach Bob Knurek looks forward to a competitive season.

However, the team's record seems almost secondary this season as the football program on the whole, has improved greatly under Knurek. This season, the Skipper's will field three teams, compared to two last year. Along with varsity and JV, Knurek has engineered the addition of a junior high team. Furthermore, the Skippers will play their home games this year on the sparkling new Cohasset Alumni Field. Every home game this season, apart from the Thanksgiving contest, will be played on Friday nights under the lights, which should bring an added sense of excitement.

Knurek is optimistic about this year's edition, but was hesitant to name individuals, citing only the players who have surprised him this year.

Seniors Matt Belson and Jerry Cogill are "huge, strong, and fired up on the defensive line and they're going to have some fun this year." Junior Jamie Buick will also be a key to the defensive line.

"Buick is our defensive end; he's very tough to block and he does his job there," Knurek said.

Andy Hamilton was another pleasant surprise for the Skipper coaching staff. "Hamilton was our preseason pick for the fourth captain," he said. He really stepped it up at middle linebacker for us."

Junior co-captain Pat Hurley will start at quarterback for the blue and will be joined in the backfield by senior co-captain fullback Grant Emde and sophomore tailback Raheem Shepard. Knurek also gave himself another option out of the backfield, as the Skippers will sometimes use Emde at tailback and bring senior Doug Cameron in to play fullback.

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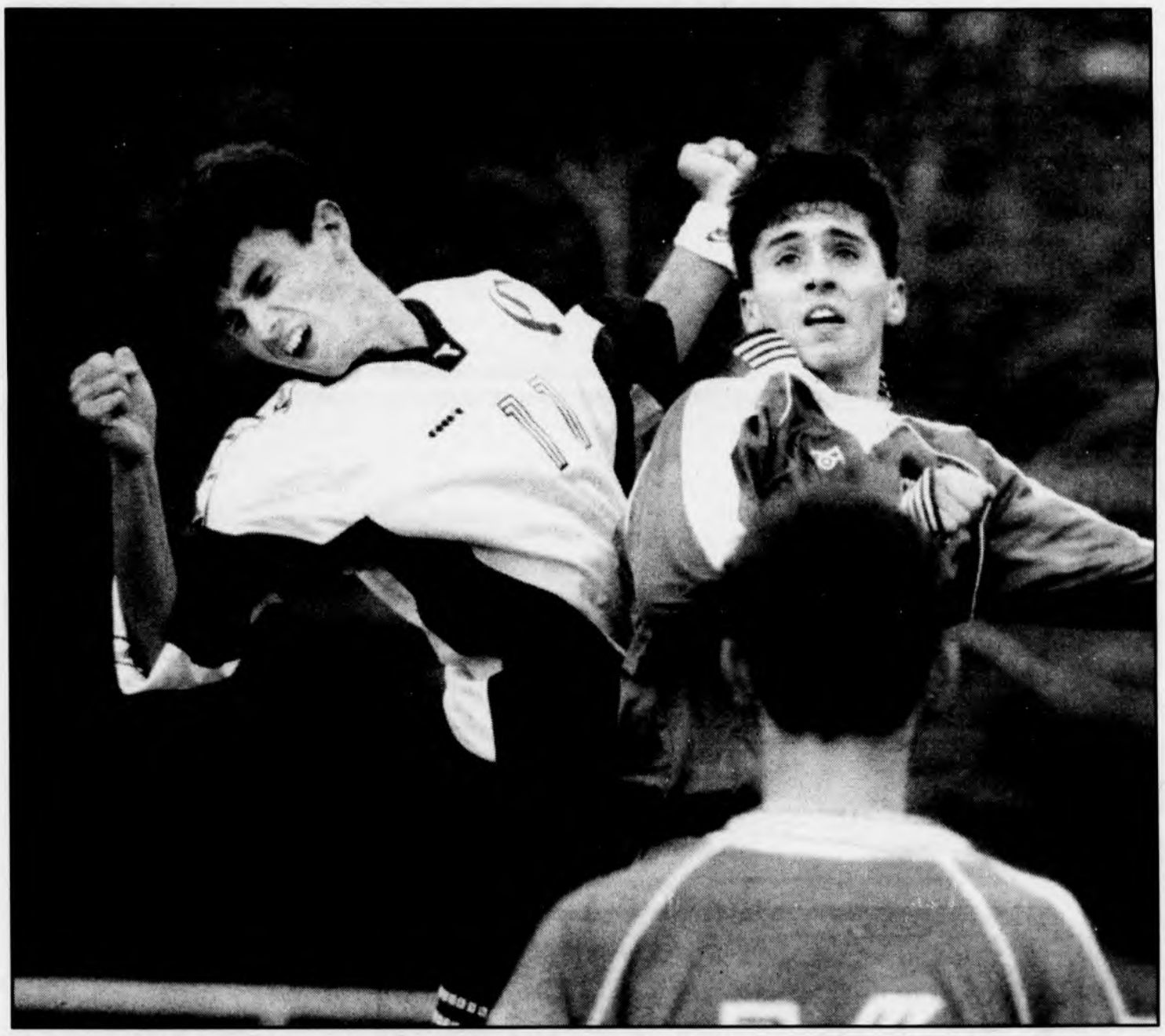

Cohasset High soccer player Ely Kahn (11) battles a Scituate player for possession of the ball during a South Shore League battle.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Lady booters are starting to come around

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

It took four games, but the Cohasset High girls soccer team finally has something to show for the grass and mud stains, bruises and aches.

The effort has been there, but the positive results that come with hard work have eluded the Lady Skippers.

"I was happy as could be," said head coach Maureen O'Day-Clark, whose squad played to a scoreless tie Monday against a tough Scituate team to break a three-game losing streak.

With six freshmen on the team, O'Day-Clark's squad doesn't have the seasoning of the '95 club. She has been trying different combinations on defense and is anxious to build up the Lady Skippers' consistency in front of the goal. It was during that time Cohasset sustained the losses to East Bridgewater and Abington.

"Monday was so good for the team," she said. "We really needed that. It was hard for my girls. They were playing hard. I think they'll come around."

The Lady Skippers (0-3-1) showed definite signs of breaking out of its funk last Friday in a 1-0 loss to Norton. Working on its defensive scheme, Cohasset had tough 3-0 losses to East Bridgewater and Abington both, before regrouping to take on the Lady Lancers.

Although "it took a while to get going," against Norton because of the one-hour bus ride, O'Day-Clark said the team "played a great second half."

Midfielder Hannah Begin and forward Eileen Ridge have been two of the steadiest performers for the Lady

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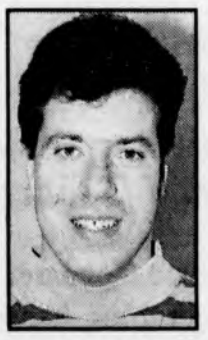
EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

It's the Best Show in Town

So you missed the Friday night high school football game and need some sort of live sports fix on Saturday.

Youth soccer is your answer. And all Little League and youth football coaches out there, don't take this the wrong way, but it also happens to be the best youth activity a kid can get involved in.

For starters, the sport appeals to kids of all ages, male and female. We all know 5 and 6 year olds have an attention span of about 30 seconds before they get restless. Put a child that age in left field of a Little League game and he'll be tossing pebbles in a matter of minutes. How much action is the kid going to get in the outfield? Maybe a ball here or there over the course of a game. And the exercise factor is nil.



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In youth soccer, the kids are chasing the ball, kicking the ball and chasing it some more. The only break is when a whistle is called. Play resumes very quickly and the kids are back at it.

And what's especially appealing about youth soccer is that a kid can make a mistake without it being obviously noticeable. A pass may be botched by a teammate and stolen by an opposing player, or a goaltender may not be able to get to a shot on goal.

Now compare that to a Little Leaguer who strikes out with the bases loaded or has a ground ball go between his legs for an error. Even worse — dropping a fly ball.

Take it from someone who was a tentative baseball player at best and did all three more than once. You stick out like a sore thumb on the playing field in front of your teammates and the spectators. It's humiliating.

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Mariner Sports

Cohasset Yacht Club junior sailing program

By KEVIN ULMER
Special to the Mariner

During 1996, the junior activities program at the Cohasset Yacht Club continued its mission of instilling a love of sailing by teaching skills of seamanship, sportsmanship, self-sufficiency, and safety to 46 junior sailors. Over an eight-week period, 27 young sailors completed full Flag requirements, two completed partial Flags, and 18 teen sailors were active in the racing program.

Head instructor Jim O'Hare was ably assisted by Chloe Chittick, John Sargent, Ian Simons, Colin Pyfrom and Ted Noon. White Flags (first year) were awarded to Jay Adams, Jacqueline Chase, Mack Chase, J.C. Hermanns, Jenna Larson, Ned MacPherson, Christina Manchester, Johnny Roth and Sam Steele. Red Flags (second year) were awarded to Emily Dean, Alexandra Dempster, Anke Hermanns, Doug Pearce, Gillian Simons, Cally Speed, Calla Staszko and Callie Steele. Blue Flags (third year) were awarded to Whitney Davis, Jessie Guild, Molly Flanagan, Maura McKenney and Kimberly Ulmer. The Captain's Flag (fourth year) was awarded to Will MacPherson. Yacht Club burgees were awarded to those sailors completing the five-year program in the Admiral's Flag: Taylor Davis, Carter Noon, Henry Roth and Ashley Ulmer. Partial Admiral's Flags were completed by Will MacPherson and Matthew McLoughlin.

The racing team, coached by Joe Menis, expanded 50 percent this year to 18 sailors who competed in a fleet of six new club 420's purchased by the membership of the club this season. One of the new boats was a generous gift of Jo Ann and Charlie Ford and will be named Valiant in memory of their son Scott who helped revive the sailing team at Milton Academy and co-captained the freshman sailing team at Tufts. The team was undefeated in Mass Bay Sailing Association interclub races on the South Shore for the second year. Racing team members included Torrey Androski, Devin Buick, Lydia Crafts, Carl Dean, Erica Dean, Janson Dupré, Lydia Guild, Scott MacPherson, Andrew McAuliffe, Brie McKenney, Elliot Noon, Ted Noon, Colin Pyfrom, Melissa Pyfrom, Ian Simons, Jamie Simons, Ryan Staszko and Wiley Wakeman.

Noteworthy racing performances for the summer included Mass Bay BayBank 1996 Junior Regatta — second in the Laser class by Ryan Staszko, sixth in Laser Radials by Wiley Wakeman, fifth in the Optimist Blue fleet by Matt McLoughlin, fourth in the Optimist White fleet by Jessie Guild and third and fourth in the Optimist Green fleet by Anke Hermanns and Callie Steele, respectively. This was the first regatta for seven of the first-year White Flag sailors, and Henry Roth was awarded the BayBank Sportsmanship Trophy. At the Scituate Junior Regatta, Callie Steele took second in the Optimist Green fleet. At the Hingham Junior Regatta, Ted Noon and Scott MacPherson took first in the 420's and Carl Dean and Jamie Simons took second. Ryan Staszko had three first place finishes to win the Laser class, and Taylor Davis took second in the Optimist Red fleet. Congratulations to all these promising young sailors.

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As for entertainment value, it's not even close. Youth soccer wins in a landslide.

I guarantee even the most ardent pessimist will be entertained by taking in a game of youngsters playing Great Britain's version of football on a Saturday morning.

If you really want to get the most chuckles for your buck (oops, did I mention the free admission?), however, be sure to set up camp at the field where the 5- and 6-year-old players battle it out.

This is truly soccer in its purest form. The kids are all novices, still trying to get a handle on the rules and fundamentals.

The coaches, God love 'em, have their work cut out for them. But they have a blast doing it and laugh as hard as the spectators.

In one girls game I witnessed, the coach lined each player up at her position and gave last-second instructions as to what her particular job on the field was. It was the in-one-ear-and-out-the-other pep talk. Instinct and panic soon take over.

One of the players, dressed in oversized white Puma shorts, playing in her first official game ever, lined up facing her own net. She had become so used to taking shots on the Little Mermaids' goalie during practice, it only made sense to do the same on game day.

(Did I mention that the teams have cute little names like the Mighty Ducks, Mighty Morphins, Power Rangers, Little Mermaids and the Jets?)

She waved to the half-dozen relatives who tried fruitlessly to get her to turn the other way. It wasn't until the coach went back on the field and literally moved her 180 degrees so that she got her first look at the competition that life was good again.

There were some unforgettable events as well.

Two rookie players situated in the defensive end closest to the goaltender, stood straight as arrows on the white line just outside the goal box. When the game started, they continued to stand at perfect attention.

Without warning an opposing player broke free from the small herd kicking furiously at the ball, and found herself heading towards the stoic defenders.

I don't know who was more surprised when the two defenders let the player move in, unscathed, for a breakaway shot on the goaltender.

As hysterical as the play was — remember, these are 5 and 6 year olds — the girls did do what the coach had told them. They stood on the white line. Only problem was, they weren't fully aware they could move about in the general area. Instead, it looked as though they were standing guard outside Buckingham Palace.

Save for the two girls on defense, it was a free for all once the game began. Players bolted from their positions and went straight for the ball. Once one of them assumed possession, there was no one to pass it off to. The herd just followed the ball.

Of course, some players were better than others. One scrappy spitfire on the Little Mermaids squad worked furiously in digging the ball out from the heap of players, quickly causing the less aggressive girls to think twice about fighting for the ball.

At first the girl tried to pass the ball to her fellow teammates. But when they had it stolen from them nearly every time, she was forced into the role of the team's one-girl wrecking machine. She stormed down the field every chance she could, banging out shot after desperate shot, hoping to give her team a chance at victory.

But as hard as she tried, Ariel's tired little legs couldn't accomplish the impossible mission.

She managed to get five shots on net, ruining the Jets' chance for a shutout. But the wunderkid with the oversized T-shirt couldn't do it all herself. When the referee blew the whistle for the final time, the Little Mermaids were on the losing end of the 10-1 score.

They were disappointed by the loss for about 15 seconds. The coach gave each of them their piece of post-game candy and they talked excitedly about how they were going to give the Mighty Ducks a whipping in the next game.

One girl walked away with her mother and father, holding her water bottle. "I wish today was Saturday again," she said.

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Lady booters

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Skippers so far, while netminder Catie Campbell has been nothing short of sensational between the posts.

Campbell came up with 15 saves on Monday before colliding with a pair of Scituate players going up to stop a shot. She landed hard on the ground, injuring her knee and leg. Campbell fainted moments later and was transported to the South Shore Hospital by EMT's.

Thankfully, Campbell is fine now with only a bad bruise on her thigh. On Wednesday morning O'Day-Clark said she'd be ready to play that afternoon at Carver, but expected the game to be cancelled. The team, she said, would hopefully be able to practice in the high school gym.

"I'm going to try for a practice — inside," O'Day-Clark said.

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Skippers set for gridiron opener

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Other seniors include returning lettermen Jarrod Batts, Matt Conley, co-captain Kevin Duffy, Doug Sheerin, Eric Snow and Chad Whitman. Batts, Conley and Whitman figure to be formidable defensive players up front, while Duffy, Sheerin and Snow will provide punch from the defensive backfield. One newcomer to the team, senior Mike Kearney, is reported to be learning quickly and should also help solidify Cohasset's defense.

Another positive which Knurek pointed out was the very strong sophomore class. Fifteen deep, Knurek calls the sophomore class "motivated and, this year, they'll find out what it is to play in the South Shore League. Four or five will start on Friday night, so they'll find out in a hurry."

Asked for a prediction, Knurek said, "If we stay healthy, then we'll be competitive this year. If we can make the other South Shore teams play all four quarters, then we'll be successful."

When pressed about Hull coach Jon Anderson's bold statement that Hull had already faced their toughest opponent (Winthrop), Knurek paused, then said simply, "Time will tell.". Cohasset will face Hull in the season-closing Thanksgiving game.

First, however, the Skippers will tackle the Vikings of East Bridgewater on Friday night. The game will start at 7 p.m. under the lights and will be the first football game played on the new Cohasset Alumni Field.

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Little League sign-ups

Sign-ups for 1997 Cohasset Youth Baseball Major League tryouts will be held Saturday, Sept. 21, from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Deer Hill School. A copy of a birth certificate will be required. Tryouts are open to children between the ages of 9 and 12. A child must be 9 before Aug. 1, 1997. Tryouts will be held at the Barnes Field on Oct. 6 between 1 and 4 p.m.

Annual soccer pancake breakfast

This year's soccer fund-raiser will be held Sunday, Sept. 22, from 8 a.m. to noon, at the Deer Hill School. The boys and girls soccer teams look forward to seeing all youth players and their families at their major fund-raiser of the year. This year's proceeds will help pay for new varsity uniforms and warm-up suits as well as the break-up dinner and awards for the junior high, J.V., and varsity teams. Anyone interested in buying tickets call any junior high or high school soccer player. Please come and show your support for these fine athletes.

Tournament set to benefit ARC

South Shore ARC's ninth annual Lou Bailey Golf and Tennis Tournament will be held Monday, Sept. 30, at Cohasset Golf Club. The after-tournament schedule includes a social hour followed by an elegant gourmet dinner and sports enthusiasts' auction.

The entry fee for golf is $175 per player, which includes greens fees, golf cart, memento prizes, brunch and the dinner auction. A chance to win a 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier is being provided by corporate sponsor Chevrolet/Geo of Cohasset.

The entry fee for tennis is $85 per player and includes fruits and juices, prizes and the dinner auction. Tickets to the dinner auction are $50.

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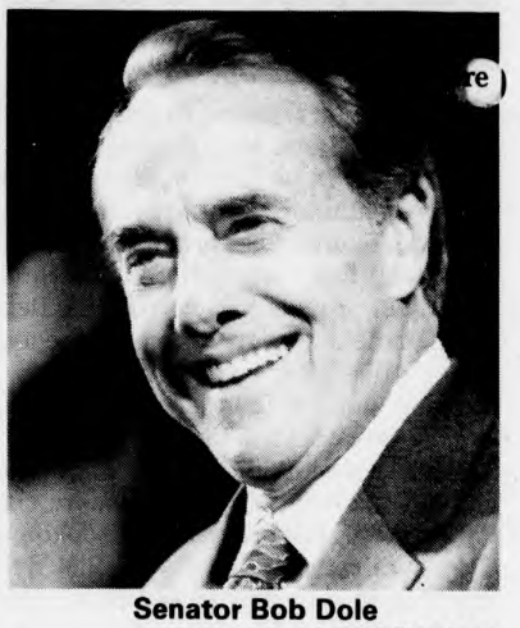

Senator Bob Dole
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By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Which presidential candidate will do the most for your finances? That's what we wanted to know when we asked President Bill Clinton and Republican presidential candidate Bob Dole to answer a series of questions about their ideas to fatten voters' wallets.

Of course, the candidates are in sync on many financial issues.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

Mr. Clinton is for a $500 family credit; *Mr. Dole is, too. Mr. Clinton* wants small business relief; so does Mr. Dole. Mr. Clinton wants expanded IRAs as a hedge against potential financial catastrophes; Mr. Dole likes the sound of that, too.

Middle class tax breaks

Rather opportunistically, both Clinton and Dole now dabble with the electoral bribery of a middle class tax break. Both want a $500-per-child tax credit. Never mind that this proposal ironically gives parents a break that their children will inherit in the form of higher deficits later on.

Strangely, Clinton's credit amounts to just $300 in the first two years, and moves to $500 in the third. Families earning less than $75,000 get the credit, which stops when the child reaches age 13. Dole's credit starts at $250, and hits $500 in the second year. Couples earning up to $110,000 qualify, which cuts off when the child reaches college age, i.e., 18.

Both Clinton and Dole want to help parents with their education costs. "My balanced budget plan provides a $1,500 tax credit for the first two years of college," Clinton told us, as well as "a $10,000 tuition deduction for education."

Clinton's $42.9 billion proposal, which was already offered by House and Senate Democratic leaders in a bill introduced last June, comes with an interesting cosmetic twist. The way the deduction and credit works is, families earning up to $100,000 a year could choose either a single $10,000 deduction for the whole family, or a direct $1,500 tax credit for each eligible child. The deduction could be claimed in later years after the credit has been used.

Furthermore, Clinton's credit is "performance-based" — taxpayers can only take the credit for tuition in the second year if the student has at least a "B" average and no felony drug convictions. While a laudable goal, leaving the definition of "performance-based" up to bureaucrats would be an administrative nightmare.

Dole has a different take on education breaks. He wants to let low- and middle-income taxpayers deduct interest on student loans, plus he wants employers to give workers tax-free college tuition assistance. He would also let these parents plunk his annual $500-per-child credit into "education investment accounts," where earnings would accrue tax-free as long as the money sits there for at least five years.

The retiree safety net

It's clear from both Clinton and Dole that, for the first time ever, retirement savings will be a powerful campaign issue. Clinton told us he wants to help the "51 million working Americans who are not now covered by an employer-provided retirement plan."

First at bat: IRAs. Currently, deductible IRA amounts phase out depending on a taxpayer's income. Clinton would double those levels — for example, from $25,000 to $35,000 for singles, to $50,000 to $70,000. "Doubling the income limits will enable another 20 million families to make tax-deductible contributions," he told us.

Clinton also wants to let workers "take their retirement savings with them," which he says will help "the more than 5 million workers a year who change jobs and have an employer-provided pension."

Instead of letting more taxpayers qualify for IRAs, Dole says, "I support increasing the amount that individuals may contribute to their 401(k) plans and individual retirement accounts so that they can save more." Also, both Clinton and Dole want to let taxpayers make penalty-free withdrawals from their IRAs for education and job training, first home purchases, or costs incurred during long-term unemployment.

As the election picks up steam, remember this: All of these ideas could evanesce into the Oval Office air, no matter who sits down after the election. These proposals are but political siren songs. You can be lured by them, but you'll never get these breaks immediately, nor in one piece. Also, the constitutional power of the president is limited — he only has the bully pulpit and the veto.

Who should you watch? Firstly, Congress, which must perform radical surgery on a metastasizing $4 trillion federal budget deficit. Secondly, Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan, whose policies will have more of an impact on the economy, and thus on voters' pocketbooks, than a president of either party. What Congress and Greenspan do is what counts.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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Nearly two dozen South Shore high school students will join another 380 of their peers to pitch questions at U.S. Sen. John Kerry and Gov. William Weld, rivals for the U.S. Senate, during a Sept. 22 youth forum at the World Trade Center sponsored by Community Newspaper Company.

Like any good journalist, Meredith Hermance, 17, of Scituate, knows the best questions to ask a politician are the ones that affect ordinary people.

She said she is looking forward to the opportunity to grill the candidates on issues like education and college loans "that personally concern people my age.

She is one of three Scituate High School seniors who will attend the debate. She was recently named editor of the school newspaper, The Scituation.

A field hockey right halfback, basketball forward and softball leftfielder for the Scituate Sailors, she has reported on those teams as a correspondent for the Scituate Mariner for the past three years.

Hingham High School senior Terrence "T.Q." Quigg spent this summer making phone calls and stuffing envelopes as an intern at Kerry's Boston campaign headquarters.

Wallace, who plans to major in political science in college, belongs to the National Honor Society, plays second base for the baseball team, covers sports for the school newspaper and is vice president of the Hingham High School Amnesty International Chapter.

He said he wants to ask both candidates what they will do to deal with cost-cutting and overcrowding in public schools and how they will work to improve schools in general.

He also hopes to delve into the candidates' political record and ask each one to disclose his biggest political foible and how he worked to correct it.

Both the Weld and Kerry campaigns said they welcome the opportunity to address young voters and future voters.

Weld, a Republican, and Kerry, a Democrat, have met in five debates and have three more scheduled — not including this forum — before the Nov. 5 presidential election.

"We're delighted at the response to our youth forum and the unique opportunity it offers high school students to get a bit more up close and personal with the candidates," said Asa Cole, acting editor-in-chief of CNC.

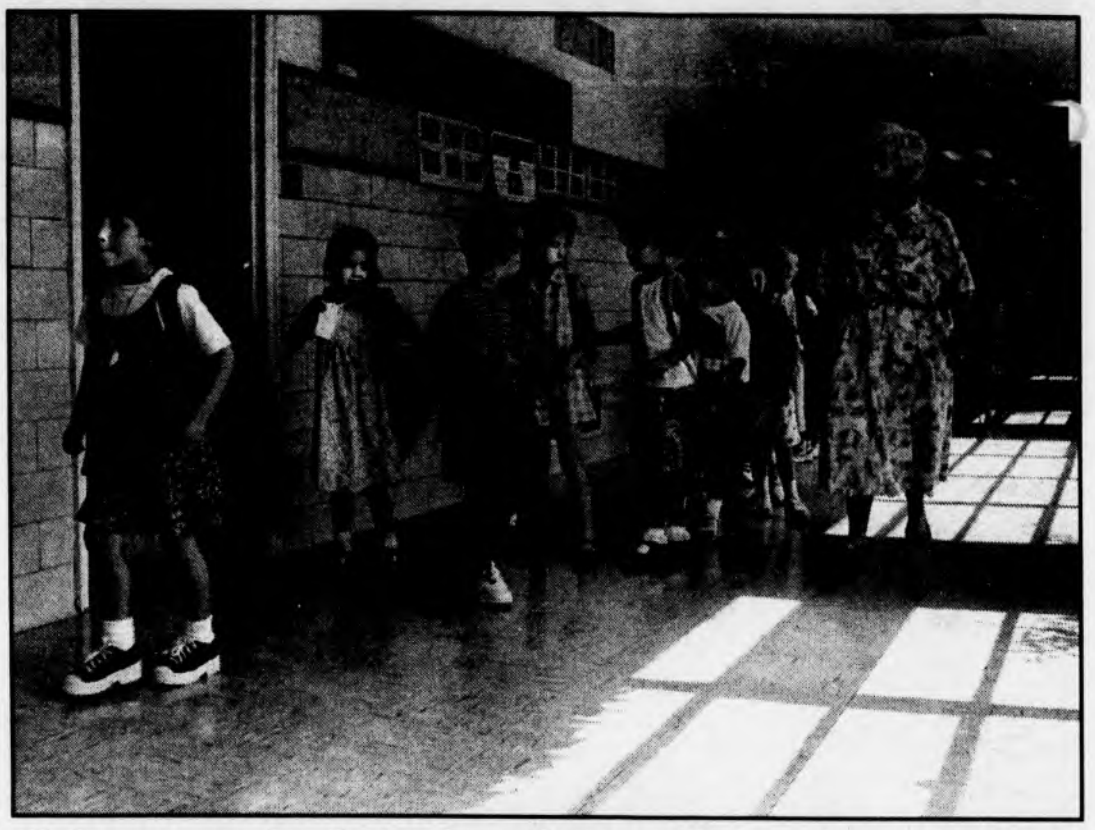
"It is important that both Kerry and Weld hear the issues of importance to the youth of today."

Publisher Cole, director of the event, added, "We've been working to make this happen since March, and my hope is by Sunday night, Sept. 22, both the students and candidates look back on this as a real educational experience."

The invitation-only forum is scheduled to start at 2 p.m. in the World Trade Center's amphitheater. Veteran political reporter Janet Wu of WCVB-TV-Channel 5 will be the moderator.

To make this event a memorable one for the participants as well as the candidates, Time Warner Cable, media co-sponsor, has arranged to bring MTV's "Choose or Lose" touring bus to the World Trade Center as part of the music network's "Rock the Vote" political awareness and voter registration campaign.

The MTV bus, a studio on wheels equipped with video and audio equipment, serves as the MTV News' production unit. It will be open to the general public for inspection from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Kindergarten teacher Marie Price walks her pupils down the corridor at Deer Hill School. Kindergarten was moved to Deer Hill this year to alleviate overcrowding at Osgood.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

The bus is everything but conventional. Its exterior features the Choose or Lose logo peppered with more than 100 quotes from historical figures like Aristotle and Lyndon Johnson to musicians like Bob Dylan, Public Enemy and Nirvana. The MTV news cube rotates on the roof of the bus. The inside is equally as intricate, featuring jungle-patterned rugs, gold-framed windows and more than 20 bouncing metallic stars.

Boston radio station WJMN-FM, JAM'N 94.5, will do live remote broadcasts from the World Trade Center, next to the MTV bus, and CNC will sponsor a voter registration booth.

The audience will also participate in a survey after the forum to be conducted by Feedback Marketing Services Corp. of Wellesley. Results of the survey will be published in CNC publications.

CNC also is creating an Internet site — titled "Vote '96" — which will allow computer users to get information on the candidates, the issues and the campaign, and to follow the coverage in CNC newspapers.

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School News

New names, new faces, new year

The Cohasset PSO annual fall meeting will take place Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7:30 p.m. the high school cafeteria. Speakers will include Marilee Cantelmo, new Osgood principal; Paul Callahan, new Deer Hill principal; Curtis Collins, junior/senior high principal; and Lynn Silva, new director of student services. The evening provides an opportunity to meet these new leaders and also hear about our new elementary school, block scheduling and the thought of converting the junior high to a middle school. Please join us.

PSO help is sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

PSO gift-wrap sale

It's time again for the PSO gift-wrap fund-raiser. Through Sept. 27 students will offer top quality products to family and friends. Fifty percent of all proceeds go toward our schools. Call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771 or Lesley Faber at 383-2071 for further information.

School Lunch Menu

Sept. 23-27

Monday, Sept. 23

Oven-baked chicken, vegetable or Greek salad, fruit, pretzel, brownie.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

Peanut butter and fluff sandwich or pepperoni and cheese calzone, steamed carrots, orange wedges.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

Honey Dijon chicken nuggets or grilled hot dog on roll, spinach, rice, applesauce.

Thursday, Sept. 26

Baked ziti with roll or tuna salad roll with lettuce and tomato, apple.

Friday, Sept. 27

Chicken nuggets or French bread pizza, mixed vegetables, fruit cup.

PAC meeting is slated

The Parents Advisory Council of Cohasset invites all parents and guardians of students receiving services under Chapter 766 from the Cohasset School system to an evening of informal discussion with the newly appointed Director of Student Services Lynn Silva.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deer Hill School library. For further details, call PAC Chairman Kim Maynard at 383-2707.

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Police Log

Thursday, Sept. 5

8:00 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.

8:10 a.m., prisoner transport, Elm St.

8:25 a.m., disabled auto, Sohier St.

8:58 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.

11:00 a.m., disturbance, Margin St.

11:42 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

12:16 p.m., parking violation, Elm St.

12:36 p.m., serve restraining order, Tad Ln.

1:09 p.m., animal complaint, Pleasant St.

6:28 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:59 p.m., general services, Ripley Rd.

8:57 p.m., general services, Pond St.

10:19 p.m., serve restraining order, Tad Ln.

11:21 p.m., medical aid, Sohier St.

Friday, Sept. 6

1:03 a.m., officer wanted, Stockbridge St.

2:15 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

7:15 a.m., serve restraining order, Tad Ln.

11:07 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.

11:12 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

2:27 p.m., MV violations, Summer St.

2:42 p.m., property (lost), CJC Hwy.

4:23 p.m., medical aid, Hatherly Rd. and Richfield.

5:21 p.m., serve restraining order, Border St.

5:42 p.m., motor vehicle stop, CJC Hwy.

5:47 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:02 p.m., public service, S. Main St.

7:17 p.m., animal complaint, River Rd.

7:30 p.m., general services, Marshfield, Plymouth Line.

7:47 p.m., annoying phone calls, Linden Dr.

8:19 p.m., MV stop, Black Horse Ln.

8:31 p.m., arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with James M. Corcoran, DOB: 1/23/51, 28 Stockbridge St., Cohasset. Offense: OUI Liquor.

10:58 p.m., disturbance, Forest Ave.

Saturday, Sept. 7

4:14 a.m., info, general, King St.

4:58 a.m. suspicious auto, N. Main St.

7:43 a.m., MV stop, 3A/ Lower King St.

12:56 pm., burglary, breaking & entering, Behind Red Lion Inn.

3:04 p.m., MV accident, Jerusalem Rd.

4:05 p.m. MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:15 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:41 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

6:10 p.m., medical aid, S. Main St.

6:56 p.m., MV violations, Elm St.

7:14 p.m., MV violations, N. Main St.

7:26 p.m., disturbance, Bow St.

8:39 p.m., medical aid, S. Main St.

9:01 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.

9:16 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy.

10:07 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:34 p.m., suspicious (other), Lamberts Ln.

Sunday, Sept. 8

12:10 a.m., MV stop, Pond St./Lantern Ln.

1:47 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave./Cedar Acres.

10:46 a.m., general services, Beach St.

2:13 a.m., general services, Summer St.

2:26 p.m., MV accident, Brewster Rd.

2:40 p.m., Mv stop, Smith Pl.

3:40 p.m., animal complaint, Lamberts Ln.

5:30 p.m., annoying phone calls, CJC Hwy.

6:48 p.m., open door/window, Pond St.

6:59 p.m., disturbance, Atlantic Ave.

7:20 p.m., protective custody, Atlantic Ave.

7:42 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

8:54 p.m., suspicious auto, James Ln.

9:01 p.m., MV violations, Nichols Rd.

9:55 p.m., medical aid, Barker Rd.

Monday, Sept. 9

12:30 a.m., MV stop, Red Gate Lane.

12:43 a.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

8:07 a.m., larceny, Harbor.

8:40 a.m., assist citizen, HQ.

9:05 a.m., general services, Cedar St.

9:09 a.m., MV stop, Cove.

9:19 a.m., arrest, Ptl. Quigley in with Michael Villa, DOB: 5/15/40, 530 Cresent St, Bridgewater, default warrant.

10:08 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:39 a.m., general services, N. Main St.

12:12 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

12:23 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

12:33 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

12:46 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

1:01 p.m., MV stop, Beach St.

1:55 p.m., general services, Rte. 3A, Cushing Plaza.

2:01 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

2:22 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

4:27 p.m., medical aid, Pond St.

6:10 p.m., property (found), RR tracks by Rocky Ln.

Tuesday, Sept. 10

12:36 a.m., medical aid, Branch St.

7:20 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:45 a.m., medical aid, Parking Way.

11:49 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

1:29 p.m., annoying phone calls, CJC Hwy.

1:41 p.m., general services, Border St.

2:23 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.

2:48 p.m., property (lost), Summer St. and S. Main St.

3:34 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

5:42 p.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

7:45 p.m., disturbance general, Ripley Rd.

7:55 p.m., medical aid, Parker Ave.

11:45 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

11:58 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

Wednesday, Sept. 11

5:57 a.m., medical aid, Hull St.

6:42 a.m., MV stop, Red Gate Ln.

7:00 a.m., MV stop, King St.

7:05 a.m., MV stop, King St.

7:14 a.m., MV stop, King St.

7:21 a.m., MV stop, King St.

7:26 a.m., MV stop, King St.

7:32 a.m., MV stop, King St.

9:08 a.m., medical aid, First Parish Rd.

9:40 a.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.

11:19 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

5:53 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

6:25 p.m., officer wanted, Ripley Rd. & Sohier St.

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Canister washes up on shore

The Navy was summoned to Cohasset Saturday to dispose of a potentially dangerous canister that washed up on Black Rock Beach that afternoon.

Det. Rick Grassie said a bomb disposal specialist from the U.S. Naval station in Newport, Rhode Island was called in after the canister, marked with warnings to call the police or military if found, was discovered about 4:15 p.m., Sept. 15. The Hull and Cohasset fire departments, Cohasset police and the U.S. Coast Guard from the station at Point Allerton went down to the site. The canister was secured and brought to the police station, Grassie said.

Grassie said the 4 in. by 1-1/2 ft. canister contained phosphorus which the Navy uses to light up an area for activities such as beach landings.

The canister was "beaten up and corroded" and could have gone off any time posing a severe safety hazard, Grassie said.

Lt. Jim Beene, who is with the explosive ordnance disposal mobile unit 2 detachment at Newport, put the canister in a steel case filled with sand and water.

Beene explained the canister, which had apparently misfired, was a marine location marker commonly used by the Coast Guard and Navy. When the canister is activated, the discharged phosphorus ignites with a resulting pillar of smoke used by aircraft as a locator.

Beene said the device is so common that the Navy will not try to trace where it came from. But he warned that anyone who finds "anything that remotely looks like ordnance to get hold of the police."

Traffic control beefed up

Police Chief Brian Noonan warned drivers this week that police traffic control has been increased now that school is underway.

"We've stepped up radar especially along the bus routes," Noonan said.

He said citizens have notified police and asked for increased enforcement.

"We intend to do that," Noonan said.

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6:48 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:00 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Notch.
7:08 p.m., general services, Pond St.
7:52 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.
9:03 p.m., general services, CJC
9:15 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.
10:45 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.
11:14 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

Thursday, Sept. 12

12:14 a.m., medical aid, Pond St.
12:36 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
5:01 a.m., officer wanted, Pond St.
7:02 a.m., MV stop, King St.
7:04 a.m., MV stop, King St.
7:11 a.m., MV stop, King St.
7:17 a.m., MV stop, King St.
7:37 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
8:23 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:34 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.
11:05 a.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.
11:24 a.m., animal complaint, Ripley Rd.
4:42 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:45 p.m., medical aid, Hull St.
7:25 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:21 p.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
8:37 p.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.
11:03 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

Friday, Sept. 13

12:25 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.
6:58 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:03 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:12 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St./Barnes Field.
7:37 a.m., Mv stop, N. Main/Ripley Rd.
9:45 a.m., missing person, Hillside Dr.
2:05 p.m., medical aid, Parkingway.
3:13 p.m., MV accident, S. Main St.
4:52 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
6:30 p.m., general services, Fairoaks Ln.
10:41 p.m., disturbance general, Government Island.

Saturday, Sept. 14

12:33 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave./Jerusalem Rd.
1:02 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A/Woolworths.
1:05 a.m., MV stop, Mill Bridge, Border St.
11:40 a.m., vandalism, Stockbridge St.
4:11 p.m., officer wanted, Black Rock Beach.
5:36 p.m., annoying phone calls, to Quincy from Cohasset.

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Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91
Waterways License Application
No. W96-5218
Doris Flint

Notification Date: September 27, 1996

Public Notice is hereby given of the application by Doris Flint to maintain a wall & pier at 99 Border Street, in the Municipality of Cohasset, in and over the waters of the Gulf River. The proposed uses of the structure(s) and/or fill are to provide shoreline stabilization for the protection of existing structures and noncommercial docking and boating access to navigable waters and is a water-dependent use project.

The Department will consider all written comments submitted thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date" in order to decide whether to grant authorization for the proposed activity pursuant to G.L. Chapter 91. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted written comments may also petition to intervene to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. Further information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Division at (617) 292-5695. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be submitted to: John A. Simpson, Program Chief, DEP/ Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.

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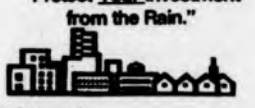

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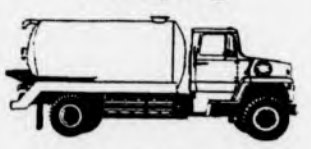

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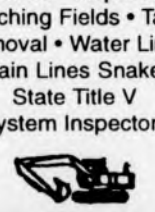

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The day-long event, whose primary sponsor is Iams, will feature dog training and grooming demonstrations, animal tattoo clinic, rescue group exhibitions and free T-shirts for every registration donation of $30 or more. Prizes will be awarded to the top three fund-raisers.

Free pet food samples, hourly drawings, a police dog unit, children's activities and refreshments will all be part of the fun.

For registration information, call (617) 834-4663.

Appalachian Service Project to meet

The Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project, in its 10th year, has grown from a membership of seven teenagers and two adult volunteers in the summer of 1988 to a total of 84 volunteers, who traveled to West Virginia this summer.

Project organizers have planned an information and early registration meeting for Sunday, Sept. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at Second Congregational Church. Any parent or senior high youth in the 10th to 12th grade who has an interest in the project is encouraged to attend, as spaces fill very quickly. (There has been a waiting list for the past four years.)

Any parent and their interest 9th grader may attend, and their name will be placed on the waiting list to fill any vacancies which may occur before May 1, 1997. The ASP 1997 trip is tentatively planned for June 28 to July 6, 1997, with fund raisers and meetings scheduled throughout the year.

Walk for MS set for Sept. 21

The Boston Herald, Channel 7 News and The River 92.5 FM have joined forces to help the National Multiple Sclerosis Society promote Oceanside Bike Fest '96, scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 21. Corporate sponsor Plymouth Savings Bank is underwriting the expenses of the tour.

Oceanside Bike Fest is a one-day bike tour beginning in Duxbury and taking cyclists along the rocky shore of Scituate, Cohasset and through the area's forests and parks. There are routes designed for all levels of riders, ranging from 25-, 50- and 100-mile trips.

Funds raised will held the Massachusetts chapter of the national society continue to provide a wide range of comprehensive services to approximately 7,000 families in the state living with MS.

For more information about the event, call the MS Society at (508) 291-2169.

Community Garden Club program slated

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, Sept. 24, at Walton Rodgers Hall at St. Stephen's Church. Coffee will be served at 9 a.m., followed by the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

The program will feature Pauline Bowden, who will demonstrate how to make arrangements using richly colored native plants, fruits, flowers, berries and dried materials of the season.

Farmers Market events planned

"Two for the Show," featuring Jake Kensinger and Ellen Schmidt, will be featured at Cohasset Farmers Market Thursday, Sept. 19, from 4 to 6 p.m. The acoustic singer/songwriter duo host the open mike series at the Colonial Inn in Concord, and both play guitar. Schmidt adds bass to the mix, with the duo performing original songs and other traditional folk music.

The Farmers Market will move to South Main Street in Cohasset Village Sept. 26 for a Fall Harvest Festival. South Main Street will be closed to make room for the Farmers Market and other activities for families.

The festivities will include live folk music from 3 to 7 p.m., storytelling by well-known artist Diane Edgecomb (3:30 and 4:45 p.m.), face painting, clowns, balloons, pony rides, hair braiding and children's painting by students at South Shore Art Center.

DOVE services discussed

Michelle Kahan, executive director of DOVE (Domestic Violence Ended), will speak at a meeting of South Shore and Coastline Councils for Children Tuesday, Sept. 24, at 7:30 p.m. at East Milton Congregational Church, 610 Adams St.

Kahan will describe DOVE's services for children and teens, including a dating violence prevention program, and other services offered by the organization. There will be a discussion about what community needs are in relation to violence prevention. There is no charge. For more information, call 749-0691.

Scouts join International Coast Sweep

As part of International Coast Sweep, Scouts from Troop 28 collected 13 large bags of trash, the remains of lobster pots, washed up moorings and other debris from Bassings Beach in Cohasset Harbor Friday and Saturday, Sept. 6 and 7. The clean-up program was sponsored by the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management which included similar projects throughout the state. Bassings Beach is accessible only by boat from Cohasset and is a popular landing for area boaters.

The Scouts, who spent the night on Bassings Beach as part of the event, included Mark Chapman, Matt Davis, Alex Dedes, Andrew Dennis, Johnny Dwyer, Scott Faber, John Friedman, Rob Lehr, Justin Maitland, Willie McArthur, Jody Roach and Alex Schmidt. The supervising adults were Scoutmaster Phil Lehr, Bob Dennis and Wayne Schmidt. There was time for some fun amidst all the work as Scouts enjoyed waterskiing, kneeboarding and fishing. John Bryant and Jeff Northnagel gave sailboat lessons.

Scoutmaster Lehr said, "Combining outdoor activities with this kind of community service helps develop an appreciation of the environment. Scouts learn the importance of maintaining the quality of natural areas in order to protect recreational benefits."

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Registry riles school chief

Seeks bus flap investigation

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Still reeling from state Registry of Motor Vehicle claims that Cohasset School buses were unsafe — the school department took off the gloves this week to fight back by asking local legislators and the governor to launch an investigation into the embarrassing episode.

For more than a week, an embattled school superintendent fielded questions by reporters from local and regional newspapers and television stations armed with registry ammunition charging that a myriad of safety violations ranging from flammable tape to oil leaks had sidelined the town's school bus fleet.

Apparently seeking to stage a media event, two state troopers and four registry officials held off starting the re-inspection of the six buses, which encircled the high school parking lot, last Friday morning until the news media arrived. A cameraman and reporter from Channel 56 equipped the troopers with microphones to record their comments during the filming of the inspec-

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A TV cameraman gets ready to follow two state troopers onto one of Cohasset's school buses to film the state Registry of Motor Vehicles inspection in the high school parking lot last Friday.
Staff photo/Mary Ford

Sweeping septic management program possible

Towns' tactics differ on Title V financial aid

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset and Hingham may share a town line, but when it comes to grappling with tough Title V regulations and finding septic solutions for residents, no two communities could be further apart.

While Hingham's health board favors adopting financing plans that come with the fewest strings attached for the town, target known system failures and put the least burden on homeowners — Cohasset is aggressively seeking as much financial assistance as possible and is willing to take on the most comprehensive environmental protection plan.

These programs, which could involve annual septic system inspections, even for residents with no plans to renovate or sell their homes, will assuredly bring more failing systems to light and more expense for homeowners.

"We're trying to help homeowners out as much as possible, but some people may never get inspected if there is no sale or renovation. These laws are designed to protect the environment and water supplies," said Cohasset Health Agent Dr. Joseph Godzik. "I'm looking at it from and environmental protection stand point."

While some state loan programs, designed to help towns grapple with Title V regulations, have excluded affluent or partially sewered communities like Cohasset and Hingham from participating, two recent programs — one of them still in the planning stages — could offer some long awaited relief for many residents.

Cohasset is currently pursuing the $30 million financing program included in this year's Open Space Bill and administered through the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), the Executive Office of Administration and Finance (EOAF) and the Treasurer's Office in conjunction with legislators, bankers and real estate brokers. While a portion of the funding is earmarked to assist those residents facing imminent sewer connections and tie-ins, the majority is available to communities willing to take a more comprehensive approach to septic systems management.

Under this betterment program, towns borrow money from the state on the homeowners' behalf, receiving a lower than market interest rate — (5 percent or less) — and pass the funding onto residents based on need or the condition of the septic system and extent of repairs necessary. The homeowners then pay the loan back to the town over a period of up to 20 years, possibly through their tax bills.

By adopting a comprehensive community septic management program to address on-site disposal failure in areas of high environmental concern, Godzik said Cohasset will be eligible for a $20,000 grant to assist the town in identifying priority areas and develop a management plan, and at least $200,000 in loans for septic sys-

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Proposed subdivision draws a crowd

Jerusalem Road estates plans presented again

By JASON BOUFFARD
Cohasset Mariner

Neighbors of the proposed Jerusalem Road Estates will have to endure a lengthy process before the town's planning board decides the fate of their neighborhood.

The board met at Town Hall on Sept. 18 before a group of 35 to 40 concerned citizens to discuss the pros and cons of the proposed development which would replace the existing Curtis Estate woods and wetlands with a 45-acre, 28 lot housing complex.

Attorney Charles Humphreys, along with developer Steve Corey, Civil Engineer Robert Hannigan, and Environmental Specialist Dr. Jerome Carr, defended the "definitive plan" for the development.

While the preliminary plan was rejected last year, the current version contains several changes which address the planning board's concerns of last spring.

Among those changes are an improved drainage plan which will allow water to run away from houses and a decreased road pitch.

Planning board officials were concerned about an 8.5 percent grade on a roadway within the development, but the modified proposal reduced the grade to meet a 6 percent limit.

Humphreys also commented on the sewer commission's refusal to allow 28 new houses to hook up to existing sewer lines, due to inadequate pipe capacity.

"We do believe there is adequate capacity,"

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Cohasset's Week

Paint recycling Saturday

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown announced that paint recycling for latex and oil-base paint only is from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday at the RTF.

Dump office is sought

Voters at October's special town meeting may be asked to authorize spending $7,500 to construct an office at the RTF near the pit so dump personnel can keep an eye on things. The existing administrative building could be used for more storage and recycling, town officials said this week.

Selectman Michael H. Sullivan said he has concerns about constructing an office near where people dump their trash. He said that area is already crowded.

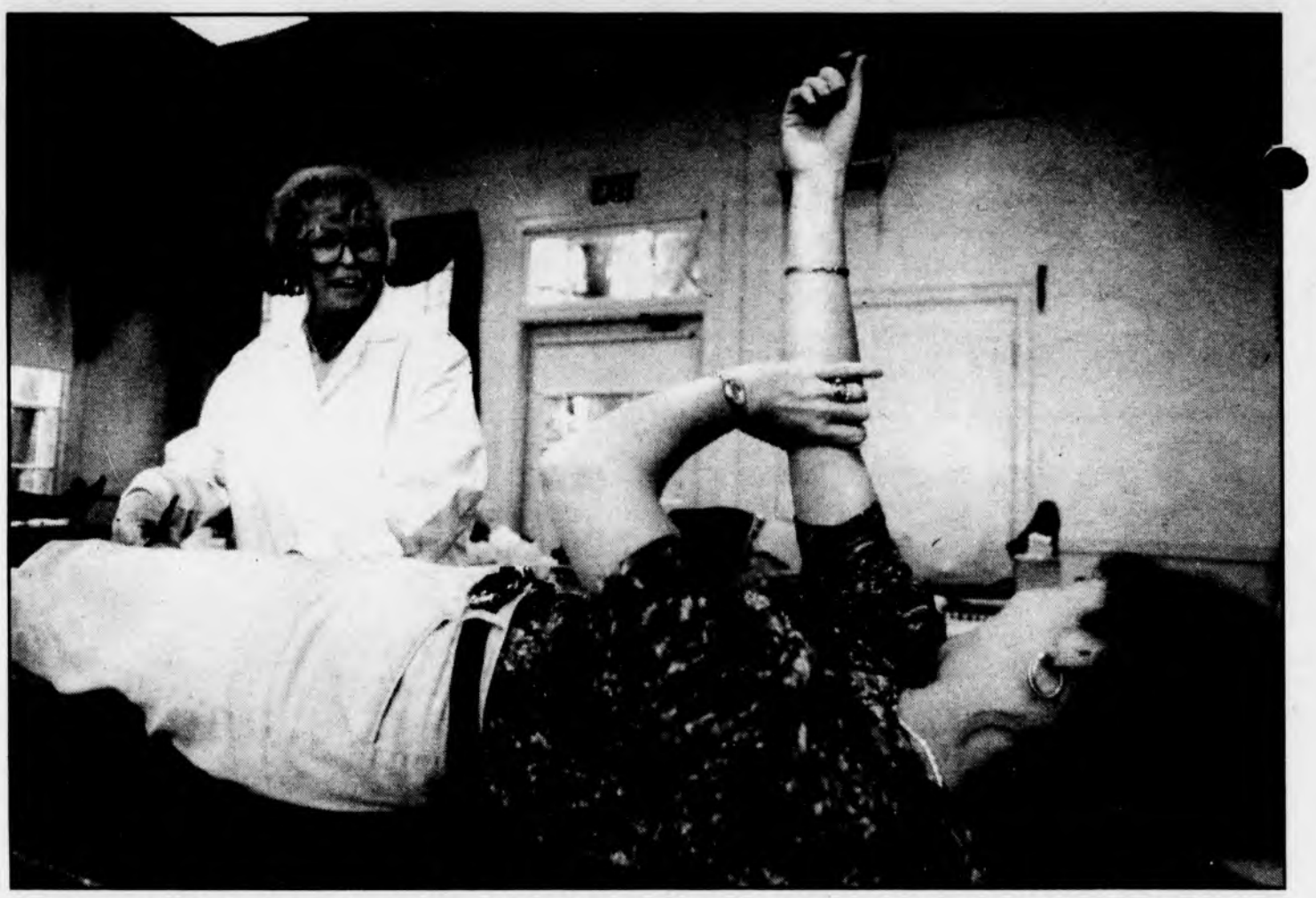
"To have people walk into where people are backing into is a concern," he said. "It's a direct conflict with the flow that exists today.

"I think it would be dangerous."

The topic came up during a discussion of DPW articles for the special town meeting warrant. Selectmen are in the process of recommending articles.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown strongly endorses the new office. Selectman Nan Roth said she could support the office but has reservations and needs help imagining what it would look like. Roth also suggested "thinking creatively" and perhaps heating the office with compost.

Brown noted that recycled oil could be used to heat it.



Technician Barbara Donovan checks on blood donor Liz Richardson of Cohasset during the community blood drive last week sponsored by the Red Cross at the Unitarian Parish House.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Tide Chart

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Sept./Oct. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 26	10:59	11.3	4:44	11:23	11.6	5:09
Fri. 27	11:48	11.7	5:34	——	——	6:00
Sat. 28	12:15	11.5	6:23	12:36	11.5	6:50
Sun. 29	1:05	11.3	7:10	1:23	11.6	7:39
Mon. 30	1:54	10.8	7:57	2:11	11.3	8:28
Tues. 1	2:43	10.3	8:45	2:59	10.8	9:18
Wed. 2	3:34	9.7	9:34	3:49	10.3	10:10
Thurs. 3	4:28	9.2	10:26	4:42	9.8	11:05

Tides at all ports from Annisquam to Wellfleet are within 10 minutes of the above.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said she was in favor of recommending the article to special town meeting. She noted that by that time, there would be a sketch of the building and the safety issues could be worked out.

DPW sanders requested

The Dept. of Public Works will ask October's special town meeting to purchase two, new stainless steel sanders for existing trucks.

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield said the small sander will cost $6,121 and the larger one will cost about $18,000 which includes the spreader and hydraulic lift.

The town has a total of four spreaders.

"We went out 93 times last year," Litchfield said.

Private way resurfacing

Voters will be asked to appropriate $50,000 at the October special town meeting to resurface private ways in town. DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield noted that many of the streets are in dire need of attention.

Part of the money could be used to blast an outcropping of ledge on Lamberts Lane so that road could be straightened. Residents who live along the narrow, winding street asked selectmen last week to take some immediate measures to make the street safer.

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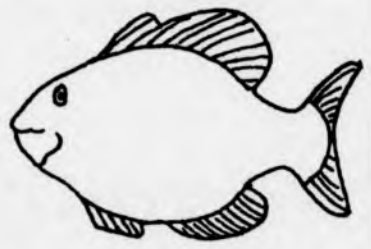

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Fire radios are topic

Selectmen could not reach a consensus this week on recommending to special town meeting whether or not to spend $12,000 on 12 new portable, hand-held radios for the fire department.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said he considered a portable radio to be an important part of each firefighter's protective gear so he or she could communicate with other members of the department at all times. He said there are not enough radios for the 22-member department which currently has ten radios.

Selectman Michael H. Sullivan questioned why that many new radios were needed and suggested that if each truck had two radios then firefighters could share them.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said it was not the selectmen's role to second guess the fire chief.

"The chief is in the best position to determine what he needs for the safety of his firefighters," she said.

Selectman Nan Roth also wondered if the department could get by with fewer radios because all the firefighters would not be on duty or fighting a fire at the same time.

When questioned about the cost, Lincoln explained that at $1,000 each, the price was the best the department could get.

Wadsworth is named to public ways group

Town archivist David Wadsworth, 14A Summer St., in the newest member of the town committee to study private ways in town.

Selectmen named Wadsworth, who is senior curator at the Cohasset Historical Society, to the group this week because of his knowledge of town history.

Selectmen were also impressed with Diane E. Benson's background. Benson, 172 Forest Ave., also expressed interest in the private ways post. Selectmen said they would invite her to participate on another board.

Pooler appointed to computer study board

The town's assistant assessor/appraiser Cheryl Pooler was appointed this week to the computer study committee. Pooler replaces former town treasurer/collector Betty Ripley on that board.

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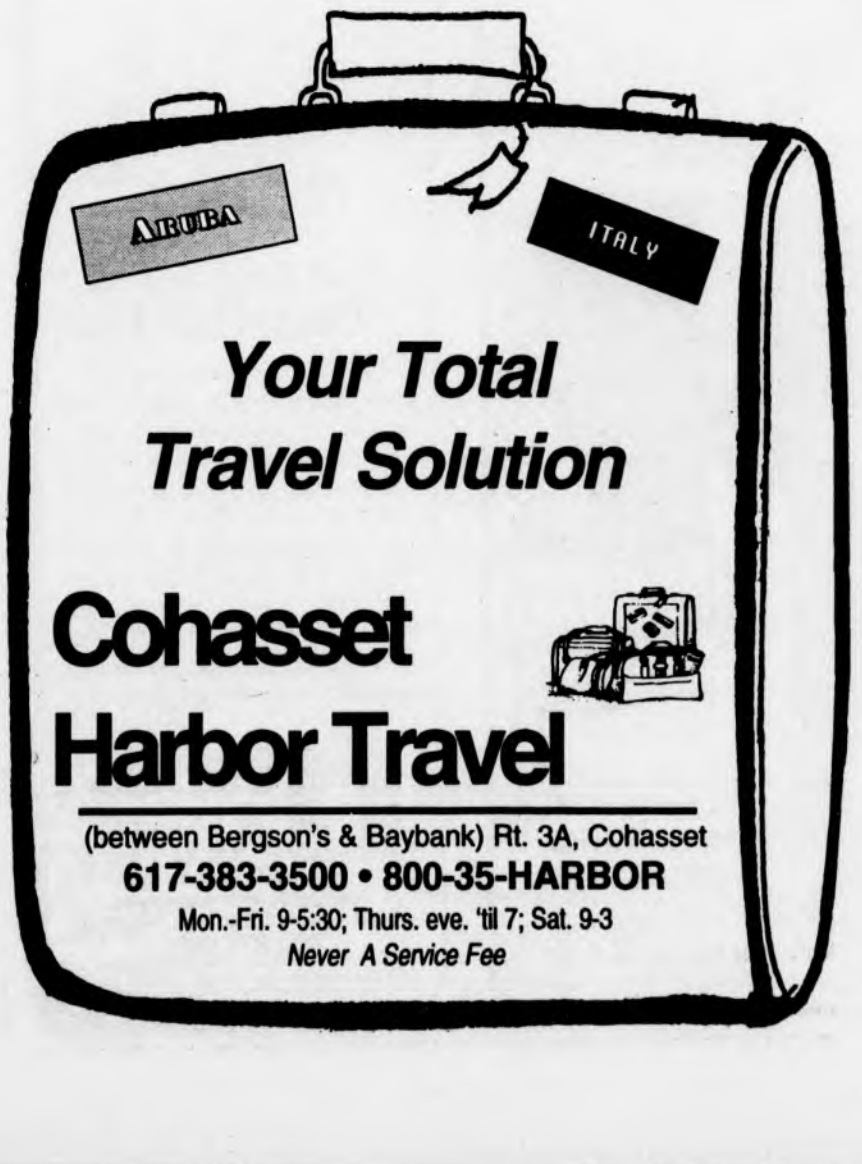

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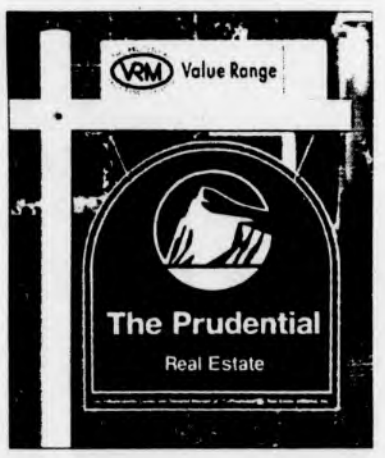

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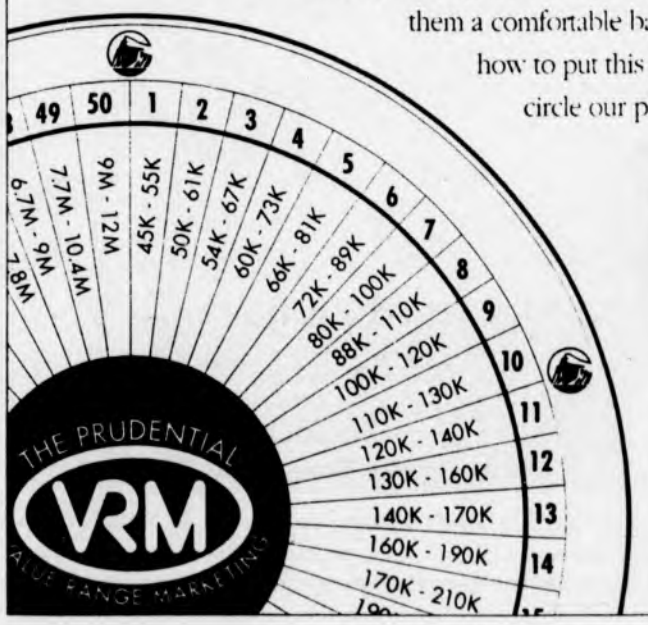

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Registry riles Cohasset school chief

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tion. One registry official said the Fox television network was also expected, although no one from that station showed up.

Exasperated, school Supt. Stephen Hart defended his department's bus maintenance history. He asked registry officials and the troopers at the scene why the media was notified about Friday's inspection and he couldn't get anyone at the registry to return his numerous telephone calls, the times and dates of which he documented.

The troopers, who said Cohasset's fleet passed inspection Friday and could go back on the road, said they had not received any messages from Hart.

Monday, School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder told selectmen that while no one disagrees with a tough inspection standard — the school board questioned the motivation behind it. He noted that registry inspectors showed up in September after school started and publicly "lambasted the town" as being cheap.

Selectmen agreed that the town had been treated "terribly," as characterized by Selectman Nan Roth, and support the school board's request for an investigation.

While the buses were sidelined for more than a week, the town borrowed two buses from Scituate and rented three from Norwell-based North River Transportation at $170 a day each for a total cost of about $3,500.

The apparent crux of the problem between the registry and town surrounds allegations that state troopers assigned to the registry made remarks on several occasions to the effect that Cohasset is a rich town and therefore should have new buses. Hart said he has heard as much and that was corroborated by Leland Jenkins, a member of the advisory board.

Jenkins, 198 Jerusalem Rd., said he heard a trooper during an inspection a year ago question why the town didn't have all new buses when his town did.

Four of the town's six buses are are either nine or ten years old. School officials apparently believe the registry played hard ball with the town during the Sept. 12 inspection because of the age of the fleet and affluence of the community.

Trooper Paul Van Schaick and Sgt. Wayne Cameron, who were on hand Friday, flatly denied ever making any statements regarding whether or not the town should replace its buses with newer models.

Cameron said the troopers' main concern is the safety of the children.

"We're not in the bus business whatsoever," he said.

Further inflaming the issue were remarks made in telephone interviews to the various media by the registry spokesman Aubrey Hazner. Hazner said it was "pathetic" to put children in Cohasset buses and charged the town clearly does not care about the safety of its children.

The ensuing brouhaha prompted the school board's request for an investigation and a letter home from Hart to parents allaying any fears they may have about the safety of school buses in town (for text of letter and statement, see page 10).

"Representatives of the registry said the town of Cohasset does not care for the safety of its children because of the condition of the buses," Hart said. He said that flies in the face of the $10,000 spent on maintenance getting the buses ready for the recent inspection and $26,000 spent last year on bus maintenance.

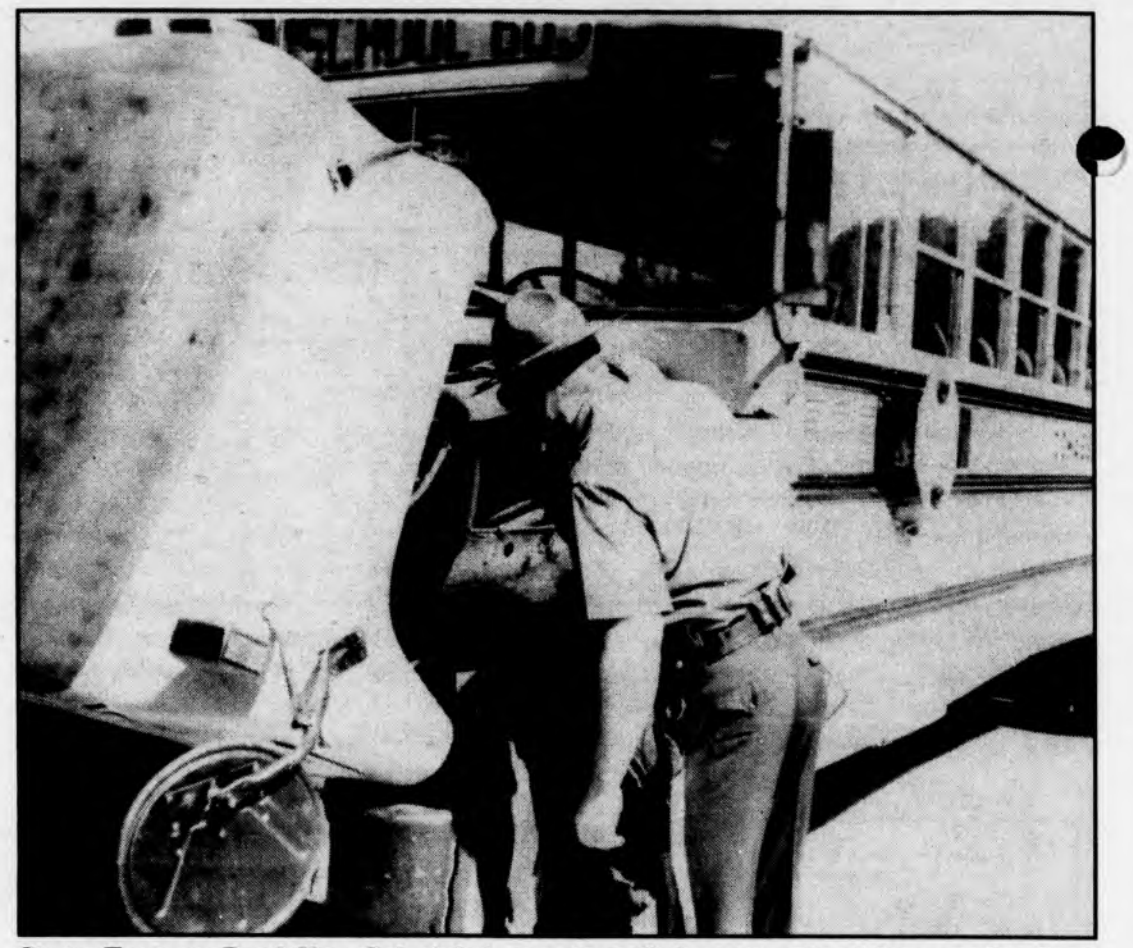
"That (comment about lack of caring about safety) I cannot stand for," Hart said. He disputed that any of the violations were major noting as an example, that not one of the 36 tires on the buses needed to be replaced.

Hart said with three inspections a year, there are bound to be things uncovered that need fixing but this was the first time in his 25 years associated with Cohasset — that the inspection reached this extent.

Hazner said Tuesday he stood behind his remarks.

"These were serious violations, I can't emphasize that enough," he said. "If I owe the superintendent a personal apology, then I apologize.

"But the simple fact is the buses were not maintained. The superintendent keeps trying to minimize the situation and blame the messenger and that's wrong," Hazner said. "The buses have now passed inspection and that's the end of the story, but Mr. Hart wants to go on with that."



State Trooper Paul Van Schaick inspects a Cohasset school bus engine last Friday.

Staff photo/Mary Ford

The school department was not the only one on the defensive at Friday's inspection. The troopers said they felt the media had treated them unfairly.

"I feel the media coverage we received was not fair," Cameron said. He explained the buses were not flunked due to gum wrappers and valve stem covers, as reported, but due to loose hand rails, faulty windshield wipers, lights being out, low beams out, and leaking oil among other violations.

He said these were not trivial failures but serious infractions that needed to be corrected.

Val Schaick said just one safety violation was enough to flunk a bus.

"The facts speak for themselves," he said. "And they lead me to believe there's a lack of concern for safety."

Hart, who now has a copy of the registry regulations, points out that many of the violations cited in the September inspection were not enough to take a bus off the road.

But Hart said the school department would make every effort to ensure buses are in the condition where registry officials "feel comfortable in passing them."

In a related matter, the school committee will discuss plans to ask next month's special town meeting for money to buy possibly four new school buses at its Oct. 3 meeting which gets underway at 7:30 p.m., in Room 10 at the high school.

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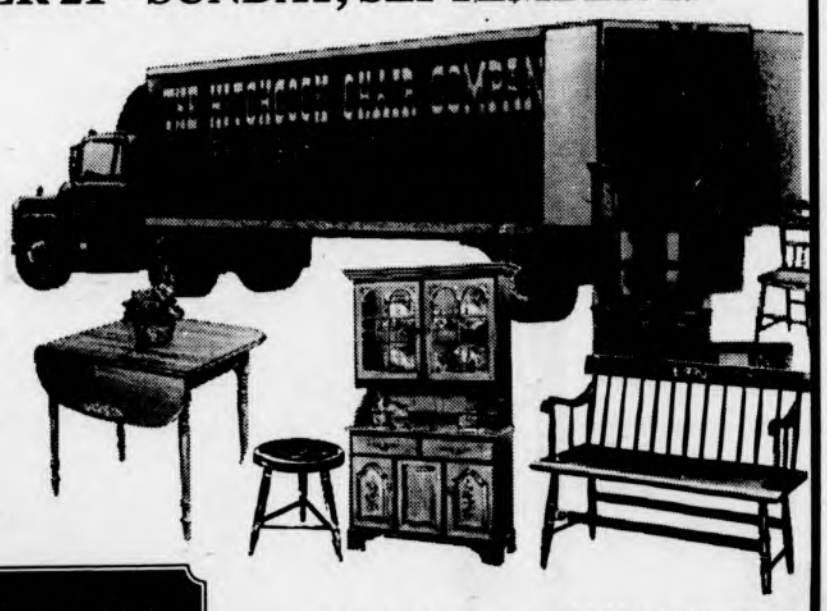

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Occupation: Homemaker and local volunteer.

Goal: To make a difference in life.

Best vacation: Disney World with my family.

Best day(s) of your life: When I became a mother and a grandmother.

Biggest worry: That the world will not be peaceful for our children.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Spring.

Favorite TV show: 'Murder She Wrote.'

Favorite movie: 'Moonstruck.'

Favorite book: 'The Shell Seekers,' by Rosamund Pilcher.

Favorite junk food: Popcorn.

Most embarrassing moment: Holding three cups of coffee, I was busy looking for my sister and mother, who had changed seats, when I was pushed out on stage by the chorus line in 'My Fair Lady' at the Music Circus.

Person(s) you'd most like to meet: My grandparents.

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Sweeping septic management program possible

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tem repairs and upgrades. Cohasset must apply for the loan program by Sept. 30.

With a third of the town's 1,500 septic systems failed or failing, and average repair and upgrade costs running homeowners about $20,000, Godzik said $200,000 is just a drop in the bucket, and he hopes to get much more if possible.

In order to do so, Godzik said the town will hire a consultant to develop a septic management plan which will include a new system for inspections. Every home in town with a septic system will be put on a priority list for inspections with those closest to environmentally sensitive areas inspected more frequently. How frequently inspections take place will be decided in the plan, Godzik said.

While concerns have been raised about the cost of septic system inspections to homeowners, Godzik said after the initial inspection when most of the pertinent data is compiled, subsequent inspections are less expensive.

To handle the work load involved with the comprehensive septic management plan Godzik said the board of health would have to hire more staff or contract the work out.

But at this point, Godzik said most of the program's details have yet to be worked out.

Godzik will also be keeping an eye out for a new Title V loan program that state Senator Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, has been toiling over.

Also administered through DEP and EOAF and available through a surplus in the state Deficiency Budget, is $13 million in guaranteed homeowner loans at low interest rates and in some cases interest free.

According to Joseph Calanan, a legislative aid in Hedlund's office the new program would allow homeowners borrow up to $25,000 directly from the state and pay it back over a 20-year period.

Homeowners with an annual income of $22,000 or less are eligible for no interest loans; those with an income between $22,000 and $55,000 qualify for five percent interest rate; those with incomes between $55,000 and $110,000 qualify for an eight percent interest rate and those with an annual income of more than $110,000 would get the market interest rate, Calanan said.

There is also a provision for a zero percent "time of transfer loan," which applies to homeowners who expect to sell their house within a year and plan to repay the loan in full. Still being worked out is how those short-term loans can be rolled over if the sale falls through or takes more than a year to complete, Calanan said.

Open to any homeowner, Calanan said this program is especially good for newer homeowners trying to sell or renovate and faced with costly upgrades but who have little or no equity in their homes.

"There is no equity test in order to get this loan," Calanan said.

Information on this and several other state loan programs will be made available to South Shore homeowners at a Title V briefing in Scituate slated for October, Calanan said.

Walk to fight breast cancer

Join the American Cancer Society's annual 5.7 mile Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk at 8:30 a.m., Oct. 6 on the Charles River Esplanade. Cohasset's Maryanne Clougherty has arranged for free transportation from town hall to the Esplanade. Please call her at 383-9589 for more information. Proceeds from the event will be dedicated to the American Cancer Society's breast cancer research, education and patient support programs in Massachusetts.

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All classes are on Tuesdays. Grade Five meets from 4:15 - 5:15pm, and Grade Six from 5:30 - 6:30pm.

For further information or to pre-register by phone please call Donald Mason: 617-734-3447 or a Committee member: Patricia Leahy, Chairperson: 383-1005; Moira Ann Stansel, Fifth Grade Boys: 383-1029; Lisa Koed, Fifth Grade Girls: 383-6641; Rhonda Corey Myers, Sixth Grade Boys: 383-2969; and Elaine Coyne, Sixth Grade Girls: 383-2167.

Proposed subdivision draws crowd

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Humphreys said. "The board has decided which taxpayers are going to get sewer hook-up and which are not. It is our position that the board cannot do that. If there is adequate capacity, the board must approve [the development]."

Board Chairman Al Moore said that the sewer issue would likely be settled before a judge.

Humphreys also asserted that the land would be developed eventually, even if the Jerusalem Road Estate development never attained approval. He pointed out that the land could be used for low-income housing.

Humphreys was followed by Carr, who offered an explanation of the development's potential impact on the environment.

While many residents expressed concern about the displacement of wildlife in lieu of the housing complex, Carr said that the area has little environmental value.

Using a wildlife value scale of 3 to 8, with 3 being the lowest possible score, most areas within the site received a value lower than 4.5. Only Rattlesnake Run, a wetland area, scored over 5.

Carr went on to point out several problems which the updated proposal addresses, including sanitary sewer hook-ups and erosion and flood control.

Throughout the hearing, much of the crowd made its lack of support for the project known. That sentiment was magnified when the floor was opened for comments.

Many residents near or abutting the site expressed concerns about the increase in traffic that would result from an additional 28 families.

One neighbor talked about inadequate sidewalks along the streets that surround the site, and said that should the development proceed, this would compound safety concerns for children who wait along area roads for school buses.

Others expressed concerns regarding flooding and the potential displacement of wildlife, including deer, foxes and coyotes.

One man pointed out that current plans would leave a 12' cliff along his driveway, due to alterations in terrain necessary for proper drainage.

Although solutions were offered for most issues, Town Civil engineer consultant John Modzelewski and board member Robert Sturdy were concerned that many of the proposed solutions were not reflected in the submitted proposal.

Sturdy stressed the importance of including these solutions, since agreements not contained within the proposal would be impossible to enforce.

"We would be shadow boxing if we expected a consultant to review something that hasn't been formally submitted yet," Modzelewski said.

Many in attendance showed interest in meeting one-on-one with Humphreys and others affiliated with the development in order to discuss the actual impact on neighboring individuals in more detail.

Humphreys and Corey both agreed about the need for such meetings.

"We still have some very serious issues to grapple with," Moore said. "We'll have to deal with the sewer issue, as well as the traffic, road grades, and drainage. This is the start of a long road."

Sturdy cautioned those in attendance that following the issue to its conclusion is crucial.

"There may be minor changes to the proposal, and there may be major changes. This plan may not even be close to the final plan. Don't walk away thinking that this is the way it's going to be," he said.

The next hearing for the Jerusalem Road Estate proposal is scheduled for Oct. 16 at 8:30 p.m. at Town Hall.

Open space plan backed

Selectmen enthusiastically agreed to write a letter of support of the town's draft open space plan which must be submitted to the state by Sept. 30.

The plan will set the stage for the town to qualify for grants for open space purposes including the purchase of Turkey Hill on the Hingham/Cohasset line near Whitney Woods.

Susan Cope of the open space committee explained the draft plan encompasses a wide range of open space issues so that in future years the town can apply for grants that fit its needs.

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❑

Eight-year-old **Nick Infusino** caught his first striper, right in Cohasset Harbor. Not many 8-year-olds have this claim to fame. He should be really proud of himself. We congratulate him, too!

❑

Let's hear it this week for **Kristin Lee Niessink**, daughter of **Deborah** and **Jan Niessink** of Cohasset, on being named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at St. Michael's College in Colchester, Vt.

Kristin is a sophomore majoring in biology.

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The **Cohasset Amateur Gardeners** held their most recent meeting Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 68 Summer St. Members enjoyed a demonstration on making faux-cement pots and a presentation of this year's activities. Anyone who would like to find out more about the Amateur Garden Club, should call **Merle** at 383-9324.

❑

Brian Riley, son of **Bob** and **Carol Riley** of Jerusalem Road has enrolled as a freshman at Fairfield University where he plans to major in liberal arts.

At Cohasset High, Brian was a member of the varsity football team and was voted co-captain and MVP in his senior year.

Hope you have a great year, Brian!

❑

Just heard that **Julienne R. Quemere**, daughter of **Kathleen Quemere** of Cohasset, recently graduated from Hartwick College where she earned a bachelor of science degree, magna cum laude with departmental distinction in music education.

Congratulations, Julienne.

❑

The Mercersburg Academy of Mercersburg, Pennsylvania has sent us some news about **Elizabeth M. Hills**, an 11th grader at the boarding high school. Elizabeth, who is the daughter of **Mr.** and **Mrs. David W. Hills** of Cohasset, ended the 1995-96 school year with general academic records on the high honor roll. She also received the Lower Middle English Award.

Keep up the good work, Elizabeth!

❑

Bowdoin College reports that Cohasseters **Johanna R. Horn** and **Christopher M. Kondrat**, both members of the Class of 1998, have been named to the Dean's List on the basis of their scholastic achievements during the spring semester of the 1995-96 academic year.

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The stork made a recent local delivery. So if you see **Jim** and **Dama Dow** smiling more than usual, be sure to congratulate them!

The Dows, 502 N. Main St., are the proud parents of brand-new arrival **Christina Marley Dow** who arrived on Sept. 3. She tipped the scales at a petite 7 pounds.

Also welcoming Christina are her grandparents, **Elaine Chase** of Cohasset and **Phil** and **Edna Dow** of Hull.

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All the best to **Adam Friedman** of Cohasset who recently began his first year at Cushing Academy in Ashburnham, Mass.

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Bridget Marie Corkery is a shining star at Saint Michael's College.

Bridget, who is the daughter of **Mr.**

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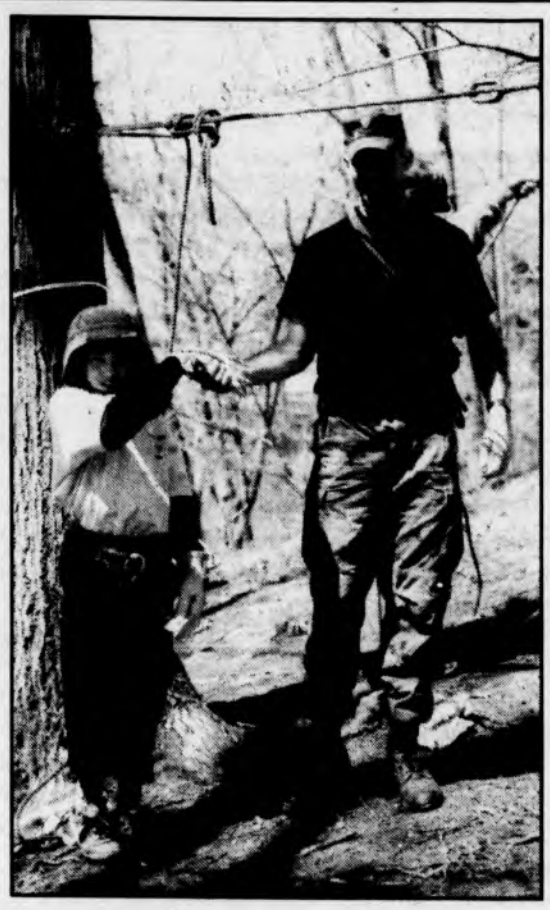

Above David Krueger pulls himself across a "rope bridge" at West Point. David, a member of High Adventure Boy Scout Troop 78, competed in the annual U.S. Military Academy Invitational Camporee last spring, in which the troop earned top honors in the Military Skills competition. At right, after traversing the rope bridge, David is congratulated by Cadet Thomas Scanzillo of Scituate.

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Obituaries

William L. Kleinz Jr.

William Lee Kleinz Jr., 83, of Cohasset, owner of William L. Kleinz Co. Inc. of Boston and Cohasset, a wool firm, died Sept. 14 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Born in Chicago, he was a graduate of Lake Forest College, Lake Forest, Ill., and was a resident of Cohasset for 40 years.

Mr. Kleinz began working in the wool business with Armour and Co. in Chicago, an industry he worked in for 57 years. After moving to Boston, he worked for the Smith Co. and Winslow Bros., both located in Boston, and Kriglinger and Co. of Belgium, with Boston offices.

He was also active with Peterson Realty in Cohasset.

Mr. Kleinz was a Navy veteran of World War II, serving two years as a lieutenant in both the Pacific and Atlantic theaters.

Mr. Kleinz was the husband of the late Katherine (Shield) Kleinz and leaves a daughter, Jacqueline M. Kleinz-Van Aarle of Boston; a brother, John Kleinz of Phoenix, Az.; and a sister, Susan Gehrig of Alexandria, Va. He was the father of the late William Lee Kleinz III.

A funeral service was held Sept. 18 in McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home. Burial was in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

Donations in his memory may be made to the American Cancer Society, 20 Speen St., Framingham 01701.

A day of health and insight for women

South Shore Hospital's Women's and Family Health Education will host "Time for Ourselves, A Day of Health & Insight for Women" Saturday, Oct. 26, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at United Church of Christ, 460 Main St. (Route 123),Norwell.

At 8:30 a.m., keynote speaker Judy Norsigian, author of "Our Bodies, Ourselves" and"The New Our Bodies, Ourselves" will share her thoughts, concerns and wisdom about women and women's health care in the '90s and beyond.

Workshops on stress reduction, mothering, aging and caretaking, fertility, cosmetic surgery, staying healthy and nutrition will be available during two 75-minute sessions. A registration fee of $45 includes a continental breakfast, keynote address, lunch, choice of three workshops, health screenings and door prizes. Mammograms will be provided throughout the day. For an appointment, call 340-8239.

Cohasset resident Barbara Green, PhD, will moderate a session entitled "Ourselves — Our Strengths and Power." Jane Lanzillotti, MS, RD, also of Cohasset, will provide guidelines for healthy eating in "Ourselves and Food" and provide information about new diet pills and other fads.

The registration fee after Oct. 15 is $50. Registration forms are available at South Shore Hospital's front desk; South Shore Community Center, Cohasset; Silver Spoon Cafe and Buttonwood Books in Cohasset; United Church of Christ, Norwell; and Octavia's Gifts, Pembroke.

Call 340-8554 to register or for further information about the event.

Midlife career transitions

The Social Service League of Cohasset will sponsor a meeting Tuesday, Oct. 22, from 7:30 to 9 p.m., offering the opportunity to hear a panel of experts discuss the practical, financial and psychological aspects of the job market for those at midlife. Competing personal responsibilities outside of work which impact the process will also be addressed.

Included in the discussion will be career re-engineering for the millennium; condensing life experiences onto a resumé; finding hidden financial resources; jobs in an improving job market; second careers; and relocation.

Panelists will be Employment Specialist Michelle Sweeney, JVS, skills training program; Steve Etkind, EdD, vice president, Private Health Care Systems and Cohasset Counseling Associates; and Nancy Socoli, director of education, Consumer Credit Counseling Services.

The meeting will take place at the Lightkeepers Residence, 96 Border St., Cohasset Harbor. There is no charge, but seating is limited. To register or to obtain directions, call 383-0771.

AROUND TOWN

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and **Mrs. Robert E. Corkery** of Cohasset, was named to the dean's list for the spring semester at the Vermont college. Bridget, a psychology major, graduated from St. Michael's in May.

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Sallyann is taking a few well-deserved weeks off. So please don't leave us high and dry. Around Town news items are always welcome at our drop spot at **Cohasset News** on Brook Street (next to the **Village Butcher & Deli**). Just give your news item to whomever is behind the counter and say it's for the Cohasset Mariner. Thank you!

— Mary Ford
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EDITORIAL

No-win situation

Let's face it, an affluent town that has its entire aging school bus fleet sidelined in the second week of the school year by four state troopers armed with 123 pages of state inspection criteria makes good copy.

The local and regional newspapers know it and so do the television stations.

The soap opera-like scenario unfolded over the past two weeks as the state Registry of Motor Vehicles and school department exchanged barbs over the inspection yardsticks used.

Now the chairman of the school committee with the backing of the superintendent of schools and selectmen has asked our governor and local legislators to launch an inquiry into the matter. Unfortunately, Cohasset schools are in a no-win situation regardless of what the investigation unveils.

Cohasset has been put in the untenable position of defending a negative. The minute children's safety was put into the equation — the troopers and registry had all the cards stacked on their side.

No one will remember what Superintendent Stephen Hart said, for example, about the tape used to repair rips on school bus seats. The tape, employed for 15 years in Cohasset, didn't meet flammability standards and therefore can jeopardize pupil safety, the registry said at its Sept. 12 inspection.

The public at large will only remember that a junior high kid armed with a lighter might set it on fire, as the registry explained.

Yet while Cohasset and the registry may be worlds apart on what should or should not take a bus off the road — the news story should have died in a day or two.

But a zealous registry spokesman readily providing his characterization of the inspection report to various media coupled with a school department reacting to the charges, kept fanning the issue's flames resulting in continuing embarrassment to the town.

Should the school department have taken these charges of "total lack of concern for student safety" on the chin and move on?

We are certainly not suggesting that the school department not loudly defend its reputation in the broader sense and stand on its safety record.

But when it comes down to school buses — no matter how minor the violations may in reality be or how nit-picking the registery gets — any defense of the individual infractions smacks of excuses.

And now, not only is the school department on the defensive but so are the state troopers and the registry officials. When all is said and done, what will probably surface is that everyone was just trying to do their job.

In hindsight, even though all six buses were sidelined for minor violations, it would probably have been better just to say: "Yes officer — you're right, we'll take care of it. Thank you for pointing that out" and to publicly praise the registry for its attention to detail.

It is like arguing with a traffic officer that going 35 in a 30 m.p.h. zone is not that bad — when the fact is, you still broke the speed limit. Trying to explain that it's not by that much will probably get you nowhere.

— Mary Ford
Editor

School board chairman seeks public apology

(Editor's note: School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder presented this statement to selectmen Monday.)

As Chairman of the Cohasset School Committee, I am deeply troubled by the comments and behavior of various staff members of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles during the recent inspection of Cohasset's school bus fleet. I am especially outraged by the subsequent distortions, innuendoes and outright lies promulgated in both electronic and print media by Registry personnel that impugn the integrity and motivations of the Cohasset School Committee, the Cohasset School Department and the citizens of our town regarding the safe transportation of our children to and from school.

No one should quibble with rigorous inspection of our school buses. After all, our children's lives are at stake. To hold our town and every town to high standards of quality when it comes to bus maintenance and bus safety is simply a matter of common sense. On the other hand, to ground a bus fleet in the middle of a school day seems a bit much, particularly when the inspection could have been accomplished during the summer months and especially when the documentation provided by the inspectors includes nothing that any reasonable person would conclude is connected with the actual safety of children. But I could live with this decision, however arbitrary it might seem to me.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Subsequent actions by the Registry, however, leave no doubt that these petty bureaucrats are out of control. First, Registry spokesmen knew, or should have known, that no serious brake, tire or exhaust problems were cited by the inspectors in grounding the fleet before they publicly accused Cohasset of having a cavalier attitude towards our children's safety. Second, Registry personnel could have, and should have, saved the town from incurring substantial costs to rent buses by returning for the reinspection when requested, rather than dallying for several days. Finally, and most troubling of all, Registry personnel should have inspected the buses immediately upon their return to Cohasset last Friday, rather than standing around waiting for "the media" to show up so that they could get another distorted story on the six o'clock news.

Given recent events, I intend to ask Gov. William Weld, Sen. Robert Hedlund and Rep. Mary Jeannette Murray to assist Cohasset in obtaining an objective, outside investigation of the Registry's actions. The people of Cohasset deserve no less.

— Ralph Kidder
2 Cushing Rd.

Letter on bus safety to parents

(Editor's note: Supt. Stephen Hart sent the following letter home to school parents last week.)

To: Cohasset Parents and Students
From: Stephen E. Hart
Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Bus Safety
Date: Sept. 20.

I am sure that most of you have been deluged by media reports and other comments concerning the recent inspection of our school buses. Let me assure you that I, as Superintendent of Schools, would not allow any student, employee or citizen of Cohasset to be transported on a school bus which was unsafe.

Thursday, Sept. 12, six days after the beginning of school, four Registry inspectors arrived in Cohasset at approximately 9:30 a.m. to inspect our six school buses. We had been informed by the Registry inspector that this inspection was to take place on this day. For the next 2-1/2 hours the four inspectors scrutinized the condition of our buses and concluded that they needed certain repairs before they could be returned to service.

In response to inquiries from local and area newspapers I stated that I did not believe that our buses were unsafe although I did support the need for regular intense inspection of school buses to ensure their safety. Following a related article that appeared in The Patriot Ledger, the public relations director for the Registry initiated a campaign of misinformation to discredit the Cohasset Public Schools and its commitment to safety.

As an example, Mr. Haznar, the public relations director for the Registry, was quoted in the Sept. 19 edition of The Boston Globe as questioning the commitment of Cohasset to the safety of our students. When I spoke with him Sept. 19 he stated directly to me that he was not referring to Cohasset when he made this statement, but was referring to Nantucket. He accused The Boston Globe reporter of misquoting him. Approximately two hours

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Memorial squares to be dedicated

The men from Cohasset who gave their lives in the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War will be honored on Sunday, Nov. 11, with the dedication of town squares in their memory. The 1995 Town Meeting approved a citizens' petition to name nine squares, one for each man who died. In 1923, the town dedicated squares to the men who made the supreme sacrifice in World War I, and again in 1946 for those brave men who died in World War II. Town Meeting also specified that the next narrative history of the town which was written be dedicated to these men, and also tell their story for future generations to learn.

The dedication committee has planned a full afternoon to dedicate the squares, which have been located as close as possible to the neighborhoods which the men and their families lived in prior to their service tour. The dedications will begin at noon at the intersection of Doane and Church streets, which will be renamed and dedicated as Peter Cogill Square. Immediately thereafter, the intersection of Beechwood Street and Todd Road, named in memory of Lt. Norman M. Todd, a Cohasset serviceman who died of complications of exposure to radiation in the final days of WWII, will be dedicated as William C. Laidlaw Square.

Cohasset's only Navy casualty, R. Edward Maree, will be remembered by the dedication of the Parker Avenue boat ramp as R. Edward Maree Landing. The square at the intersection of Black Horse Lane and Summer Street will be dedicated and renamed Allen F. Keating Square. Another Army soldier, Craig M. Simeone, will have the intersection of Pond Street and Lantern Lane renamed in his honor.

The dedication committee has planned a full afternoon to dedicate the squares, which have been located as close as possible to the neighborhoods which the men and their families lived in prior to their service tour.

Dedication ceremonies will then move to the center of town for the dedication of squares to two Army officers who died in Vietnam at the height of the war. The park at the intersection of Elm Street and Highland Avenue Ext. will be dedicated as Dennis J. Reardon Square. Renaming of the square at the junction of Joy Place and North Main Street will be in memory of John P. Lyon.

The dedications will conclude with a ceremony at the intersection of Gammons and Jerusalem roads, which will be dedicated to Peter J. Albani Jr. The green at Jerusalem Road and Red Gate Lane will be renamed and dedicated as C. David Strout Square. David was the only Cohasset man to die in the Korean fighting.

Immediately following the ceremonies, a reception will be held at the Senior Center, 3 North Main St., in Cohasset Village. The public is invited to join the families, veterans and others who gathered to remember these brave men.

EEE virus of concern to residents

Of continued concern to South Shore residents is the recent news that mosquitoes carrying the Eastern equine encephalitis virus have been found in considerable numbers in Westerly, R.I., and three additional towns near the Massachusetts border. In addition, the New York Times reported Sept. 8 that the EEE virus was found in mosquito samplings on Long Island during the month of August and that several parks were closed and sprayed.

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health monitors both the actual and probable presence of the EEE virus in local mosquito populations and releases timely information to the general public. Areas bordering Rhode Island have been monitored since May as part of the DPH's routine surveillance schedule. Following reports of multiple EEE virus in Eastern Rhode Island, the DPH increased trapping at its long term sites in Rehoboth and Westport. No EEE virus has been found in mosquitoes trapped in Massachusetts.

The history of EEE on the South Shore indicates it is a relatively rare disease. According to Massachusetts Audubon Society's pamphlet on mosquitoes, "In Massachusetts, a total of 69 clinically confirmed human cases of EEE have been reported in the 52-year period between the first identified major human outbreak in 1938 (34 cases) and the 1990 season." For those who contract the disease, however, the neurological impact can be devastating, and approximately one third of the cases are fatal. Infants, young children and the elderly seem to be most susceptible.

At this point, the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee urges all Cohasset residents to take the following precautions:

- If you have areas of stagnant water on your property, either drain the areas or treat them with mosquito dunks available from hardware stores or garden centers.
- Avoid outdoor activity during peak hours of mosquito feeding in the early morning and early evening.
- If an individual must be outside during these hours, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use an insect repellent that includes DEET, 10 percent or less for use on children and less than 30 percent for adults. DEET should never be used on infants.

Current information about mosquito control from the Department of Public Health, Audubon Society and general medical media is available in a hang pocket in the lobby of Town Hall, in addition to the town library and the Cohasset Community Center. For additional information, call the Cohasset Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121, Charles Gainor at 383-0498, or the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project at (617) 585-5450 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Remember to register to vote

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

On behalf of all of the members of the Hingham-Cohasset League of Women Voters, we thank the candidates and audience members who participated in the Candidates' Night Sept. 12. Because the format was not that of a debate, voters could ask questions of the candidates and hear their responses about the issues. We are grateful to Continental Cablevision for taping the session and airing it twice, making it accessible to a wider audience.

The deadline for voter registration is Oct. 16. The league is sponsoring voter registration tables at school open houses in Hingham for those residents who wish to register at a convenient time and location. The Massachusetts League and BankBoston are involved in a cooperative effort from Sept. 30 through Oct. 5 to offer voter registration at bank branches.

However, voter registration is only one half of the process. Only 14.3 percent of Hingham voters and 17.2 percent of Cohasset voters participated in the recent primary. They are Americans who found the time to participate in the process.

The league does not endorse political parties or candidates, but we remain committed to our mission to get out the vote. The choices we make now will bring us to the next millennium. Election Day is Tuesday, Nov. 5 — hope to see you at the polls!

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later I was astonished to read essentially the same quote in The Cohasset Mariner. A telephone call to the editor of The Mariner confirmed that Mr. Haznar had indeed made the comment to her.

Let me now review some of the allegations made by Mr. Haznar concerning safety violations that were detected at the Sept. 12 inspection.

Allegations

1. Cohasset buses had major brake problems.

Fact:

None of the six buses had major problems with brakes. The brakes of five of the six buses were certified to be in perfect working condition. The sixth bus was identified as having minor leakage around the power brake booster. Since this bus has been in service, it has never required the addition of fluid to the system.

Allegations

2. Cohasset buses had major tire problems.

Fact:

Not a single tire was cited for having insufficient tread depth or cuts to its body. Of the 36 tires on the school buses, one or two had plastic stem caps rather than metal caps.

Allegations

3. Faulty exhaust system on the buses.

Fact:

In fact, the intense inspection by the Registry did not require the replacement of a single component of the exhaust system of our buses.

Allegations

4. Flammable repair tape was used to repair buses.

Fact:

In the 15 years that I have been involved in the inspection of our school buses, this is the tape which is supplied to us as the suitable tape to be used to repair tears or cuts to seat covers. Immediately upon being informed that this tape exceeded the regulations for flammability, we requested new tape from our supplier.

Cohasset is very serious about the maintenance of our school buses. During the last school year we spent approximately $26,000 to ensure the safety of our buses. We spent more than $10,000 during the summer to prepare the buses for the 1996-1997 school year.

I appreciate your understanding and patience about this matter and once again assure you of our continuing commitment to the safety of your children as they ride to and from school each day.

Thank you's offered for Grandparents' Day help

To the Editor:

On behalf of South Shore Community Center, I would like to express our appreciation to the Massachusetts Cultural Council, Hingham Institute for Savings and Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream of Hingham for sponsoring our Grandparent's Day celebration Sunday, Sept. 15.

We had a wonderful afternoon filled with a magic show for both young and old and, to add the finishing touch of the day, a sundae party.

A special thank-you goes to Kathy Bryanton and the Council on Elder Affairs, who helped support the event.

Stephanie Church,
program director

Church to conduct census

Saint Anthony's Roman Catholic Church of Cohasset will conduct a town-wide Ecumenical Census Sunday, Sept. 29, between the hours of 1 and 8 p.m. All census takers will be properly identified. All of the churches in Cohasset are part of this project. The census takers will come to your door and identify themselves and ask you if you are a member of Saint Anthony's Roman Catholic Church. If you are, they will ask you to fill out a form. You can fill it out and either give it back to them, mail it back to the rectory or place it in the baskets at the weekend Masses. If you are not a Catholic the census taker will give you a form that you may fill out and send to one of the other churches in Cohasset.

Teague on campaign trail

Fresh from winning the Republican nomination for the 10th Congressional District in the Sept. 17 primary, Ed Teague visited Kingston last Thursday and in his words, "get the message out and meet the voters."

He met nearly 30 people on a whirlwind tour that included a stop at town hall, the police station and 13 homes in the area.

"The people who continue to make a difference in this campaign are the voters," said Teague, the House minority leader from Yarmouth.

That certainly was the lesson on the Democratic ticket. William Delahunt lost the nomination to Philip Johnston by only 266 votes. The Delahunt and Johnston campaigns called for a recount in selected communities last Thursday afternoon. Johnston is seeking a recount in Cohasset which uses the punch-ballot system.

The last recount in Cohasset was the 1994 race between Christopher Iannella and John Kerrigan for Councillor in the Fourth District. Iannella picked up four votes in the recount and Kerrigan picked up two, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said.

Teague said he understood the request for a recount. "It was a very tight race and I am sure that a lot of people close to the campaign want to make sure there was no error in the count. A switch of just one vote per precinct could make a world of difference."

Still, Teague, who won the Republican nod by 10,000 votes, said it makes no difference who the Democratic challenger is.

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September 26th, Thursday, 3:00-7:00 p.m.
Cohasset Village – South Main St.

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★ **Storytelling by well known artist Diane Edgecomb**
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★ **Gymnastic Demonstration by Seaside Gymnastics 5:15 p.m.**

★ **Face Painting ★ Clowns ★ Free Balloons for Kids**

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New school impact on vernal pool is concern

By ANDI WEISSMAN
Special to the Mariner

Engineers working on the new elementary school site must go back to the drawing board and redraft a wildlife assessment report on the project, Conservation Commission members said Thursday night.

Commission consultant Paul Shea said a recent assessment submitted by the school design team, their second, barely addressed concerns about the impact the building would have on amphibians making a nearby vernal pool their home.

In contrast, a report submitted to the commission by an independent assessor identified the habitat as "the most significant vernal pool in town," Shea said. He added that the assessor had already applied to state agencies to certify the pool.

"It seems like you are on the North Pole and he's on the South Pole and you're talking about the same vernal pool," he told Ken Buckland, an engineer with Judith Nitsche Engineering, hired by the school department.

Shea suggested the design team look at a system directing water to vegetated wetland instead of the vernal pool as an alternate way to complete the school project.

New plans propose moving the site of the building to allow more room behind it and create a wider buffer between the school and surrounding properties and woodlands areas, school landscape architect Joe Geller told the commission.

The plans also call for a drainage detention center to the north of the site, a retaining wall along northern wetlands and a connecting road to the Deer Hill School site to allow for a larger play area, Geller said.

But the commission expressed its displeasure with the plans.

"I am very disappointed by what has been brought before us," said commission member Thomas Callahan. He said the plans were difficult to read, and other members complained that flags marking the construction site were difficult to follow.

"I think it's important that we get a better product to make a good decision," Callahan said.

Commission member Michael Dick questioned whether the vernal pool would receive nourishment from more than one source. Buckland said it would flow from both the detention center and from the surface of the play area behind the school.

Commission member Jim Dedes said the design team had done a decent job on the new plans, but the concerns he was hearing were about the quality of the water going to the vernal pool. He suggested the design team color-code the drainage plans to clarify where water would flow from and where it would flow to.

Jeff Waal, vice chair of the committee, directed that the design team look at the impact the construction would have on the wetlands as well as the vernal pool, with an eye toward eliminating the proposed retaining wall.

"I'm not in favor of retaining walls in general," Waal said. "I think it should be moved away from the wetlands even if it makes the play area smaller."

He suggested that natural vegetation serve as a wetlands buffer instead.

Dick said he was concerned the design of the school's driveway would adversely affect the green area to the northwest of the site, and he asked the design team to look at the impact of construction on that area.

He also suggested more trees be planted around a planned amphitheater site to provide an additional buffer for abutting properties and to create a larger corridor for deer and other wildlife.

But some citizens said concerns for the deer were overrated.

"I think we have to have a very big play area," said one citizen who asked not to be named. "Deer are everywhere causing problems. This is our school."

Paul Pratt Library Corner

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The Paul Pratt Library is now open Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m. and Mondays and Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The library is closed Wednesdays and open Thursdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Story hours

Registrations are being accepted for the fall pre-school Story Hour at the library, set for Thursdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. beginning Oct. 3 and 4. Each 45-minute program includes stories, simple fingerplays, songs and crafts. Children must be at least 3-1/2 to participate.

For further information or to register for a museum pass or program, call 383-1348.

CD roms

A new computer in the children's room has 20 CD Roms, and assistance is available at the library.

Planning board accepts DPW plans

The planning board has accepted the proposed plans for a 14,000 square foot DPW garage to house town maintenance equipment.

The plans sketched out the details of the two-level, metal-sided building to be constructed on the town landfill.

The board's approval was given contingent upon slight changes to the proposal.

In other business:

- Civil Engineer John Modzelewski refused to approve a proposed driveway construction project in the Kendall Village development unless stricter soil compression standards are met.
- The board voted to extend the Carousel Antiques site plan for another year. Construction of an addition to the site is on hold until nearby railroad construction plans are finalized.

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When Dick Karoff of 19 Border St. phoned and asked if we would like to feature his wife Sandra Manzella's plantings in front of their stone wall, I never expected to find so many delights when I arrived. In front of the stone wall, a very long perennial garden border is planted with tall fuchsia, light pink and white cosmos; pink hydrangea; purple bee balm; pale pink dahlias; black-eyed Susan; pale lavender pincushion flower; pale grey dusty miller; bright yellow Coreopsis; sedum; pink and white tall phlox; pale lavender and deep magenta yarrow; Artemisia; pale purple asters; Campanula; and white and purple alyssum. A grey cobblestone patio is home to metal garden furniture on the side of the house where a white lattice is mounted and adorned with trained blue Morning Glory and climbing roses under-planted with miniature roses. As you climb the steps to the rear wooden deck, Sandra has containers filled with color: pink hydrangea is happily blooming in a large cement container while roses have been trained as standards in other containers — the deep pink of First Prize Rose and the pale, apricot blush of Medallion Rose are at home in cement containers while the deep purple of a nearby butterfly bush surround the sundial while a container of blooming deep magenta Bougainvillea spill over the knee-wall surrounding the deck. Behind the deck are formal rose beds bordered by boxwood hedges. Sandra's artistry is evident in the inventive combinations in her containers. One in particular, standing five-feet tall is filled with purple balloon flower, deep purple heliotrope, double purple petunias, pink snapdragon and dusty miller. Another seating area on the deck is picturesque with its lacy white metal garden furniture and a nest of tables with a container filled with beautiful deep maroon ivy geranium and a tall white rose standard, creating the perfect balance. The front of the house has a low stone wall planted with the palest of pink impatiens. We thank Dick for calling and allowing us to photograph Sandra's garden sanctuary.

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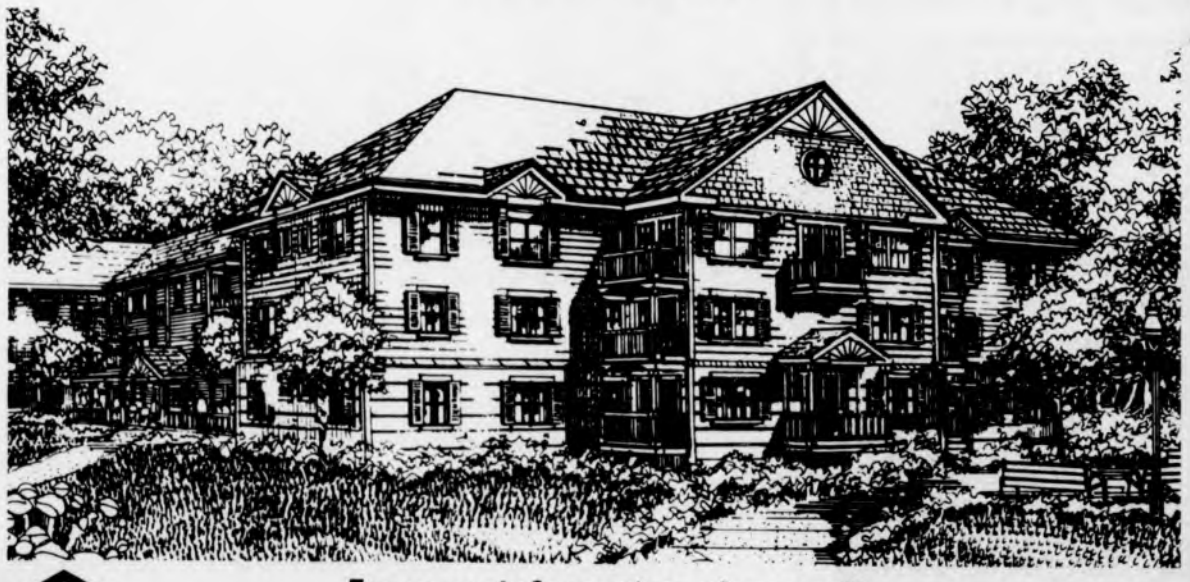

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Mariner Sports

Vikings Go Home!

East Bridgewater Romps Cohasset in Alumni Field Opener

By Jim O'Sullivan
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset's new Alumni Field hosted its first football game last Friday evening as the Skippers fell victim to a potent East Bridgewater offense and a swarming defense. The Vikings, led by two touchdown runs each from Jason Imlach, Mike Holland and Cedric Josey, ran away with a 52-0 victory.

Among the few bright spots for the young Cohasset squad, playing in the South Shore League after a six-year absence, was a 50-yard sprint by sophomore Jamie DeMichele and a blocked extra point by sophomores Justin Golden and Greg Parkinson. Sean Parkinson also recovered a fumble. Matt Belson, Doug Cameron, Matt Conley and Mike Rossi all played exceptionally well on defense.

Junior co-captain and quarterback Pat Hurley withstood the overpowering Viking defensive line, often rolling out of the pocket and looking for a receiver. When

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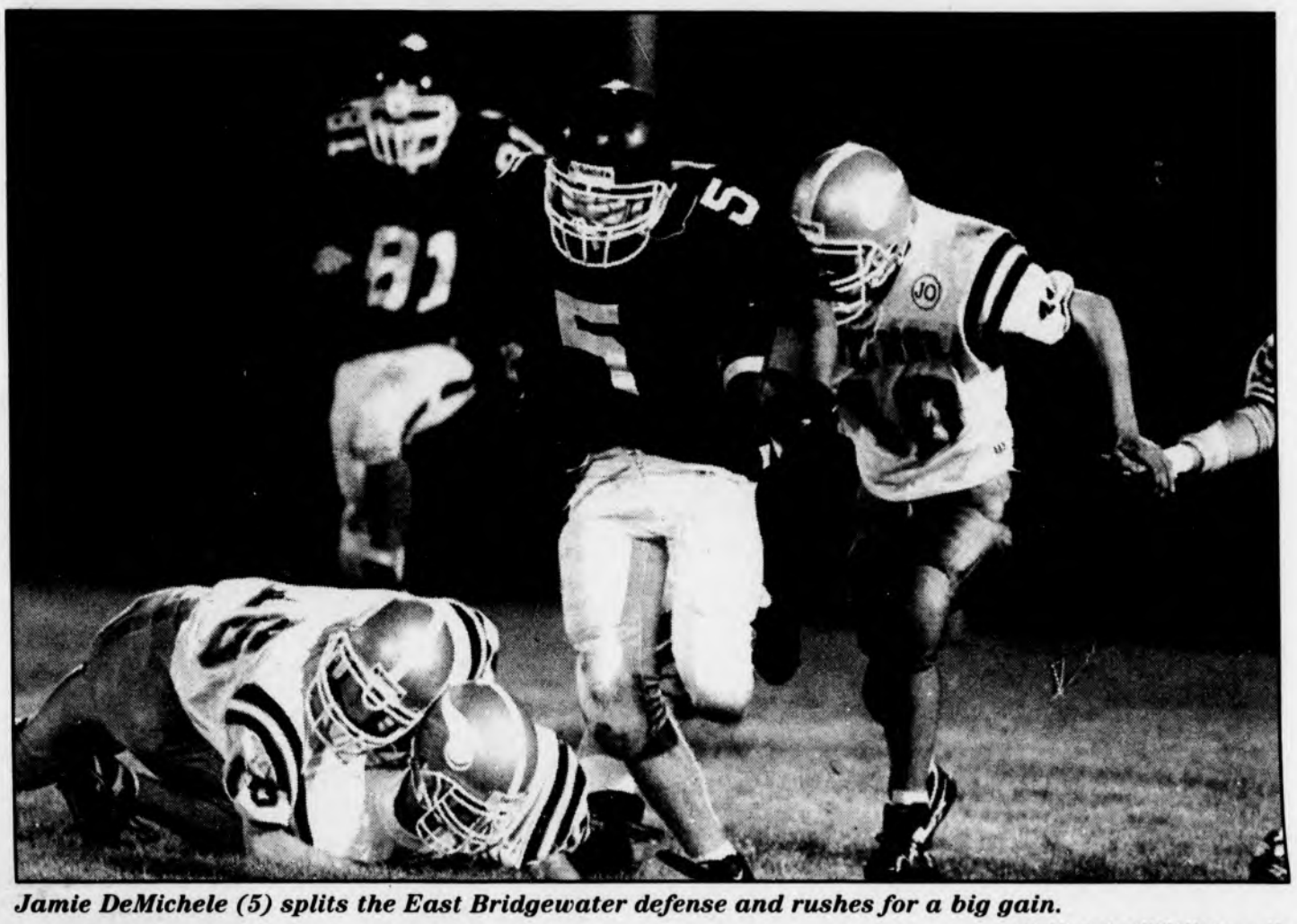

Jamie DeMichele (5) splits the East Bridgewater defense and rushes for a big gain.

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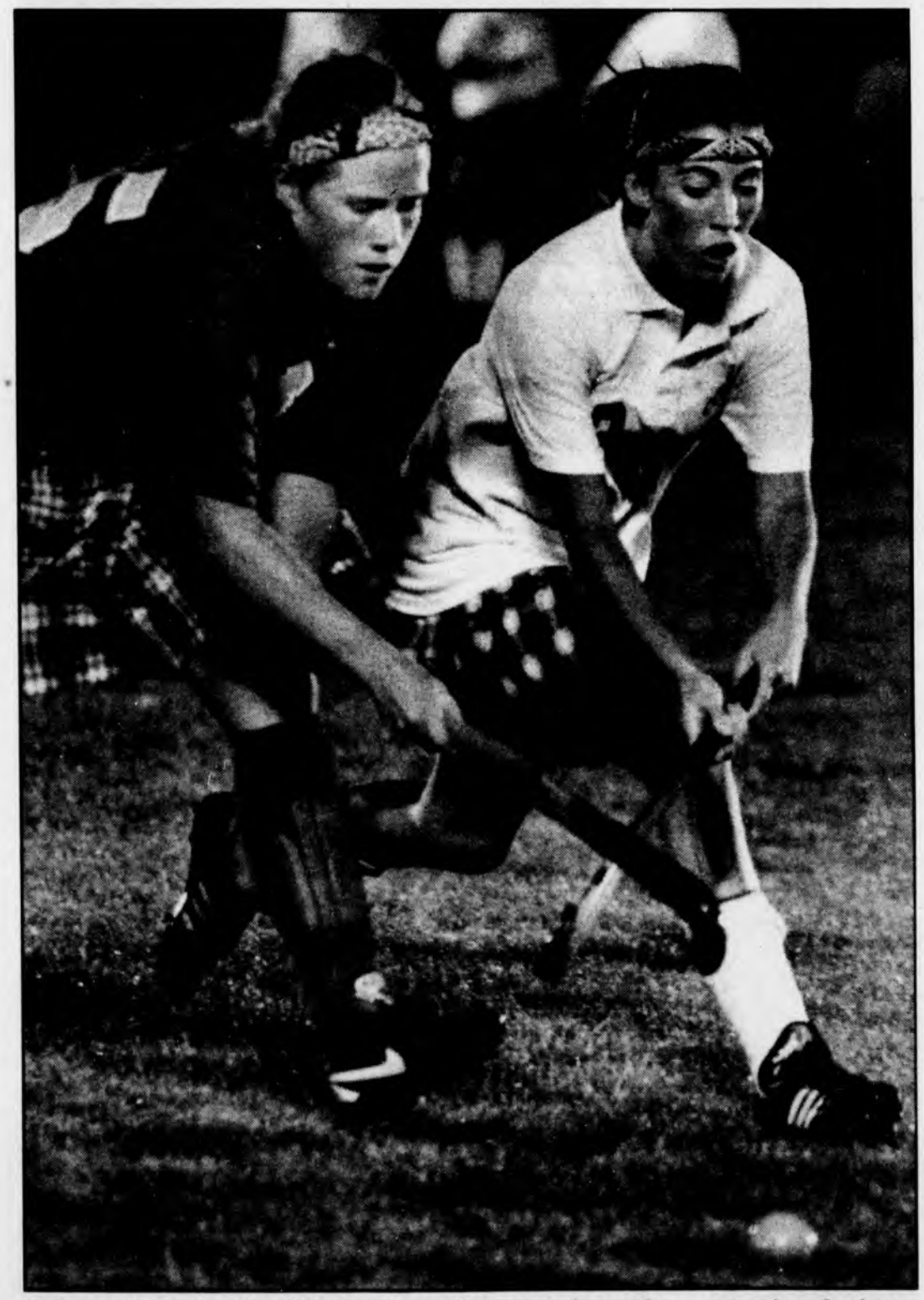

Cohasset's Jo Hurley (12) battles a Scituate player for possession during a recent field hockey contest.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Field hockey team has the scoring touch

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Like last year's team, the shots on goal are coming at a furious rate for the Cohasset High field hockey squad. This year, however, the blasts aren't hitting the posts or crossbar, deflecting off other players or just barely missing to the left or right. Nope. The Lady Skippers are finding the back of the net on a consistent basis.

Cohasset has slammed in nine goals in its first four games, getting the team off to a fast-starting 3-1 overall record.

Head coach Debby Bostwick says the main reason for the Lady Skippers' excellent play is their cohesiveness and unselfish on the field. The team isn't rushing its shots, but rather making that extra pass for the high percentage shots.

"We have a really good offensive club this year," Bostwick said. "There's a lot of passing and they're working well together. The last few seasons defense has been the strength, but my forwards have matured and are clicking.

"They're (entire team) skilled, disciplined, dedicated and they're friends."

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SKIPPER HIGHLIGHTS

Junior High Football Program Looks Ahead

By Joe Reardon
Cohasset Mariner

The varsity football may have had a tough time in Friday night's South Shore League season opener against East Bridgewater, but the seventh- and eighth-grade squad handled itself just find in its first ever contest.

Sporting brand new equipment, the 25-member team defeated Holbrook 12-6 on the strength of eighth-grade captain Daniel Trowers' 150-yards rushing and 60-yard touchdown carry. Chris Golden garnered the Skippers' other score on a 6-yard reverse.

The junior high squad, which is coached by Torin Sweeney, has a solid seven-game schedule. Six of the games are played against Cape Cod teams. Save for the Holbrook contest, the team plays its games on Wednesdays and practices three days per week.

With the large seventh-grade enrollment and adequate numbers for a junior high club, Sweeney said the turnout has been a success and is looking to build players who will eventually go on to play on the varsity squad.

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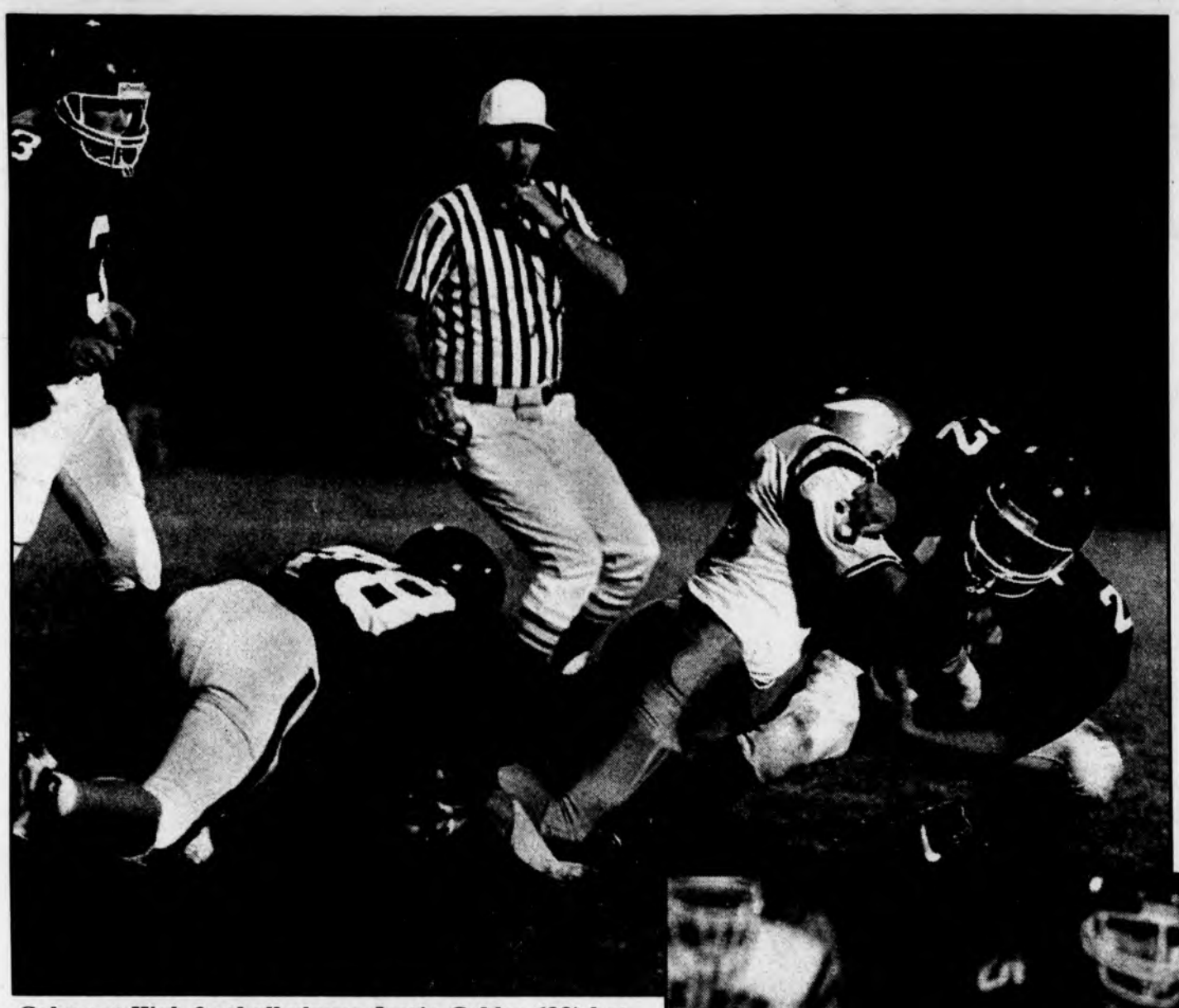
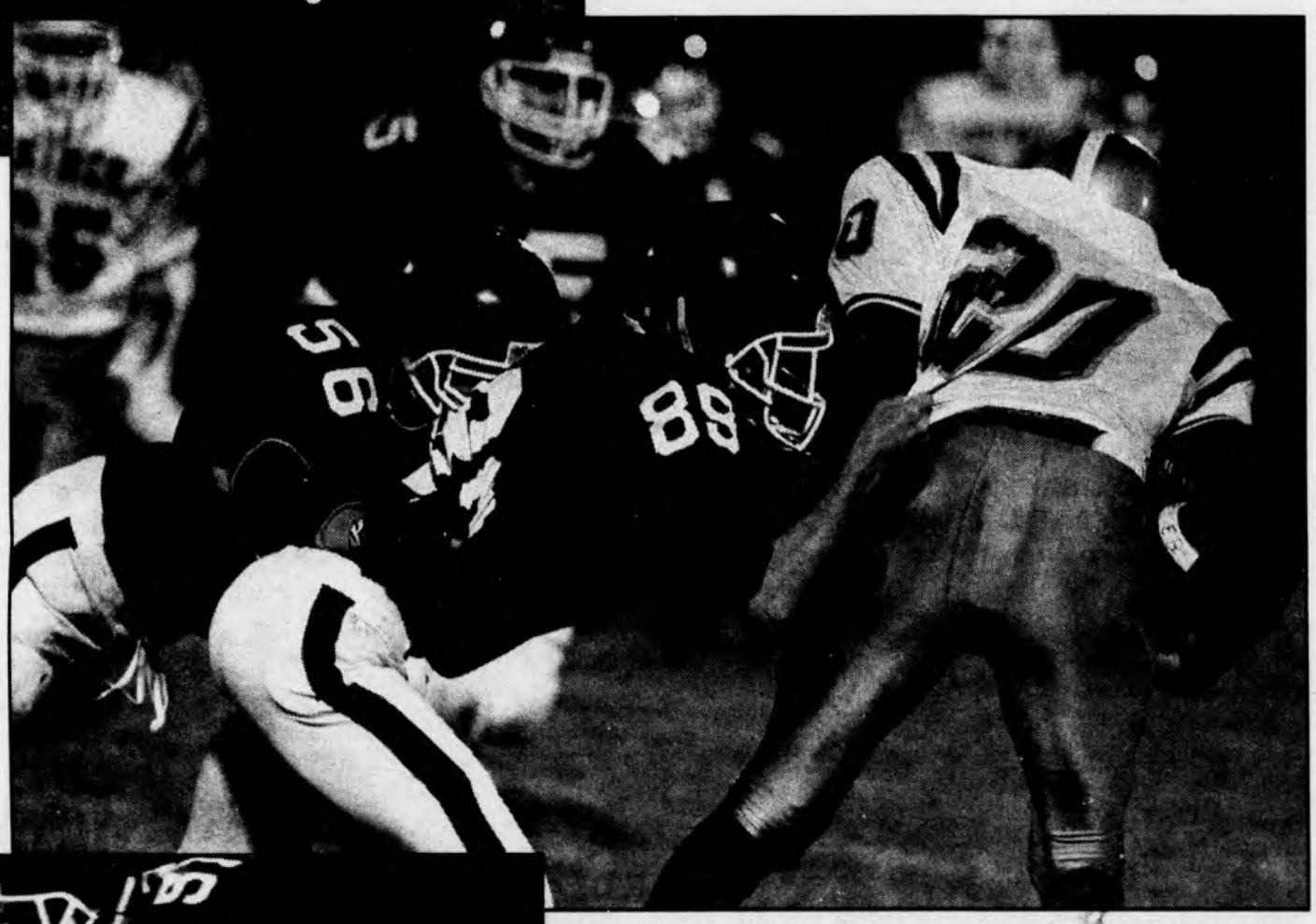
Skippers Face The South Shore League Iron



Cohasset High football player Justin Golden (22) battles his way for an extra few yards.



Adam Sasso (56) and Ben Ketchum (89) tackle an East Bridgewater player.

Staff photos by Bill Wadsworth

Jordan Fiore (51) tries to block an extra point attempt during Cohasset's 52-0 loss in its South Shore League season opener against East Bridgewater last Friday night.

Mariner Sports

Field hockey team has the scoring touch

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The field hockey team also has the distinction of racking up Cohasset High's first win on the new Alumni Field. Both the soccer squads have struggled at home, while the football team dropped its home opener 52-0 to an overpowering East Bridgewater squad.

Cohasset registered the win in Saturday's 3-0 decision over South Shore League opponent Carver.

The game was originally scheduled to be played on the Lady Crusaders' home field, but was moved to Alumni Field when sloppy conditions made it unplayable.

Bostwick saw the contest against Carver as a critical step in the team's ultimate goal of reaching the tournament.

"I told the kids that this was the game," she said. "If we could win this game we were in the driver's seat."

Cohasset played to a scoreless tie in the first half in a back-and-forth affair. Lauren Dooley and Kristen Reynolds nearly broke away on five different occasions

The Lady Skippers finally broke the stalemate in the second half when Natalie Cheel skipped a shot past the goaltender after taking a pass from Lauren Dooley to make it 1-0.

Dooley must have liked what she saw because she gave Cohasset a 2-0 lead less than two minutes later. Sue Gill stole the ball from a Carver player and hit Megan Connolly with a pass. Connolly then fed a pass to Dooley, who blasted a shot past the Lady Crusaders' goaltender.

Cohasset then ruined any chance of Carver coming back with nine minutes left when Whitney Cook scored on a corner, and the Lady Skippers began to use the clock to their advantage, not giving Carver the chance to build any type of consistent momentum.

"We were able to take the wind out of Carver's sails," Bostwick said.

The Lady Skippers came away with a big win, prior to the Carver game when they outlasted Scituate, 2-1. Cohasset amassed 14 penalty corners. With that many opportunities the Lady Skippers were bound to capitalize. And they did.

With 9:43 played, co-captain Emily Collins drove a corner in on the goaltender, who made the initial save. Hustling to the net, Collins collected her own rebound and found the opposite corner of the net for a 1-0 Cohasset lead.

Less than one minute later, however, a uncharacteristic let down on defense resulted in Scituate tying the score. A Lady Sailor was left uncovered on the left side and her shot on net was just out of the reach of Cohasset goaltender Jackie Hurley and it was suddenly 1-1.

The goal, however, was actually a blessing in disguise. Bostwick noticed that Scituate's strength was moving the ball down the left side of the field from the center. Bostwick knew if the Lady Skippers could shut down the left side, Cohasset would be able to control the pace of the game.

The strategy worked and the Lady Skippers went on to dominate the second half of the game with 10 penalty corners and 13 shots on net.

"We just came out like gangbusters," Bostwick said. "The defense was awesome in the second half."

Connolly scored the winning goal when Cheel ripped a shot in front of the Sailors' net and Connolly redirected it past the Scituate goaltender.

The play of Hurley at center midfield, Buckley and Alia Afshar at link went a long way in stopping the Sailors from mounting any serious offensive attack the rest of the way. They were able to squeeze up the middle of the field, forcing Scituate down the sidelines.

Bostwick commended Afshar's game and the job she did in the later stages. "She was everywhere. Kids from Scituate commented how well she played during the game."

Cohasset's next two games are at home with undefeated Hull traveling to town today and Notre Dame of Hingham scheduled for tomorrow.

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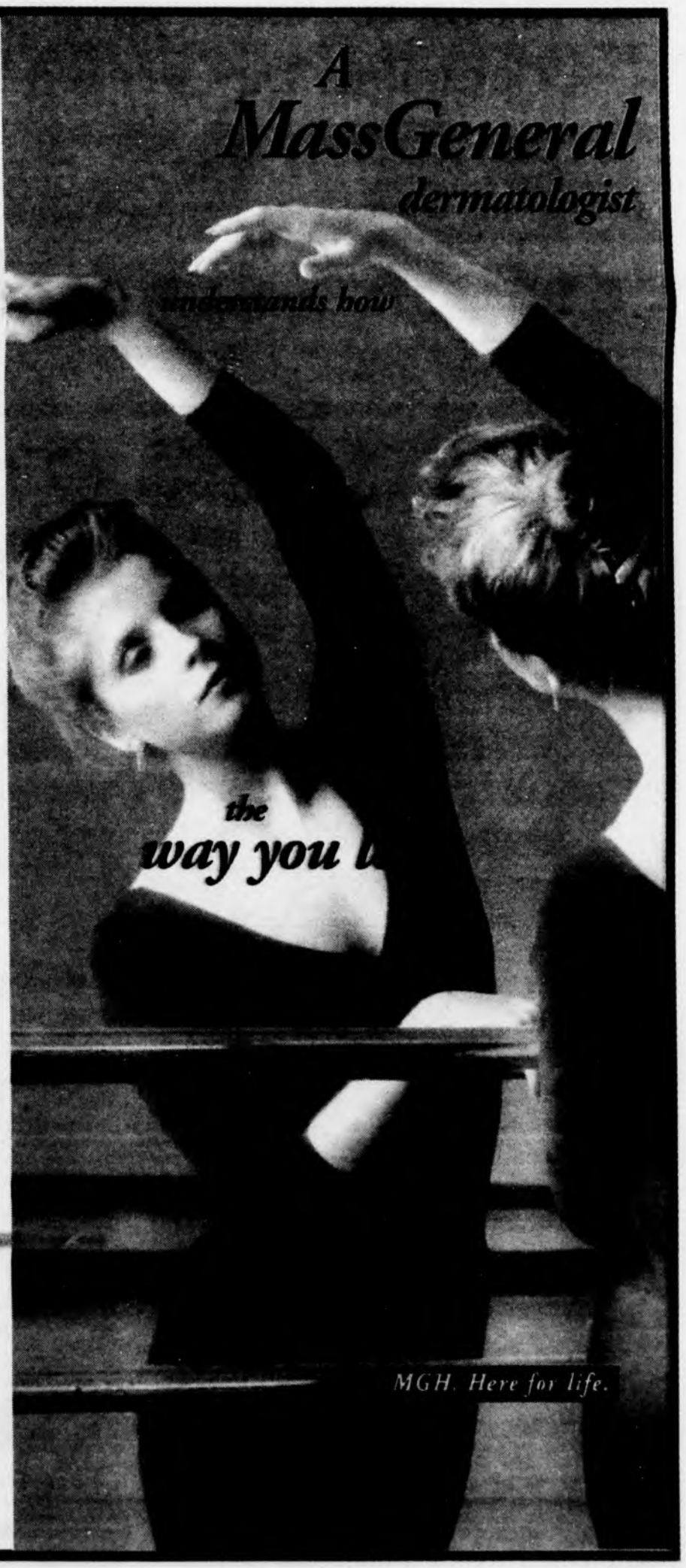

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Mark Trask, owner of Trask Tackle Shop, holds the trophy won by Cohasset's Dana Infusino in the Beachcomber Bass Tournament. The tournament was held in honor of Sheldon Sladen, a popular lobster fisherman who died in May. The tournament is named after Sladen's boat. Pictured in the photo are Sladen's daughters Shelanne Durkin and Sandra Zappolo.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Tournament set to benefit ARC

South Shore ARC's ninth annual Lou Bailey Golf and Tennis Tournament will be held Monday, Sept. 30, at Cohasset Golf Club. The after-tournament schedule includes a social hour followed by an elegant gourmet dinner and sports enthusiasts' auction.

The entry fee for golf is $175 per player, which includes greens fees, golf cart, memento prizes, brunch and the dinner auction. A chance to win a 1997 Chevrolet Cavalier is being provided by corporate sponsor Chevrolet/Geo of Cohasset.

The entry fee for tennis is $85 per player and includes fruits and juices, prizes and the dinner auction. Tickets to the dinner auction are $50.

To order tickets, or for information about sponsorships, call South Shore ARC at 335-3023.

Jean and Lou Bailey of Cohasset are parents and active members of South Shore ARC. The Baileys founded the event to help fund the Agency programs and involve the community in the lives of individuals with developmental disabilities.

Six-on-six soccer tourney Columbus Day weekend

The second invitational Laker invitational soccer tournament will be played over the Columbus Day weekend, Oct. 13-14.

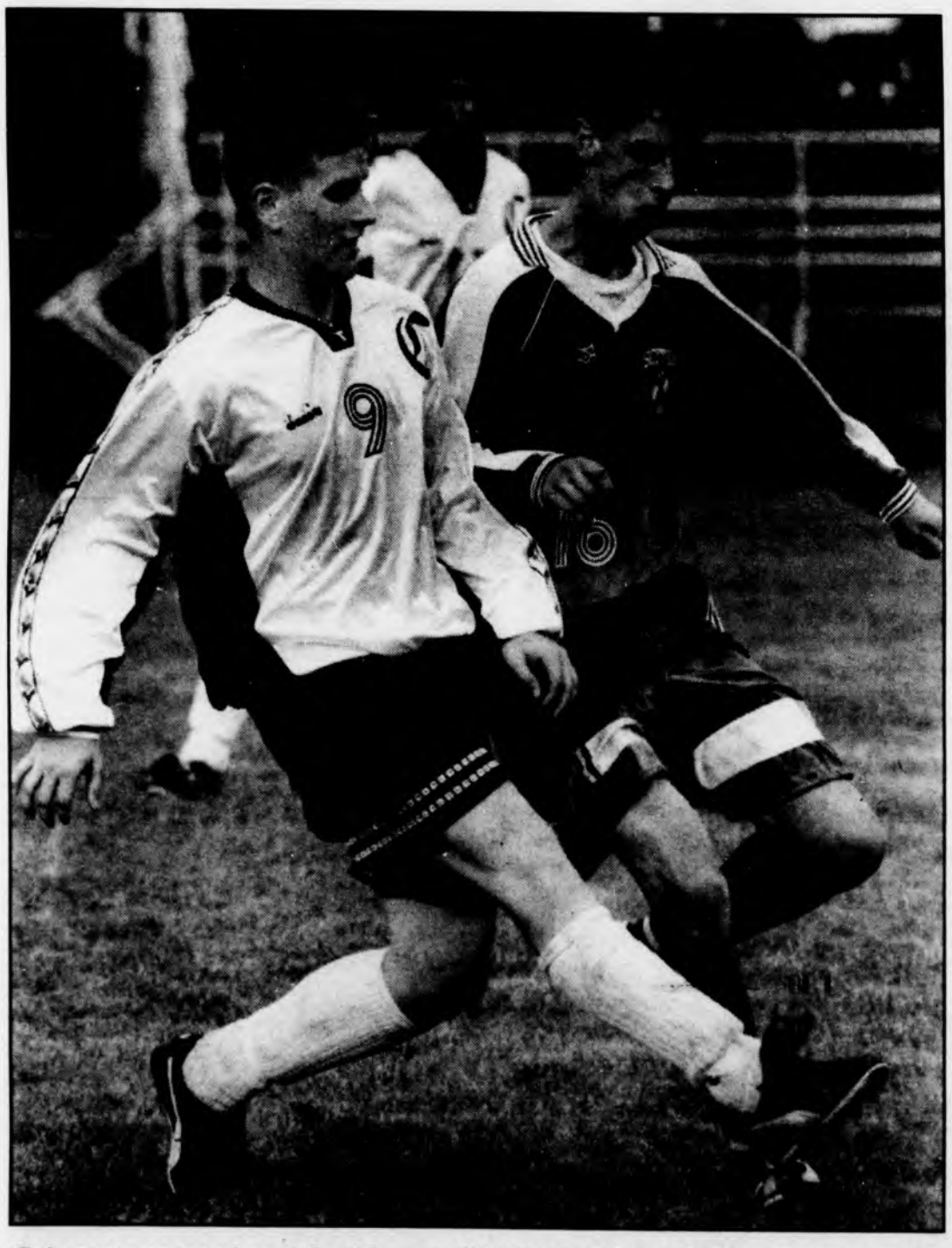
The tourney, co-sponsored by Pembroke Youth soccer and the Silver Lake boys' soccer boosters, is being expanded this year and will include both boys and girls divisions under 10 and under 12.

All teams will play a minimum of three games on Sunday with playoffs on Monday.

All teams must be MYSA affiliated and no select or premier teams will be permitted to play.

Coaches interested in receiving an application for the tourney should call 617-826-2842 to obtain information.

Last year's tourney was a huge success so don't delay.



Cohasset soccer player Joe Magner (9) bumps Scituate's Matt Selinger off the ball during a South Shore League tussle.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

TK O'Malley Road Race on Oct. 6

Registration for the TK O'Malley 10K Road Race is underway.

The race starts at 1 p.m. on Oct. 6 at the Gates School in Scituate.

There is also a fun walk at 8:30 a.m. at the Lighthouse and a 1K fun walk at 11:30 a.m. at Central Field.

Pre-registration for the race is $10.

Same day registration is $12.

The first 400 registrants will receive a long sleeve T-shirt.

For more information call Howie Ardolino at 617-545-1463.

East Bridgewater Romps Cohasset in Alumni Field

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none could be found, Hurley would take off down field, dodging tacklers and then getting back up to do it again. Hurley finished with 46 yards, a strong showing from a quarterback. DeMichele proved to be the workhorse in the Skippers' backfield, rushing for 90 yards on just seven carries.

"We got whipped," said senior co-captain Grant Emde. "It's probably because we're out of condition a bit and we went the whole week without pads because of the weather. I think it was a learning experience.

"We'll work hard in practice and come out knocking kids the next game."

"Obviously we didn't play our best game," said co-captain Kevin Duffy. "But we played a bigger team, a more experienced team and I think now that we got this out of the way we'll just get on with our season and hope we can pick some things up."

Head coach Bob Knurek had little to say about the trouncing. "Our inexperience showed tonight, but we played a great game in terms of coming back. We got knocked down, but we never stayed down."

The Skippers are looking to draw on the positives and not focus on the negatives of the East Bridgewater game. Cohasset tries again this Friday night when it travels to Abington to take on the Green Wave.

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"This was a good time to start the program," he said. "We hope it's going to be the future. We've never had a Pop Warner program so this is ours."

Several players had strong outings in their first game out of the blocks. Seventh-grade quarterback Jason Brown showed he can run as well as throw, picking up yardage on the bootleg. Matt Tescatore played well at both center and noseguard, while Greg Figuerido did the the same at fullback and linebacker.

The team showed impressive stamina in its two-way play and that should help the Skippers in their next six games. Brian Krupczak provided strong blocking on the offensive line and put constant pressure on Holbrook's quarterback at the defensive end position. Seventh-grader Will Prendergast and Brayton Pearsall got the job done at offensive and defensive tackle. Eighth-graders Dan Duffy and Derek Thayer also look to be integral players on the team.

Cohasset was scheduled to travel to the Cape yesterday to take on Dennis-Yarmouth's middle school team.

School News

Family health program slated

Project Safeguard is a family approach to adolescent health-related issues and substance abuse. The Cohasset J[illegible] H.S.'s seventh grade class will attend this program during regular school hours. Workshops will address issues of self-esteem, harassment, drug and alcohol prevention, peer pressure etc. Seventh grade parents are urged to attend and sixth grade parents are invited to volunteer and view what may be on the agenda for next year.

The program goals are:

— to provide an environment for parent/student interaction

— to improve parent/student communication

— to strengthen self esteem of parents & students

— to foster community awareness and commitment to family issues/values

— to build skills in young people that will empower them to more successfully avoid harmful choices.

This approach to prevention education is unique because it brings students and parents together at an off-school site for an all-day conference. The sessions will be located in churches around the Common as well as the auditorium in Cohasset Town Hall. The material to be covered during the program has also been reviewed and approved by the seventh grade team and Jr./Sr. High Principal Curtis Collins.

This will be an important day for your child and the Health Education Program, and the entire seventh grade team are hopeful that at least one parent of each child will attend. If that is not possible, parents may want to designate a family member/friend to accompany their child for the day.

Further information and registration form will be forthcoming; in the meantime, please mark your calendars for Wednesday, Oct. 16, 7:45 a.m. to 1:40 p.m., and reserve the day to participate in the Cohasset education process and help make learning a family experience.

This program is being funded with grant money as well as additional money from The P.A.L.S. for wellness program (Police Assisting Local Schools) which is administered by Police Chief Brian Noonan and Health Education Coordinator, Michael Gill.

Education foundation fund-raiser scheduled for Oct. 6

The CEF will formally open its fifth year with a public fund-raiser at the South Shore Arts Center Sunday, Oct. 6, from 4 to 7 p.m. Pam Speed, the chairperson for the event has entitled the gathering, "An Evening for Education." The occasion is an important part of the foundation's community outreach.

The evening will showcase the works of Cohasset students in the arts and graphics and feature Cohasset's principals as special guests of the CEF. Along with high school principal, Curt Collins, incoming headmasters, Paul Callahan (Deer Hill) and Merilee Cantelmo (Osgood) will be on hand to meet with the community and discuss their plans for the future. With the current major project of the CEF being a replacement of the high school language lab, a working model of a state of the art laboratory will be available to demonstrate the technology being considered.

Refreshments will be provided by the high school economics class and the PSO Diversity Committee will be offering their newly published Diversity Cookbook featuring ethnic recipes and gastronomic delights from around the world. A variety of valuable door prizes and demonstrations on various CEF projects are also planned.

Tax-deductible tickets for the evening are available from Directors of the CEF or by calling Pam Speed (383-2572), Mike Hurley (383-9509) or leaving a message on the CEF line at 383-2833.

People interested in learning more about the mission of the foundation and its activities are encouraged to call the CEF at 383-2833 or to write the Cohasset Education Foundation, P.O. Box 224, Cohasset, MA 02025, for a copy of our brochure and additional information on our programs. A registered non-profit organization, all donations to our project fund are tax-deductible and dedicated to enhancing the educational environment of Cohasset Public School students.

Gift-wrap sale

It's time again for the PSO gift-wrap fund-raiser. Through Sept. 27 students will offer top quality products to family and friends. Fifty percent of all proceeds go toward our schools. Call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771 or Lesley Faber at 383-2071 for further information.

PAC meeting is slated

The Parents Advisory Council of Cohasset invites all parents and guardians of students receiving services under Chapter 766 from the Cohasset School system to an evening of informal discussion with the newly appointed Director of Student Services Lynn Silva.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deer Hill School library. For further details, call PAC Chairman Kim Maynard at 383-2707.

PSO help sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

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A ramble through the Berkshires

Western Massachusetts is replete with hidden treasures

By George Hobica

"A prophet is without honor in his own country," my father used to quote, with considerable poetic license, from an old book. The same could be said about travel destinations. In this part of the world, we tend to extol the virtues of distant, foreign shores – Europe, the West Coast, or even further afield – when planning our vacations, ignoring the glories of our own back yards. Even without the pending promise of fall foliage, the Berkshires hold innumerable treasures for travelers from near and far; especially from near, since the region lies just over two hours from Boston.

One of the Berkshires' richest rewards awaits in bucolic Williamstown. If the Sterling and Francine Clark Art Institute were in Paris it would probably be better known to Greater Bostonians. Robert Sterling Clark and his wife, Francine, collected the paintings and sculptures on display here between the First World War and 1956. You'll find major works by Gainsborough, Rembrandt, Mary Cassatt, Renoir, Degas, Monet, Toulouse-Lautrec, Winslow Homer, and John Singer Sargent to name only the best-known artists. From now until January, the museum's entire collection of Renoirs (more than 30 of them) will be on display at one time, a rarity.

Another treasure trove is the Hancock Shaker Village in nearby West Pittsfield. From 1790 until as recently as 1960, this was an active Shaker community; today, it's a museum of unusual quality and scope. Among the 20 carefully restored buildings, of particular note is the Round Stone Barn, a masterpiece of Shaker form and function built in 1826. Equally impressive: the spacious and light-filled Brick Dwelling (1830) with its 100 doors, 95 windows, 369 drawers, and 245 cupboard doors. This is where the communal dining room and kitchens were located. To get an idea of what a Shaker meal might have been like, plan your visit around a special candlelight dinner and tour ($38 per person; the last ones of the season occur on Oct. 5 and 12).

The Norman Rockwell Museum (413-298-4100) is a fairly recent addition to the Berkshire cultural scene. In addition to memorabilia from Rockwell's life, scores of his most famous illustrations are on view, including "The Four Freedoms," "Looking Out to Sea," and his portrait of John F. Kennedy. On display through Oct. 20 is a special exhibit entitled "Norman Rockwell's 322 Post Covers," including all of the great illustrator's covers for the magazine. The museum is open daily, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Historic homes abound in the Berkshires. Perhaps the most famous is Chesterwood (413-298-3579) in Stockbridge, for 33 years the residence of sculptor Daniel Chester French (1850-1931), best known for his Minute Man in Concord, and Abraham Lincoln, centerpiece of Washington, D.C.'s Lincoln Memorial. The Colonial Revival main house is the prime attraction, but you'll also find here the shortest stretch of railroad track in the nation – 40 feet long. Historic preservation mavens will want to visit Arrowhead in Pittsfield, Herman Melville's erstwhile home (413-442-1793); The Mount, former home of Edith Wharton, in Lenox (413-637-1899); and the properties of the Trustees of Reservations (413-298-3239) Naumkeag in Stockbridge, a 26-room mansion designed by Stanford White; the Mission House, also in Stockbridge, the 1739 home of missionary John Sergeant; The Colonel John Ashley House (1735) in Ashley Falls, the oldest house in Berkshire County; and the William Cullen Bryant Homestead in Cummington, built in 1783, and home of the poet and editor of the New York Evening Post. The four sites are open through Columbus Day.

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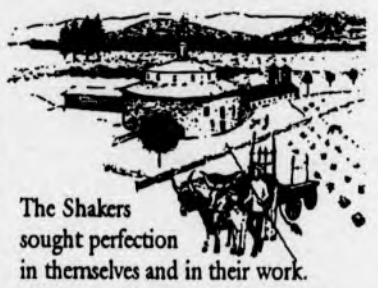

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School News

Kerry, Weld address issues at youth forum

400 students take part

By MARK LECCESE
CNC Statehouse Bureau

Taking questions from an audience of more than 400 high school students Sunday, incumbent U.S. Sen. John Kerry and challenger Gov. William Weld dropped the give-and-take of their TV debates and outlined their differing stands on how to help students and how to best help the middle class.

Unlike previous debates, however, the two men also talked about the personal experiences that shaped them and brought them into politics.

The youth forum, sponsored by Community Newspaper Company at Boston's World Trade Center, gave students a chance to question the candidates in this year's highly publicized — and hotly disputed — race for the U.S. Senate.

Kerry, who volunteered for the U.S. Navy after college and saw combat in Vietnam, said when he returned from his tour of duty he was "faced with a major choice: whether to take my military service and kind of retrench, or stand up and speak out, out of the conviction that a lot of my friends were still over there and a lot of people were still dying."

Kerry helped found the Vietnam Veterans Against the War, which for three years protested against the Vietnam War in the streets and in Congress.

"That's one of the most important things I've ever done or probably will do," Kerry said.

Weld recalled his days as an intern to a state representative on Beacon Hill, his time as a young attorney — sharing an office with Hillary Rodham Clinton — on the U.S. House Judiciary Committee during the Watergate hearings in the 1970s.

"I learned a lot about litigation and public corruption," Weld said. "This led me to run for attorney general in 1978, and I lost 80-20, setting a record that adheres to this day, and led me to being appointed United States Attorney by Ronald Reagan in 1981."

Both candidates urged the students not to grow cynical about the political process and government.

"I've never had this feeling some people do that Washington is tawdry, that politics is tawdry," Weld said, adding that his answer to cynicism about government is to "do something that will make people proud of your office."

Kerry cited several major political issues in which student activity has made a difference — the civil rights battle, the women's movement, environmentalism — and said. "What we need to do now is not sort of sit around and stew in our juices and lament this notion that, oh, it's a big cynical world out there.

"Grab that ability you have with your enthusiasm, your idealism, your sense of right and wrong, and take it out into the political process."

Kerry received a loud round of applause from the students when he chided Congressional Republicans for proposing "the greatest cut in American history in college loans" and said, "President Clinton and I are proposing to offer people a $10,000 income tax deduction in order to send people to school."

Weld said reducing taxes and leaving "more money in the pockets of taxpayers" is "the number one thing government can do relative to the affordability of education."

Asked by a student what they would do to "foster the growth and prominence of the middle class," Weld and Kerry revealed some of their political differences.

Cutting taxes and reducing the size of government is "about the most middle class-friendly thing you can do," Weld said. "There's an emerging consensus that we want a more conservative approach on taxes, size of government, crime and welfare.

"You don't get there by tearing down the people at the top," he said. "You get there by building up opportunity for everybody else."

Kerry cited the growing income and asset gap between the wealthy and the middle class in the United States, said, "I'm for a tax break, but I want the tax break to go to the middle class and the working people who are struggling and who have been the victims of that growing gap."

Saying proposed Republican tax cuts would primarily benefit "the wealthy and the corporations," Kerry said, "Fairness is an important word in America, and I'm going to fight for fairness."

In an instant electronic survey taken immediately after the event by Feedback Marketing Services Corp. of Wellesley, 62 percent of the students said they supported Kerry, 26 percent said they supported Weld, and 10 percent were undecided.

Before the event, according to the poll, 23 percent said they were undecided, 47 percent said they supported Kerry, and 29 percent said they supported Weld.

Both candidates and their camps said they found the forum a welcome change from the traditional political debate.

Jenny Watson, Kerry's campaign press secretary, said the format of the forum — which did not allow for the candidates to rebut each other's answers — "had much less of the rat-a-tat-tat of the debates and gave the candidates more time to explain their positions on the issues more fully."

Weld praised the student questioners. "I thought the questions were at least as sophisticated as the questions we get from reporter panels," he said after the forum.

The governor, in fact, seemed to prefer questions from high school students to questions from reporters. "It was nice to hear questions that hadn't gone through the acid bath," he said. "There was no sneering element to these questions."

Reporters and TV crews from across Massachusetts and the world — including TV crews from CBS's "60 Minutes" and PBS's "NewsHour" and reporters from as far away as London and Helsinki — covered Sunday's forum.

Kerry and Weld have three more debates scheduled before the Nov. 5 election.

A transcript of the Youth Forum is available on the World Wide Web at www.townonline.com/vote96.

Kindergartner Krystin Fiore opens her school bag to begin her day at Deer Hill. The Deer Hill School is host to all kindergarten sections this year to help alleviate over-crowding at the Osgood School.

Staff photo/J. Paul MacDonald

Higher education is students' top concern

Teen violence is a worry too

More than 400 high school students from eastern Massachusetts answered 11 questions in an electronic survey following Community Newspaper Company's youth forum Sunday with Democratic incumbent U.S. Sen. John Kerry and his challenger, Republican Gov. William Weld.

Feedback Marketing Services Corp. of Wellesley had 22 "Feedback Clipboards," an electronic questionnaire device, available to the students as they exited. The questions were drawn up by Community Newspaper Company.

*** Before today's event, which Senate candidate did you support?**
Kerry: 47 percent
Weld: 29 percent
Undecided: 23 percent
Other: 1 percent

• After seeing the debate, which candidate do you now support?
Kerry: 62 percent
Weld: 26 percent
Undecided: 10 percent
Other: 2 percent

• Which candidate do you feel did a better job of answering questions?
Kerry: 72 percent
Weld: 19 percent
Neither: 10 percent

• Which candidate best addressed your concerns?
Kerry: 68 percent
Weld: 24 percent
Neither: 8 percent

• How would you describe the campaign to date?
Issue oriented: 48 percent
Too vague: 21 percent
Nasty: 22 percent
Haven't paid attention: 9 percent

• Which candidate gives you the best feeling for a secure future?
Kerry: 62 percent
Weld: 26 percent
Neither: 11 percent

• How are you different politically from your parents?
More conservative: 16 percent
More liberal: 36 percent
Politically, I'm exactly like my parents: 26 percent
Not sure: 22 percent

• In general, how interested are your peers in this presidential election?
Very interested: 20 percent
Fairly interested: 31 percent
Mildly interested: 30 percent
Basically uninterested: 19 percent

• Which candidate for president do you support?
Clinton: 66 percent
Dole: 19 percent
Perot: 2 percent
Other: 2 percent
Undecided: 10 percent

• Do you consider yourself a:
Democrat: 46 percent
Republican: 20 percent
Independent: 20 percent
Libertarian: 3 percent
None of these: 3 percent
Undecided: 8 percent

• In your opinion, what are the biggest youth issues?
(Choose all that apply.)
Education: 79 percent
Teen violence: 57 percent
Tuition reimbursement: 54 percent
Abortion: 45 percent
Crime: 44 percent
Jobs: 36 percent
Drug abuse: 36 percent
Family: 28 percent
Environment: 27 percent
AIDS: 27 percent
Taxes: 19 percent
Ban on tobacco: 13 percent

PERSONAL FINANCE

Give yourself a year-end financial checkup

Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

As the winter months approach us and another year draws to a close, it's easy to let money matters get lost in the shuffle of holiday excitement. We asked the experts for their best year-end tips. Follow these and save:

•Review health benefits. Most companies circulate forms that let employees adjust benefit plans by a

Thanksgiving deadline. Pay attention. It may be the last time you can take advantage of one of today's most cherished benefits — employer-provided flexible spending accounts for health care costs.

By using pretax dollars for physicals and even the cost of traveling to the doctor, workers can cut nonreimbursed medical expenses by 40 percent or more.

These plans are particularly advantageous if you are expecting your medical bills and insurance copayments to increase in 1997. But keep in mind they do not cover payments for elective cosmetic surgery.

Individuals should sit down with their checkbooks, add up how much they spent on medical costs this year, and sock that amount away in a flex plan for 1997. "If you want to switch from your employer's indemnity plan to its health maintenance organization or preferred-provider plan, you'll probably want to lower your flex-account balance because you won't be paying as much for office visits," says Martha Priddy Patterson, chief employee-benefits analyst at KPMG Peat Marwick in Washington, D.C.

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Martha Priddy Patterson
Employee benefits analyst

•Two-earner households should also consider having one spouse sign up for the other's health plan if each is now covered separately. Some companies who let employees drop company-provided health insurance will refund the unused benefits back to employees.

•Boost retirement savings. Remember when Clinton signed into law the General Agreement on Trade and Tarriffs (GATT) in 1994? That legislation changed the maximum amount of money workers could sock away in 401(k) plans. Previously, the maximum amounts were inflation-indexed. But the GATT provisions, which took effect in 1995, say you'll get an increase in the maximum 401(k) contribution only if the inflation-adjusted amount equals or exceeds $500. Additionally, the law only allows adjustments in increments that equal or exceed $500. In 1996 this amount went up to $9,500. Given the puny inflation rate these days, and because of the new rules, that contribution amount will probably stick at $9,500 for 1997, as well as remain the same for the next couple of years.

So, for now, put away the maximum allowed in these plans, and consider after-tax contributions as well.

•Reduce your insurance premiums. Don't wait until a policy is up for renewal to begin cutting insurance costs. Insurance agents often slash premiums for home improvements made during the year or reduced auto usage before a policy's anniversary.

•Update financial documents to account for family changes. Marriages, divorces, deaths, and births all should be properly reflected in financial paperwork.

•Stop paying high fees for bank services. Sky-high bank fees continue to silently suck up depositor money. Since 1990, the percentage increase in regular checking-account fees has risen three times the rate of inflation, according to a study by U.S. Public Interest Research Group, a consumer-watchdog organization in Washington, D.C.

•Consider a fat holiday gift to kids. It's a year-in and year-out oversight — when jingle bells ring their Pavlovian influence on holiday givers, it becomes easy to forget that the dull, old tax code still provides breaks for the generous of mind. The IRS lets taxpayers give $10,000 each to as many people as they wish, tax free. It's a smart way to keep estates under the $600,000 mark, after which assets are taxed from 37 percent to as high as 60 percent. So, at this time of year, cash-strapped parents should consider shifting wealth to their more lightly taxed offspring. If you happen to be a trustee for someone you'd like to spoil riches on, you can make annual gifts to existing irrevocable life insurance or education trusts, but you must mail the beneficiaries a notice stating that a contribution was made on their behalf, and specify the amount. Otherwise, you won't qualify for the exclusion.

•Rethink investments. High-income taxpayers should take advantage of the spread between their top tax rates and the 28 percent capital-gains tax by investing in top-shelf growth stocks or growth funds.

•Consolidate your debt. Borrowers who pay 15 percent interest in dealer financing for a $25,000 car, or 18 percent or more on a $10,000 credit card balance, should consider cutting that cost by consolidating this debt into a low-rate home-equity loan or credit line. Cardholders who roll over balances, as 65 percent do, will save $950 transferring a $10,000 card balance at 18 percent to a home-equity loan at 8.5 percent (not including loan fees). Also, up to $100,000 in home-equity interest is still tax-deductible.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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Harvest festival is Sept. 26

The Farmers Market moves to South Main Street in Cohasset Village Sept. 26 for a Fall Harvest Festival. South Main Street will be closed to make room for the Farmers Market and other activities for families.

The festivities will include live folk music from 3 to 7 p.m., storytelling by well-known artist Diane Edgecomb (3:30 and 4:45 p.m.), face painting, clowns, balloons, pony rides, hair braiding and children's painting by students at South Shore Art Center. All events are free.

Consignment Shop volunteers honored

Cohasset Consignment Shop's manager, Andy Merrill, will honor, and brief, more than 125 volunteers from the South Shore at a brunch Wednesday, Oct. 2, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Kimball's.

Merrill said proceeds from the new enlarged consignment shop, located on Route 3A in Cushing Plaza, provide the major funding for the Social Service League's pneumonia shots, counseling and support groups, New Friends program, nursing services and Keep Well Clinics, which include blood pressure screening, weight, blood sugar testing and nutritional education for individuals living in Cohasset, Hingham, Hull, Scituate and Norwell.

Consignments will be accepted Monday through Friday, from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Beginning Thursday, Sept. 26, and continuing every Thursday through Oct. 24, sales and consignments will be made from 6 to 8 p.m.

To volunteer or for further information, call 383-0771 or 383-0687.

Fall shoppers are invited to view the selection of almost-new famous Austrian Geiger jackets, cashmere sweaters, Ralph Lauren cardigans in fall colors as well as children's clothing, including Polly Flanders smocked dresses.

Jane Russell is president of the league.

Chicago soloist to perform at St. Stephen's Church

As part of its "Music at St. Stephen's Concert Series," St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset, will present mezzo-soprano Evelyn Czaja in recital Sunday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m. Dr. Elaine Kwon will accompany Czaja in works of Bach, Schubert, Donizetti, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Persichetti and Dvorak.

Czaja sang with the former Repertory Opera Theater of Oak Park, Ill., Chicago Opera Theater, DuPage Opera in Illinois, Lake Shore Symphony and the Northwest Symphony. She is an avid stage director and has been music director for several area high school musicals.

Czaja holds a bachelor of music degree from Rosary College, Illinois, and a master of arts in applied vocal pedagogy from Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago. She also teaches private voice and is a member of the Music Teachers National Association, National Association of Teachers of Singing, Musicians Club of Women and MacDowell Artists Association.

The church is located at 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset, and is handicapped accessible. Free-will offerings will be accepted at the concert. For more details, call 383-1083.

Scout reunion is slated

A reunion for all Troop 28 Boy Scouts, active and past, and troop leaders and committee members, active and past, is being planned for Sunday, Oct. 20. The event will be held at Kimballs in Cohasset, from 1 to 5 p.m. The troop hopes to match the enthusiasm for the 75th anniversary reunion which was held in 1991 and was extremely well attended and enjoyed by all.

The planning committee has a list of more than 450 former and current Scouts and Scout Leaders and would like to update this list prior to an official mailing in September. If you know of any Troop 28 members who may have moved in the past few years, or who may not be on our list, please call planning committee member Mary McElroy, 383-0505.

Call for entries at SSAC

South Shore Art Center has announced a call for entries for its annual Blue Ribbon Members Exhibition, which runs from Oct. 4 to Nov. 11. A complimentary opening reception for the public is set for Oct. 4 from 6 to 8 p.m. Entries may be delivered to the center at 119 Ripley Road, Cohasset, on Tuesday, Oct. 1, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Work must be framed, wired and ready to hand, and 3D art must include a pedestal. Pick-up will be Nov. 10 from 4 to 6 p.m. and Nov. 12, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Membership dues must be current throughout the run of the exhibition. Works submitted usually include watercolor, pastel, oil, wood carvings, sculpture, charcoal drawings, photography, clay and mixed media.

Two docent lectures will be presented. Outreach Director Allison Moskow will speak on the art of collection Oct. 24 at 6:30 p.m., and Gallery artist Virginia Avery will discuss the Blue Ribbon show Nov. 3 at 2 p.m. The gallery is open Tuesday through Saturday fro 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. Admission to the exhibit and the lectures is free.

The Blue Ribbon Exhibition offers members of SSAC the opportunity to enter one work. Members have the privilege of entering two specific member-designated exhibits annually, the fall Blue Ribbon and the Festival exhibition in June. The center is wheelchair accessible.

For more details, call 383-ARTS.

Collectors' choice exhibit at South Shore Art Center

South Shore Art Center, 119 Ripley Road, Cohasset, will exhibit original art from private and corporate collections Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 28 and 29, in the Bancroft and Dillon galleries. The eclectic display will include works by Eugene Delacroix, Paul Klee, Pablo Picasso, Ali, Anasazi Indian, John Tracey, Mikoto Yabe, Houcol Indian and C.R. Loring. Sixty artists will be represented.

Exhibition viewing hours are Sept. 28, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sept. 29, from noon to 4 p.m. Admission is $5. A 30-minute docent lecture and gallery tour on Sunday at 2 p.m. are included in the price.

The exhibition will open with a gala reception and dinner Friday, beginning at 6 p.m. Tickets are $80. For information, call 383-ARTS, Ext. 11. The center is wheelchair accessible, and proceeds will benefit the art center's many outreach, education and exhibition programs.

Teen Center news noted

Thursday, during the Farmer's Market, the Teen Center will open its doors to anyone interested in taking a tour of the center, which will be open from 4 to 6 p.m.

The Teen Center will also be open this Friday and Saturday, Sept. 27 and 28, from 7 to 10 p.m. Oct. 4, there will be a Poker Night, so mark your calendars.

Health care for women is topic at AAUW meeting

Vicki Donlan of the Spence Center for Women's Health will speak at the Oct. 8 meeting of the American Association of University Women, Hingham area branch. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the library media center of Plymouth River School, off High Street, Hingham. The topic will be "Health Care for Women."

Donlan is regional marketing director for the center, a full-service medical facility focused on the needs of women. She is responsible for Spence's three centers located in Braintree, Cambridge and Wellesley as marketing director. Along with traditional health care, Spence Center provides additional services such as acupuncture, muscular therapy, nutrition counseling and chiropractic.

Donlan was co-founder and first executive director of the South Shore Women's Business Network and was honored by the U.S. Small Business Administration as New England's Women in Business advocate for 1994. She is on the board of directors of the Center for Women & Enterprise, Inc., an organization providing business technical assistance to women pursuing self-employment in the metropolitan Boston area.

Donlan is a frequent speaker for business, professional and trade organizations on topic ranging from networking and marketing and sales to healthcare.

AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive societal change. Its monthly meetings are free and open to the public.

Community Center offers fall classes for all ages

South Shore Community Center is accepting registrations for fall classes.

Offerings include: **Keyboarding for Kids,** Mondays and Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 30, for five weeks ($80/$85NM); **Gym Dandy** with Mary Foley, which runs for eight weeks, with classes for children ranging from newborn to 18 months ($54/$64NM); **Dance** for children with instructor Donna Viau, Tuesdays (street dance, ballet and jazz, Dance Visions) and Wednesdays (Creative Magic Dance, pre-ballet/jazz, dance theater and advanced dance theater) ($67.50/$77.50NM); **Bowling Clinic,** ($40, $46/NM, 10 weeks); **Tai Chi** for beginners and advanced students (form and push classes), $70/$80NM or both classes for $130/$140NM.

For more information about classes or to register, call SSCC at 383-0088.

The Rev. Jean 'Jenny' Rankin is the new interim minister at First Parish in Cohasset.

First Parish in Cohasset welcomes the Rev. 'Jenny'

The Unitarian Universalists at First Parish in Cohasset, still in transition after the tragic death of previous Minister, Ed Atkinson, have welcomed with joy and enthusiasm Interim Minister Reverend Jean Margaret (Jenny) Rankin. This is the first time in its 249-year history the parish has invited a woman to lead it, and it is finding the experience exhilarating. The Rev. Rankin will serve for one year while a search committee, chaired by Jane Goedecke, selects a permanent candidate to present for congregational approval.

The Rev. Jenny Rankin, who invites participants of every age to call her "Jenny," is a graduate cum laude of Princeton University, 1979, and received her Master of Divinity degree from the Harvard Divinity School. She was ordained in 1988 and has served as Interim Chaplain at Tufts University, as Interim Minister at the Hopedale Unitarian Church, and most recently as Interim Minister at the Second Parish in Hingham. Her home is in Boston with her husband and children, ages 2 1/2 and 5. She is commuting to Cohasset on a three-quarters time schedule, and is looking forward to participating in the wider community whenever possible. Already she has soaked in (literally, on a wet, wild day) the special nurture that Sandy Beach offers.

Given the brief time she has with the parish, her focus is on helping the church prepare for a settled ministry, in addition to the normal pastoral tasks of preaching, teaching, counseling, and performing wedding and memorial services and child dedications.

Areas of special interest to the Rev. Jenny are AIDS ministry, social justice and feminist theology. She plans to give special emphasis to family support and adult education. "Spiritual Autobiography," an adult education program open to the community at large, will be offered this fall. Further information is available at the parish office in the parish house at 23 North Main St., Cohasset. Tel.: 383-1100. Office hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

Sunday, Sept. 29, the Rev. Jenny's sermon topic will be "Where Are We Going Spiritually?" The senior choir, under the direction of Carolyn Curtis, will present Hassler's "Cantate Domino" and Arcadelt's "Hear My Prayer, O God." As always, visitors are warmly welcomed at Sunday services in the Meeting House on the Common at 10:30 a.m. Child care is available in the parish house across the street from the meeting house.

Police Log

Saturday, Sept. 14

10:45 p.m., officer wanted, Sohier St.

11:08 p.m., disturbance general, Church St.

Sunday, Sept. 15

12:50 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

1:42 a.m., noise complaint, Summer St.

1:48 a.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

6:54 a.m., assist other agency, Beach St.

7:51 a.m., medical aid, Windsor Rd.

8:12 a.m., general services, Elm St.

9:08 a.m., disturbance, Hull St.

9:46 a.m., general services, Beach St.

12:05 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

12:15 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

12:23 p.m., MV stop, Lamberts Lane.

12:33 p.m., MV stop, Cedar St.

12:46 p.m., MV stop, Lamberts Ln.

2:19 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:28 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:41 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.,

3:03 p.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

3:19 p.m., larceny, Cohasset Harbor.

5:04 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beach St.

Monday, Sept. 16

2:31 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:53 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:04 a.m., MV stop, Cushing Plaza.

7:21 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.

7:41 a.m., suspicious, Gov't Island, Sailing Club.

1:27 p.m., officer wanted, Sohier St.

2:02 p.m., assist motorist, Schofield Rd.

2:22 p.m., larceny, S. Main St.

5:42 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

6:31 p.m, MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:25 p.m., medical aid, Nichols Rd.

7:35 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.

7:53 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

7:55 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

9:26 p.m, fire, auto, Wood Way.

Tuesday, Sept. 17

12:29 a.m., assist citizen, N. Main St.

1:30 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

1:54 p.m., MV stop, King St.

4:10 p.m., assist motorist, Pleasant St.

4:51 p.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.

8:17 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.

9:57 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Wednesday, Sept. 18

12:31 a.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

1:09 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:39 a.m., suspicious auto, Howard Gleason Rd.

5:51 a.m., general services, King St.

6:08 a.m., assist other agency, Atlantic Ocean.

6:14 a.m., assist other agency, Atlantic Ave.

6:16 a.m., assist other agency, Border St.

6:16 a.m., assist other agency, Rustic Ave.

6:24 a.m., open door/window, Sohier St.

6:36 a.m., assist other agency, Jerusalem Rd.

6:50 a.m., assist other agency, Border St.

7:00 a.m., assist other agency, Nichols Rd.

7:08 a.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

8:11 a.m., wires down, Jerusalem Rd.

8:58 a.m., investigation, Ash St.

8:58 a.m., wires down, Beach St.

9:14 a.m., wires down, N. Main St.

10:25 a.m., wires down, Newtonville.

10:34 a.m., wires down, Elm Ct.

10:38 a.m., wires down, area of 585 CJC Hwy.

10:54 a.m., tree down, Black Rock Rd.

12:55 p.m., tree down, Black Rock Rd.

1:05 p.m., wires down, Parker Ave.

1:13 p.m., well being check, Atlantic Ave.

1:39 p.m., medical aid, Parkingway.

2:32 p.m., general services, S. Main St.

3:43 p.m., notification, Atlantic Ave.

4:37 p.m., property (found), Border St.

6:43 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:61 p.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.

8:37 p.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.

9:07 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

Thursday, Sept. 19

5:18 a.m., medical aid, Hull St.

7:28 a.m., vandalism, Lamberts Ln.

8:42 a.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.

9:58 a.m., parking violation, Beechwood St.

12:16 p.m., wires down, Beechwood St.

3:43 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.

4:58 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd.

6:41 p.m., animal complaint, Hull St.

7:01 p.m., medical aid, Fair View Ave.

Friday, Sept. 20

12:01 a.m., disturbance family, Jerusalem Rd.

12:51 a.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

12:56 a.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main/Scituate Line.

10:10 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:43 p.m., medical aid, Parking Way.

2:57 p.m., MV violations, Lamberts Ln.

4:36 p.m., disturbance, Atlantic Ave.

5:17 p.m., larceny, Church St.

7:01 p.m., assist citizen, Surry Dr.

7:06 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd.

7:36 p.m., assist citizen,

See page 25

Rte. 3A burglary being investigated

Police are investigating an early morning burglary at Cohasset Food Mart, 130 King St., during which a undetermined amount of cash, the safe and some lottery tickets were stolen.

Officers responded to a burglar alarm at the store which came in at 3:29 a.m., Thursday, Sept. 19. They discovered the right-front window of the store was smashed out.

Police Sgt. Robert Jackson said the incident is under investigation by Cohasset Det. Rick Grassie and the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI), Plymouth County, which is under contract with Cohasset police to assist in these matters.

Police grants are awarded

Chief Brian Noonan said the Cohasset Police Department has received two grants totalling $6,500 from the state Executive Office of Public Safety through its community policing program.

Noonan said the money will be used to buy equipment for police bike and foot patrols.

Traffic control is beefed up

Police Chief Brian Noonan warned drivers that police traffic control has been increased now that school is underway.

"We've stepped up radar especially along the bus routes," Noonan said.

He said citizens have notified police and asked for increased enforcement.

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Forest Notch.

Saturday, Sept. 21

12:36 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

12:37 a.m., noise complaint, S. Main St.

7 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

4:07 a.m., property (found), Elm St.

4:15 a.m., noise complaint, Stockbridge St.

6:42 a.m., assist citizen, Lantern Ln.

8:02 a.m., general services, Forest Notch.

8:32 a.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.

9:27 a.m., officer wanted, Forest Notch.

2:18 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

2:37 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

3:10 p.m., medical aid, fire HQ.

3:12 p.m., assist motorist, Jerusalem Rd.

3:40 p.m., disturbance family, Old Coach Rd.

4:14 p.m., arrest, Old Coach Rd., Ptl. Yocum in with Robert F. Gill, 37 Old Coach Rd., Cohasset, DOB: 2/10/32, under arrest for domestic A/B.

5:13 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:08 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

6:51 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.

7:41 p.m., medical aid, Hillside Dr.

7:59 p.m., assist citizen, Cushing Plaza.

9:40 p.m., parking violation, King St.

10:19 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

10:32 p.m., disturbance, Sohier St.

11:11 p.m., MV stop, King St.

11:24 p.m., assist citizen, King St.

11:45 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.

11:54 p.m., assist citizen, Jerusalem Rd.

Sept. 22, Sunday

12:34 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:05 a.m., MV stop, Church St.

1:41 a.m., MV stop, Summer St.

1:52 a.m., protective custody, Elm St.

3:00 a.m., noise complaint, Ripley Rd.

7:19 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

7:20 a.m., MV stop, Forest Notch.

7:43 a.m., property (found), Bancroft House Lot.

8:46 a.m., medical aid, HQ.

8:52 a.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

9:14 a.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

12:40 p.m., larceny, Cedar Acres. Ln.

3:40 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.

8:40 p.m., motor vehicle theft, Beechwood St.

8:54 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

9:54 p.m., general services, Highland Ave.

Public Notice

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Norfolk Division
Docket No. 96P2204E1

Estate of ARTHUR W. JOHNSEN late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that STEPHEN A. JOHNSEN of NORFOLK in the State of VIRGINIA be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on October 30, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this nineteenth day of September, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
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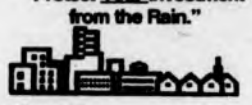

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Rocky Lane residents worry about rail crossing

By ANDI WEISSMAN
Special to the Mariner

Residents of a cul-de-sac in west Cohasset told MBTA and town officials last Wednesday that train tracks planned to cross the entrance to their street would block their only means of exit in the event of an emergency.

Residents of Rocky Lane, many of whom have young children, expressed strong concerns that a planned grade crossing could block the entrance to the cul-de-sac. If a train should be stopped in the tracks for any reason, residents would be stranded in the cul-de-sac, and police or fire officials would be kept out in the event of an emergency, residents told the town's Greenbush Mitigation Committee.

Resident Patrick Voke said the concerns are heightened by the fact that there are 13 children under the age of eight living on the street.

"There's probably more young kids on the street than any other in town," Voke told the Mariner. "It's a big concern for us."

MBTA officials said it was unlikely a train would be stopped on a grade crossing, but admitted they did not have statistics available.

"We all agree the chances are rare, but if by some slim margin it should happen, how can we get in or out?" asked resident Carol Davis.

MBTA and committee officials discussed looking into creating an access road for Rocky Lane as a possible solution to the problem.

Meanwhile, a commuter rail station in Cohasset Village is a viable alternative to the one proposed to run alongside Route 3A, MBTA officials said.

Andrew Brennan, MBTA manager of environmental affairs, presented plans for the Cohasset Village station, which is an alternative to the one currently planned for the site occupied by Barry Waste Company.

Brennan said the MBTA proposed the site in response to Cohasset's interest in moving the station to the village center. Instead of going by the north of the Strawberry Parfait outdoor restaurant, the tracks would run by on its southern side.

The alternative plan also calls for the MBTA to expand the municipal parking lot on Brook Street from 100 to 450 parking spaces. One hundred of those spaces would be clearly marked as municipal parking, Brennan said. This lot would contain 50 more parking spaces than the one proposed at Barry Waste.

"We believe more people will use this station (than the North Cohasset site) because it is closer to where they live," said Barry Faulkner, an MBTA engineer.

In response to a question from committee Chairman Dean Rizzo, Brennan said the MBTA would be willing to consider reducing the number of parking spaces, but said he would "strongly advise against it." If the parking is too limited, commuters would use all the parking spaces they could find in the streets, and traffic would be increased by drivers dropping off passengers, he said.

The station plans are not set in stone, said Brennan. He added that MBTA General Manager Pat Moynahan said the recommendations of the mitigation committee will weigh heavily on a decision about the station location.

In order to build the Cohasset Village station, the MBTA would have to acquire the Carey residence at the entrance to James Lane and a portion of the South Main Street property owned by Eugene Price, according to the plans. Price said Wednesday he would be interested in selling his property for a fair price.

Joseph Rosano, owner of the Strawberry Parfait, expressed an interest in negotiating the sale of his property to the MBTA, saying he was concerned that fumes from the trains would adversely affect diners at his outdoor restaurant.

"I don't think there's any question locomotives have a nauseous odor," he said.

Brennan said the MBTA would be open to discussions, but expressed some surprise.

"We started off with the assumption you wanted the Strawberry Parfait in place as an institution," he said.

Faulkner said one possible hesitation for the MBTA is that the proposed village station would cost $3 million more than the one originally proposed for Route 3A, due to the expected excavation of a rock ledge east of Pleasant Street.

"A $3 million increase is enough to be a concern," he said.

Brennan said the mitigation committee and the MBTA need to come to an agreement on two things, the placement of the Cohasset station and how to address noise levels at grade crossings.

The next joint meeting of the committee and the MBTA is planned for Oct. 1.

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Village stop mulled over

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

The chairman of the town's mitigation committee assured a dozen residents that no concensus has been reached regarding a train station in Cohasset Village, but state transportation officials said they would like a decision within four to six weeks.

Dean Rizzo said Tuesday that the village station location was being considered because some residents have expressed a desire for this site. The village location eliminates the additional site work in wetlands areas around the former Winter Gardens property, and will cause the train to slow down and stop as it travels through the village.

He asked for a traffic impact study before a recommendation is made on the station site.

MBTA environmental affairs manager Andrew Brennan said the T could not provide a detail study with traffic counts but could provide some level of analysis. He added that the T would like to have "a real picture of where the town wants to go" within the next two months.

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Vote on village station called for

By ANDI WEISSMAN
Special to the Mariner

A group of citizens called for a town-wide vote on a proposed Cohasset Village train station Sept. 25, saying the station would cause more problems than benefits.

A dozen abutters of the proposed site told the Citizens' Advisory Committee last week that construction would lead to property damage and parking problems if the station were moved to the center of town from its original location on Route 3A, in a site currently occupied by Barry Waste Services.

"We think there's enough question about where the station would be that it would make sense for the town to have a vote on it," committee member Peter Pearce told the Cohasset Mariner.

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Traffic study needed for rail station, officials say

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen want more information about increased traffic and parking in the village before deciding whether or not to back a village train station.

Dean Rizzo of the Greenbush Mitigation Committee told the board Monday that the MBTA is looking for an answer "one way or the other from us" before continuing to work on the new plans which move the station from Route 3A to the village near the town parking lot.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said that was "putting the cart before the horse" and before reaching a decision, the board needed a traffic study which the MBTA should provide.

Members of the Greenbush committee also want to gauge public support for a village station.

Rizzo said some businesses had concerns but were willing to work with the MBTA. However, about a dozen residents attended the citizens' mitigation meeting last week to object to a village station (see related story), he

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David Toomey has his face painted by Pebbles the Clown at the Harvest Festival last Thursday in Cohasset Village. For more photos, see page 12.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Open space action plan unveiled at hearing

By JASON BOUFFARD
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset has taken the next step in retaining its small-town atmosphere.

At a public hearing at Town Hall Sept. 25, the Open Space Advisory Committee unveiled a draft of its Cohasset Open Space Five-Year Action Plan.

The plan was designed in accordance with the results of a recent town survey which polled the community's views on Cohasset's open space. It will make the town eligible for state assistance in acquiring conservation land and developing recreational resources.

A draft will be submitted to the State Division of Conservation Services within the week.

The plan addresses three main areas of importance: maintaining environmental health — namely preserving clean drinking water and protecting wetlands and forests; protecting and enhancing wildlife; and providing greater promotion of the town's open space, including better access.

Once the plan is approved, the committee will oversee a series of actions to determine which areas are most likely to be acquired as conservation land and also to assess any environmental issues that should be attended to throughout the town.

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The plan establishes 10 goals which will address one of the three main areas. Under each goal are a series of proposed actions aimed at achieving each goal. For instance, under the goal "safe and sufficient water supply resources" are several actions designed to help attain that goal. They include mapping the aquifers and wellhead protection zones of the Elms Meadow and Sohier Street public wells, reducing road salt use on King Street and writing and distribution an information sheet on the water quality impacts of activities by homeowners.

Planning Consultant Larissa Brown pointed out that most of the actions called for by the plan are not expensive. For example, printing information sheets and organizing volunteer groups would require

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Cohasset's Week

Upcoming meetings noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Health, 7 p.m., Oct. 8, 22 & 29;
- Advisory committee, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 3;
- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 3 & 17;
- School Committee, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 3, Rm. 10 at the high school;
- Planning board, 8 p.m., Oct. 16
- Sewer commission, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 24 & 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Zoning board of appeals, 8 p.m., Oct. 3 & 10;
- Private ways committee, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 9

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations or time changes.

Floats' storage a problem

An irate Parker Avenue resident told selectmen Monday that they had no business allowing the yacht club to store its floats on the Hagerty property.

Russ Bonetti demanded to know why selectmen had not contacted the Hagerty committee, the conservation commission, or abutters about the matter and questioned if it was within their jurisdiction to allow the storage of floats there.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said the Hagerty committee, which is studying uses for the property, is not involved in such matters and it was not a problem for conservation. Brown admitted that he did not know about the floats being stored until after they were there. Town Administrator Gregory Doyon gave the yacht club permission, Brown said.

Selectmen said they would try to find another spot for the floats. They explained the yacht club stores floats at Bassings Beach but had no place to store these new floats.

They are also concerned that the floats, which are stacked up, could pose a hazard to children.

"It's like a jungle gym," Brown said.

Bonetti wondered why the yacht club, a private group, was allowed to use town property.

Brown said it was because the club is a non-profit, town-wide service.

"If I declare myself non-profit, can I store my things there?" Bonetti asked.

Brown cut the debate short and said the board would look into the problem.

Bonetti, who raised the issue during the time set aside at 8 p.m. for public comment at the weekly selectmen's meetings, said he would try to get a spot on the agenda to discuss the matter further.

The Yacht Club floats are temporarily stored on the town-owned Hagerty property. An angry Parker Avenue resident questioned selectmen Monday about why this was allowed (see related item, this page).

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Cohasset's Week

Navigation Act on target

Selectman Peter Pratt said Tuesday night that the Cohasset Navigation Act, which will re-draw the federal lines of jurisdiction in Cohasset Harbor, ld be signed by President Clinton this week.

Pratt said the bill, which was attached to waterways legislation, has passed both houses of Congress.

He said the news is significant for two reasons. Firstly, it will pave the way for the Army Corps of Engineers to access federal money to dredge the harbor channel, a project which could cost as much as $1.5 million. And secondly, it means the yacht club and Margin Street floats are no longer encroaching on federal waters.

This legislation is an important step in the joint federal/state/town dredging project in Cohasset Harbor which is critical to the future of Cohasset's commercial fishermen and recreational boaters, officials say. With the state's help, the town is responsible for dredging areas in the harbor, while the Army Corps, a federal agency, will tackle the harbor channel.

Applications due Oct. 15 for cultural council grants

The Local Cultural Council of Cohasset has announced the application deadline for Arts Lottery/PASS grants for the 1997 cycle is Tuesday, Oct. 15.

To obtain application forms, stop by Cohasset Town Hall at 41 Highland Ave. or call Ellen in the Selectmen's office at 383-9900.

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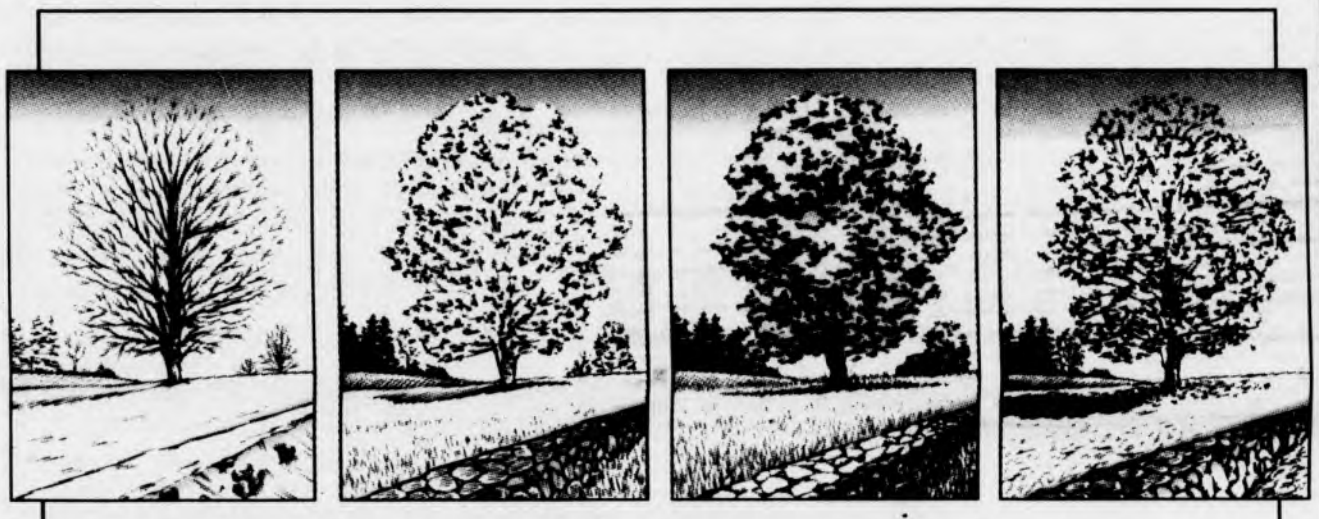
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Grade crossings for Greenbush on the table

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Cohasset could be a "whistle-free town" if the MBTA's proposed grade crossing plans are used for restored commuter rail service on the Greenbush line.

State transportation officials told the town's mitigation committee Tuesday that grade crossings create the greatest noise impact and pose the greatest safety risks, but "infrastructure changes" can address both those problems.

Andrew Brennan, MBTA manager of environmental affairs, said train whistles are required at each grade crossing, but some towns have successfully imposed whistle bans to lessen noise, and state legislation has allowed the bans.

The Federal Railroad Administration is expected to overturn all whistle bans, effective November 1, but the FRA is now developing new regulations that will waive the whistle requirement while addressing the safety issues at grade crossings.

Brennan said the grade crossings can be designed to be "idiot-proof," in response to drivers who "will take a chance on beating the train," and circumvent the gates.

Barry Faulkner, a consultant from Sverdrup Corporation, explained the streets that approach the grade crossings could be widened to allow a 100- to 200-foot long, four-foot wide, nine-inch high median to prevent cars driving around a closed gate.

In other cases, the T and the town will consider closing some grade crossings, and consolidating others that are close together.

Preliminary design alternatives for the nine grade crossings in Cohasset include the possible closing of the crossings at Smith Place, at Spring Street, at Sestito Lane and Castle Road, and at Lincoln Lane, creating a "hammerhead turnaround" where the road ends.

Access to Smith Place could be made from Cushing Road and Pleasant Street if the grade crossing is closed there, Faulkner said.

In the case of Spring Street, where there are two crossings within 450 feet, the T has recommended closing one crossing and using the medians and gates at the other.

Option 1 would close the east crossing and provide for a 110-foot median on the north side approach, and a 175-foot median on the south approach. This would require property acquisitions from two residents on the west, to allow for road widening and sidewalks, Faulkner said.

The other alternative would close the west crossing, providing a "hammerhead turnaround" on the north side of the track, removal of ledge to improve visibility around a curve in the road, and shifting the intersection at Pond Street, with a 200-foot long median on all three approaches to the crossing.

Robert Sturdy, the planning board's designee to the mitigation committee, asked the T officials to consider "something other than poured concrete with weeds" for the medians. He suggested landscaping, bricks, or cobblestones.

He also asked the T to pursue a direct communication system between the train operator and Cohasset public safety personnel, in the event of an accident, injury, or illness on the train, or a similar incident on the tracks.

In response to a question from Selectman Peter Pratt, Faulkner said there is standard design features to synchronize traffic signals so traffic does not back up. This, Pratt noted, is particularly needed at King, Forest, and North Main streets.

Traffic study needed for rail station, officials say

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said.

Pointing out that the moderator will not allow resolutions, selectmen immediately nixed the suggestion of putting the matter before voters at the October special town meeting.

But Selectman Michael Sullivan said that any vote will likely be split and it is up to the selectmen to make the decision.

"We need preliminary information from which to make a decision," he stressed.

Selectman Nan Roth said she wanted to hear more opinions about the parking and how many people would walk or drive to the station.

"I wasn't thinking 450 spaces," she said about the proposal.

Rizzo said the MBTA has allotted 350 spaces for train commuters and 100 for municipal use.

In a related matter, Michael Dick of the Greenbush Mitigation Committee asked selectmen to ask other town boards to provide guidance to the mitigation committee.

Dick explained that he's gone through the MBTA's draft environmental impact report page by page to pick out Cohasset issues which possibly need to be addressed. He cited the town's well fields, the effect of diesel emission on air quality, and zoning issues as examples.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said he would send a letter to the board of health, zoning board and water commission asking for them to help.

Dick, who sits on the conservation commission and fellow mitigation member Robert Sturdy, a planning board member, will provide guidance from their respective boards, Dick said.

Teen center update

The teen center will host a poker night on Friday, Oct. 4, from 7 to 10 p.m. All 7th, 8th and 9th graders are welcome. Drinks will be provided. The teen center will be open on Saturday night from 7 to 10 p.m. as well. Pizza from Cohasset House of Pizza will be served Saturday night.

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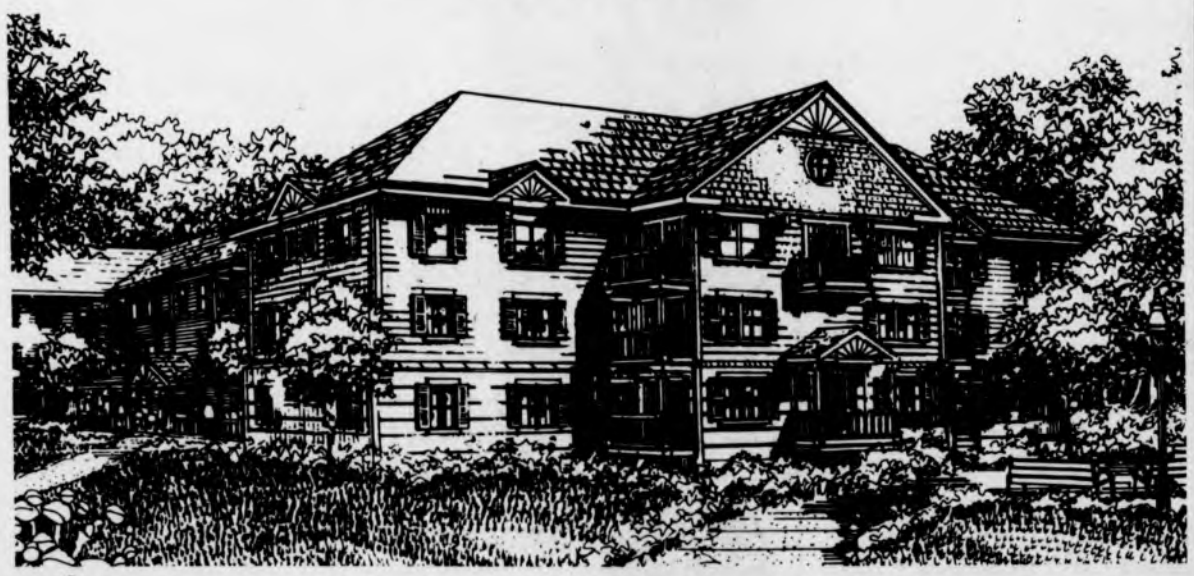

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Lawyer worries local party host won't get a fair trial

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

An attorney for a local man accused of providing alcohol to minors at a graduation party last spring is concerned that his client will not be able to receive a fair trial in Quincy because of the barrage of publicity surrounding the allegations.

Bernard Hamill said Monday he has not ruled out asking for a change in location for the trial of his client, John Lennon of Surry Drive, who is charged with serving alcohol to minors and contributing to the delinquency of a child, both misdemeanors.

Cohasset police began investigating the party last June after an alcohol-related crash claimed the life of one of the guests, Gregory Smith, 18, of Marshfield. Police sought the complaints after several witnesses, all minors, who were also guests at the party, came forward.

In August, after hearing testimony of several minors and a 16-year-old juvenile, a clerk magistrate charged Lennon with providing alcohol to a minor but said there was not enough evidence to charge him with contributing to the delinquency of a child.

Saying the matter should be heard before a judge, Cohasset police appealed. Following a closed-door hearing last week in which the juvenile testified again, a Quincy District Court judge charged Lennon with contributing to the delinquency of a child, which can carry a penalty of up to a $500 fine or a year in prison or both.

Allan Tufankjian, a Brockton attorney, representing Smith's parents, Donald and Donna Smith, in a wrongful death civil suit against Lennon, said Monday that the ruling "evidences the attitude of the people running the party of not only serving those under 21 but serving at least one 16-year-old.

"That's pretty young to be served alcohol," he said.

Hamill denies that Lennon served any minor alcohol. He said the 16-year-old's testimony was the same at both hearings.

"The witness stated unequivocally in the hearing that John Lennon did not serve her and as far as she knew, he did not know she had liquor and in no way encouraged her to have liquor.

"In spite of that, the judge issued the complaint which seems to be issued without factual foundation," he said.

Hamill said Lennon hired a bartender to monitor the serving of the alcohol. He said the bartender refused to serve Smith or any other minor and secured the liquor and put it away when he went off duty.

Cohasset police Sgt. Robert Jackson said the judge "felt he had enough evidence to issue complaints on all the charges."

Although he notes it would be very difficult to change the location of the trial, Hamill said news reports in The Patriot Ledger contain incorrect and erroneous information regarding the case which could hurt Lennon's constitutional right to a fair trial.

Smith's parents said they are concerned Lennon's attorney may attempt to discredit their son during the upcoming trial as a way to defend his client. Yet both parents believe the ordeal of a trial is necessary to prevent a tragedy like the one they have suffered from happening again.

Lennon will be arraigned on the charges Oct. 4 at Quincy District Court, Jackson said. The charge of providing alcohol to a minor can be punishable by a fine of up to $2,000 or six months in prison or both.

Mariner reporter Rob Rogers also contributed to this story.

Ten minutes for walk-ins allowed at board meeting

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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Village stop mulled over at mitigation meeting

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But residents criticized the mitigation committee for what they considered the lack of notice of the village station.

Gail Whitehouse of Ash Street said more residents in opposition to the station would have attended the meeting but it conflicted with parent-teacher conferences at the Osgood School.

Whitehouse said there would be inadequate parking for a village station and cars would congest residential streets, as they do at other train stations.

Brennan said parking has been successfully controlled with enforcement of parking restrictions, and can be eliminated if sufficient parking is provided. A station in Cohasset Village would provide parking for an additional 350 cars

Brennan told the residents that the state officials had specifically instructed the T to evaluate village locations for train stations.

"She was talking about Cohasset," Brennan said, referring to Trudy Coxe, state secretary of environmental affairs. "I have a responsibility to do this level of analysis."

Whitehouse asked Brennan if the T could build the station at Cohasset Village even if every resident in town opposed it.

Brennan replied that the T could, but "we can live with" the other site at the former Cohasset Winter Gardens on Route 3A.

In his opinion, the village is a better location, he said, but added the T originally looked at the Route 3A site on the instructions of a previous board of selectmen in the mid-1980s.

The planning board's designee to the mitigation committee Robert Sturdy said commuters from outside Cohasset are unlikely to drive to a Cohasset Village station because the stations proposed at North Scituate and Nantasket Junction will be more convenient.

The Route 3A location "meets every 'not in my backyard' comment, but it's not convenient for anyone," Sturdy said, adding that new businesses will open on Route 3A, near the train station to serve commuters, and "further drain the economic vitality of the Village."

Brennan agreed, calling Cohasset "unique" because the majority of riders using the village station will be residents. Where train stations have been located in villages, there have been high numbers of walkers, he added.

Whitehouse and other residents scoffed at Brennan's statements that nearby residents would walk, and also at the number of Cohasset residents who work in Boston.

"They'll walk?" Whitehouse said.

Rizzo replied, "They should."

Selectman Peter Pratt said he was neither in favor of nor opposed to the Cohasset Village station, but said there is a "moral obligation" to consider the available options and allow people to evaluate them.

Towards the evaluation, Pratt asked Brennan if any funds would be available to Cohasset to pay for an independent analysis to answer residents' questions about the two sites.

Brennan said he had no ability to "give you taxpayers' money."

Pratt also questioned Brennan on the T's decision to "pick and choose" to comply with federal handicapped access requirements that the train platforms must be 800 feet long, while it has not complied with federal historic preservation requirements.

The T is complying with historic preservation review, and going through with the federal environmental review process, he said.

"We're in the middle of a historic preservation review and if anyone tells you differently, they're mistaken," Brennan said.

Rizzo said the mitigation committee will hold an open forum on an as yet undetermined date, to solicit residents' comments on the station sites.

Vote on Village station called for by opponents

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The group's opposition to moving the station to Cohasset Village came as a surprise to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

"Since we've been in existence, the one thing I would say we definitely have heard is they want it (the station) there," said committee member Mary Foley.

The committee held the forum to gain more community input before finalizing its recommendations to the Mitigation Committee. About 12 citizens attended last week's meeting, in contrast to a similar hearing last August attended by only one resident.

In order to build a parking lot next to the Village station, the MBTA would blast a rock ledge east of Pleasant Street, which some citizens described as "a glacier." The blasting could cause cracks in foundations of some nearby homes, many of which are more than 100 years old, some citizens said.

"My house is going to be 20, 30 feet from that ledge," said Michael Carp, 91 South Main St.

He said the proposed 450-space parking lot would be larger than necessary for Cohasset, and suggested the MBTA either reduce the size of the lot or build a two-story garage.

Others worried the construction would limit the amount of parking already in town, through large equipment and gravel dug out of the rock ledge.

One woman, who did not identify herself, said she was concerned the station would create more traffic in the village, while other residents questioned the town's claim that a station in the Village would revitalize area businesses.

"What is the business? What's downtown? Are we planning a big shopping center?" asked Cindy MacCleave, 9 James Lane.

She suggested the town vote on the issue to draw out other residents.

"They're all home, they just don't want to come out," she said. "But if they had something to come out for, I know they would."

The committee decided to add sections to its report that will address the concerns raised at the meeting, including a recommendation that construction would not interfere with parking in Cohasset Village.

"If it becomes an issue, we can point to it and say, 'We didn't want this to be a problem, now it's a problem," Pearce said.

The committee also plans to include a recommendation that parking be made free along the length of the commuter rail.

Committee members found last week's meeting to be a success.

"We certainly did better than last time (in terms of a turnout), and we got some good comments," said Foley.

The committee plans to finalize its report at a meeting Oct. 17 and deliver the final product to the Mitigation Committee by Oct. 21.

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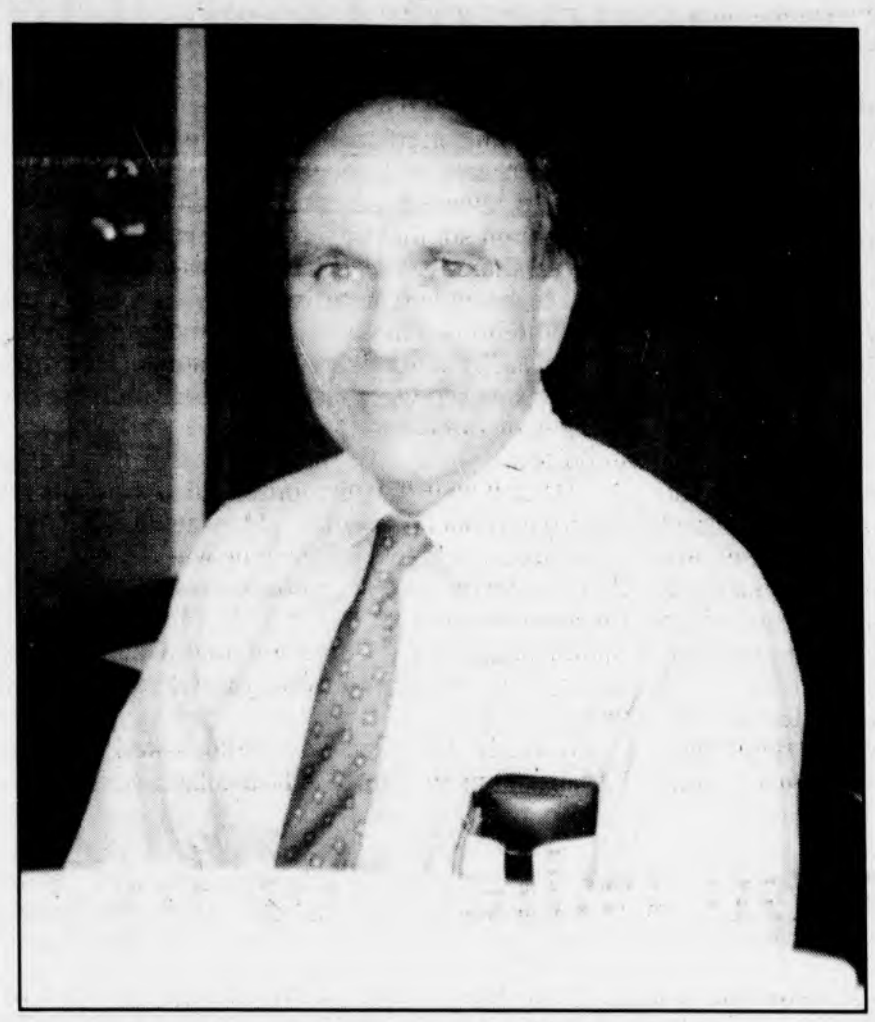

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— **AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton**

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Doris Flint cut short her visit to her daughter, **Sandra**, in Boulder, Colorado this week to return home and attend the black tie dinner given at the Loeb House at Harvard in honor of her cousin, **Dr. Walter Kerr, Jr.** The first professorship in urology at the Harvard Medical School was awarded in March: The Dr. Walter Stratton Kerr, Jr. Professorship.

The dinner was attended by more than 100 doctors and former students of Dr. Kerr from all over the country.

Congratulations, "Bud" — you deserve it!! Happy retirement!

❒

Word has it that **Maryanne** and **Sean Grady**, former Cohasseters who now reside in Sandwich, have been out buying lots of little things in PINK lately.

The Gradys are the proud parents of a brand-new baby girl, **Kellie Anne**, who tipped the scales at a pleasingly plump 9 pounds 9 ounces on Aug. 29.

Kellie's big brothers **Timmy** and **Tommy** were on hand to welcome her along with her grandparents **Rose** and **Joe Dooley** of South Dennis and **Betty** and **Tom Grady** of Ohio.

Come and visit us soon, Kellie!

❒

If you see **Tom** and **Leslie Chamberlain** out and about with bigger smiles than usual — we know why.

The Chamberlains recently greeted a brand-new grandson, **Zachary Paul Chamberlain**, who arrived on the scene Sept. 15 weighing in at a substantial 9 lbs. 5 oz.

His big brother T.J. surely has his hands full!

Zach's happy parents are **Jennifer** and **Toby Chamberlain** of Scituate. Sharing long-distance hugs are his maternal grandparents, **Priscilla** and **Earle Williams** of Woodstock, Vt. and **Peter** and **Elizabeth Kerner** of Chicago, Ill.

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Kathleen Berger of North Main Street has just returned from Russia after adopting four-month old **Hayley Olivia**. Daughter, **Alexandra**, was also adopted from Russia three years ago.

Hayley joins five brothers and another sister who were all at the airport last weekend to meet her for the first time.

Welcome to Cohasset, Hayley!

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What a great job **Dean Rizzo**, **Anna Abbruzzese** and others did organizing the weekly Farmers' Markets which were topped off with last week's harvest fest!

The markets provided not only a great way to buy fresh food and visit with friends and acquaintances — but got many of us down to the village and into our great shops and businesses there!

Cohasset Village is a jewel which is really starting to shine thanks to the Chamber of Commerce and committed residents and merchants who are going to MAKE IT HAPPEN!

Well done to all!

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That's about all the news for this week.

Sallyann will be back next week and this editor can't wait! It's amazing how much work it is to pull together a weekly column and here at the Cohasset Mariner, we truly appreciate Sallyann's hard work and dedication over the years.

Be sure to call her with your news or drop your items off at Cohasset News on Brook Street.

— Mary Ford
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Obituaries

Maria Lucchetti

Maria T. (Vendetti) Lucchetti, 88, of Cohasset, formerly of Dorchester and Weymouth, died Aug.

She was the wife of the late Giuseppe Lucchetti and leaves a daughter, Maria Tranfaglia of Weymouth; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Sept. 4 at St. Francis Xavier Church, Weymouth. Burial was in Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree.

Donations in her memory may be made to Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home Activities Fund, 1 Chief Justice Highway, Cohasset 02025.

Arrangements were made by McDonald Funeral Home, Weymouth.

Doris Tower

Doris (Glines) Tower, 86, of Cohasset, died Sept. 25 at home following a brief illness.

Born in New Hampshire, she was a graduate of Keene State College. She was a resident of Cohasset for many years.

Mrs. Tower was a fifth-grade teacher at Deer Hill School for 25 years until her retirement.

She was the wife of the late Edward E. Tower and leaves a daughter, Elinor T. Campbell of Westboro; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. She was the mother of the late Nancy E. Sladen.

Funeral services and burial were private.

Donations in her memory may be made to Hospice of the South Shore, 100 Bay State Dr., Braintree 02185 or Last Resort, 1226 Broadway, Hanover 02339.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

David Boyd Coleman

David Boyd Coleman, 44, of Cohasset, died Sept. 24 at home after a brief illness.

Born in Martinsburg, W. Va., he lived in Charlotte, N.C. for 10 years and Cohasset for four years. He was an investment banker for State Street Bank.

Mr. Coleman was a graduate of the State University of New York at Albany and received a master's degree in business administration from George Washington University.

He was the husband of Joan A. Roberts-Coleman and leaves two daughters, Devon and Brittany Coleman of Cohasset; and his mother, Mary Coleman of Martinsburg, W. Va. He was the son of the late Trenton G. Coleman.

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Selectman Michael Sullivan noted this week that any vote on where to put the station will likely be split and it's up to the selectmen to make a decision after weighing all the information on both proposed sites.

But as they compile the necessary data — selectmen need to know what you think. The reader survey could be a way to find out.

Here at the Cohasset Mariner, we think we have our hand on the pulse of the community. So please give us a call. Just dial the number and follow directions.

Please note, the survey does not replace letters to the editor, which are always welcome.

If you have ideas about future survey questions, give us a call at 749-0031.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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If you have questions about the Mariner reprint policy or wish to schedule a photographer for your event, please call Cohasset Mariner editor Mary Ford at (617)749-0031.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To the Editor:

Last week, Linda Litchfield, Cohasset assistant collector, had printed in-house the second quarter real estate tax bills. This was the first time we printed them in-house, and Linda was running out of time to get them all in the mail.

So Linda called the Elder Affairs office looking for help, and of course they responded.

Virginia Anderson, Mary Andracchio, Mary Davis, Phyllis Leighton, Dot Lincoln, Tillie Nardo and her sidekick Olga Sawchuck and Connie Tolman made short work of the project.

To some this might not seem like much, but as Treasurer/Collector, it saved my very limited staff at least one week's labor.

Joe Buckley,
Treasurer/Collector

Sullivan to be honored

Plymouth County GOP town moderators, along with Plymouth County District Attorney Michael Sullivan, will be honored at the waterfront home of Nancy and Stuart Van Tine, 10 Parker Dr., Hingham, Sunday, Oct. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Special guests will be GOP Plymouth County Moderators R. Andrew Burbine of Abington; Donald R. DeLuse of Hanover; Charles Mann of Hanson; Thomas L.P. O'Donnell of Hingham; David B. Titus of Marion; George Taber of Wareham; and Warren Turner of West Bridgewater.

The reception is open to the public. Tickets are $25; $50 for patrons and $100 for sponsors. For reservations, call Stu Van Tine (749-1371 or 982-4100) or Polly Logan at 383-0031.

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Reader Survey question for October 3, 1996

Cohasset selectmen and the MBTA are considering having the train station in Cohasset Village which would be in lieu of the station now planned for Route 3A at the former skating rink site.
Do you support a village train station?

Press 1..... Yes

Press 2..... No

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, October 8.

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The Cohasset Mariner reader survey is not intended to be a scientific poll. Our survey questions are usually drawn from issues currently facing our readers, to "take the pulse" of the community on a subject. Sometimes, we will ask a question just for fun.

To allow our readers to freely express their views, we do not monitor the calls, nor are we able to identify the telephone numbers of our callers. Unfortunately, this means that one person may call in multiple responses, to tip the survey results towards his own opinion. However, it is also possible for a person with an opposing point of view to likewise make dozens of calls. We hope it evens out in the end.

Our readers are invited to record a comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit lengthy comments.

With The Candidates

Delahunt challenges primary recount results

Johnston, Teague face off in bitter ads

By ROB ROGERS
Cohasset Mariner

Phil Johnston is a man fighting a two-front war.

The Democratic contender for U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds' 10th District seat is pulling no punches in responding to blistering print and radio advertisements by Republican rival Ed Teague.

At the same time, Johnston is facing a court challenge from fellow Democrat William Delahunt following his narrow victory over Delahunt in the Sept. 17 primary and subsequent recount.

The continuing controversy over the primary vote has irritated Johnston, who has been working to marshal party resources in his campaign against Teague.

"This is outrageous," said Johnston, a resident of Tilden Road in Marshfield. "The vote was counted twice and counted fairly. It's definitely time to move forward."

Since scoring a 266-vote upset over former front-runner Delahunt in the primary two weeks ago, Johnston has received ringing endorsements from key Democratic leaders, including President Bill Clinton, Vice President Al Gore, Sen. Ted Kennedy, and — perhaps most importantly — Studds himself.

U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Cohasset, greets congressional candidate Phil Johnston, left, at a press conference last week in Hingham Harbor. **Staff photo/Charlene Vandini**

Yet the Delahunt campaign's demand for a recount — prompted by a large number of blank ballots cast in the crucial cities of Brockton and Weymouth — has prevented Johnston from tapping into Democratic National Committee funds and union donations.

"The only ramification of this recount, as far as we are concerned, was that the big money from the unions and the Democratic National Committee could not flow in until the recount was over," said Jane Lane, Johnston's press secretary. "[We need] more money for lawn signs, brochures, lapel stickers, and we haven't had that. We have been assured, as of today [Monday], that those checks were going to be cut."

More than 150 Johnston supporters participated in recounts within nine South Shore communities during the past week, Lane said. The recount added 221 votes to Delahunt's total, chiefly in the cities of Brockton and Weymouth, which provided the Norfolk district attorney with 193 votes. Yet the tally also added 138 votes to Johnston's total, confirming the candidate's election as Democratic nominee by a 181-vote margin.

"Saturday was difficult, just because [the recount] was so enormous in magnitude," Lane said. "Once we received the first two calls [from volunteers at recount sites] and hear how things were going, we knew it was going to be OK."

Although he urged his fellow Democrats "to come together for the general election" in a primary night speech, Delahunt said he planned to challenge the recount a few hours after Secretary of State William Galvin announced the results.

"I have instructed my attorneys to file legal action to contest the recount in the 10th Congressional District communities of Weymouth, Abington and Orleans," Delahunt said in a prepared statement Monday evening. "My purpose is to give voice to voters who braved a driving rain storm to vote and had their ballot 'blanked' by a flawed punch card system in these three communities. I will ask a Superior Court judge to examine these almost 1,000 contested ballots to record the clear intent of the voter to cast a ballot in this contest. We will ask for expedited action so that the Democratic Party can unite behind the winner of the recount process in the Superior Court."

The Johnston campaign urged Delahunt to restore party unity by accepting defeat gracefully.

"It seems to us that Phil has won twice now in the court of public opinion," Lane said. "Now Mr. Delahunt wants to take this to another arena. At some point, this has to stop. Phil is the Democratic candidate, his name is on the ballot, and we need to go forward."

Teague, for his part, has said that he understands the need for a recount and does not care whether he will face Johnston or Delahunt in November.

"It makes no impact. It never did and never would," Teague said, in a Sept. 19 campaign visit to Kingston.

Teague, a state representative from Yarmouth and the state House Minority Leader, has already begun an aggressive media campaign against Johnston.

A radio advertisement by the Teague campaign plays heavily upon Johnston's connection with former Gov. Michael Dukakis, whom Johnston served as former state secretary of health and human services. The ad suggests Johnston supported the prison furloughs Dukakis received widespread criticism for during his 1988 presidential campaign against George Bush.

"Ed Teague is trying to make this campaign a debate about the '80s and Dukakis," Johnston said. "I am trying to make it about the '90s and Newt Gingrich. Dukakis was a good governor, and I am proud of the role I played in helping the elderly and uninsured. But Dukakis is gone, now, and this campaign is not about recycling old issues — it is about Medicare, Medicaid, education, the environment and protecting a woman's right to choose."

Johnston has also dismissed as "erroneous allegations" claims by the Teague campaign that his volunteers have conducted high pressure "push polling" telephone calls, one of which allegedly reached Teague's 15-year-old daughter.

While Johnston has called Teague's advertisements "venomous, personal and factually wrong," Teague accused Johnston of beginning the round of negative advertising during the primary race, in which Johnston radio ads accused Delahunt of misspending campaign funds.

"Johnston and his dirty trick campaign consultant will do anything to try to win this campaign — just like he did in the primary against Bill Delahunt," said Teague, in a press release subtitled "Filthy Phil is At It Again." "I will not engage in slimeball tactics like Mr. Johnston. He ought to be ashamed of himself."

Although the two candidates are still establishing their debate schedules, both have agreed to meet in a Community Newspapers-sponsored debate Oct. 15 and on other occasions with the League of Women Voters and Marshfield radio station WATD. The two have also scheduled an appearance on the "Clapprood and Whitley" talk show on radio station WRKO.

Cohasset recount nets six votes for Johnston

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said Democratic congressional candidate Philip Johnston picked up a net gain of six votes over his nearest challenger, William Delahunt, following the Cohasset recount Saturday.

Cohasset was one of several towns on the South Shore and Cape Cod in the 10th Congressional District which conducted recounts of the Democratic ballots cast in the Sept. 17 primary election for the congressional seat being vacated by U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Cohasset.

Initially, Johnston received 275 Cohasset votes and after the recount, which was conducted from 10 a.m. to about 1:30 p.m. at town hall, he had 298. Norfolk County District Attorney Delahunt had 107 votes and picked up 17 in the recount for a total of 124.

Third-place finisher Ian Bowles went from 80 votes to 77, a loss of seven, Douglas said.

Cohasset and the other towns in the recount use the punch-card ballot system. If a card is not punched enough so light shines through, the ballot-counting machine records it as a blank. There were 79 blanks in the primary in Cohasset in the Democratic congressional race and 40 after Saturday's recount, which was done by hand.

In the district, Johnston's lead over Delahunt was narrowed from 266 to 181 votes. Delahunt's campaign said Monday, Delahunt will contest the recount in Weymouth, Abington and Orleans and ask a superior court judge to examine the about 1,000 contested ballots (see related story this page).

Douglas, who pointed out that "every voting system has its quirks," said she wouldn't object to trying out optical scanning ballot machines during a quiet election in Cohasset. Buying new machines would require town meeting approval, she said.

Troopers, small business group back Ed Teague

Ed Teague, the GOP nominee for the 10th Congressional District seat, received endorsements this week from the National Troopers Coalition and the National Federation of Independent Businesses.

The National Troopers Coalition lauded the Yarmouth Republican for his support of mandatory minimum sentencing, the death penalty and truth in sentencing laws.

The coalition also praised Teague support for the death penalty for those convicted of killing a police officer.

Meanwhile, the nation's largest small-business advocacy group, NFIB praised Teague for opposing burdensome business regulations.

Teague has been a self-employed insurance broker since 1975.

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Selectman Michael Sullivan noted this week that any vote on where to put the station will likely be split and it's up to the selectmen to make a decision after weighing all the information on both proposed sites.

But as they compile the necessary data — selectmen need to know what you think. The reader survey could be a way to find out.

Here at the Cohasset Mariner, we think we have our hand on the pulse of the community. So please give us a call. Just dial the number and follow directions.

Please note, the survey does not replace letters to the editor, which are always welcome.

If you have ideas about future survey questions, give us a call at 749-0031.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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To the Editor:

Last week, Linda Litchfield, Cohasset assistant collector, had printed in-house the second quarter real estate tax bills. This was the first time we printed them in-house, and Linda was running out of time to get them all in the mail.

So Linda called the Elder Affairs office looking for help, and of course they responded.

Virginia Anderson, Mary Andracchio, Mary Davis, Phyllis Leighton, Dot Lincoln, Tillie Nardo and her sidekick Olga Sawchuck and Connie Tolman made short work of the project.

To some this might not seem like much, but as Treasurer/Collector, it saved my very limited staff at least one week's labor.

Joe Buckley,
Treasurer/Collector

Sullivan to be honored

Plymouth County GOP town moderators, along with Plymouth County District Attorney Michael Sullivan, will be honored at the waterfront home of Nancy and Stuart Van Tine, 10 Parker Dr., Hingham, Sunday, Oct. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Special guests will be GOP Plymouth County Moderators R. Andrew Burbine of Abington; Donald R. DeLuse of Hanover; Charles Mann of Hanson; Thomas L.P. O'Donnell of Hingham; David B. Titus of Marion; George Taber of Wareham; and Warren Turner of West Bridgewater.

The reception is open to the public. Tickets are $25; $50 for patrons and $100 for sponsors. For reservations, call Stu Van Tine (749-1371 or 982-4100) or Polly Logan at 383-0031.

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Reader Survey question for October 3, 1996

Cohasset selectmen and the MBTA are considering having the train station in Cohasset Village which would be in lieu of the station now planned for Route 3A at the former skating rink site.
Do you support a village train station?

Press 1..... Yes

Press 2..... No

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, October 8.

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The Cohasset Mariner reader survey is not intended to be a scientific poll. Our survey questions are usually drawn from issues currently facing our readers, to "take the pulse" of the community on a subject. Sometimes, we will ask a question just for fun.

To allow our readers to freely express their views, we do not monitor the calls, nor are we able to identify the telephone numbers of our callers. Unfortunately, this means that one person may call in multiple responses, to tip the survey results towards his own opinion. However, it is also possible for a person with an opposing point of view to likewise make dozens of calls. We hope it evens out in the end.

Our readers are invited to record a comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit lengthy comments.

With The Candidates

Delahunt challenges primary recount results

Johnston, Teague face off in bitter ads

By ROB ROGERS
Cohasset Mariner

Phil Johnston is a man fighting a two-front war.

The Democratic contender for U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds' 10th District seat is pulling no punches in responding to blistering print and radio advertisements by Republican rival Ed Teague.

At the same time, Johnston is facing a court challenge from fellow Democrat William Delahunt following his narrow victory over Delahunt in the Sept. 17 primary and subsequent recount.

The continuing controversy over the primary vote has irritated Johnston, who has been working to marshal party resources in his campaign against Teague.

"This is outrageous," said Johnston, a resident of Tilden Road in Marshfield. "The vote was counted twice and counted fairly. It's definitely time to move forward."

Since scoring a 266-vote upset over former front-runner Delahunt in the primary two weeks ago, Johnston has received ringing endorsements from key Democratic leaders, including President Bill Clinton, Vice President Al Gore, Sen. Ted Kennedy, and — perhaps most importantly — Studds himself.

U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Cohasset, greets congressional candidate Phil Johnston, left, at a press conference last week in Hingham Harbor. **Staff photo/Charlene Vandini**

Yet the Delahunt campaign's demand for a recount — prompted by a large number of blank ballots cast in the crucial cities of Brockton and Weymouth — has prevented Johnston from tapping into Democratic National Committee funds and union donations.

"The only ramification of this recount, as far as we are concerned, was that the big money from the unions and the Democratic National Committee could not flow in until the recount was over," said Jane Lane, Johnston's press secretary. "[We need] more money for lawn signs, brochures, lapel stickers, and we haven't had that. We have been assured, as of today [Monday], that those checks were going to be cut."

More than 150 Johnston supporters participated in recounts within nine South Shore communities during the past week, Lane said. The recount added 221 votes to Delahunt's total, chiefly in the cities of Brockton and Weymouth, which provided the Norfolk district attorney with 193 votes. Yet the tally also added 138 votes to Johnston's total, confirming the candidate's election as Democratic nominee by a 181-vote margin.

"Saturday was difficult, just because [the recount] was so enormous in magnitude," Lane said. "Once we received the first two calls [from volunteers at recount sites] and hear how things were going, we knew it was going to be OK."

Although he urged his fellow Democrats "to come together for the general election" in a primary night speech, Delahunt said he planned to challenge the recount a few hours after Secretary of State William Galvin announced the results.

"I have instructed my attorneys to file legal action to contest the recount in the 10th Congressional District communities of Weymouth, Abington and Orleans," Delahunt said in a prepared statement Monday evening. "My purpose is to give voice to voters who braved a driving rain storm to vote and had their ballot 'blanked' by a flawed punch card system in these three communities. I will ask a Superior Court judge to examine these almost 1,000 contested ballots to record the clear intent of the voter to cast a ballot in this contest. We will ask for expedited action so that the Democratic Party can unite behind the winner of the recount process in the Superior Court."

The Johnston campaign urged Delahunt to restore party unity by accepting defeat gracefully.

"It seems to us that Phil has won twice now in the court of public opinion," Lane said. "Now Mr. Delahunt wants to take this to another arena. At some point, this has to stop. Phil is the Democratic candidate, his name is on the ballot, and we need to go forward."

Teague, for his part, has said that he understands the need for a recount and does not care whether he will face Johnston or Delahunt in November.

"It makes no impact. It never did and never would," Teague said, in a Sept. 19 campaign visit to Kingston.

Teague, a state representative from Yarmouth and the state House Minority Leader, has already begun an aggressive media campaign against Johnston.

A radio advertisement by the Teague campaign plays heavily upon Johnston's connection with former Gov. Michael Dukakis, whom Johnston served as former state secretary of health and human services. The ad suggests Johnston supported the prison furloughs Dukakis received widespread criticism for during his 1988 presidential campaign against George Bush.

"Ed Teague is trying to make this campaign a debate about the '80s and Dukakis," Johnston said. "I am trying to make it about the '90s and Newt Gingrich. Dukakis was a good governor, and I am proud of the role I played in helping the elderly and uninsured. But Dukakis is gone, now, and this campaign is not about recycling old issues — it is about Medicare, Medicaid, education, the environment and protecting a woman's right to choose."

Johnston has also dismissed as "erroneous allegations" claims by the Teague campaign that his volunteers have conducted high pressure "push polling" telephone calls, one of which allegedly reached Teague's 15-year-old daughter.

While Johnston has called Teague's advertisements "venomous, personal and factually wrong," Teague accused Johnston of beginning the round of negative advertising during the primary race, in which Johnston radio ads accused Delahunt of misspending campaign funds.

"Johnston and his dirty trick campaign consultant will do anything to try to win this campaign — just like he did in the primary against Bill Delahunt," said Teague, in a press release subtitled "Filthy Phil is At It Again." "I will not engage in slimeball tactics like Mr. Johnston. He ought to be ashamed of himself."

Although the two candidates are still establishing their debate schedules, both have agreed to meet in a Community Newspapers-sponsored debate Oct. 15 and on other occasions with the League of Women Voters and Marshfield radio station WATD. The two have also scheduled an appearance on the "Clapprood and Whitley" talk show on radio station WRKO.

Cohasset recount nets six votes for Johnston

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said Democratic congressional candidate Philip Johnston picked up a net gain of six votes over his nearest challenger, William Delahunt, following the Cohasset recount Saturday.

Cohasset was one of several towns on the South Shore and Cape Cod in the 10th Congressional District which conducted recounts of the Democratic ballots cast in the Sept. 17 primary election for the congressional seat being vacated by U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Cohasset.

Initially, Johnston received 275 Cohasset votes and after the recount, which was conducted from 10 a.m. to about 1:30 p.m. at town hall, he had 298. Norfolk County District Attorney Delahunt had 107 votes and picked up 17 in the recount for a total of 124.

Third-place finisher Ian Bowles went from 80 votes to 77, a loss of seven, Douglas said.

Cohasset and the other towns in the recount use the punch-card ballot system. If a card is not punched enough so light shines through, the ballot-counting machine records it as a blank. There were 79 blanks in the primary in Cohasset in the Democratic congressional race and 40 after Saturday's recount, which was done by hand.

In the district, Johnston's lead over Delahunt was narrowed from 266 to 181 votes. Delahunt's campaign said Monday, Delahunt will contest the recount in Weymouth, Abington and Orleans and ask a superior court judge to examine the about 1,000 contested ballots (see related story this page).

Douglas, who pointed out that "every voting system has its quirks," said she wouldn't object to trying out optical scanning ballot machines during a quiet election in Cohasset. Buying new machines would require town meeting approval, she said.

Troopers, small business group back Ed Teague

Ed Teague, the GOP nominee for the 10th Congressional District seat, received endorsements this week from the National Troopers Coalition and the National Federation of Independent Businesses.

The National Troopers Coalition lauded the Yarmouth Republican for his support of mandatory minimum sentencing, the death penalty and truth in sentencing laws.

The coalition also praised Teague support for the death penalty for those convicted of killing a police officer.

Meanwhile, the nation's largest small-business advocacy group, NFIB praised Teague for opposing burdensome business regulations.

Teague has been a self-employed insurance broker since 1975.

A great time is harvested by all

First village harvest fest is a hit!

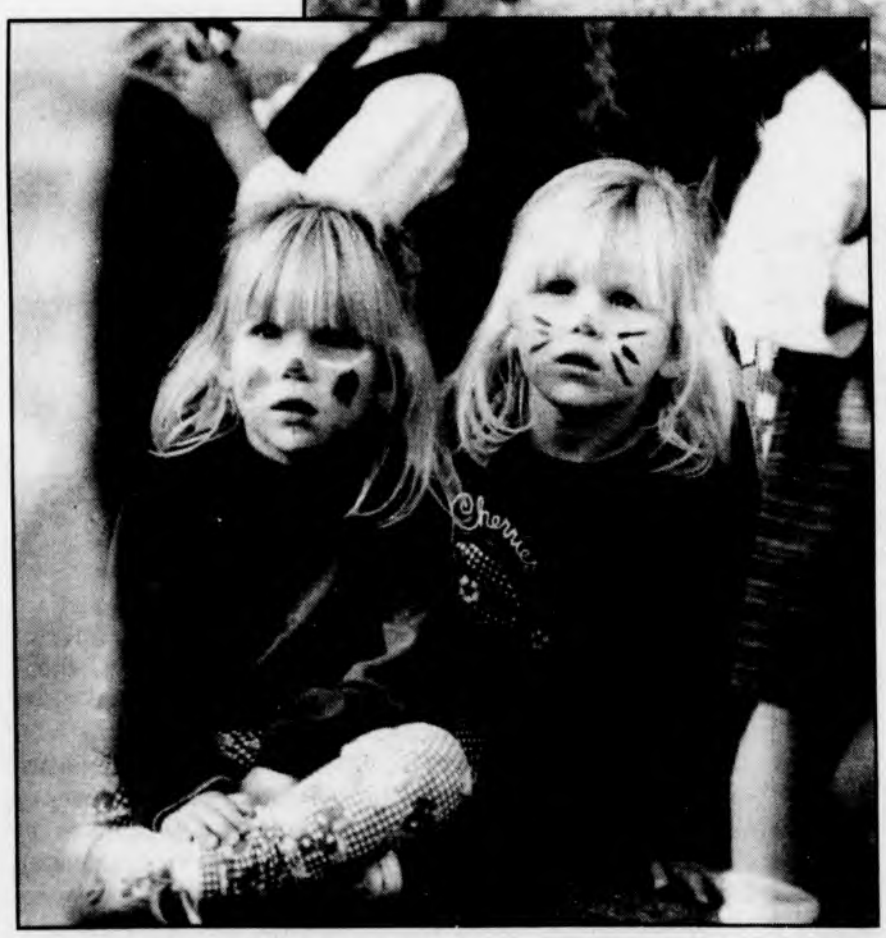
South Shore Community Center gymnast Jackie Flint (center) gets ready to tumble at the Harvest Fair last Thursday afternoon.

Patrick Sheridan and his baby-sitter, Kelly Melville, wait for Patrick's brother Andrew to return from a pony ride which was one of many free events at the fair.

Emma Quigley gets a birds' eye view of the Harvest Fair from her father Andrew's shoulders.

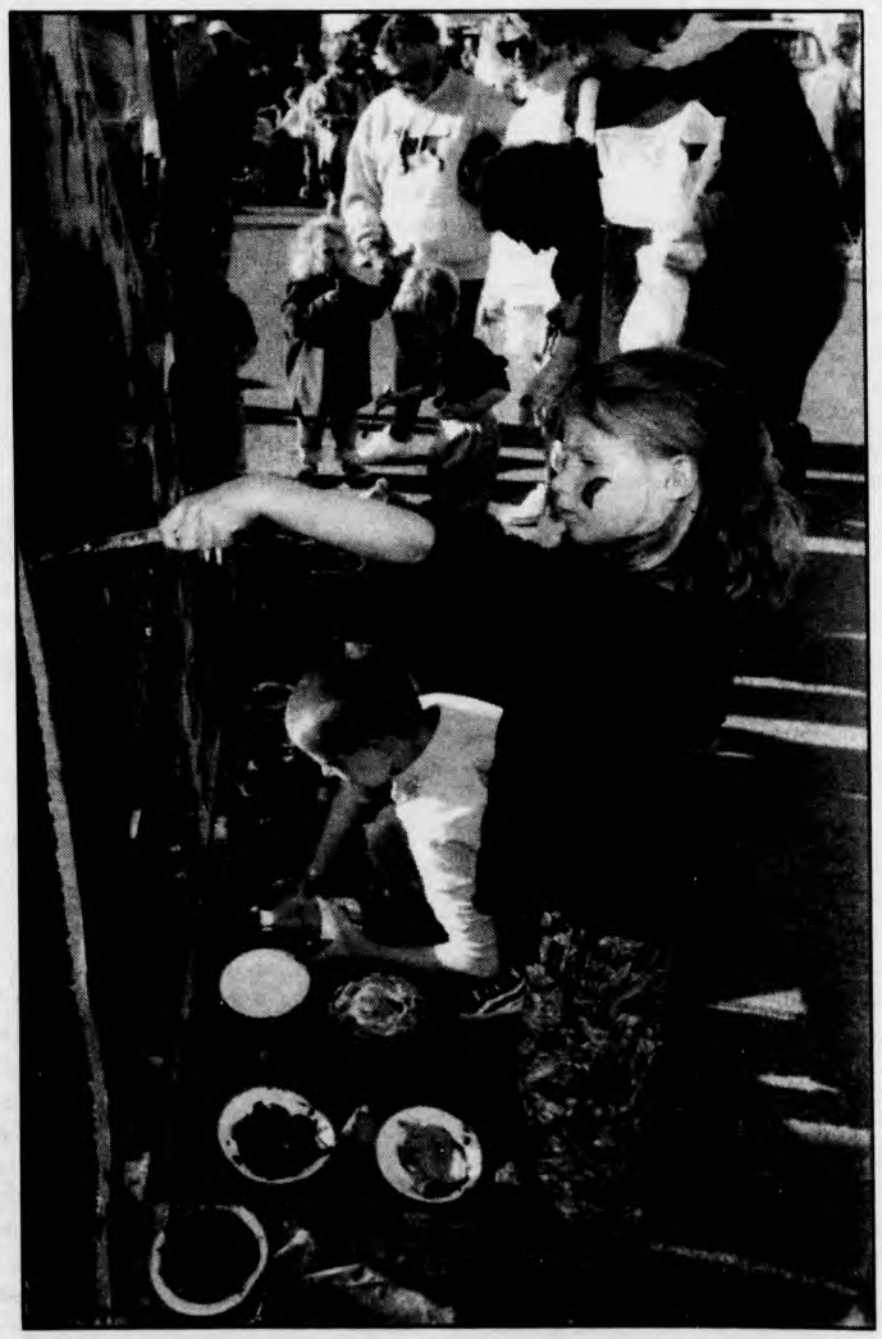
Folksinger Mark Purcell performs at the Harvest Fair which was sponsored by the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

Cosmo Cambi and Anna Abbruzzese give Samantha Bobo a pony ride at the fair which included the weekly farmers' market.



Twins Wesley and Whitney Swain are captivated by the gymnastics demonstration.

Storyteller Diane Edgecomb had the rapt attention of kids and adults alike with her stories.



Christine McQuade adds her personal touch to the mural set up on South Main Street. The popular event was sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and spearheaded by the village revitalization committee.

Staff photos/ Alan Chapman

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Wave washes away Skippers

Abington drops Cohasset to 0-2

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Despite strong individual efforts last Friday night, the Cohasset High football team was unable to triumph over the Abington Greenwave, bowing by a score of 39-15. Sophomores Raheem Shepard and Jordan Fiore, and senior Matt Belson all put forth strong efforts, however they were not enough, as the visiting Skippers dropped their second of the season.

Belson's sack in the backfield stalled Abington, but could not prevent a 3-yard TD run. Belson and junior Andy Hamilton stopped the two-point conversion, leaving the score 6-0, in favor of the Greenwave. The kickoff was run back to the 37 by sophomore Jamie DeMichele, but the Skippers could not gain a first down and were forced to punt. Sophomore Mike Rossi booted it away, giving the home team possession on its own 34.

On the next play, Belson came charging through the line and snatched the ball from a hapless running back, then rumbled 34 yards for a touchdown. The play moved so quickly that the spectators were stunned, unsure of what had happened. But ecstasy soon spread on the Skipper bench as the boys in blue rejoiced their first score of the season. John Kasameyer's extra-point attempt sailed through the uprights and the Skippers held the lead, 7-6.

Unfortunately, that would be the last time the Skippers had the edge as the Greenwave marched determinedly downfield, capping the drive with a 4-yard touchdown run, followed by the two-point conversion. Hamilton damaged his medial cruciate ligament on the play (MCL) and was forced to leave the game. Doctors estimate that Hamilton will be out for 4-6 weeks, leaving the Skippers in an interesting plight at middle linebacker, a position which Hamilton had nailed down. Lucky for Cohasset, sophomore Jordan Fiore was able to step in and more than hold his own.

In spite of a 20-yard sprint by Belson on their next drive, the Skippers were forced to punt. In a drive which resembled its previous one, the home team rolled down the field and scored again, but the Skippers were able to stop the two-point conversion, making the score 20-7.

On their next possession, the Greenwave were able to reach the endzone, despite a goal line stand by the

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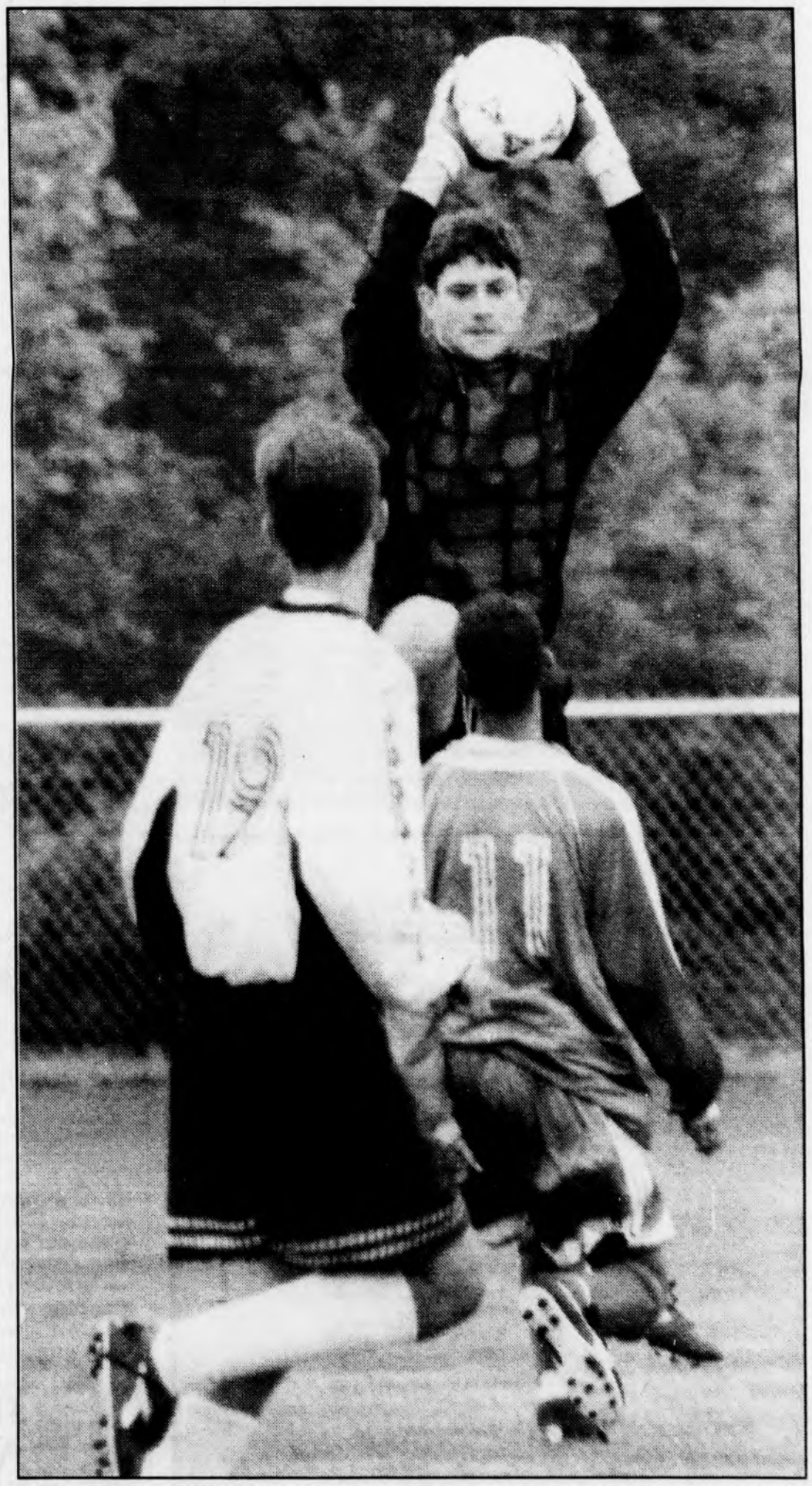

Cohasset netminder Justin Buckley leaps to make a save during a recent South Shore League game against Scituate.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Scoring drought hits field hockey squad

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The scoring funk that hung over last year's Cohasset High field hockey team like a menacing rain cloud has emerged over the Lady Skippers over the past week. And unless the team breaks out of it soon, there could be trouble ahead.

Cohasset has dropped its last four consecutive games for a 3-5 record on the season. But most disturbing is the fact that the Lady Skippers *are not* playing bad field hockey. They've been in every game and pushed their competition to the limit.

Head coach Debby Bostwick is not panicking over the recent events and is confident Cohasset will be part of this falls Division 3 South Sectional tourney.

"We're in a better position than we were last year at this time," she said. "We have to capitalize on our opportunities. Hull and Hanover know when to do it and that's why they're in the tournament every year."

The Lady Skippers lost its most recent heartbreaker on Monday, a 3-1 defeat at the hands of Norwell. The Lady Clippers scored first, but by halftime Cohasset was on the board. Kate Ridge drilled a shot past the Norwell goaltender to knot the game, 1-1. Kristen Reynolds and Emily Collins were credited with the assists.

Cohasset actually dominated play in the second half, but wound up allowing two more goals. The girls peppered the Norwell goalie with several shots, but weren't able to close the gap to pull out a tie.

Ironically, the Lady Skippers probably

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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Fall is here, along with the gripes

Reardon

Finally, the clouds have parted and we're starting to get the first wisps of true fall weather. Warm, windswept afternoons have provided the perfect conditions for schoolboy sports. The temperature at Friday night football games is cooler, though hardly unbearable.

But alas, even with the delightful afternoons we've been waiting for after the rainy weather, the fall sports season brings with it certain headaches for sports reporters. And they can come from any direction.

My personal pet peeves are just that, mine. I can't speak for the other reporters, but just maybe they can relate to a few of the "...things that make me go hhhmmm."

• How many times do I have to explain, in great detail, to youth coaches that it's impossible to cover their games. I mean, do you start with the peewees, mites, midgets, juniors or traveling teams? And while we're on the subject, who would win in a fight a peewee or midget? I mean, who's bigger?

• What's with this fascination with players shaving their heads? I understand if the whole team is going to shave off its hair, you really don't have much of a choice if you're on the roster. And it is harmless. I remember the Matignon hockey team used to get Mohawks when it came time for the tournament, but where did the tradition begin with the

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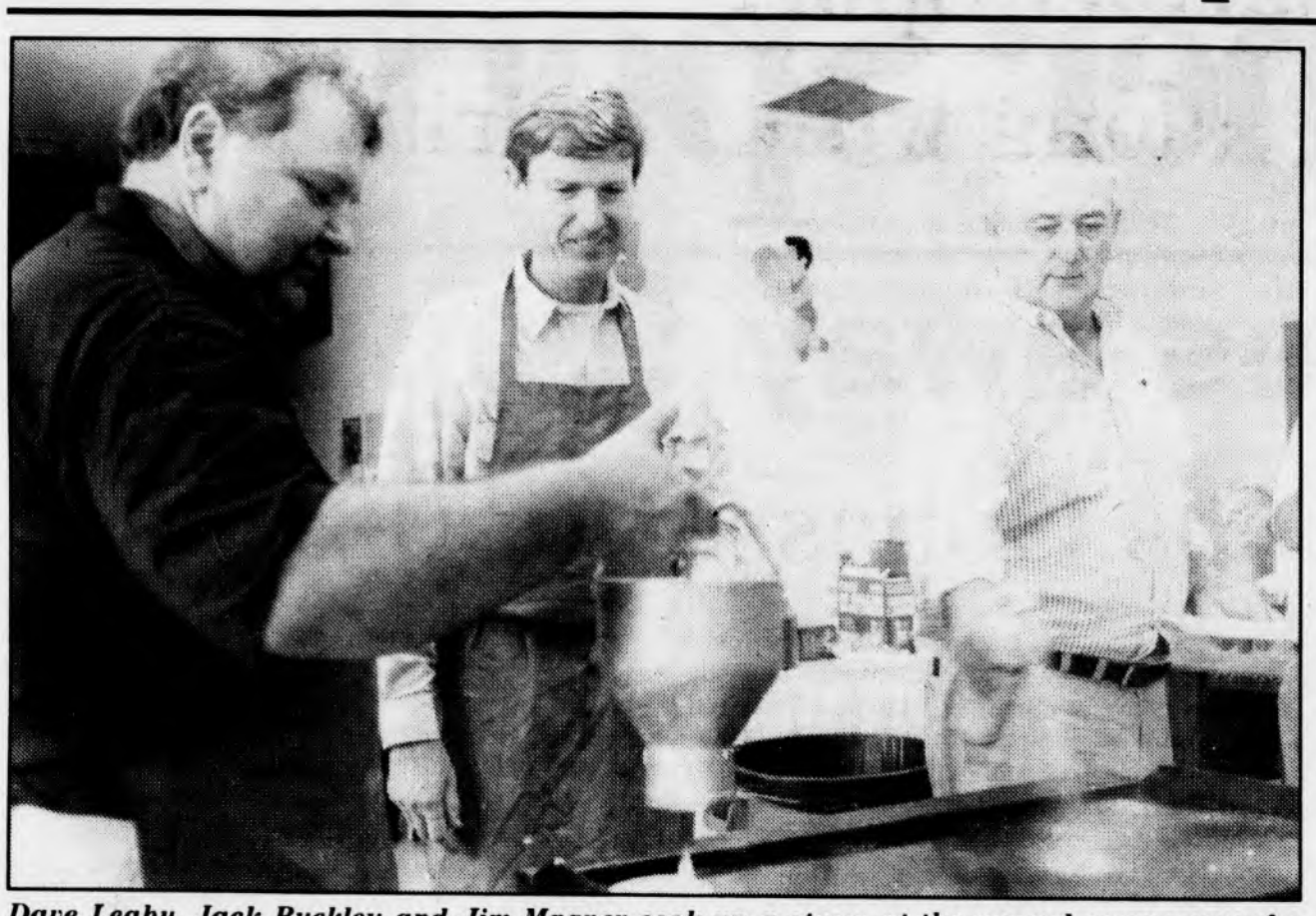

Dave Leahy, Jack Buckley and Jim Magner cook up a storm at the annual soccer pancake breakfast.

Staff photo/Victor Pryles

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Skippers, which appeared as if it would be successful, but could not hold. And the Greenwave rolled on, tallying still another touchdown, despite a backfield stuff by Jamie Buick, Kevin Duffy and the omnipresent Belson. Abington, having learned its lesson after being stuffed on three of four conversion attempts, decided to kick it, making the score 33-7.

The Skippers punted on their next possession as Rossi sent it spiraling downfield, giving sophomores Luke Caldwell and Adam Sasso enough time to race downfield and bury the unsuspecting punt returner. This next series showed fans a glimpse of Cohasset's defensive potential as Belson, Jerry Cogill and Shepard all made convincing tackles, forcing Abington to punt.

Grant Emde and Shepard were both able to gain first downs and quarterback Pat Hurley completed a pass to lanky end Jamie Buick, setting up a touchdown run from 7 yards out. Belson did the honors, giving him his second touchdown of the game, this time behind the key blocks of Fiore, John-Paul Laugelle and senior Doug Cameron. Shepard rushed for the two-point conversion, making it 33-15.

Caldwell, Cogill and Fiore provided the coverage on the kickoff and Fiore took it one step further, coming up with a solo tackle in the backfield. Sophomores Benny Roine and Caldwell combined for a tackle and Andy Curran crashed in to make one on the next play. However, this could not stop Abington from scoring its fifth and final touchdown of the game, bringing the final score to 39-15. Cohasset tried valiantly on its next drive, with Hurley connecting over the middle to Justin Golden and Shepard and Cogill both rumbling for 15 yards, but it was too little, too late, as the horn sounded before the Skippers could muster another scoring drive.

This Friday, the Skippers tackle the Norton Lancers at 7 p.m. Cohasset will be all fired up for its homecoming game, and the squad is looking for its first win of the season.

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played their two best games of the season against Hull and Hanover, the two strongest teams in the SSL. In the 5-3 loss to Hanover, Cohasset had "great offensive opportunities," and led the Lady Indians, 2-1 at the half.

"We had that sense of glory for a little while," Bostwick said.

Lauren Dooley stuffed in her first goal of the season, while Katie Buckley did a good job at link and Sue Gill made big contributions off the bench.

"By looking at the score you couldn't tell how good we played," Bostwick said. "The defense played well against an experienced team."

Cohasset dropped a frustrating 1-0 decision to Notre Dame of Hingham, a game that came after two strong games against Hull and Hanover.

Bostwick felt the team was in a small rut after the two emotional games and the team wasn't cutting to the ball hard enough and the defense was holding back too far. Emily Collins scored the only goal in what Bostwick could only call "a heartbreaking loss."

Despite the 5-1 loss to the Lady Pirates of Hull, there were a number of positive performances from Cohasset. Whitney Cook came off the bench and scored the Lady Skippers' lone goal, taking a weak-side pass and cracking it past the goalie. Collins, Katie Devine and Jo Hurly all played well, as did sweeper Jill Magner, who put in a very consistent game.

Again, the lack of chances put Cohasset at a disadvantage. The Lady Skippers did get a boost when goaltender Jackie Hurley read a pass beautifully and sprang to the left side of the net to make an inspiring save with 30 seconds to play in the half.

Cohasset must now win five of its final eight games to qualify for the tourney, but could get in by tying some of the teams it lost to in the first half of the season.

"We do have a killer schedule next week with four games," Bostwick said, "but if my girls can get themselves healthy, I think we can do it."

Skipper Highlights

Middle schoolers crush Wixon

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The seventh- and eighth-grade football team is not only a success in the minds of parents and coaches, the squad isn't doing too bad on the field either.

Cohasset locked up in a scoring battle last week, but thanks to the three touchdowns from Greg Figuerido and two more from Brian Krupcazak, Cohasset defeated Dennis-Yarmouth's Windsor Middle School, 42-30.

Cohasset got off on the right foot when, on the opening kickoff, Nick Bolster gave the squad great field position with a 75-yard return. A few plays later Figuerido bashed in from the 6 for his first touchdown. Krupcazak scored on touchdown runs of 60 and 40 yards off the end reverse for a 26-22 Cohasset lead at the half.

Figuerido went all the way on the opening second-half kickoff for a 70-yard return.

After a Wixon score, Cohasset used up the final six minutes of the clock on a 75-yard mark down the field. A 15-yard boot leg from Jason Browne and a 15-yard gain by Danny Trowers set up Figuerido's third score of the game, a 12-yard run.

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whole shaved head thing?

• There's nothing worse for a reporter than trying to take notes when there's a slight drizzle. You may as well be using an invisible ink pen. Of course, you do go through notebooks slower but that's only because your pens are rendered useless. Ink takes a holiday.

• I make the mistake at least once every fall in not wearing enough layers of warm clothing for a football game on a freezing cold day. For some reason I never believe that, yes, long underwear is in order when you cover games on the South Shore. You can gauge bitter cold when Abington football coach Jim Kelliher wears a sweatshirt under a white, short-sleeved shirt. In Hull it's tough to tell. Head coach John Anderson wears shorts straight through the entire season, regardless of the temperature.

• And you can't forget the parents who live out their unfulfilled sports goals through the talent of their children. They're pathetic individuals and they're out there, at every level, in every sport. We've all seen them. It's parents like these who wind up turning their kids into ex-athletes because the games are no longer fun to them.

• I hate taking a phone call and having to listen to some parent vent about something they read without identifying who they are. Isn't that a crank phone call? They know who I am. If they had any backbone at all, they could at least have the courtesy to give their name. But those days are over. The minute a person refuses to identify him or herself, the conversation is over. Call "Sound Off" you coward. Don't waste my time.

• And the great cheerleader debate drones on and on and on. Are they athletes or are they "airheads" with pretty faces. For the record, I've seen many of them compete on teams in the winter and spring. For starters, they're not airheads. And as far as being athletes goes, you try doing some of the choreographed routines they perform without winding up with shooting pains in muscles you never knew you had. I'm putting my vote in the athlete ballot box.

• I often find myself at football games trying to figure out how many yards a running back gained on a rush, what yardmark the ball is on and all the other statistics that go along with the game. Eventually I'll miss a play because my head's buried in my notebook and I have to find out what the play was, how many yards were gained or lost and what down it is. Then it's right back to the notebook getting down that information just as the quarterback barks out "hike." It's a vicious circle.

• I have a new respect for field hockey, but it still seems as though the referees are whistle happy, calling every infraction in sight. There comes a point where you have to let the kids play the game and overlook the little things, particularly when there are two high-calibre teams playing.

But enough about my gripes. The sun is shining, teams are on the field warming up and it's almost game time.

Middle schoolers crush Wixon

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Head coach Torin Sweeney said he was pleased with the way the team played and its reception by the parents and players.

"The fan support has been good and the kids really enjoy it," Sweeney said. "Everybody really picked it up a notch."

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Group vetoes work for tax break proposal

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The town will not go forward with a proposal giving Cohasset's senior citizens credit toward their real estate taxes in exchange for work performed after all.

The issue was raised a year ago and again last April after John R. Dwyer, 80, of Old Pasture Road told selectmen that seniors, because they have no children in the schools, are a bargain for the town and a work-for-taxes program deserved strong consideration.

But two weeks ago, the committee appointed to study the proposed program nixed the idea.

In a letter to selectmen, the committee cited difficulties in paid temporary help working with volunteers; the possibility of jeopardizing the abundance of town volunteers; and inequality for seniors, who are house-bound and cannot perform volunteer work, as potential problems.

They also said only five people responded to announcements soliciting interest about the program in the senior newsletter.

The committee — which consists of T. Gerard Keating of the Council on Elder Affairs (CEA), CEA director Kathy Bryanton, ·Treasurer/Collector Joseph Buckley, Town Clerk Marion Douglas, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon, and Board of Assessors Chairman James Lagrotteria — recommended that other alternatives be sought to provide tax relief.

Selectmen said that they would ask assessors for advice on how to go about expanding some of the town's tax abatement programs.

Reached by telephone, Dwyer said he was disappointed but not surprised by the decision not to go forward with the program.

"I understand they rejected it because of the number of volunteers," Dwyer said.

"But if other towns can do it, it's incredible that this town can't," he said.

A tax relief in exchange for work program is in its second year in Duxbury. Marshfield is considering adopting a similar program.

Currently in Cohasset, disabled veterans qualify for property tax abatements. Surviving spouses and those over 70 may qualify if they meet certain income and net worth caps. The town also allows tax deferrals of property taxes for seniors by placing a lien on the property with the taxes and interest being recouped when the property is sold. For more information about abatements, please call the assessors' office at 383-9900.

Village design day planned

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce plans a two-day design session during which village ideas are brought to the table and hashed out with the end result being the development of a plan.

Dean Rizzo, chamber vice president and one of the driving forces behind the village revitalization effort, told selectmen Monday that the Chamber is hiring an architectural firm to help draw up the plan.

He invited all town boards to bring their ideas to the table from 8 to 11 a.m. on Oct. 19 at the Community Center. Rizzo said the point is to look at everything in the village from parking to lighting and aesthetics. The plan is drawn up and presented the following day when everyone can have a look and change things if necessary.

Rizzo explained that having a plan would enable the village to apply for grants. He asked for permission to request money from the MBTA to help cover the cost of conducting the session. The MBTA is considering relocating the Greenbush train station to the village.

Selectmen gave Rizzo the go ahead to contact the MBTA and were enthusiastic about the concept of a village plan but wouldn't give any guarantees they'd support the results.

"It's a great idea and will be fun to see what happens but we don't want to be bound by the outcome," Selectman Nan Roth said.

EEE virus of concern to residents

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health monitors both the actual and probable presence of the EEE virus in local mosquito populations and releases timely information to the general public.

The Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee urges all Cohasset residents to take the following precautions:

- If you have areas of stagnant water on your property, either drain the areas or treat them with mosquito dunks available from hardware stores or garden centers.
- Avoid outdoor activity during peak hours of mosquito feeding in the early morning and early evening.
- If an individual must be outside during these hours, wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants and use an insect repellent that includes DEET, 10 percent or less for use on children and less than 30 percent for adults. DEET should never be used on infants.

For additional information, call the Cohasset Board of Health at 383-9900, Ext. 121, Charles Gainor at 383-0498, or the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project at (617) 585-5450 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Plan unveiled at hearing

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limited resources.

The idea of attaining more open space in Cohasset has been well received by town residents, even in the face of the considerable amount of work which must first be completed. According to the community survey, many residents are prepared to make sacrifices to secure more open space. Roughly one-third of about 260 residents who responded to the survey said they would be willing to donate money to help the town acquire more land.

Many reported that they would be willing to sell some of their own land to the town at a "bargain price" or put a conservation restriction on their own property.

About half of the respondents felt the town doesn't have enough conservation land and that it is very important that more land be acquired.

Currently, about 30 percent of the town is classified as open space, comprised mostly of Wompatuck State Park and Whitney and Thayer Woods.

Brown said many residents are attracted to the idea of keeping Cohasset a place with a relatively limited amount of development. Additional open space is a means to that end.

In addition to attaining more conservation land and developing better recreational facilities, Brown hopes the systematic study of the town's natural assets will develop a greater degree of environmental awareness throughout the community.

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Senior Scene

Old and rare books is topic

Cohasset Elder Affairs will sponsor a lecture, "Treasures in your Attic: Old and Rare Books," Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Senior Center, 3 North Main St.

Kenneth Gloss, proprietor of the nationally known Brattle Book Shop in Boston, will speak at about 1:40 p.m., following the council's luncheon.

"New England homes are treasure troves for old and rare books that have increased in value over the years," Gloss said, "and we're inviting those attending to bring any volumes they what to know about to the lecture for a free verbal appraisal."

Gloss has worked in Brattle Book Shop since childhood, succeeding his late father, George Gloss, a well-known figure in both Boston and antiquarian circles, as proprietor upon his death several years ago.

He is a member and past president of New England Antiquarian Booksellers Association, member of Antiquarian Booksellers Association of America, Bostonian Society and Massachusetts and Rhode Island Antiquarian Booksellers.

Gloss will bring to the lecture several examples of interesting books, magazines and ephemera from the store's private collection, including a 1912 World Series scorecard and old Life magazines.

For further information, call Brattle Book Shop at (800) 447-9595.

KEN GLOSS

Two free flu clinics offered

Two free flu clinics will be held in October, sponsored by the Social Service League of Cohasset and Cohasset Board of Health. The first will be held Saturday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Bates Hall, Second Congregational Church, and the second clinic is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26, at Cohasset Town Hall.

Senior citizens will have the opportunity to receive flu shots before the townwide clinics as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., at the Senior Center and Friday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to noon at Harborview senior housing, 60 Elm St.

Pneumonia vaccine will be available to individuals age 65 and older and those with chronic heart or lung conditions. The pneumonia vaccine is a one-time vaccination except in rare cases where a physician is required to make an evaluation. The clinics will administer first-time vaccinations only.

The Mass. Department of Public Health is also providing tetanus vaccine and is urging those who have not had tetanus booster in the last 10 years to do so at the flu clinic.

All three of the above vaccines can be administered simultaneously with few or no side effects. There is no charge for any of the immunizations.

For further details, call the League office at 383-0771 or 383-0821 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Elder Affairs news is noted

Seniors are invited to participate in the **SHARE** (Self Help and Resource Exchange) program. For $14 and two hours of volunteer work a month, a food package worth $30 to $35 is available. A typical package consists of meat, fruit and vegetables.

A smaller order is available for $8, which suits a single individual or small family.

Income is not a deciding factor, and the program is not government-subsidized. Cash only is accepted as payment.

Sign-ups will be held Oct. 7-11, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Senior Center.

Oct. 19 is bagging day at 141 Will Drive, Canton, and Oct. 26 is distribution day at Deer Hill School from 8 to 10 a.m. Individuals may sign up for the next month's food package at the same time.

Suggestions for volunteering include serving and assisting with senior lunches Tuesday or Thursday, driving the senior shuttle, bagging fruit and vegetables at the SHARE warehouse on Will Drive and assisting seniors with shopping.

For more information, call John Kierce at 383-2067 or Rose Kierce at 383-0578.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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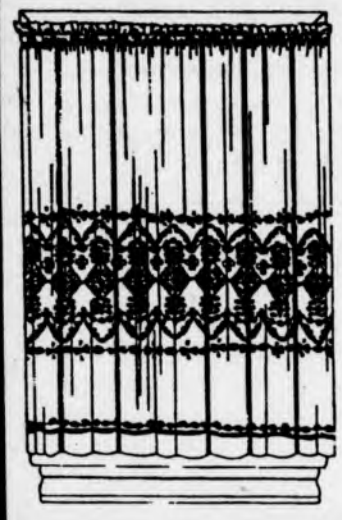

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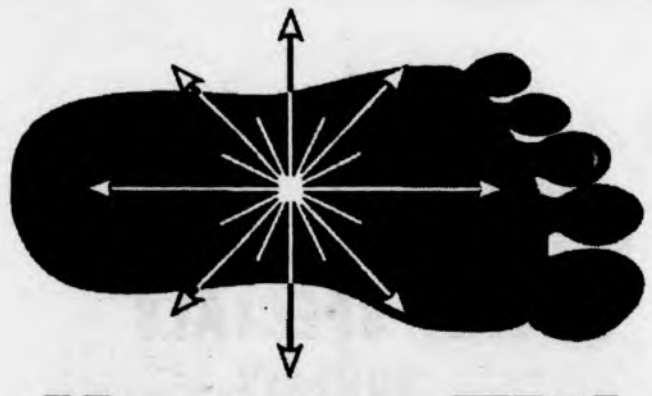

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Former resident awarded Harvard professorship

Dr. Walter Kerr Jr., of Milton, formerly of Cohasset, was awarded a Professorship of Urology at Harvard Medical School Friday, Sept. 27.

This first-named professorship at the school was established in March. The $2 million-plus chair was funded by the Amelia Peabody Foundation and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bradley.

A urologic symposium in honor of Dr. Kerr was held at Massachusetts General Hospital, followed by a black-tie dinner at the Loeb House at Harvard, which was attended by many of Dr. Kerr's former students and associates from all over the United States.

Dr. Kerr attended Thayer Academy, graduating from Harvard in 1938 and University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1943. Upon graduation, he was appointed to Mass. General, where he eventually became chief of urology. He also served as president of the American Urological Association in 1976.

Dr. Kerr is also a member of the American Association of Genito-Urinary Surgeons, the Clinical Society of Genito-Urinary Surgeons and the American College of Surgeons. He retired from Mass. General in 1991 and now spends his time traveling between Milton and his summer home on Squirrel Island, Maine.

Dr. Kerr was recently interviewed on Continental Cablevision local TV for Cohasset Historical Society. His subject was the Barron/Bancroft legacy.

Community center classes

Two new classes are being offered at South Shore Community Center, 3 North Main St.

At Seasons Café of Norwell, Mat Donegan will lead participants in a sampling of hearty appetizers, corn scallion pancakes with smoked salmon and creme fraiche and basil polenta. And for a party dish, try loin of lamb stuffed with spinach, served with roasted peppers and garlic and a rosemary glaze. Presentation techniques and other party ideas will be offered to "make you the caterer" or learn how to work with a caterer to enhance a party.

The class meets Wednesday, Oct. 16, from 7 to 9 p.m. ($30/$35 non-members).

Cake decorating with Regina O'Brien is being offered Mondays, Oct. 8, and Nov. 4, 18 and 25, from 7 to 9 p.m. The $45 ($50/non-member) fee includes supplies (pastry bag, tips, flat knife, etc.)

The creative skill of cake decorating will be taught in the introductory class, along with applying decorations and writing on a cake. Learn how to sculpt a clown and make baby booties and other whimsical cakes. O'Brien is the former owner of It Takes a Cake and has run her own business for the last 10 years.

Midlife career transitions to be discussed on Oct. 22

The Social Service League of Cohasset will sponsor a meeting Tuesday, Oct. 22, from 7:30 to 9 p.m., offering the opportunity to hear a panel of experts discuss the practical, financial and psychological aspects of the job market for those at midlife. Competing personal responsibilities outside of work which impact the process will also be addressed.

Included in the discussion will be career re-engineering for the millennium; condensing life experiences onto a resumé; finding hidden financial resources; jobs in an improving job market; second careers; and relocation.

Panelists will be Employment Specialist Michelle Sweeney, JVS, skills training program; Steve Etkind, EdD, vice president, Private Health Care Systems and Cohasset Counseling Associates; and Nancy Socoli, director of education, Consumer Credit Counseling Services.

The meeting will take place at the Lightkeepers Residence, 96 Border St., Cohasset Harbor. There is no charge, but seating is limited. To register or to obtain directions, call 383-0771.

Consignment shop has seasonal offerings

An Irish woolen red cape, antique Mexican jewelry, Austrian Geiger jackets and Italian silk scarves and men's sweaters and mink coats are highlights of Cohasset Consignment Shop's fall and winter sale items.

Consignment shop manager Andy Merrill announced that holiday items include a man's tuxedo, Halloween clown suit, velvet dresses for all ages, cashmere scarf and sweater and beaded cocktail bags.

Proceeds from the newly enlarged shop on Route 3A, Cushing Plaza, finance the varied programs sponsored by the Social Service League, which services individuals living in Hingham, Hull, Scituate, Norwell and Cohasset.

From Oct. 3 through Oct. 24, sales and consignments will be made from 6 to 8 p.m. Regular shop hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Volunteers are welcome and are asked to call 383-0771 or 383-0687.

AAUW to meet Oct. 8

Vicki Donlan from Spence Center for Women's Health will speak at the Tuesday, Oct. 8, meeting of the American Association of University Women, Hingham-area branch, at 7:30 p.m. in the library media center of Plymouth River School, off High Street, Hingham. The topic will be "Health Care for Women."

Donlan is the regional marketing director for the Spence Center for Women's Health and is responsible for Spence's three centers, located in Braintree, Cambridge and Wellesley.

Donlan was co-founder and first executive director of South Shore Women's Business Network and was honored by the U.S. Small Business Administration as New England's Women in Business Advocate for 1994. She is on the board of directors of the Center for Women & Enterprise, Inc., an organization providing business technical assistance to women pursuing self-employment in the metropolitan Boston area.

Donlan is a frequent speaker for business, professional and trade organizations on topics ranging from networking, marketing and sales to healthcare.

AAUW promotes equity for all women and girls, lifelong education and positive societal change. Its monthly meetings are free and open to the public.

Chicago soloist to perform at St. Stephen's Church

As part of its "Music at St. Stephen's Concert Series," St. Stephen's Church, Cohasset, will present mezzo-soprano Evelyn Czaja in recital Sunday, Oct. 6, at 3 p.m. Dr. Elaine Kwon will accompany Czaja in works of Bach, Schubert, Donizetti, Ralph Vaughan Williams, Persichetti and Dvorak.

Czaja sang with the former Repertory Opera Theater of Oak Park, Ill., Chicago Opera Theater, DuPage Opera in Illinois, Lake Shore Symphony and the Northwest Symphony. She is an avid stage director and has been music director for several area high school musicals.

Czaja holds a bachelor of music degree from Rosary College, Illinois, and a master of arts in applied vocal pedagogy from Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago. She also teaches private voice and is a member of the Music Teachers National Association, National Association of Teachers of Singing, Musicians Club of Women and MacDowell Artists Association.

The church is located at 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset, and is handicapped accessible. Free-will offerings will be accepted at the concert. For more details, call 383-1083.

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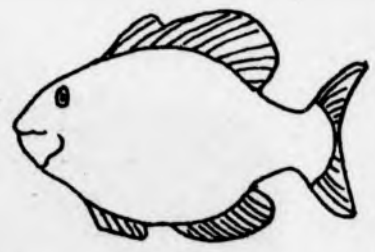

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A new computer in the children's room has 20 CD Roms, and assistance is available at the library.

Story hours

Registrations are being accepted for the fall pre-school Story Hour at the library, set for Thursdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. beginning Oct. 3 and 4. Each 45-minute program includes stories, simple fingerplays, songs and crafts. Children must be at least 3-1/2 to participate.

For further information or to register for a museum pass or program, call 383-1348.

PERSONAL FINANCE

To thine own self be true: three hang-ups to avoid

Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

It's been said that it takes a special kind of person to succeed in the stock market, and that may be true. There are certainly many more personality types in the world than there are successful investment personalities.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

That's probably why many people who enter the investment game are advised to change themselves. Squeamish types are told to develop thicker skins, lest the market's inevitable ups and downs make them miserable. Perfectionists are warned that the market's relentless tendency to point out our imperfections will drive them crazy, and so on.

The problem is, we're all squeamish to some degree (my apologies to any investors who can watch their stocks drop five points in an afternoon without losing their appetites); we all have a bit of the perfectionist in us, in the sense that we want to do well. Worst of all, trying to change these and other traits can be a frustrating — and losing — battle. Here are three hang-ups investors often face, and ways to make money in spite of them:

•An itchy sell finger. Many people buy into the benefits of long-term investing, but their very interest in investing sometimes gets in the way. By checking the newspaper every day, they frequently get the feeling that a specific stock has become overpriced. Even though fundamentals are still strong, the stock seems to have gotten ahead of itself. What to do?

If this strikes a familiar chord, try establishing a trading portfolio. There's no rule that says investors have to manage their entire portfolios uniformly. Investors can create an outlet for their impulses by devoting a small portion of their stock holdings to a portfolio within a portfolio, one that holds exactly the same stocks, just fewer shares. Then, if International Game Technology looks overpriced, an investor can sell it from his trading portfolio while holding onto the majority of his original position.

A trading portfolio gives those panicky feelings a course of action, but they won't have every cent riding on them (remember, the trading portfolio is small). Can a trading portfolio help overall investment results? Obviously, that depends on the timing of the trades, but consider this: If the trading portfolio outperforms the long-term portfolio, great. If not, at least an investor has learned that those "feelings" aren't a very good predictor — without paying a high price.

•Falling for hot tips. It's an old story. An investor hears about a stock at a business lunch. Then, at a cocktail party, a neighbor offers the same hot tip. Of course, hot tips are risky, so he gets a research report, talks to his broker, and reads the annual report. Then he buys the stock.

When was the decision to buy really made? When a person really wants to buy something (anything), he is going to buy it — a new shirt, a polo pony, you name it. Investors are almost uniformly incapable of conducting meaningful "post-hot-tip" research. What happens instead is that we spin any extra facts about the company into a rationale for what we already want to do — buy. Once the rose-colored glasses are on, an obsolete copper-smelting operation suddenly looks like a turnaround candidate, that daunting debt service will be easily paid off by growing profits, and the retiring founder didn't really run the company anyway.

Here's another option. Invest a small amount upon hearing the initial story — then investigate to see about buying more or selling out. Why in the world would an investor want to do anything that naive? Wasn't "Invest, then investigate" the rallying cry of the long-since discredited "go-go" portfolio managers of the 1960s?

It's not really as illogical as it sounds, especially given that some investors would end up buying the stock anyway. The "invest (a little), then investigate" approach gives an investor a reason to do objective research and the ability to act, whatever the result of the secondary investigation — i.e., to buy a bigger position in the case of good news, or to sell the initial stake if the story turns out to have worms. The worst thing that could happen is that they'd run up a few extra commissions. Consider that a (very cheap) insurance policy.

•Missing out on big moves. This also will sound crazy, but every once in a while, investors should buy a stock that their instincts have told them to avoid.

I am not suggesting that investors disregard the fact that a company is in a cash squeeze and buy anyway. Nor should investors ignore declining market share, increasing inventories, or a host of other ominous developments. Bad is bad.

Sometimes, though, the reason for not buying has more to do with a personal quirk than a company deficiency. These are the situations that demand rethinking.

A particularly common quirk (one that I would be remiss not to own up to myself) is misplaced contrarianism.

Being too much of a contrary investor means always wanting to get in on the ground floor. When presented with a stock that has already gone up a few points, they pass, on the highly subjective grounds that it's too late. Case in point: A broker I know at Merrill Lynch reported having suggested his own firm's stock to an institutional portfolio manager at the dawn of the great bull market in 1982. The manager decided to pass — not because the broker was plugging his own stock, but because it had already gone from 25 to 28. Alas, Merrill shares eventually topped 100.

It's silly to feel left out just because the first move may be over. If the story is unexciting, that's one thing — but any meaningful rebound of a cyclical stock will surely amount to more than three points. Whenever investors feel themselves getting in the way, they should consider turning the tables and buy anyway.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

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Monday, Sept. 23

3:41 a.m., annoying phone calls, White Head Rd.

7:58 a.m., medical aid, Cedar St.

9:21 a.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd.

12:53 p.m., disturbance, Sohier St.

4:50 p.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

5:33 p.m., general services, N. Main St.

6:41 p.m., suspicious person, Cedar St.

8:02 p.m., property (lost), somewhere in town.

8:50 p.m., annoying phone calls, fire HQ.

10:10 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

10:47 p.m., medical aid, Linden Dr.

Tuesday, Sept. 24

12:11 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

12:26 a.m., suspicious auto, N. Main St.

12:42 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

1:39 a.m., open door/window, Lamberts Ln.

1:04 p.m., burglary (breaking and entering), Doane St.

1:20 p.m., property (found), N. Main St.

2:30 p.m., transport, N. Main St.

3:40 p.m., assault, in Cohasset.

4:58 p.m., medical aid, Beechwood St.

5:26 p.m., assist motorist, Fairoaks Ln.

5:28 p.m., MV stop, Schofield Rd.

7:24 p.m., MV violations, James Ln.

7:43 p.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

9:14 p.m., serve restraining order, Beechwood St.

10:31 p.m., officer wanted, James Ln.

10:33 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

11:15 p.m., general services, HQ.

11:30 p.m., MV stop, Lower King St.

Wednesday, Sept. 25

7:28 a.m., MV stop, North Main.

8:25 a.m., MV accident, Jerusalem Rd.

8:52 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

9:34 a.m., annoying phone calls, Dedham Court.

10:24 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

10:32 a.m., MV accident, 3A by Curtis Liquor.

12:12 p.m., property damage, Sankey Rd.

1:57 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

3:00 p.m., public service, Surry Dr.

4:53 p.m., serve restraining order, CJC Hwy.

5:37 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

6:19 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

8:00 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

11:00 p.m., disabled auto, N. Main St.

11:08 p.m., noise complaint, Stockbridge St.

Police investigate break-ins in Hingham and Cohasset

Police in Hingham and Cohasset are investigating what they believe to be related house-breaks.

In both cases a light-colored station wagon with wood paneling was seen in the vicinity of the breaks.

Hingham Police Detective Gerald McInnis said police responded to a report on Sept. 25 that men were seen throwing computer equipment into a quarry off Whiting Street. A short time later, a resident of Gardner Street returned home to discover his home had been broken into and his computer equipment stolen.

On Sept. 24, police in Cohasset said a burglary was reported by a Doane Street resident, whose house had been ransacked. A computer, video cassette recorder, and jewelry, with an approximate total value of $5,500, were taken.

McInnis said the vehicle was leaking oil, and traces were found at the Doane Street address in Cohasset, at the Gardner Street residence, and near the quarries.

He also said the two break-ins may be related to a third burglary in Weymouth where credit cards were among the items stolen.

Two men used a stolen credit card to buy jewelry at the Bradlees department store at Hingham Plaza, and then attempted to return the items at the Bradlees store in Quincy.

Police divers will attempt to recover the items thrown into the quarry, he said, because analysis may reveal fingerprints. While the quarry is as much as 60 feet deep, the items may be caught on ledge nearer the surface.

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School News

Foundation fundraiser is Oct.6

The CEF will formally open its fifth year with a public fund-raiser at the South Shore Arts Center Sunday, Oct. 6, from 4 to 7 p.m. Pam Speed, the chairperson for the event has entitled the gathering, "An Evening for Education." The occasion is an important part of the foundation's community outreach.

The evening will showcase the works of Cohasset students in the arts and graphics and feature Cohasset's principals as special guests of the CEF. Along with high school principal, Curt Collins, incoming headmasters, Paul Callahan (Deer Hill) and Merilee Cantelmo (Osgood) will be on hand to meet with the community and discuss their plans for the future. With the current major project of the CEF being a replacement of the high school language lab, a working model of a state of the art laboratory will be available to demonstrate the technology being considered.

Refreshments will be provided by the high school economics class and the PSO Diversity Committee will be offering their newly published Diversity Cookbook featuring ethnic recipes and gastronomic delights from around the world. A variety of valuable door prizes and demonstrations on various CEF projects are also planned.

Tax-deductible tickets for the evening are available from Directors of the CEF or by calling Pam Speed (383-2572), Mike Hurley (383-9509) or leaving a message on the CEF line at 383-2833.

People interested in learning more about the mission of the foundation and its activities are encouraged to call the CEF at 383-2833 or to write the Cohasset Education Foundation, P.O. Box 224, Cohasset, MA 02025, for a copy of our brochure and additional information on our programs. A registered non-profit organization, all donations to the project fund are tax-deductible and dedicated to enhancing the educational environment of Cohasset Public School students.

Art boosters start new year

Families who have a student at Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School and believe a well-rounded education includes an appreciation for the arts, are invited to join the Arts Boosters, which benefits students and teachers.

The organization's main focus is to promote and support the arts at the high school. The group helps the faculty by providing the support to put on such events as concerts, art shows, drama workshops, a literary magazine and an awards night for students.

This year students will perform in a musical, "Mikado," which will need additional volunteers for the various tasks associated with such an undertaking.

Assisting the Arts Boosters provides an oppor[illegible] become involved in a child's school without tak[illegible] year-long commitment.

A meeting will be held Thursday, Oct. 10, at 1 p.m. in the audio-visual room at Cohasset High School for those who would like to help out, or call Donna O'Donnell at 383-6113 or Debby Niessink, 383-6428, for more information.

PAC meeting is slated

The Parents Advisory Council of Cohasset invites all parents and guardians of students receiving services under Chapter 766 from the Cohasset School system to an evening of informal discussion with the newly appointed Director of Student Services Lynn Silva.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deer Hill School library. For further details, call PAC Chairman Kim Maynard at 383-2707.

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Family health program slated

Project Safeguard is a family approach to adolescent health-related issues and substance abuse. The Cohasset Jr./Sr. H.S.'s seventh grade class will attend this program during regular school hours. Workshops will address issues of self-esteem, harassment, drug and alcohol prevention, peer pressure etc. Seventh grade parents are urged to attend and sixth grade parents are invited to volunteer and view what may be on the agenda for next year.

The program goals are:

— to provide an environment for parent/student interaction

— to improve parent/student communication

— to strengthen self esteem of parents & students

— to foster community awareness and commitment to family issues/values

— to build skills in young people that will empower them to more successfully avoid harmful choices.

This approach to prevention education is unique because it brings students and parents together at an off-school site for an all-day conference. The sessions will be located in churches around the Common as well as the auditorium in Cohasset Town Hall. The material to be covered during the program has also been reviewed and approved by the seventh grade team and Jr./Sr. High Principal Curtis Collins.

This will be an important day for your child and the Health Education Program, and the entire seventh grade team are hopeful that at least one parent of each child will attend. If that is not possible, parents may want to designate a family member/friend to accompany their child for the day.

Further information and registration form will be forthcoming; in the meantime, please mark your calendars for Wednesday, Oct. 16, 7:45 a.m. to 1:40 p.m., and reserve the day to participate in the Cohasset education process and help make learning a family experience.

This program is being funded with grant money as well as additional money from The P.A.L.S. for wellness program (Police Assisting Local Schools) which is administered by Police Chief Brian Noonan and Health Education Coordinator, Michael Gill.

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Ratepayers seek rebellion

Water users reach boiling point over bills

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Months of protesting impending soaring water rates hasn't yielded results, some angry Cohasset residents say.

So now that the bills are here — those affected plan to take matters into their own hands by calling for their fellow Massachusetts-American Water Company water users in Hull, Hingham and the north part of Cohasset not to pay their bills.

"We plan to march into the State House with these bills," said Maria Plante of Grace Drive.

About 350 homes in the North Cohasset area of town are on Hingham water, provided by Mass-American, a private company, whose $40 million treatment facility went on line last April. The rest of town is served by Cohasset town water.

Armed with their latest bills — which for the first time reflect a full quarter's usage and other charges to help pay for the new treatment plant — the residents said their situation is critical.

"This is a desperate, desperate situation here," said Diane Sullivan, 702 Jerusalem Rd.

Selectmen urged residents to register their complaints with their office in hopes of bolstering the possibility of obtaining rate relief through the Department of Public Utilities, which allowed the rate

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Coyotes, deer come to town

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

The influx of coyotes in the region has been a long time coming, according to Greg Mertz, director of the New England Wildlife Center in Hingham.

He explained the coyote migration from the West began about 100 years ago. The animals have been in Massachusetts for 50 years and on the South Shore less than 10.

Due to numerous coyote sightings, Cohasset officials expressed concern this week that the animals might be dangerous and may be frightening deer, driving them from the woods into town.

Selectman Michael Sullivan asked the press Monday to look into the matter.

"The theory is that the coyotes are running the deer out of the park," he said.

Earlier Monday Police Chief Brian Noonan asked the Mariner to find out, "Why are they (coyotes) here? And what are they looking for?"

He said coyote sightings have been reported at the cemetery at Joy Place, and on Border Street, Nichols Road, Route 3A and South Main Street.

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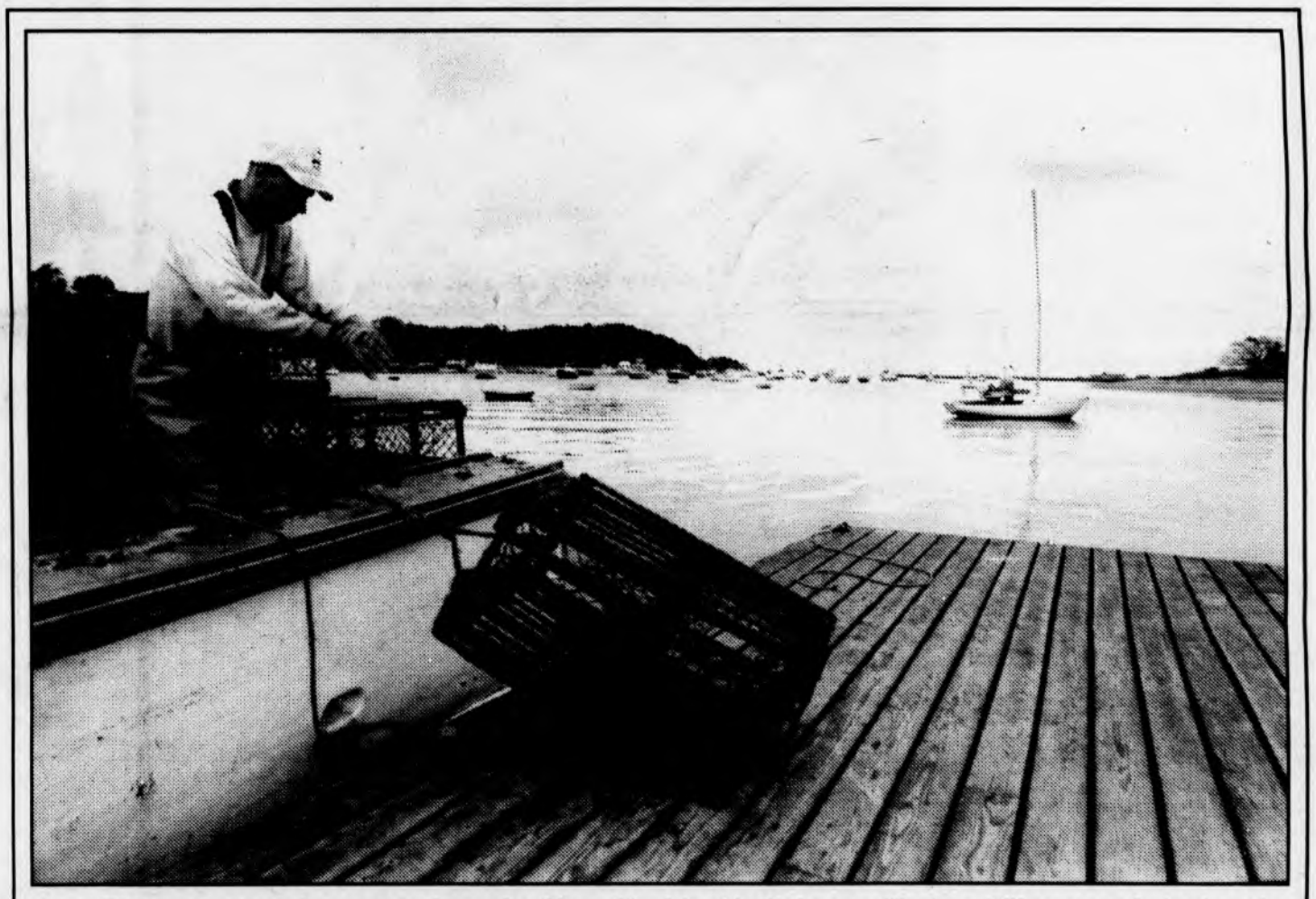

Paul Wilson tosses lobster pots from the 'Time Machine' in Cohasset Harbor. Wilson was bringing the pots in for repair before Josephine, the nor'easter hit yesterday.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Under new law, sex offenders register in Cohasset

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Under the requirements of a new law that went into effect last week, Cohasset Police now have a registry of three convicted sex offenders who live in town.

Chief Brian Noonan said persons convicted of committing sex offenses since August, 1981, are required, as of Oct. 1, to register with their local police departments. They must provide their name, address, work address, Social Security number, physical description, vehicle description and registration information. They must also provide the information on the nature of the sex offense, with the date and place where it occurred. Police will also photograph and fingerprint the offenders.

The offenders must report to the police station annually for a period of 20 years from the date of the conviction or from their release from custody or supervision, to verify the accuracy of the information on file. Offenders who have been convicted two or more times must register annually for life.

They must also notify police of any changes in residence or employment.

'People have a right to know.'
— Police Chief Brian Noonan.

Failure to comply with these requirements carries a fine or imprisonment, Noonan said.

Sex offenders will be classified by the state Criminal History Systems Board, which will review the histories of thousands of convicted sex offenders in Massachusetts, to determine where they should be placed in one of three categories, based on the likelihood of a repeat offense.

At this point, a week after the registration deadline, police have no guidance on the categories where the offenders' names will be placed.

Much of the information is in the "input stage" now, he explained.

Noonan said that under the law, where there is determined to be a low risk of a repeat offense, no community notification is required. A level two designation, where there is a moderate risk of a repeat offense, requires police to notify organizations in the community that are likely to encounter the offender.

Police are obligated to provide community notification in the cases of a level three offender, where the risk of a repeat offense is high.

But public notification is not required until the offenders are evaluated by the Sex Offender Registry Board.

Apart from the obligations of the police to notify the community, residents over the age of 18 may request information on any convicted sex offenders who live or work within one mile of the residents who request the information. By appearing in person, and submitting a written and notarized form, a person may ask police to check on an individual by name, address, or description, or may request general information on any person living or working nearby who is a convicted sex offender.

This information can also be obtained from the state Criminal History Systems Board, which will keep a record of all requests for information.

Noonan said there are no plans in Cohasset to adopt a policy similar to one implemented in several North

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Cohasset's Week

Drug & alcohol board plans town-wide petition

Members of the Drug & Alcohol Committee met Tuesday to discuss devising a petition they will circulate throughout the town to unite the community in stopping the illegal purchase and use of drugs and alcohol by minors and the illegal distribution of those substances by adults to minors.

As part of its efforts, the committee will be actively involved in Project Safeguard, a day-long event scheduled for Oct. 16 which has been designed to bring seventh-grade students and their parents together at an off-school site for an all-day conference made up of a series of short presentations on issues pertaining to families today. For more information about Project Safeguard, see page 13.

The agenda for the Drug & Alcohol Committee's next meeting on Oct. 22 will include finalizing a distribution strategy for the petition and a review of petition verbiage.

Boston Tides

Daylight Saving Time

Oct. 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 10	10:29	9.8	4:14	10:48	9.8	4:34
Fri. 11	11:07	10.1	4:53	11:28	10.0	5:16
Sat. 12	11:44	10.4	5:32	——	——	5:56
Sun. 13	12:08	10.1	6:11	12:21	10.6	6:37
Mon. 14	12:48	10.1	6:51	1:00	10.8	7:19
Tues. 15	1:29	10.1	7:33	1:40	10.9	8:03
Wed. 16	2:13	9.9	8:17	2:24	10.8	8:50
Thurs. 17	3:01	9.8	9:05	3:13	10.7	9:40

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Yacht Club floats to stay on the Hagerty Property

Over objections from a Parker Avenue resident, selectmen will allow the yacht club to store some of its floats on the Hagerty property.

Last week, Russ Bonetti complained bitterly to the board about the floats being stored there. He questioned their authority to grant permission for that use of the property, which town meeting appropriated the money to buy back in 1993.

Since last week, the yacht club moved some of the floats and lowered the others down so they are not stacked up presenting an attractive nuisance to children, selectmen said.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said the floats should be moved. She said they smell, attract flies and look like a junk heap.

But Selectman Michael Sullivan said the floats are already there and should be allowed to stay this year. He said the yacht club should pursue other storage alternatives next year.

"The smell and flies will go away," Sullivan said.

Selectman Peter Pratt noted that the yacht club had spent money to bring the floats over there after getting permission from Town Administrator Gregory Doyon.

Pratt said any fault for the decision lies with selectmen who did not think clearly through what matters the town administrator should make a determination on and what should remain with selectmen.

Bonetti said 1/2 of the available land there at high tide is now covered with docks.

"This deprives people of the full use," he said.

On Bonetti's request, selectmen will ask town counsel to review the 1993 article to determine if they have the authority to permit this type of use of the property without asking town meeting approval. Taxpayers bought the Hagerty property — which was the site of Cohasset Colonials, a furniture kit company — for town-wide recreational use.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said the yacht club cannot use its own parking lot for docks storage because it is used a turnaround for plows in the winter.

Osgood reuse group meets

Selectman Peter Pratt said the Osgood School reuse committee, which includes two members of the housing authority, had a successful first meeting. He said the committee has a lot of ground to cover between now and Sept. 1, 1998 when the new school — replacing the aging Osgood School — is slated to open. The committee is charged with finding the best use for the building.

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Silt storage is a problem

Selectmen will look into the cost of and logistical problems relating to bringing barges into Cohasset harbor to dry dredged silt.

The town's harbor dredging project could start next fall but selectmen must come up with an area to dry the putrefying silt removed from the harbor. The silt must be "dewatered" before it's shipped to an upland landfill.

One proposal is to use the the sailing club turnaround and the staging near the wharf on Government Island. But this week, selectmen didn't want to commit to that site until the use of barges had been explored.

They are worried that if the silt takes longer to dewater, extending the process into the summer, the sailing club would not be able to function. They are also concerned that the silt which will be piled up behind jersey barriers will be smelly and unsightly, a situation which could have a negative effect on social events at the Lightkeeper's House.

Upcoming meetings noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Health, 7 p.m., Oct. 15 & 22 , public hearing at 7 p.m., Oct. 29;
- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 17;
- Historical Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 21;
- Planning board, public hearing 8 p.m., Oct. 16 in the town hall auditorium; meeting, Nov. 6.
- Private ways committee, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 9;
- Republican Town Committee, 7:45 p.m., Oct. 23;
- Sewer commission, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 24 & public hearing, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Zoning board of appeals, 8 p.m., Oct. 10;

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

Applications due Oct. 15 for cultural council grants

The Local Cultural Council of Cohasset has announced the application deadline for Arts Lottery/PASS grants for the 1997 cycle is Tuesday, Oct. 15.

To obtain application forms, stop by Cohasset Town Hall at 41 Highland Ave. or call Ellen in the Selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Completed applications should be mailed to Nancy Connolly, 68 Doane St., Cohasset 02025.

Notification of LCC grants will be made by Dec. 16.

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Schools want to gear up for 21st century

By ANDI WEISSMAN
Special to the Mariner

New technology and additional staff members are the preliminary budget concerns facing Cohasset's three schools, administrators told the School Committee last Thursday night.

"These are things we need to look at to move into the 21st century," said Merilee Cantelmo, principal of Osgood Elementary School.

Principals of both elementary schools and the Junior/Senior High School said their schools will need more computers for students, as well as staff to teach students how to use them.

Although Deer Hill Elementary has a computer lab, it is not always available, said Principal Paul Callahan. Each of the three upper grades has its own cart with two computers each, which must be shared between the classrooms, he said.

Computers will also be needed for the junior high school division of the high school, which officials hope to split into two separate schools, according to Principal Curtis Collins.

"Most of the technology in the school is located on the high school side," he said. "We're certainly going to have to have computer equipment on this side of the building."

Callahan and Cantelmo also requested additional technical staff to teach elementary school students how to use computers.

"We need someone who is going to lead us where we are going to go," said Callahan, who added he would like the school to have a World Wide Web site within five years.

The elementary schools also said they lack some technology necessary to communicate with parents and other schools, such as Internet access and fax machines. Both elementary school principals asked the committee to consider purchasing new copier machines for the schools.

"We need to move into the '90s," Callahan said. "This is 1996, and we still haven't got some of the technology we need."

Both Callahan and Collins requested new public announcement systems for their respective schools.

"I'm not sure how old it is, but there is no way of communicating into the halls," Callahan said. "If all the classroom doors are closed, you can't hear a message coming over (the PA) in the halls."

Officials from Osgood and Deer Hill elementary schools asked for a full-time nurse, saying there is only one nurse assigned to split her time between the two school.

"Right now, if a student is injured or ill, they are cared for in the nurse's absence by office staff," Cantelmo said.

Cantelmo asked the School Committee to reinstate a full-time reading teacher. She said Osgood lost the position last spring when federal mandates directed funding toward more disadvantaged students.

Administrators requested more special education assistants and activity aids, as well as support for professional development seminars.

Student representative Ely Kahn suggested the committee consider whether the schools could provide textbooks for Advanced Placement courses. Students in those courses currently have to purchase their own books, some of which cost as much as $80 each, he said.

The courses may also need updated textbooks, the principals said. At Osgood, the most recent text is a 1991 math book, said Cantelmo.

In other business, the School Committee took under consideration a warrant article for the upcoming Town Meeting regarding the purchase of new school buses. Under the plan, presented to the committee by school Superintendent Stephen Hart, the school system would purchase two new buses both this year and next, and one for each of the two years following.

Each bus will cost approximately $45,000, making cash purchases preferable to financing or leasing-to-own the buses at 5 percent interest rates, he said.

Coyotes come to town

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Deer have also been reported on Nichols Road, Jerusalem Road, Border Street, Government Island and Route 3A, Noonan said.

But Mertz said coyotes are not responsible for increased deer sightings.

He explained that deer, which "browse" an area and move on, have found that Cohasset agrees with their palates.

"Deer are a drifting population," Mertz said. "They work on neighborhood stripping off what they can reach and drift into the next."

Cohasset has an abundance of rhododendron, hydrangea, barberry, cedar trees and arborvitae which are like "candy" to deer, he said.

"It's the best thing since pecan pie to deer," Mertz said.

He said coyotes are omnivorous — meaning they'll eat anything. The animals usually weigh less than 25 pounds and resemble a small German shepherd-type dog. They are very shy of people, Mertz said.

Coyotes like small animals such as rabbits, squirrels and the occasional cat. They'll also eat small birds, ducks geese, carrion (road kill) and plants.

"The reason the numbers are creeping and crawling up is the food source is there for them," Mertz said. "They'll eat and survive on almost anything."

He dismissed the idea that coyotes are responsible for missing cats, which he said are too clever and vicious for coyotes although a coyote eating a cat does happen occasionally.

"I guarantee more cars hit missing cats than coyotes," he said.

Mertz suggested residents keep trash and garbage cans covered. Coyotes can carry rabies and any animal that is acting strangely should be avoided, he said.

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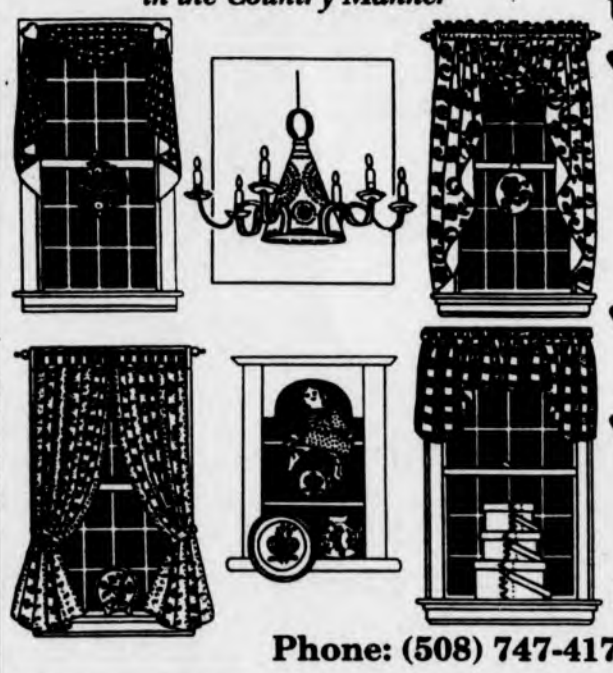

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Water company faces flood of complaints

By MARY FORD
Cohasset Mariner

Officials from the Hingham water company that serves North Cohasset did not get a warm welcome on their recent visit to town.

They say they can't give customers a rebate on their bills for discolored water and their plans to establish a committee to include concerned citizens did not assuage the anger of those affected.

Mass-American vice president Keith Bossung tried to explain why North Cohasset residents have experienced some water discoloration to selectmen and a handful of citizens last week.

But the residents and selectmen said it's not fair to have to pay top dollar for a product that's not been perfected.

"While you're practicing, we shouldn't be paying what we're paying," said Diane Sullivan, 702 Jerusalem Rd.

Bossung blamed the problems on recent flushing which forces water more quickly through the pipes clearing them of residue and mineral build up deposits which then temporarily come with the water through residents' faucets into their sinks and washing machines.

He stressed that with the new Hingham plant, which went on line last April, and flushing and treatment programs underway, problems will subside and water quality will ultimately be better and more consistent than was the case prior to the construction of the new plant.

Mass-American officials say users are paying about 150 percent more in their water bills under new rates which went into effect last spring (see related story). The rate increase, approved by the Department of Public Utilities, is being appealed by Hingham and Hull, which, along with North Cohasset, are on Hingham water.

Part of the rate increase pays for the water company's new $40 million treatment facility off Main Street in Hingham.

"It's most unfair," said Diane Sullivan about getting inferior quality and having to pay more for it.

Bossung said the company is trying to get the water mains between the plant and the users clear so they can deliver quality water.

"That will take about another year," he said. "For that we apologize."

He explained that a corrosive inhibitor will help keep the pipes in good condition once flushing is completed.

Selectmen agreed that North Cohasset users ought to get a rebate on their water bills until the flushing is finished.

"It's like three-day old bread, it's not top quality," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown, adding the users should not have to pay top price.

But company treasurer Rod Nevirauskas explained that the rates are set by the DPU and cannot be changed without authorization from the state agency.

Virginia Ferenz, 1 Windy Hill Rd., asked for the company to reimburse residents for the cost of purchasing bottled water for drinking an cooking.

"The water meets all standards, it is safe to drink," Bossung said.

"Then why is it still discolored and tastes terrible?" Ferenz asked.

Bossung said the company would look into having free bottled water available to Cohasset residents during the flushing program. Water is available at the Hull fire department but that is "quite a drive for Cohasset residents," Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown pointed out.

"It's a good suggestion to have it closer by," Bossung said.

He also said the company was dealing with users' stained clothing as a result of discolored water on a case by case basis.

"We're working with individuals to get their things cleaned and make it right," Bossung said.

Water users reach boiling point

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hike.

"They're (water company) not giving the service we want for the price," Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

Reached by telephone, Eileen Commane, operations manager at Mass-American, cautioned that these bills reflect summer usage which is usually higher. She did not know how productive a march on the State House would be.

Eileen Colwill, 155 Hull St., brought her bill to Monday's meeting which showed a 500 percent increase from $67 to $337 and excessively high estimated water usage of 69,564 gallons over the quarter — about 772 gallons a day. Colwill said on Monday that her family is very conscious of conservation and their water use is kept to a minimum.

Upon hearing Colwill's usage, Commane said that was "very high" for a single family. She explained the estimates are based on prior water consumption.

"They may well have a leak in the house," she said explaining that to check for leaks, residents can read their water meter before going to bed and then again in the morning. The readings should be the same.

Russ Lennon, 20 Tad Lane, said his bill went from $101 to $346. He also said he is so conservative with water that he uses water from his air conditioner to water plants.

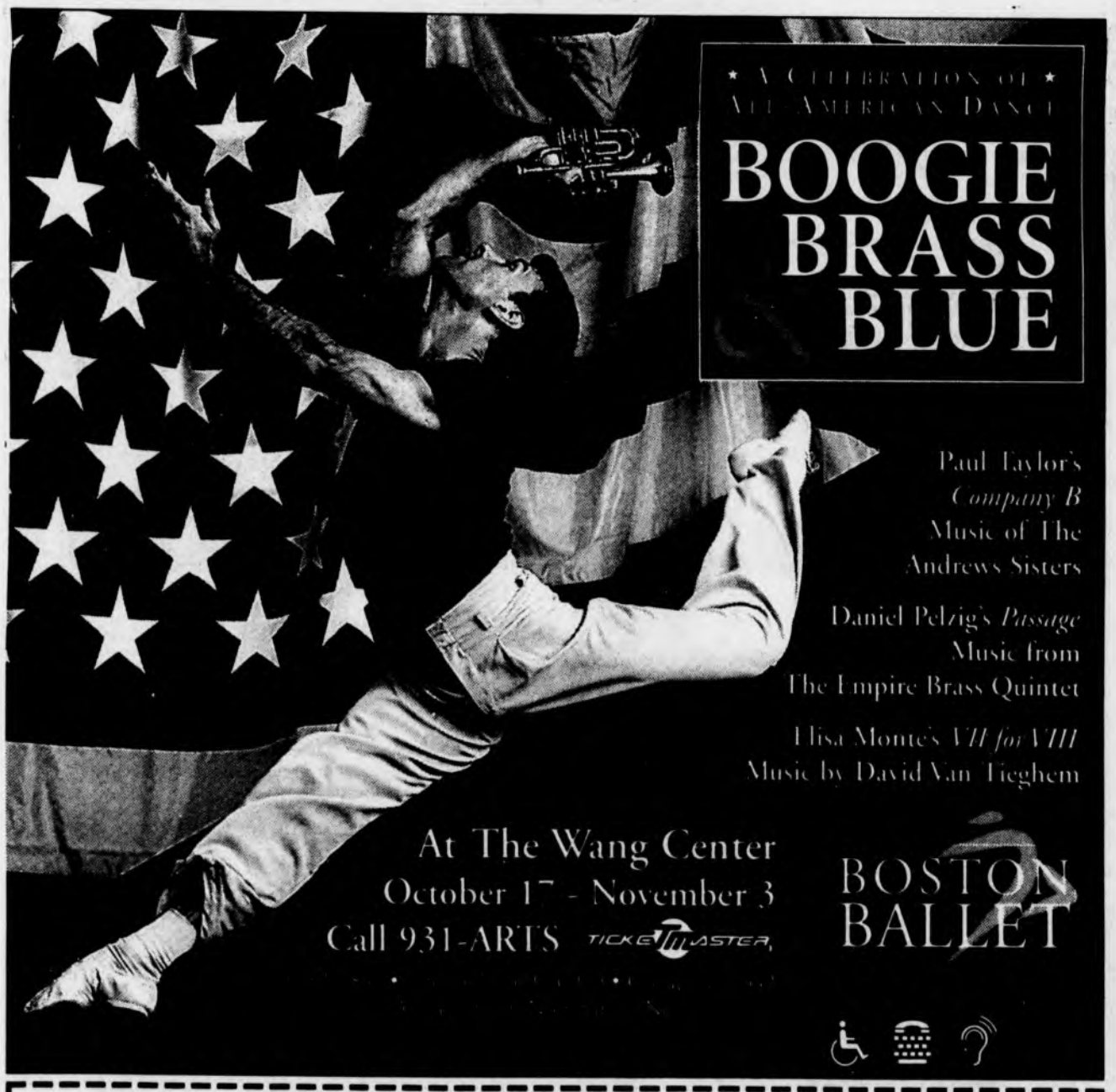
Diane Sullivan, who displayed a pair of white tennis shoes stained yellow from being washed with discolored water in her house, said her bill went from $97 to $327.

Commane said Mass-American will send its customers a sheet explaining the breakdown of the new bills which have five charges including a surcharge and charges for the treatment facility and maintenance.

Bills prior to the rate change reflected only a service charge and volume charge.

Selectmen said they would ask the state attorney general's office to look into the high rate charges. They also planned to check with town counsel to make sure that Cohasset users won't be charged more to offset lower charges for Hingham and Hull if those towns are successful in their appeal of the rate hike to the DPU. Cohasset did not join in that appeal under advice of counsel, who said it would be better for Cohasset to launch its own appeal based on water quality and service.

Selectmen also planned to ask Mass-American officials to their meeting Tuesday (Oct. 15) to explain the bills.



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"What happens is Eastern Edison helps to support this by paying the brunt of the costs. We pay about $9,000 and they pay around $12,000," Hart told the Mariner. He added that the amount of energy and money that will be saved over a two-year period should cover the costs of replacing the lights.

Sex offenders register

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Shore towns, where all persons involved with youth activities, such as coaches or scout leaders, submit to background checks. The local schools may do this, he noted, but are more likely to go through the Criminal History Systems Board, rather than through the Cohasset police.

While he supports the law, he is not sure it can withstand a court challenge.

"People have a right to know," Noonan said, calling the law a protection of victims' rights. Crimes against property are different from crimes against people, he said.

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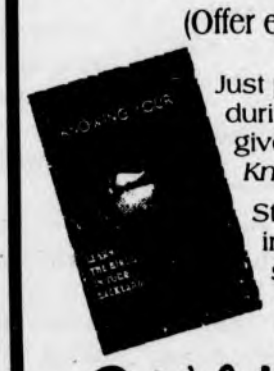
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The Gjestebys are in the news again!

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And that's not all the Gjesteby family news. **Kari Gjesteby** (Arne's sister) came all the way from Norway with her family, husband **Mikael Klinberg** and daughters to enjoy a lobster bake at the Gjesteby home over the weekend. Kari is a director of Norges Bank in Oslo and is former under secretary of state in the prime minister's cabinet.

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Janine DiTullio, staff writer on "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," attended the Emmy Awards as a nominee for "Best Writers of a Comedy Show." Her sister, **Lisa Swain** of Cohasset, attended as Janine's guest. They both enjoyed the glitz and excitement of the awards show, the Governor's Ball and a few days of California sunshine!

They thoroughly enjoyed the limo ride, red carpet treatment at Pasadena Civic Center and hobnobbing with the stars. Get this one — they even stood beside George Clooney while waiting for their limo after the ball.

Meanwhile, Janine is writing the monologues and sometimes the comedy skits on the show. She also does her stand-up — just did a gig at Caroline's in New York. Maybe next year Conan will win, then we will probably see Janine!

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VFW Post 9146 of Cohasset is going to hold a yard sale a week from Saturday, Oct. 19, at 211 North Main Street (the home of **William Higgins**). The hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., so you can start there and go on to others! They promise to have lots of good stuff, so make it a point to check it out!

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On Sunday, Oct. 20, there is going to be a special event. It's the 80th anniversary of Cohasset boy scouting. Troop 28 sent out invitations to more than 1,000 past and present residents who have benefitted from and contributed to their association. An afternoon of reminiscing, acknowledgements and renewed camaraderie is planned. The gathering will be held at Kimball's By-The-Sea from 1 to 5 p.m. There will be a reception from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by a chicken dinner from 2 to 3:30 p.m. The program, **"Scouting — Past, Present and Future,"** will take place from 3:30 to 5 p.m.

Great idea, isn't it?! We'll be sure to give you a full report!

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We certainly hope **Jan Brown** feels much better as she reads this. She is a patient at South Shore Hospital.

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Happy birthday greetings travel all the way to Maine this week. **Sue Fone** celebrated a birthday Oct. 8. We know it was a great one, because she is a great gal who deserves nothing but the best! Here's to many more happy birthdays, Sue! We love and miss you!

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Here is a request from **Cohasset Food Pantry.** They are in need of mayonnaise, canned fruit and vegetables, soup, jelly and jams, paper products, toothpaste, laundry detergent and toilet tissue. Don't forget, when you "buy one, get one free," give the free one to the Pantry!

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Oct. 20 is a big day for for **Marge** and **Harry Ritter,** who will be celebrating their 52nd wedding anniversary! Be sure to congratulate them when you see them. That is a wonderful happening indeed! Best wishes to a great couple!

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We were certainly saddened to hear of the passing of **Doris Tower,** who was part of a Cohasset legend that will always be remembered. She was the nicest lady, with a wonderful family — she surely will be missed. Our thoughts are with her family at this time.

See page 9

At the recent dedication of Alumni Field were Larry Shultz (field committee), school committee member JoAnne Chittick, School Supt. Steve Hart, athletic director Clark Chatterton, Gary Vanderweil (field committee), Wayne Sawchuk (field committee and clerk of the works), and Selectman Michael H. Sullivan. The new high school field is now being used for both day and night games.

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AROUND TOWN

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Karen Niessink and **Emily Henderson** sure did an admirable job of singing the National Anthem before last Friday night's football game! They were in perfect harmony, and that is hard to do with that song! It sure got the game off to a great start!

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Speaking of the game, once again it is time to remind people of their obligation to our new field. Please leave your dogs at home! It is amazing how people let their pets use the field as a "dumping ground" — maybe we should charge a fine for those doing so! Please respect all of the hard work of others, as well as the players who have to use the field!

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Last week **Cohasset Consignment Shop** manager **Andy Merrill** honored all the volunteers with a brunch at Kimball's. They do so much for the **Social Service League** with proceeds from the shop. Andy and her able crew deserve to be commended! Be sure to visit the shop on Route 3A and get yourself a real bargain while helping others! If you've never been there, you're in for a pleasant surprise!

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That's all there is to print this week. It is the season for news now, so please be sure to let us know yours! Give me a call!

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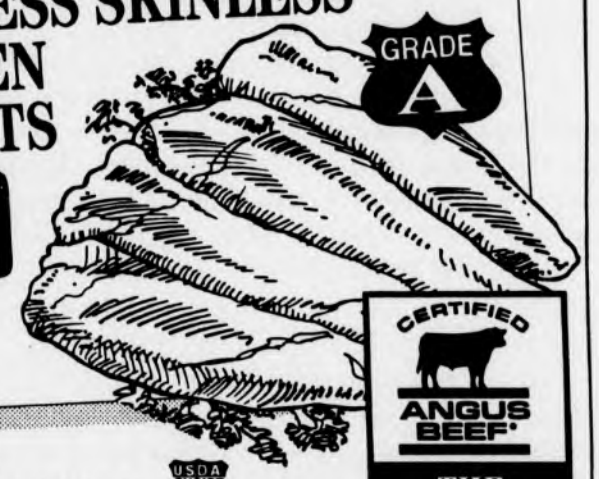

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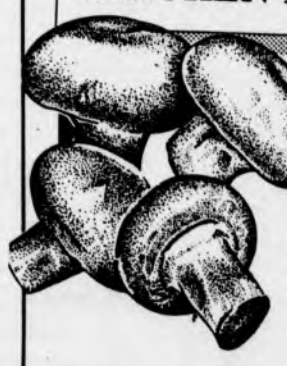

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EDITORIAL

Forum on village stop is Oct. 23

Time is growing short for the town to decide whether or not its train station should be in the village or out on Route 3A.

For planning purposes, the MBTA says it needs an answer in the next four to six weeks.

To that end, officials plan a public forum to address the station issue Oct. 23 in the town hall auditorium.

Will a train station in the village revitalize Cohasset's downtown? Will commuters walk to the station?

What impacts will the construction, blasting have? How about traffic?

If the station stays out on Route 3A at the former skating rink site, will it draw business and shoppers away from the village?

These are just a few of the many questions that residents have about a project which will play a significant role in town.

The train is going to change things. Some say, it's badly needed and will be a great asset while others think the train will destroy the town we love.

But no matter on which side of the tracks you stand — we think regarding the village station proposal, it's important that Cohasset citizens act on the assumption that the train is coming. That means those opposed to the train should put their feelings aside for the time being to help decide which station site is best.

If Cohasset gets the train and the station is built — the decision on where that stop ends up will be critical not only for us today but to future generations.

Our related survey question provided some interesting results (see page 11). We don't claim that it is scientific and recognize the fact that some people may have called in more than once. But we think it shows that Cohasseters are waking up to the village station issue.

Selectmen are grappling with how to tap public opinion. They are considering handing out "yes or no" ballots on the village station issue which registered voters would then drop into a ballot box as they sign in at the special town meeting Oct. 28.

But no matter what a vote shows — the onus is on the selectmen to make a final decision on the village station.

As Selectman Peter Pratt said: "This is the largest single discretionary decision facing the town in community planning in the later half of the 20th century."

Although the town and selectmen are split on the train — it's important that selectmen reach a consensus on the station issue, there's too much riding on it.

— Mary Ford
Editor

Thanks for Farmers' Market support

To the Editor:

The Farmers' Market is about to close for the year. We have heard several encouraging words from the many patrons, and we are looking forward to a successful market next year. The Farmers' Market was created through the work of Village revitalization efforts to bring more activity to Cohasset Village and create an open-air market atmosphere for the community. We feel we have established a new venue for commerce and community gathering.

The market would not have succeeded without the support of the many people who patronized the vendors; the diligent efforts of Anna Abbruzzese and Barbara Anglin; and support from Aquarius Sunrooms, Inc. and Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

Many individuals and organizations also contributed to the success of the Harvest Festival in Cohasset Village. We would like to thank Cohasset Rotary Club, Tedeschis and Mary Marciniak for their generous donations.

We would also like to thank the following, who helped with the many activities:

Stevermans Farm; Betty Kelley and her ponies; Rudolph Adamo Salon; South Shore Art Center; Cohasset News for their balloons; face painters Claire Cardel, Carol Deane and Gail and Kathy Flynn; South Shore Community Center; Seaside Gymnastics; Rockland Trust; Red Lion Inn; The Artist Son Gallery; Silver Spoon Café; Mark Purcell; businesses who joined the cooperative advertising effort; and local newspapers for their continuous support. The cooperation of Cohasset Police Department and the Highway Department was essential to the smooth Village transformation.

Cohasset Chamber of Commerce understands the importance of a cooperative community and business environment, and we are dedicated to future efforts such as the Farmers' Market. If you have any suggestions for the improvement of the market or possible future activities, please let us know.

Dean Rizzo, vice president,
Cohasset Chamber of Commerce

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cohasset Village station is a bad idea

To the Editor:

The plan to construct the train station, with its 450 car parking lot and 800 foot concrete platform, in Cohasset Village is definitely a mistake. This enormous lot (as large as the Music Circus') and platform (approximately the length of three football fields) will increase traffic and congestion of the narrow streets surrounding the village, not to mention the increased noise and pollution from the nine-car diesel trains stopping and starting in the village 24 times a day.

The need to cut trees, blast ledge, and demolish someone's home to make room for this parking lot, and the additional $3 million it would cost, makes this proposal ludicrous.

The assumption that it will help to re-vitalize the businesses downtown is wrong. Take a look at Quincy Center and see what the train station did for those businesses. Also, how many Cohasset residents are actually going to use the train, let alone walk to it? People will have to take their cars anyway.

The contention that the station will be "hidden" is wrong. You will be able to see it from South Main Street, Ripley Road, Pleasant (unless they close it off and erect a huge wall!) Depot Court and Brook St. The Common won't be as pleasant either, with the increase in noise, traffic and pollution so close by.

This is not Petticoat Junction we're talking about. This is the MBTA and the Red Line! I'm reminded of the song "They paved Paradise and put up a parking lot – You don't know what you've got 'til it's gone." Take a ride to Whitman, Abington or Randolph on Route 139 and see what these stations look like.

Please attend the next mitigation meeting and let our town officials know the townspeople of Cohasset want the station out of sight on Route 3A, not in the heart of Cohasset Village.

Rena Karp
91 S. Main St.

Flowerbox help appreciated

To the Editor:

The Village Renaissance Committee wishes to thank all those who helped make our recent "flowerbox project" a success. In particular, we thank Ann Whelan for organizing the project; Anna Abbruzzese and Francie Andrews for helping to select and plant the flowers; Lou Simeone and Bud Ahearn for building additional boxes to meet demand; and the village merchants for purchasing the boxes and tending the flowers. The colorful displays made strolling through the village a pleasure this summer.

Jacqueline Dormitzer
Chairman, Village Renaissance Committee

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Reader Survey question for October 10, 1996

Do you think the town of Cohasset should buy water from the Massachusetts-American Water Company and sell it to North Cohasset customers at the same rate other residents pay for town water?

Press 1 **No**

Press 2 **Yes**

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, Oct.15.

Results of Reader Survey question for October 3, 1996

Cohasset selectmen and the MBTA are considering having the train station in Cohasset Village which would be in lieu of the station now planned for Route 3A at the former skating rink site. Do you support a village train station?

Yes **55**

No **72**

Your comments:

The train is a travesty. To put it in downtown Cohasset will ruin our beautiful town.

The village station is a horrible idea. The 3A station is a little bit better. But the train will kill us financially. I vote to kill this project.

I'm very much in favor of a village station and it makes total sense in every way.

I think the train is a bad idea, but if it has to come, let it stop in the village.

I wish the selectmen would wake up and not just lay back and let this happen. I drive 3A every day, and I've lived here 6-1/2 years by choice. Quincy Square is fraught with accidents with people running for the train. The free cash fund in Cohasset will be gone and I hope we're ready to fight all these meritless lawsuits that are going to result, because we live in an litigious society. I grew up in Hyde Park and I chose to live here, and it was a quiet enclave in the city of Boston until the train came through. The complexion of the town changed, the taxes changed. It's not the same section of the city of Boston because of the traffic and the nightmare problems. This is not a good thing.

I'm very concerned about the traffic that would be coming into town to access the train. I've heard many contradictory statements from the mitigation committee and others interested in the relocation of the train site about people walking to the village which seems to be contradicted by adding 350 parking spaces to the village parking area. Although there are two committees working on this issue, no one has truly reached out in a survey such as this with regards to people who would be impacted by a downtown train station. Given the new nature of this proposal—one of the mitigation committee members it's only within the last 4 to 6 weeks that this idea has been in circulation—it's very important for the newspaper to alert people to this proposal. At least with the train on 3A we won't have more traffic downtown, particularly when you consider we'll also be dealing with the attendant backups when the train is passing through town 24 times a day.

The reason we don't need a train station in Cohasset Village is that everyone in the area will drive to our town to park in our area, all around the town, and along the streets, trying to find a cheap place to park. Some of the downtown merchants may think they'll stop in on the way to their cars they might stop in, that doesn't mitigate the difficulties and inconveniences for the townspeople. I strongly think we shouldn't have a station in downtown Cohasset.

I really don't believe the village is big enough for a train station, a platform, and a garage for 450 cars. I don't see how the train station will revitalize the village and bring shoppers in. I cannot envision people coming to Cohasset Village to shop. It's just going to be too cumbersome.

I'm new to town, but I think a village train stop would be excellent. I love the village but I think it needs a pick-me-up. It seems to be going no where. I love the idea that people can walk to the train. At Route 3A, no one can walk to the train station.

I am opposed to the village station. My main concern is traffic. In order for cars to reach the village, they pass through wholly residential roads: Main Street, Pond Street, Beechwood Street, Sohier Street are all residential roads. If the parking garage were on Route 3A, that is a road that's designed to handle traffic. At that site a parking garage could be built to handle even more cars. I don't think it will impact our property values one way or the other if we have the station in the village or on 3A. I do believe Cohasset residents will drive to the station no matter where it is. Therefore 3A is a better site.

I support a whistle-stop in Cohasset Center, but I'd also like to see a station on Route 3A because there's more area for parking.

I am not in favor of having the train station in Cohasset Village. I work in the Village 3, 4, 5 times a week. I find the parking is awful right now. I can hardly find a place at 9:30 in the morning. Let along if I work at noon, it's impossible to find a space in the parking lot. There are too many things going on at the Community Center and the Art Center that take up all the parking spaces. Plus everyone who works in town is supposed to park in back. I understand that 100 parking spaces will be allotted to the town. What prevents commuters from using the free spaces before they have to use the paid parking? That is my biggest complaint.

I think it will not add to the beauty of the village at all to put a station there. I think it won't bring business into the town. It'll be dirty, noisy, and dangerous. I don't want the train at all, but if it has to come, the station would be better on Route 3A. Thanks for having this survey.

I'm not in favor of a station in Cohasset Village. When I first heard the train is coming, and the station would be on 3A, I thought that didn't make any sense at all. When I worked in Boston, I took the bus. It was very convenient. I didn't have to shovel my car. But the more I've thought about the station downtown, while it might be nice to walk to the train, there's the rest of my life to think about, and my kids' lives. It won't revitalize the village. Having a parking lot with 450 cars rather than a parking lot for 100 cars, doesn't make sense for Cohasset. It will change the character of the village. There are so many children's activities right down by the station: two nursery schools, the art center, the community center, the teen center, the library. Kids on their bikes will have to deal with commuters rushing to the train.

Keep the train station on Route 3A. The traffic and pollution will be unbelievably horrible. Please don't ruin our village and the neighborhood adjoining it.

I will use the train to commute, and I will walk to the village station.

Greenbush is fiscally irresponsible

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

In the Oct. 3 issue of the Hingham Journal was an article entitled "Macmillan Still Touts Rail Tunnel Under the Square; MBTA Owns up to Noise Impacts." There were some astounding figures in regards to the total construction cost of the Greenbush restoration project. The original projected cost of $215 million in itself is probably outdated, taking into consideration inflation since the figure was originally quoted. And, if you add the cost of the Hingham tunnel (which Hingham will most probably get) of $100 million, plus an additional $3 million if the Cohasset station is moved downtown, plus the additional cost of capping the landfill in Scituate, plus a quarter of a million dollars for every four-way gate system which the MBTA has stated they will use on this line in lieu of disruptive train whistles, plus the amount of money which has already been spent prior to the actual appearance of the train, we could be talking about a project that will cost Massachusetts taxpayers a half a billion dollars, just to remove 1,300 cars from the roads! Include this cost with $20 million a year for maintenance of the line and it becomes almost unbearable.

The MBTA is out of control!

Massachusetts already has the third-highest debt load in the nation and 70 percent of this is attributable to the MBTA. The restoration of Greenbush is a mistake for many reasons but even its biggest supporters have to question whether the cost is justifiable considering the MBTA's own low ridership projections.

I have to ask if this is what Gov. Weld calls fiscal responsibility. Who does transportation secretary and MBTA Chairman James Kerasiotes answer to that he can spend the State's money without discipline? The answer is William F. Weld, our self touting, "fiscally conservative" governor.

Janyce Brown
39 Rocky Lane

Grace Gangemi shares some ice cream with her granddaughter, Cyle Gangemi, during a special grandparents day sponsored by the South Shore Community Center.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

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With The Candidates

High court awards primary victory to Delahunt

By ROB ROGERS
Cohasset Mariner

The state Supreme Judicial Court has upheld last Friday's decision by Superior Court Judge Elizabeth B. Donovan to name William Delahunt the Democratic candidate in the race to succeed Gerry Studds in the 10th Congressional District.

The six court justices ruled Tuesday that the 646 ballots cast by Weymouth voters using an antiquated punch-card system should be considered votes — as Donovan and the Delahunt campaign contended — and not blanks, as the Johnston campaign and a Sept. 30 recount claimed.

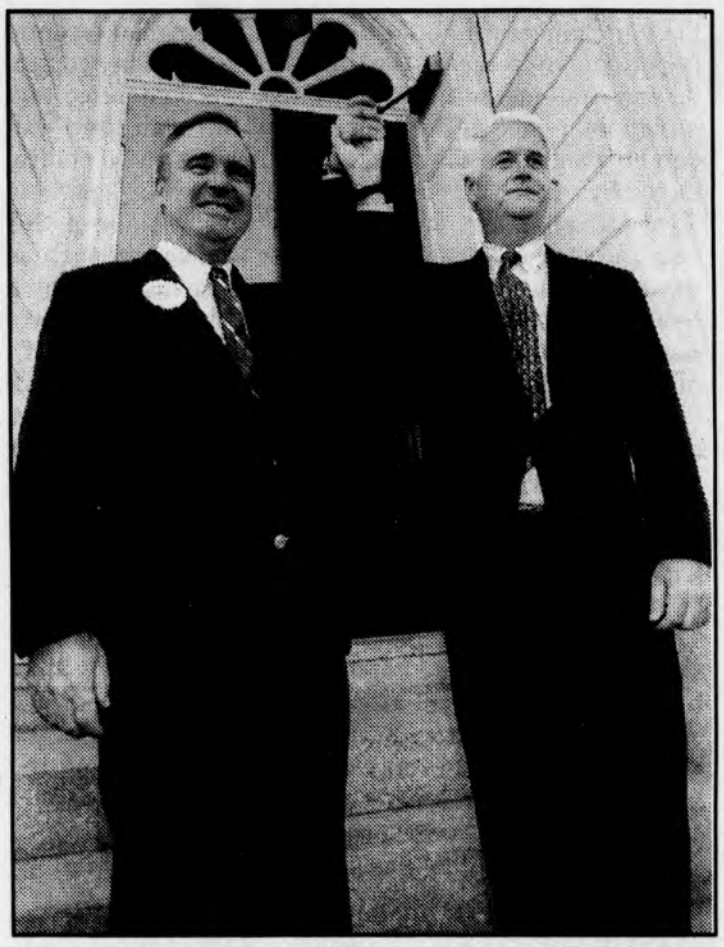
Last Friday, after examining 956 disputed ballots from nine communities, Donovan awarded 469 of the disputed votes to Delahunt and 177 to Johnston. The change meant that Johnston, declared the victor in the Sept. 17 primary by 266 votes, had now lost to Delahunt by 108.

"Now that the wishes of the Democratic voters has been made clear, it is time for the party to put the primary campaign behind it and gear up to help ensure a Democrat-controlled 105th Congress," Delahunt said in a prepared statement which referred to the three weeks since the primary as a "hiatus" caused by "faulty ballot counting machines."

Johnston conceded victory to Delahunt Tuesday afternoon.

"Although I disagree strongly with it, I accept the court's decision," Johnston said in a prepared statement. "I am very proud of the thousands of volunteers who produced a miraculous near-victory in this election. They worked hard because they're committed to a government which cares for its people. I will continue to work with them to bring about progressive change in our district and country. I congratulate Mr. Delahunt on his victory and wish him well."

Donovan announced her decision Friday at the very moment first lady Hillary Clinton and other Democratic leaders were pledging their support for Johnston at a Quincy rally.



***UNEASY ALLIES** William Delahunt and Phil Johnston, Democratic contenders for the 10th District Congressional seat held by retiring U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, pledge to support one another while awaiting the results of a state Supreme Judicial Court contest to determine which of them will be their party's nominee.*

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

"It was a majestic, jubilant demonstration, the happiest moment of [Johnston's] life," said Jane Lane, Johnston's press secretary. "And yet it was awful — I couldn't look at them — because at that point I knew."

Donovan's decision was merely the latest unpredictable turn of events in the Democratic campaign to succeed retiring U.S. Rep. Gerry Studds, D-Cohasset.

Long considered the likely victor in the primary, Delahunt, District Attorney for Norfolk County, urged his fellow Democrats on the night of Sept. 17 to "come together for the general election."

When Johnston narrowly defeated him at the polls, however, Delahunt — after some hesitation — called for a recount in six communities — including two, Weymouth and Brockton, in which voters cast an unusually high number of blank ballots. Observers had predicted large victories for Delahunt in Weymouth and Brockton. The Johnston campaign asked for recounts in three additional communities, including Cohasset.

The Sept. 30 recount reduced Johnston's lead to 175 votes, but kept the former state representative and New England director of health and human services squarely in the winner's circle. The Delahunt campaign challenged that recount in Plymouth Superior Court. Following Delahunt's court victory, Johnston appealed that decision before the Supreme Judicial Court.

Both Delahunt and Johnston agreed prior to yesterday's Supreme Judicial Court decision that the ruling would end the primary campaign, and that the loser of the court battle would support the victor as the Democratic candidate.

In a Monday press conference at the Weymouth Town Hall, both candidates declared their contention for the Democratic nomination has not sabotaged their party's chance to prevail against Republican candidate Ed Teague — described by one Boston newspaper as "the luckiest man in politics" — in the Nov. 5 election.

"[The controversy has] frozen political contributions to both of us," Johnston said. "But there is a silver lining to all this, in that all of you are here talking to us, and not Ed Teague. The last three weeks have focused on the Democratic drama, and in a political sense that could be helpful to us."

"Historically, the Democrats have had contentious primaries, and this has just been an extension of the primary," Delahunt said. "But after the primary is over, we always come together.

"If the Democratic voters had a tough choice between Phil Johnston and me, all the voters have an easy choice between my Republican opponent and me," Delahunt said, following the Tuesday decision.

Two hours after the candidates pledged their support for each other, attorneys for Delahunt and Johnston squared off before the Supreme Judicial Court.

Johnston's lawyer, Dennis Newman, argued that in order for the disputed ballots to be considered votes, the court must be able to "sufficiently establish with reasonable certainty the intent of the voter." Newman claims that in "90 to 95 percent" of the disputed ballots, no "reasonable certainty" can be established, because the ballots do not show a pattern of markings. One ballot, for example, might show a cleanly-punched hole for one office and an indentation for another.

Newman also suggested voters might have been confused by the presence of Assistant District Attorney Robert Delahunt, who is running for state Senate in the Plymouth-Norfolk District, on the ballot.

Delahunt's lawyer, Mike Mone, said in every case where a ballot is in question, the court should assume a vote was cast.

It would seem unlikely, Mone argued, that 20 percent of Weymouth's voters would brave a driving rainstorm on their way to the polls and then choose not to vote in the most hotly-contested race on the Democratic primary ballot. Discounting those disputed votes as blanks would disenfranchise Weymouth's voters, Mone said.

A representative from Secretary of State William Galvin's office told the court every day it delayed a decision on the primary vote past Wednesday would seriously impact the printing of absentee ballots for the general election.

Although Donovan's decision "suspended" the Johnston campaign's activities, Lane said she is confident the campaign will still be able to use donations from the Democratic National Committee and other major supporters to pay for expenses incurred since the primary. The campaign has established a separate legal defense fund to pay for the costs associated with the recount, Superior and Supreme Court cases.

Lane admitted it might be difficult, following Friday's heartbreak and the bitter words exchanged between the two campaigns in recent weeks, to support Delahunt should he win the courtroom battle.

"We'll just have to swallow our hard feelings and go forward for the greater good of the Democratic party," said Lane, who estimated the campaign's chances in Supreme Judicial Court as "50-50." "All of us are hurt by this, but we have to get over it quickly to ensure that Ed Teague does not take that seat."

Norma Fenochietti, a Johnston supporter who campaigned for Studds in 1972 and has since served with the state and national Democratic committees, said she had never experienced anything like the current 10th District campaign.

While she is confident her fellow Democrats will rally together and defeat Teague following the Supreme Judicial Court's decision, Fenochietti hopes the party can avoid such divisive contests in the future.

"The most I know is that the law in this state says if the margin of victory is less than half of one percent of the vote, a candidate can ask for a recount," Fenochietti said. "There's also a loophole that says if the margin of victory is greater, a candidate can ask for recounts in certain precincts, which is what happened here. I don't think that should happen. I think there should only be recounts across the whole district, the way the law is stated."

Bill Delahunt makes Cohasset appearance

Just two hours after a Superior Court judge ruled Bill Delahunt the winner in the Sept. 17 Democratic congressional primary, the Norfolk County district attorney made a Cohasset appearance.

Delahunt's nephew, Robert Delahunt, a democrat of Weymouth was about to debate incumbent state Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, at the Second Congregational Church Friday evening when Bill Delahunt arrived and sat quietly in the back of the room.

However, the Fox network (Channel 25) news anchorman and TV camera and were soon on the scene to grab Bill Delahunt for a comment about the judge's decision. Phil Johnston of Marshfield immediately appealed the superior court judge's ruling naming Delahunt the winner but Tuesday, the state Supreme Court upheld her decision (see related story this page).

The debate, which will be televised on cable-TV at a date and time to be announced, was sponsored by the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce. Wigmore Pierson served as moderator and questions were posed to the candidates by Mary Ford, editor of the Cohasset Mariner; Andrew Nelson, reporter for the Patriot Ledger; and Paula Knowles of the TinyTown Gazette.

The candidates debated Greenbush, worker's compensation, county government and charter schools among other issues.

School News

PSO help sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

Health advisory group to meet

The Cohasset Health Education Advisory Committee will meet for the first time this year at 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 21 in room 206 at Cohasset High School.

Any parent or resident interested in promoting health education in the schools is welcome. The committee meets four times a year. For more information, call Mike Gill, 383-6103.

Family health program slated

Project Safeguard is a family approach to adolescent health-related issues and substance abuse. The Cohasset Jr./Sr. H.S.'s seventh grade class will attend this program during regular school hours. Workshops will address issues of self-esteem, harassment, drug and alcohol prevention, peer pressure etc. Seventh grade parents are urged to attend and sixth grade parents are invited to volunteer and view what may be on the agenda for next year.

The program goals are:

— to provide an environment for parent/student interaction

— to improve parent/student communication

— to strengthen self esteem of parents & students

— to foster community awareness and commitment to family issues/values

— to build skills in young people that will empower them to more successfully avoid harmful choices.

This approach to prevention education is unique because it brings students and parents together at an off-school site for an all-day conference. The sessions will be located in churches around the Common as well as the auditorium in Cohasset Town Hall. The material to be covered during the program has also been reviewed and approved by the seventh grade team and Jr./Sr. High Principal Curtis Collins.

This will be an important day for your child and the Health Education Program, and the entire seventh grade team are hopeful that at least one parent of each child will attend. If that is not possible, parents may want to designate a family member/friend to accompany their child for the day.

Further information and registration form will be forthcoming; in the meantime, please mark your calendars for Wednesday, Oct. 16, 7:45 a.m. to 1:40 p.m., and reserve the day to participate in the Cohasset education process and help make learning a family experience.

This program is being funded with grant money as well as additional money from The P.A.L.S. for wellness program (Police Assisting Local Schools) which is administered by Police Chief Brian Noonan and Health Education Coordinator, Michael Gill.

Open house at Notre Dame

Notre Dame Academy, 1073 Main St., Hingham, will hold an open house Sunday, Oct. 27, from 1 to 5 p.m. All interested girls and their parents are invited to attend. Notre Dame is a Catholic college-preparatory high school for young women.

Visitors will have an opportunity to meet with students, faculty and administrators and take guided tours of the school. Registration for the Archdiocesan entrance exam set for Saturday, Dec. 14, will also take place. The exam will be administered at Notre Dame.

For more information regarding the open house or exam registration, call the admissions office at 749-5930.

Derby open house set

Derby Academy, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham, has scheduled an open house for visitors Tuesday, Oct. 22, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the school library. Jay Sadlon, director of admissions, and Linda Wakeman, parents' association admissions liaison, have planned the event as an informal introduction for parents interested in learning more about the pre-K through grade 9 school.

Headmaster Edward Foley will give parents an overview of Derby's educational program, and Sadlon will review the application process. Parents of current Derby students will lead visitors on tours of the campus, and division heads and faculty will be on hand to answer questions during and after the tours.

Those interested in attending the event may call the school office at 749-0746.

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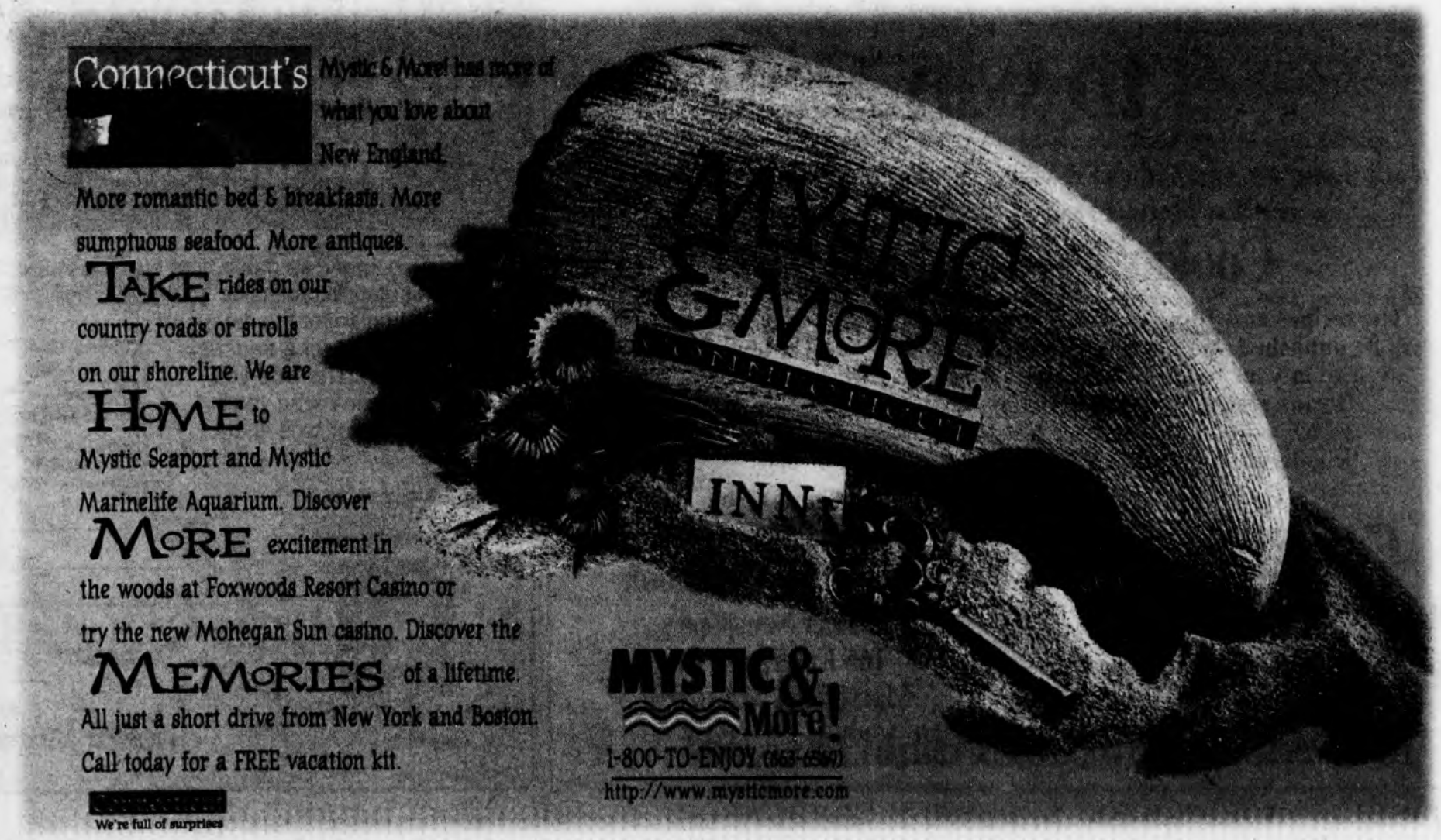

Articles reviewed for Special Town Meeting

By JASON BOUFFARD
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen had a long list of decisions to make in preparation for this month's Special Town Meeting.

Last Wednesday night, the board met at Town Hall to deliberate on a list of 41 articles which the town will vote on at the Oct. 28 meeting. With help from Advisory Board representative Roger Whitley and Town Accountant Michael Buckley, Selectmen Merle Brown, Nancy Roth, Peter Pratt, Michael Sullivan and Roseanne McMorris rendered their decisions on most of the articles. Particular attention was given to the strains each article would place on the town's free cash fund.

After its deliberation, the board estimated its free cash expenditures at about $659,000, not far off from the target amount.

The effort to keep the free cash budget in control is at odds with an attempt to finance articles with borrowed funds. Whitley expressed a desire to borrow less this year than in the past.

Slightly more than one-third of the articles will be funded by free cash, while less than one out of 10 will require borrowed funds. Other sources of funding include state funding, taxation, overlay surplus, water revenue and water debt service.

While many articles were approved unanimously by the board, other issues sparked lengthy debate.

The board's support divided over the issue of the purchase of 12 handheld two-way radios for use by the Fire Department. The request, put forth by Fire Chief Roger Lincoln, would require a $12,000 free cash investment.

After discussing the article, the board voted 3-2 to allow that six radios be purchased, instead of the proposed 12. Some board members asked why 12 were needed when fewer than 12 fire-fighters are normally on-duty at one time.

Selectman Michael Sullivan went to task with the idea that the radios would be housed in the fire station, as opposed to remaining at all times with town fire fighters. Emergency communication equipment housed in the fire station would in no way increase the safety of fire fighters at the scene of a fire, he said. He argued that the $12,000 article was useless unless a more appropriate plan was adopted for the use of the equipment.

But Selectman Peter Pratt argued that the fire chief should be allowed to decide on the best way to use fire safety equipment. He cited that most fire fighters killed in the line of duty lose their life due to breakdowns in communication at the fire scene. Two-way radios would improve communication and increase safety for fire fighters, Pratt said.

Other notable issues included the 3-1 decision not to approve an article intended to allow the town to hire a project manager to direct ongoing major capital projects, such as the construction of the new elementary school and the DPW garage, as well as sewer and water projects.

Although Selectman Pratt argued that the level of construction activity justified the need for a project manager, other board members felt the issue should be further researched before a decision is rendered.

A motion to research the project manager issue was formally put forth by Selectman Sullivan.

Also of note was the board's approval of an article submitted by the Board of Health enabling the town to hire consultants to conduct inspections of all property serviced by on-site wastewater disposal systems. The plan will begin the process of upgrading septic systems throughout Cohasset, and a subsidy program for homeowners in need of septic system improvements will be developed in the future.

The board also discussed the need to research the possibility of eliminating town-owned buses in lieu of rented buses. Board Chairman Merle Brown stated that most neighboring towns now rent these vehicles, while Cohasset still purchases its own buses.

Appalachia Service Project registrations to close soon

The Cohasset Appalachia Service Project has begun preparations for its ASP '97 summer workcamp trip. Following a meeting on Sept. 22, the group received 24 teenage registrations. Forty-eight can be accommodated. However, there will be a cut-off date this year, and any teenage registrations received after Nov. 1 will be placed on a waiting list.

Registration packets are available at the following churches: First Parish, St. Anthony's, St. Stephen's and Second Congregational and may also be picked up in the main office at Cohasset High School. There is room for several more adults. Registrations for college age "CITS" will taken in March.

For further information, call Gary Ritts at 383-0345 or 383-1422.

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Senior Scene

Old and rare books is topic

Cohasset Elder Affairs will sponsor a lecture, "Treasures in your Attic: Old and Rare Books," Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Senior Center, 3 North Main St.

Kenneth Gloss, proprietor of the nationally known Brattle Book Shop in Boston, will speak at about 1:40 p.m., following the council's luncheon.

Gloss will bring to the lecture several examples of interesting books, magazines and ephemera from the store's private collection, including a 1912 World Series scorecard and old Life magazines.

For further information, call Brattle Book Shop at (800) 447-9595.

Two free flu clinics offered

Two free flu clinics will be held in October, sponsored by the Social Service League of Cohasset and Cohasset Board of Health. The first will be held Saturday, Oct. 19, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Bates Hall, Second Congregational Church, and the second clinic is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26, at Cohasset Town Hall.

Senior citizens will have the opportunity to receive flu shots before the townwide clinics as follows:

Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., at the Senior Center and Friday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to noon at Harborview senior housing, 60 Elm St.

Pneumonia vaccine will be available to individuals age 65 and older and those with chronic heart or lung conditions. The pneumonia vaccine is a one-time vaccination except in rare cases where a physician is required to make an evaluation. The clinics will administer first-time vaccinations only.

The Mass. Department of Public Health is also providing tetanus vaccine and is urging those who have not had tetanus booster in the last 10 years to do so at the flu clinic.

All three of the above vaccines can be administered simultaneously with few or no side effects. There is no charge for any of the immunizations.

For further details, call the League office at 383-0771 or 383-0821 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Elder Affairs news is noted

Seniors are invited to participate in the **SHARE** (Self Help and Resource Exchange) program. For $14 and two hours of volunteer work a month, a food package worth $30 to $35 is available. A typical package consists of meat, fruit and vegetables.

A smaller order is available for $8, which suits a single individual or small family.

Income is not a deciding factor, and the program is not government-subsidized. Cash only is accepted as payment.

Sign-ups will be held Oct. 7-11, from 9 a.m. to noon, at the Senior Center.

Oct. 19 is bagging day at 141 Will Drive, Canton, and Oct. 26 is distribution day at Deer Hill School from 8 to 10 a.m. Individuals may sign up for the next month's food package at the same time.

Suggestions for volunteering include serving and assisting with senior lunches Tuesday or Thursday, driving the senior shuttle, bagging fruit and vegetables at the SHARE warehouse on Will Drive and assisting seniors with shopping.

For more information, call John Kierce at 383-2067 or Rose Kierce at 383-0578.

"Classrooms Without Walls," sponsored by Quincy College, are being held at the Council on Aging, 3 North Main St. They include An Afternoon with Robert Frost; Broadway, Here We Come!; Women's Writers; and Major Religions of the World (dates to be announced).

Fall classes include step aerobics, low-impact exercise, easy exercise, luncheon at noon Tuesdays and Thursdays), chi gong, Walking with Ginny, computers, woodworking, gourmet cooking (2nd and fourth Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m.). knitting, book discussion group, 55 Alive and "Stretch and Strengthen" (introduction to yoga) with Mary Jane Butura.

A **flu and pneumonia clinic** is set for Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 10 a.m.

For transportation during the month of October, call 383-9112 or 9116. Out-of-town trips are planned from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 7, Braintree Mall; Wednesday, Oct. 9, Hanover Mall; Wednesday, Oct. 16, S.S. VoTech, Hanover; Wednesday, Oct. 23, Christmas Tree Shop, lunch at Lou's, Marshfield.

Cohasset Elder Affairs is developing a new **Elder Advocacy Specialist Service** consisting of a small group of volunteers who will provide assistance to frail and needy elders in the community.

The time commitment is flexible. Those interested in volunteering are asked to call Cathy Glenzel at 383-9116.

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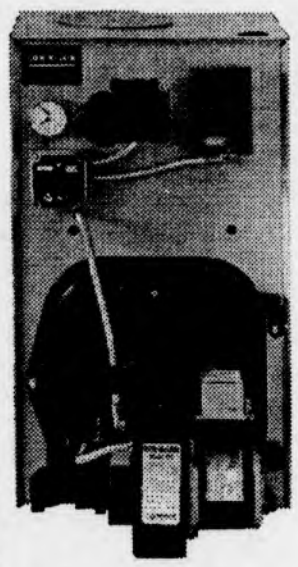

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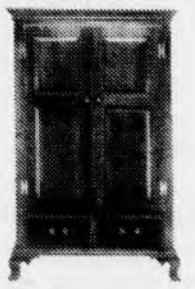

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PERSONAL FINANCE

A financial education:

How to pay the freight for your child's undergraduate degree

Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

These days, you can't find a parent of a young child who isn't biting nails off about college costs. With good reason: a four-year degree at a private college or university — never mind graduate studies — could cost more than $130,000 by the time your 7-year-old goes off to school, according to the College Board, a college cost-tracking firm in New York City.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

There may be a rich few for whom this kind of money represents an out-of-pocket expense, but most of us must plan well in advance to pay these bills. Mutual funds — particularly growth-stock funds — are still the best way to save for college over anything but the very short run, says Don Phillips, editor of Morningstar Mutual Funds. "Yes, you've got a little more risk, but you're also likely to get a better return," he says. The right funds can even help parents who get a late start accumulate a respectable pool of money for their kids. "The main thing is to get started," says Lisa Osofsky, a CPA and financial planner in Iselin, N.J. "Then at least you have a base to build on."

Dollar cost averaging (investing a set amount each month or quarter) can minimize the impact of market volatility. Most mutual funds have automatic investment plans, which draw regular contributions as low as $50 from your bank account.

The amount you'll need to invest will vary according to your income, your child's age, and how much of the bill you intend to pay. Say you have a 7-year-old daughter. If college, tuition, room, and board continues to rise at their current rate — about 6 percent annually — her total four-year tuition will be nearly $54,000 at a public school, and more than $130,000 at a private one. To raise $130,000, you'll need to set aside about $7,105 a year until she graduates in an investment that returns at least 6 percent annually.

That's a sizable chunk of money, which is a good reason for turning to stocks. Bonds and other fixed-income instruments may be less risky, but putting your money in bonds paying 3 to 4 percent annually won't give you the returns you need. Phillips's personal favorite for college savings is Vanguard U.S. Growth, a large-cap stock fund with a $3,000 minimum investment. It's got low fees and solid one-,three-, and five-year total returns. Another reason Phillips likes it is that it's full of well-known stocks like Walt Disney, the kind kids are likely to recognize. "It's a good way to share with them how you're saving," he says.

Washington, D.C., financial planner William Brennan likes Mutual Shares and Mutual Qualified, because in addition to growth, they offer limited amounts of taxable income. Brennan says, "My overall strategy is to try to keep the income down and focus on growth."

What should you avoid? Obviously, speculative or high-risk funds aren't suitable for something as sensitive as your child's education. Save for the sector funds, small-cap, biotech, or start-up company funds for money you're less likely to need. You should also resist the urge to try to time the markets. Once you've selected a strategy or investment, stick with it. If you have less than 10 years before your child's freshman year, start moving some of your money into fixed-income funds. Jeff Merriman, vice president of Merriman Investment Management in Seattle, suggests dividing your investment between a fund like the Vanguard Index Trust 500 and a conservative bond fund.

When your kids are within five years of college, consider short-term bond funds. Vanguard Fixed Short-Term Federal invests in bonds with maturities under three years and returns averaging 7 percent. And don't forget U.S. Treasury bills. You can now lock in a five-year rate of 7 percent — not bad if you want a guaranteed return up to the moment you send your child off to school. By the time junior is a senior in high school, most advisers recommend switching to a more liquid investment, like a money market fund, to

Airline clubs offer civilized travel

By Bruce Williams

DEAR BRUCE: The other day I was on an airplane making a connection in Houston. We were told that we were arriving on time, but

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that the connection from Houston to Los Angeles was going to be several hours late due to a mechanical problem. The man in the seat next to me said something to the effect of, "Well, I guess I'll go hang out in the club." I raised an eyebrow and asked, "What are you talking about? What club?" He said that all the airlines have private clubs in the airport, and that he was a member.

At the time I didn't think to ask, but now I am wondering why they would have a private club. How do you get to be a member? I had to sit outside in the terminal with screaming kids and all kinds of noise, and when I met him on the next leg, he told me had taken a bit of a rest and had a drink in a quiet atmosphere. What's the deal here? I feel I have been discriminated against. — C.W., Boulder, Colo.

DEAR C.W.: No discrimination here. Anybody can join the clubs at the airports, and most of the major airlines have them. The cost can range from $150 to $250 per year, or if you prefer, you can get a lifetime membership for substantially more. In addition, Northwest Airlines Clubs are available to any of their passengers owning an American Express platinum card.

Most of the clubs have complimentary soft drinks and pretzels, coffee, sweet rolls, muffins, and mixed drinks at the bar. They also have fax machines, many telephones, comfortable chairs, television, and clean bathrooms. Regular travelers, this writer included, generally belong to two or three clubs. That way you can find a club you belong to at almost every airport.

For casual travelers, the expense can be substantial, but for regular travelers who fly many times a year, club membership is an absolute requirement for civilized travel.

(Bruce Williams is a syndicated columnist. Send your questions to: Smart Money, P.O. Box 503, Elfers, Fla., 34680. Questions of general interest will be answered in future columns. Owing to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.)

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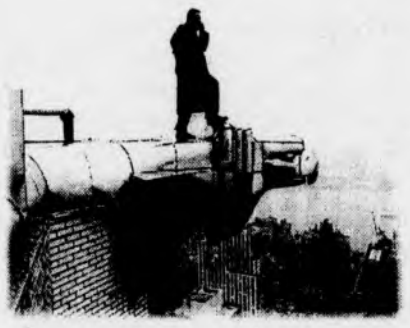

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Mariner Sports

'Luck isn't on our side'

Lady Skippers suffering tough season on the soccer field

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

The closer the game, the more frustrating things become for the Cohasset High girls soccer team.

The Lady Skippers, for example, played both South Shore League powers Abington and Hanover tough for the opening half of their matches, locked in ties of 1-1 and 0-0, respectively. However, Cohasset's strong defense just couldn't hold up under the relentless attacks of the two much deeper squads and finally succumbed to the pressure.

It has been *that* kind of season for the 1-9-1 Cohasset squad and its head coach Maureen O'Day-Clark.

"Luck isn't on our side this time around," said O'Day-Clark, whose team qualified for the Division 3 South Sectional tourney just one short year ago.

The Lady Skippers have been overrun with injuries to key players all season and it has taken a nasty toll. There are currently five starters nursing some sort of injury. And with just four substitutes, O'Day-Clark doesn't have a deep bench in which to work with.

Netminder Catie Campbell makes a diving stop in the Cohasset High girls soccer team's lone victory of the season over Hull.

Staff Photo/Alan Chapman

She admits the losses have taken their toll on the team, though the girls have continued to work hard in practice and games.

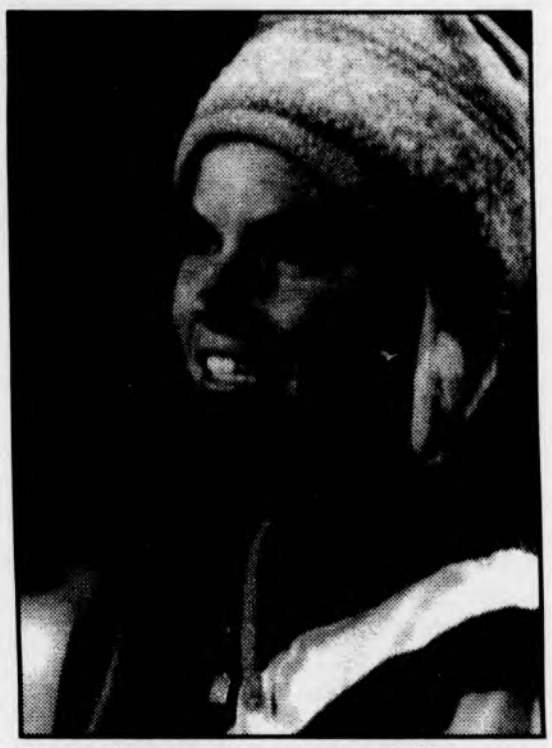
"When you get this far down it's hard to pull yourself out," O'Day-Clark said. "We're trying to keep our spirits up. It's all you really can do."

Tuesday's 1-0 loss to Norton was also a backbreaker for the Lady Skippers. The tally came on a fluke shot that trickled in. Cohasset had its opportunities to score, but just couldn't find the back of the nest when the offense was in the Lady Lancers' end.

O'Day-Clark has been pleased with the play of many team members. Ali Kinchla and Andrea Freeman have both played their usual consistent defense and Alex DeRosa has done a fine job in goal with usual starter Catie Campbell now playing out of the net.

With such a young team, many of the more inexperienced players have had more than their share of playing time, which can only be a plus in the coming seasons.

"It's important to have the young kids out there," O'Day-Clark said. "There's nothing much you can do about the injuries we've had."



Lady Skippers' head coach Maureen O'Day-Clark watches from the sidelines as the Cohasset soccer team battles on the field.

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Cohasset Skippers drop homecoming game

By JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

The Cohasset football Skippers varsity football team showed improvement last week, but suffered another defeat, this one at the hands of the Norton Lancers, by a score of 28-6. The game, which was Cohasset's Homecoming, was played in front of a sizable crowd, the biggest yet at the new Cohasset Alumni Field.

Despite its defeat, Cohasset did draw first blood. Early in the first quarter, senior co-captain Grant Emde broke free for a 28-yard scramble to the Cohasset 31-yard line. Then, senior Matt Belson burst through a gaping hole in the left side of the offensive line, cleared out by Chad Whitman and John Kasameyer. Belson bolted 80 yards for the touchdown, his third of the season, but not without a key block by Raheem Shepard, who hustled from the opposite side of the field to make the hit. However, the two-point conversion was stuffed and the Skippers would not score again.

When Norton got the ball back, Cohasset buckled down to play good defense. Sophomore Justin Golden showed textbook form on a backfield tackle, dropping Norton for a four-yard loss. Jamie Buick hustled from around end to make a tackle on the opposite side of the line. A trio of seniors, Belson, Doug Cameron and Matt Conley, combined to make a third down tackle, forcing a Norton punt.

However, Cohasset couldn't get moving on offense and was forced to punt. In a strange play, the punt was blocked, touched by Norton, then recovered by Kevin Duffy, resulting in a Cohasset first down. On third and two, Belson broke three tackles along the sideline to gain the first. Jamie DeMichele rolled for six yards, but the Skippers again punted. Sophomore

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Hurley is Queen of 'Skipper Nation'

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

Seventeen-year-old Jo Hurley had the usual reaction when it was announced last Friday night that she was Cohasset High's 1996 Homecoming Queen.

"I was shocked," said Hurley, the captain of the Lady Skippers' field hockey team. "It's something I'll always remember."

Hurley, along with Homecoming King Kevin McKenna, who captains the boys soccer team, were presented a tiara and crown, respectively, along with gifts of flowers and other presents.

Hurley and McKenna learned they were nominated for the positions at that afternoon's pep rally along with Lauren Cassino, Catie Campbell, Erica Hettstrom, Grant Emde, Matt Belson and Tom Forbes-Kittle.

Interestingly enough, all the nominees are involved in one sport or another. Besides Hurley and McKenna, Cassino is captain of the cheerleading squad, Hettstrom is an All-Star gymnast, Forbes-Kittle is on the soccer team, Emde plays lacrosse and Belson is a member of the football squad.

Hurley is currently on the lone fall team that has the best shot at qualifying for the postseason. Both soccer teams are having sub-par seasons after graduating a crop of key players from last year's tournament teams. The football team is struggling in its games after returning to the South Shore League following a seven-year hiatus.

"We have a good chance at qualifying for the tournament," Hurley said. "We have to win four more games."

Cohasset's newest Homecoming Queen plans on playing on the girls lacrosse team this spring, and after graduating, hopes to attend either Boston College or Holy Cross.

Until then, however, she's the Queen of Skipper Nation.

Homecoming King and Queen Kevin McKenna (second from right) and Jo Hurley (center) were crowned at halftime of last Friday night's football game against Norton. Those seniors nominated included Catie Campbell, Lauren Cassino, Erica Hettstrom, Tom Forbes-Kittle, Grant Emde and Matt Belson.

Mariner Sports

Youngsters in the South Shore Community Center Dance Program are placed in an environment where group work and friendship is emphasized.

Skippers drop game

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Mike Rossi put some leg into it, launching it 35 yards.

The Lancers finally got moving, as Shane McCauley rushed into the end zone from eight yards out. The extra point made it 7-6, Norton. On Norton's next possession, Adam Puller also scored from eight out. The second quarter finally ended for the Skippers after McCauley knotched another TD for the Lancers, bringing the total to 21-6. In the third quarter, Cohasset's defense held Norton to one score, a 19-yard TD run by Puller and it ended that way, 28-6, as neither team could push it over in the fourth frame.

Throughout the game, Cohasset was haunted by offsides penalties and poor tackling technique. Coach Knurek emphasized that in his simple postgame quote. "If we learn to stay on onsides on offense and wrap our tackles on defense, we'll be competitive."

Now 0-3, the Skippers journey to Scituate Friday to face the Sailors. The game will be played at 7 p.m.

Indoor golf lessons

The Cohasset Recreation Department in conjunction with the Scituate Recreation Department will accept registrations via phone for adult indoor golf lessons, scheduled to begin Thursday evening, Nov. 7.

Lessons are five weeks, meeting one-hour weekly and cost $65 per person. Classes are limited to 10 and registrations are accepted on a first enrolled basis. Should you require use of golf clubs for the classes, please indicate this at the time of your registration and we will loan you clubs for the classes free of charge.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Dan Neary will be the golf pro teaching this session, which will be held at the Cushing Elementary School, off Route 3A, Scituate. Classes will be held Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12. Class times are at 6 and 7 p.m.

Girls night out

Girls night out will be held Friday, Oct. 18, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. for ages 5 to 8 years old. The cost is $15. Limited sign up, so sign up today.

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Adult programs

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Men's Under 35 Basketball — Gates Jr. High School. Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 21. $25. Checks payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's Over 35 Basketball — Gates Jr. High School. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25. Checks payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

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To register or for further details, please call either the Cohasset or Scituate Recreation Departments at 383-6791 or 545-8738, respectively.

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GYMNASTICS

South Shore Community Center still has a few openings in the following gymnastics classes:

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Tuesday, 3:15 to 4:15 p.m., Gymnastics for Boys, ages 5 through 7.

Call Ruthann Ardizzoni, 383-0088, for registration information.

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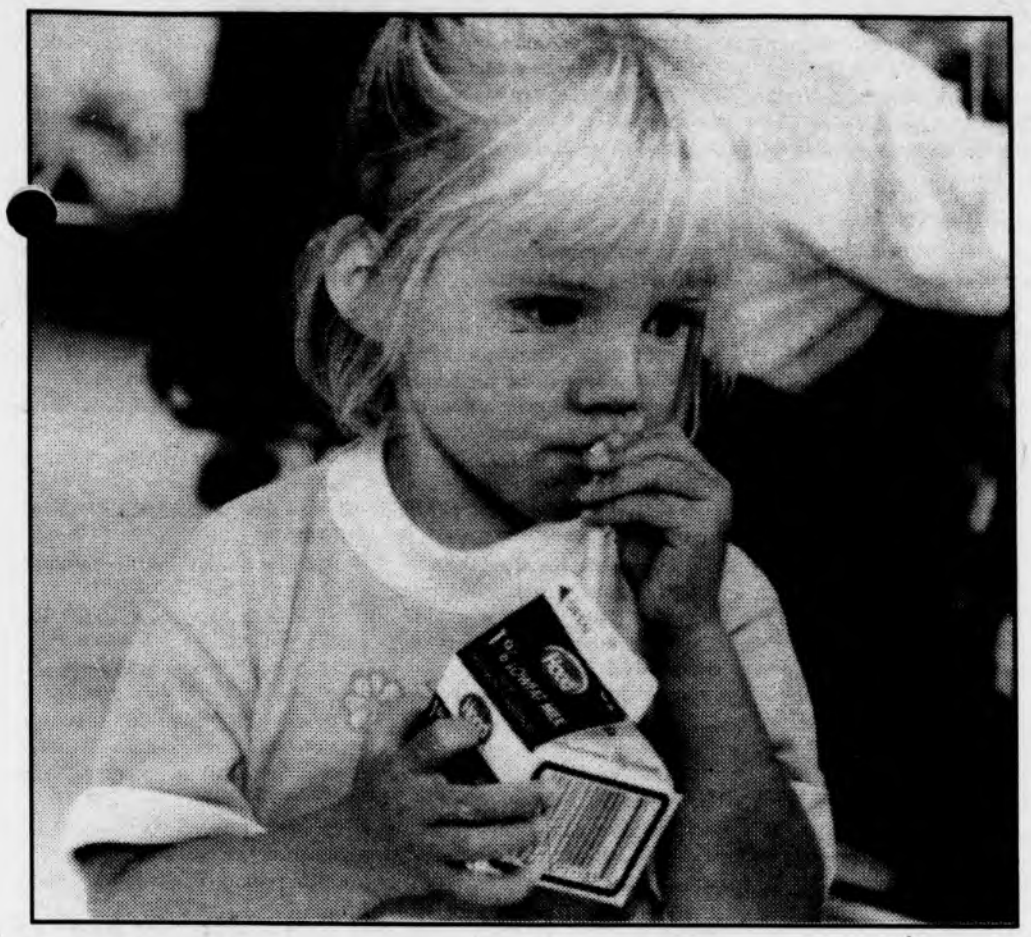

Four-year-old Jennifer Spofford knows milk goes perfect with pancakes during the annual soccer breakfast.
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6:42 a.m., MV stop, N. Main/Dolan Lane.

6:47 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:12 a.m., MV stop, Square.

8:53 a.m., MV violations, area of Cove.

1:20 p.m., disturbance, Elm St.

2:46 p.m., assist motorist, Cushing Plaza.

3:58 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.

4:44 p.m., medical aid, Pond St.

5:56 p.m., annoying phone calls, King St.

7:30 p.m., MV violations, Sohier St.

7:32 p.m., medical aid, Buttonwood Ln.

7:56 p.m., MV violations, Pond St.

Friday, Sept. 27

1:45 a.m., open door/window, CJC Hwy.

2:18 a.m., arrest, Sandy Beach Lot.

2:22 a.m., arrest, HQ, Paul F. Earle, 111 Lazell St., Whitman, WMS warrant.

2:34 a.m., protective custody, Sandy Beach.

6:42 a.m., MV stop, Cedar St.

6:48 a.m., MV stop, Summer St.

6:55 a.m., MV stop, Stanton Rd.

7:02 a.m., MV stop, Summer St.

7:16 a.m., MV stop, Summer St.

7:41 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

9:10 a.m., medical aid, Erving Rd.

9:18 a.m., disturbance general, Beechwood St.

11:06 a.m., noise complaint, Jerusalem Rd.

11:26 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

3:02 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.

3:23 p.m., general services, HQ.

6:08 p.m., medical aid, Fernway.

6:27 p.m., gas leak, Jerusalem Rd.

7:17 p.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ocn.

7:47 p.m., notification, S. Main St.

Saturday, Sept. 28

7:33 a.m., vandalism, Lamberts Ln.

12:47 p.m, officer wanted, Elm St.

5:20 p.m., animal complaint, Lighthouse Ln.

5:21 p.m., notification, S. Main St.

6:23 p.m, MV accident, First Parish Rd.

7:51 p.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.

11:36 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

Sunday, Sept. 29

12:00 a.m., suspicious person, Brook St.

12:36 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

1:01 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

1:13 a.m., suspicious person, Beechwood St.

2:18 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:25 a.m., arrest, Paul Waters, 45 Elm Ave., Hull, DOB: 8/14/59, Charges; OUI.

6:57 a.m., general services, Mendel Rd.

9:09 a.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.

9:57 a.m., assist motorist, Elm St.

10:04 a.m., well-being check, N. Main St.

11:05 a.m., property (lost), Pond St.

12:52 p.m., larceny, Margin St.

1:00 p.m., parking violation, CJC Hwy.

2:20 p.m., assist citizen, Pond St

2:28 p.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

3:59 p.m., threats (bodily harm), Ledgewood Dr.

5:02 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:14 p.m., general services, Beechwood St.

9:08 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

9:14 p.m., medical aid, First Parish Rd.

9:42 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

Monday, Sept. 30

12:20 a.m., MV stop, Brewster Rd.

12:55 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

6:32 a.m., suspicious (other), Square.

7:43 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St. by Anthony's.

9:13 a.m., animal complaint, area of 318 Forest Ave.

9:15 a.m., fire inspections, CJC Hwy.

9:50 a.m., general services, Beach St.

1:44 p.m., assist motorist, Beach St.

2:00 p.m., fire prevention detail, around town.

5:09 p.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave.

5:58 p.m., suspicious auto, Ripley Rd.

7:52 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

9:14 p.m., medical aid, N. Main St.

10:20 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Common.

Tuesday, Oct. 1

12:26 a.m., assist other PD, North Main/Woodside.

4:15 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

9:20 a.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

11:05 a.m., public service, Nichols Rd.

1:33 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St.

2:45 p.m., animal complaint, Elm St.

3:31 p.m., MV stop, Border St.

5:28 p.m., MV violations, Elm St.

7:18 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.

7:35 p.m., medical aid, Glades Rd.

8:31 p.m., notification, Ripley Rd.

10:09 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

10:57 p.m., notification, Pond St.

11:54 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

Wednesday, Oct. 2

10:01 a.m., officer wanted, Border St.

11:40 a.m., suspicious auto, Margin St.

1:32 p.m., assist motorist, Elm St.

3:17 p.m., motor vehicle stop, in front of station on Elm St.

3:52 p.m, arrest, Elm St., Sgt. Jackson in with John B. Litchfield, 5 Ermine Rd., Scituate, DOB: 11/26/56, arrested for OUI liquor and failure to stop for school bus.

4:56 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.

5:32 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.

5:47 p.m., suspicious person, Smith Pl.

6:22 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

8:31 p.m., animal complaint, Brewster Rd.

9:21 p.m., general services, Brook St.

Thursday, Oct. 3

2:06 a.m., property (found), CJC Hwy.

2:26 a.m., suspicious auto, Sandy Beach.

2:59 p.m., vandalism, S. Main St.

8:45 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

9:22 a.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.

10:26 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

10:39 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

1:33 p.m, assist other PD, Nichols Rd.

1:47 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.

2:36 p.m., general services, Deep Run.

2:53 p.m., animal complaint, Forest Notch.

3:03 p.m., animal complaint, Main St.

3:58 p.m., animal complaint, N. Main St.

4:02 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.

8:22 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

Friday, Oct. 4

12:36 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

5:22 a.m., open door/window, Lantern Ln.

5:44 a.m., assist other PD, Town of Hull.

5:52 a.m., animal complaint, Sohier St.

7:07 a.m., MV stop, Ridge Top Rd.

7:10 a.m., assist other agency, CJC Hwy.

8:43 a.m., general services, Castle Rd.

9:35 a.m., MV accident, S. Main St.

12:21 p.m., MV accident, Highland Ave.

2:25 p.m., MV accident, S. Main

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St.

4:26 p.m., disturbance, CJC Hwy.

4:29 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

5:27 p.m., animal complaint, Q.

6:32 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.

6:44 p.m.., liquor law violations, Pond St.

7:03 p.m., arrest, Pond St., Ptl. Treanor/Ptl. Tarantino in with Robert Stansell, DOB:4/3/79, 23 Cedar Ln., Cohasset., minor in possession of alcohol; Robert Buckley, 27 S. Main St., Cohasset, DOB: 12/10/78, minor in possession of alcohol.

7:33 p.m., larceny, King St.

8:53 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

9:06 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

9:11 p.m, disturbance, Old Pasture Rd.

10:23 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

10:30 p.m., MV stop, Sohier St.

10:46 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

Saturday, Oct. 5

12:50 a.m., assist other PD, Forest Ave.

1:00 a.m., suspicious auto, N. Main St.

2:51 a.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.

6:03 a.m., MV stop, 3A @ King St.

7:18 a.m., vandalism, Smith Pl.

7:47 a.m., MV stop, Elm St.

8:44 a.m., well being check, Norman Todd Rd.

9:11 a.m., MV violations, Fairoaks Ln.

9:55 a.m., missing person, Jerusalem Rd.

10:45 a.m., general services, Beach St.

12:13 p.m., property (found), S. Main St.

12:15 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

12:15 p.m., violation of retraining order, Rte. 3

12:47 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.

1:33 p.m., medical aid, Milliken Field.

Public Notice

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 95P2529E1

To all persons interested in the estate of Gertrude Hooper late of Cohasset in said County, deceased, testate.

A petition has been presented to said Court for license to sell – at private sale – certain real estate of said deceased, which is situated in Cohasset, in the County of Norfolk, in accordance with the offer set out in said petition.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham before ten o'clock in the forenoon on October 30, 1996 the return day of this citation.

Witness, DAVID H. KOPELMAN, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of October, 1996.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register

10/10/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
Norfolk Division
Docket No. 95P0540E2

Notice Of Fiduciary's Account

To all persons interested in the estate of Ruth S. Silvia late of Cohasset, Ma. in the County of Norfolk.

You are hereby notified pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 72 that the First and Final account of Richard J. Silvia as Executor (the fiduciary) of said estate has been presented to said Court for allowance.

If you desire to preserve your right to file an objection to said account, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before the 13th day of November, 1996 the return day of this citation. You may upon written request by registered or certified mail to the fiduciary, or to the attorney for the fiduciary, obtain without cost a copy of said account. If you desire to object to any item of said account, you must, in addition to filing a written appearance as aforesaid, file within thirty days after said return day or within such other time as the Court upon motion may order a written statement of each such item together with the grounds for each objection thereto, a copy to be served upon the fiduciary pursuant to Mass. R. Civ. P. Rule 5.

WITNESS, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham this 2nd day of October, 1996.

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It's Happening

Halloween party on Common planned

Mark your calendars for Sunday, Oct. 27, when the annual South Shore Community Center Nursery School Halloween Fair will take place. A Halloween tradition for nearly 20 years, this year's party is scheduled from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on Cohasset Common.

The fair will feature "spooky" fun for the entire family and include a giant circle of games of skill and luck. There will be an opening costume parade, moon walk, ghostball and refreshments.

Tickets for all games and activities may be purchased at the fair and cost 3 for $1. Most events require two or three tickets to participate.

Proceeds will benefit the SSCC Nursery School, including the school's scholarship and program funds.

For more information about the fair or nursery school, call Lynn Sheridan at 383-0036.

Family fall festival benefit

A Family Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, from 3 to 8 p.m. at South Shore Community Center, Cohasset. Activities will include a haunted house, scavenger hunt, hayride, costume contest, children's games, prizes, bowling, TV football party for adults, dinner, dancing to the "Grateful Dads," silent auction and raffle. Costumes are optional.

Tickets are $10 per person ($60 maximum per family) and may be purchased by calling 383-6670 or 383-6399.

The event is sponsored by South Shore Community Center, with proceeds benefitting the center, Cohasset Education Foundation and GEMS of Hope.

For further information, call Diane Tracy at 383-2551.

Green paintings on exhibit

Recently, after more than two years of perseverance at her studio in downtown Cohasset, local artist Donna Green completed the last of 23 oil paintings for a new edition of Margery Williams' famous children's class, "The Velveteen Rabbit."

"On Saturdays when I open my studio to the public, I enjoy showing the unpublished pictures for my next book. People usually comment on their favorite paintings and frequently offer encouragement. However, 'The Velveteen Rabbit' took so much longer than any of my previous books that I began to wonder if my visitors thought I would ever finish. I sometimes wondered that myself," says Green.

But finishing the paintings she did and so the Donna Green edition of "The Velveteen Rabbit" was published in December of 1995. Green remembers, "I was extremely nervous about how the book would be received. I didn't want to let down the people who had stood behind me week after week...or my daughter Monique who was my model for the fairy."

Like "The Velveteen Rabbit" story this tale has a happy ending. In just a few months, over a quarter of a million copies have been distributed in America and Canada and now new editions are under way in Germany and Australia.

On Sunday, Oct. 13, from 2 to 4 p.m., Thayer Gallery in Braintree located on the campus of Thayer Academy near Route 3, exit 17, is exhibiting all of Donna Green's original oil paintings from "The Velveteen Rabbit" at an open house. For printed directions, call (617) 837-1618.

Now is time to consign fall clothing and toys

Astute South Shore consumers may want to help their budgets by shopping at Cohasset Consignment Shop, located at Cushing Plaza, Route 3A.

Manager Andy Merrill noted new arrivals include a sterling dresser set from Shreve, Crump and Low (including mirror, brush, file and shoe horn); child's antique wooden doll cradle; and a collection of music boxes and English bone china dishes.

There are brand-name and hand-knit sweaters for children and adults as well as a large assortment of leather jackets for men and women and mink coats, hats and imported Italian gloves.

South Shore residents are encouraged to consign fall clothing and toys and stuffed animals in good condition. Consignments will be accepted Monday through Friday, 10 to 11:30 a.m., and Thursday through Oct. 24 from 6 to 8 p.m. Those wishing to volunteer may call 383-0771 or 383-0687.

Proceeds from the shop provide 60 percent [illegible] Social Service League budget. The group helps ba[illegible] women and offers support groups, flu and pneum[illegible] shots and nursing services for Hingham, Hull, Norwell, Scituate and Cohasset.

Amateur gardeners plan tour of Arnold Arboretum

The Cohasset Amateur Gardeners Club has arranged a professional guided coach tour through Arnold Arboretum Tuesday, Oct. 15.

Those interested in participating should be at St. Anthony's Church car park at 8:45 a.m. to join a carpool to the Arboretum and are asked to bring their own lunch and refreshments.

To reserve a place, call Merle at 383-9324 by Oct. 11. There is no charge for members. The fee for non-members and guests is $5.

Economist to speak at Chamber breakfast

Wayne Ayers, chief economist of Bank of Boston, will speak at a Chamber of Commerce breakfast Wednesday, Oct. 16, from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Light Keepers' House. The cost is $10 for members, $15 for non-members, including breakfast.

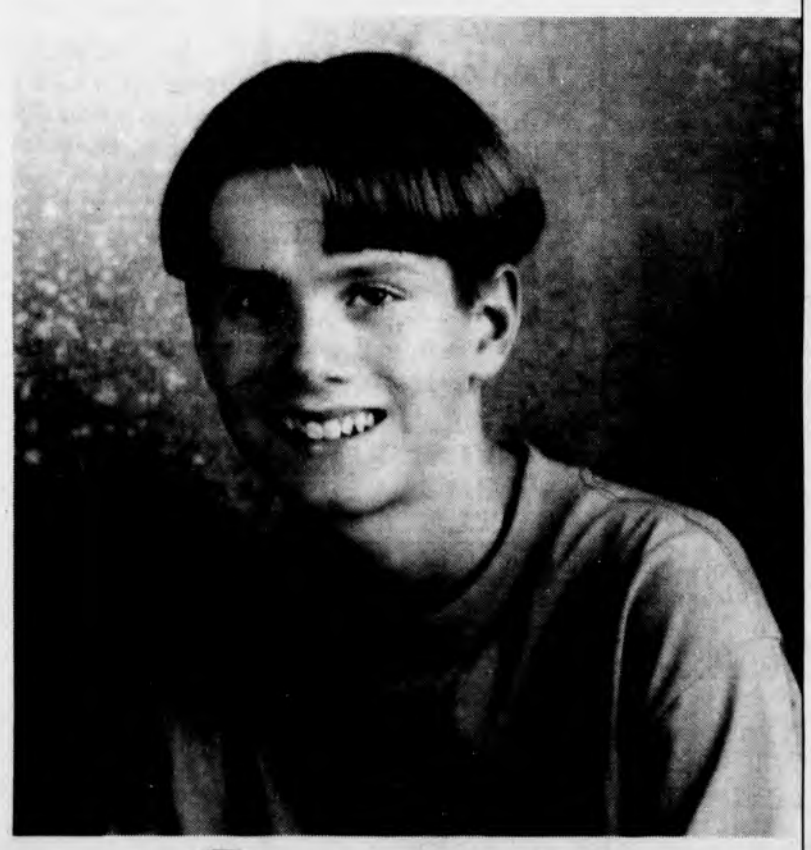
Ayers will give his views on the economy both here and abroad.

Final farmers' market

Don't miss the final Farmers' Market of the season from 3 to 7 p.m., today in the village parking lot. The weekly event is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Village Revitalization Committee.

"If your friends want you to skip this year's Drug & Alcohol Awareness Fair, just say no."

—Jonathan McDavitt



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Water rate rage goes on

North Cohasset town water hookup floated

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Selectman Peter Pratt said Tuesday that a solution to North Cohasset residents' water complaints may be an eminent domain action against the Massachusetts-American Water Company.

For the third week, residents brought discolored and stained laundry to the selectmen's meeting, to demonstrate poor water quality and to protest skyrocketing water bills which are difficult to understand.

Mass-American president James Perry and vice president Keith Bossung attended Tuesday's meeting, to explain how the water bills are computed, and said the increases amount to, on the average, the 150 per cent increase that was forecasted when the company announced its plans for the new $40 million water treatment plant.

The water coming out of the treatment plant is "excellent," Perry said.

The water treatment plant was required to improve water quality, they said. Mass.-American kept the rates down to this level by creating a company that owns the treatment plant, and was able to finance the project at better interest rates. If conventional financing was used, the customers would have faced bills that could have been $170 per year more than those being received now.

Mass.-American is now working on a pamphlet that will be enclosed with the next water bills, which should more adequately explain the billing calculations, the company officials said.

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Moderator wants time limits at town meetings

But selectmen want resolutions allowed

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Town moderator George Marlette wants to set time limits for town meeting debates, but selectmen turned Tuesday's discussion to the moderator's prohibition on resolutions.

Prior to Marlette's arrival, Cushing Road resident Linda Keller told the selectmen she is "deeply troubled" by the process that will not allow discussion on a Cohasset Village train station at the Oct. 28 special town meeting.

While residents are able to attend hearings on the subject, and the newspapers

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Wildlife Center developing population control for animals

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

The New England Wildlife Center is participating in a program to vaccinate deer with contraceptives, to reduce the population without resorting to killing the animals.

Wildlife Center Director Dr. Greg Mertz said the program is headed by the Humane Society of the United States, with researchers from Ohio Medical College. If successful, Mertz hopes it could be expanded to other species where populations have exploded.

Mertz said the innoculations have been made on a small herd of deer living in a six-acre conservation area in Newton. The herd has grown to approximately 40 deer.

Since the animals' diets are supplemented with hay, grain, and food pellets, the six acres is ample space for this number, he explained. But the herd cannot afford to become larger. If the animals were living in the wild, they would require four times more area to forage for sufficient food.

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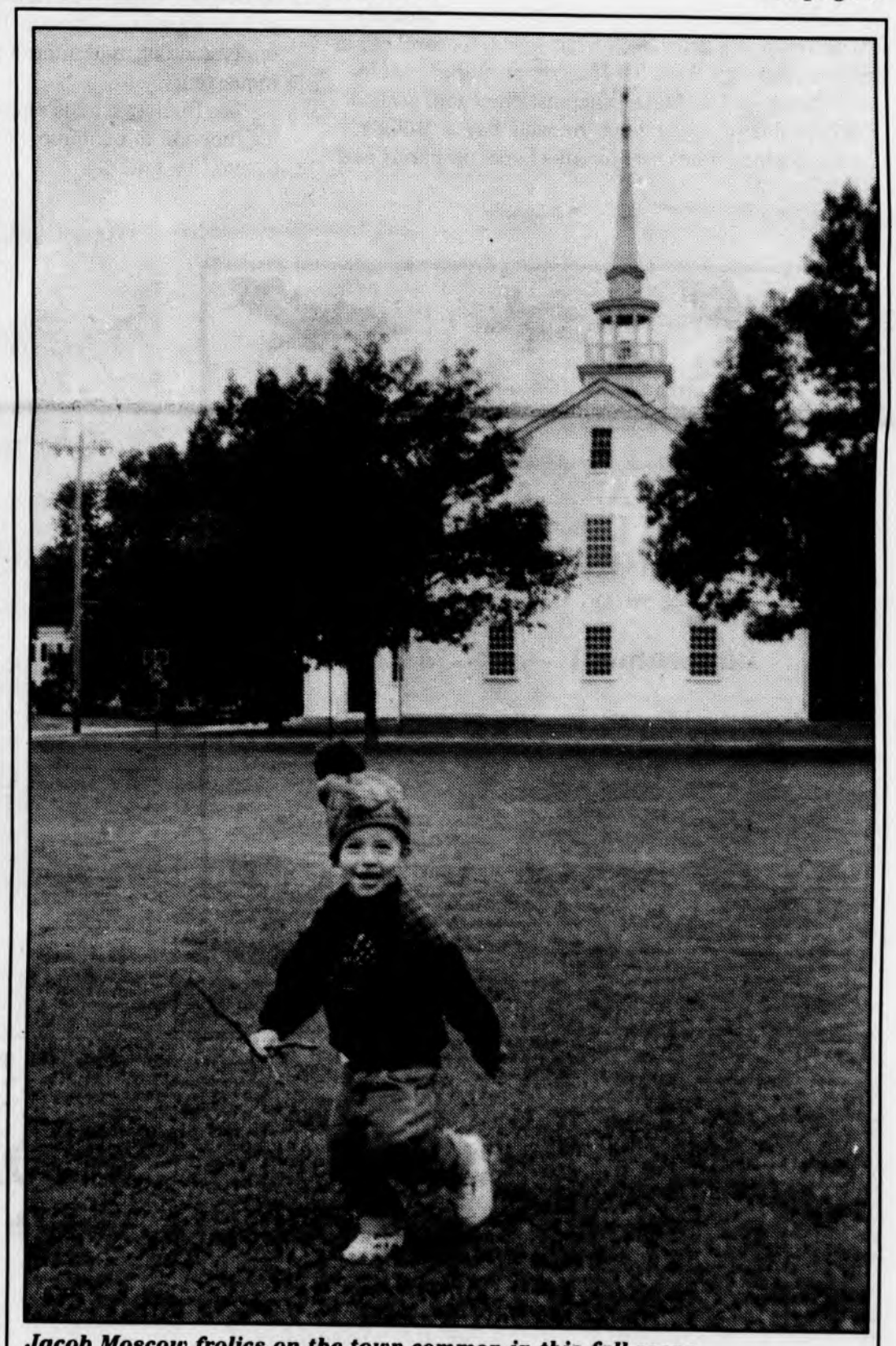

Jacob Moscow frolics on the town common in this fall scene.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Rail foe seeks to unseat Mary Jeanette Murray

Says her platform includes more than train opposition

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Nancy Buckley's last minute, primary election push to get her name on the November election ballot may have fallen short, but she hasn't conceded yet.

The Hingham resident launched a sticker campaign this week to run as the Democratic challenger to longtime incumbent state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset.

To get her name on the ballot, Buckley would have had to receive 150 write-in votes in the September primary. When the votes were all tallied she had earned 57 votes in the election — 54 in Hingham and three in Cohasset.

According to Town Clerk Marion Douglas, Buckley can run in the November election as either a "write-in" candidate for which voters are asked to write in her name and address or use a "sticker campaign" in which she provides voters labels with her name and address to attach to the inside of the gray ballot envelope. Douglas said it means more work for the election staff who must count the sticker and write-in ballots by hand.

"It can slow down the process," she said.

Best known for her strong opposition to the restora-

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Cohasset's Week

Dump stickers checked

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield told RTF employees to be more vigilant regarding "illegal dumpers."

"There have been a couple of anonymous telephone calls made to the Town Hall complaining that the employees are letting people dump their trash without a visible RTF sticker," he wrote in an Oct. 9 memo to dump employees.

"Please increase your efforts in identifying these illegal dumpers and refuse them if necessary," he said. "All vehicles are required to have these stickers except when in possession of a temporary permit issued by this office or the town clerk's office."

DPW status report

In his monthly status report to selectmen, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield wrote the following DPW accomplishments for September:

Removal and disposal of the fence posts at the high school; rebuilding 21 basins in anticipation of road resurfacing; installing signs on Cedar Street, Hull Street and Tower Lane; moving excess sand from the parking lot back onto Sandy Beach; digging holes for, building and installing new gates at the DPW garage site; cleaning pipes at treats pond; cleaning off basin tops and flappers in anticipation of heavy winds and rain;

Cutting up and clearing away fallen trees and branches and chipping brush following storm; removal of hazardous materials from the Hagerty property; cutting back brush on Lamberts Lane; installing goal posts at the high school; digging out the walkway at Milliken Field; patching holes on Fairoaks Lane; preparing and resurfacing two sections of Beechwood street, one section of Doane Street, one section of North Main Street and all of Summer Street; mowing and trimming parks, cemeteries, schools and Common area.

Sander bid okay'ed

Selectmen accepted a bid from J. J. Gregory and Son, Inc. of E. Providence, Rhode Island for a new road sander this week. The low bid was $17,427.

Legal bills are approved

The board also voted to pay bills from Warner and Stackpole, totalling $16,189.26, for work in connection with the Cohasset Heights Landfill for the months of July and August.

Buckley wins praise

The chairman of the Dighton Board of Selectmen wrote to Cohasset Selectmen on Oct. 7 to praise Town Accountant Michael Buckley.

"Our town accountant was suddenly taken ill and was unavailable for three weeks," wrote Gene Nelson. "No one else in our town office had been trained to accomplish the town accountant's tasks. Mr. Buckley trained two of our employees on the town accountant's computer hardware and software. He was extremely patient, understanding, and offered further assistance if we requested.

"Mr. Buckley's assistance allowed our town accounting function to continue. Please pass our deepest thanks to him," he said.

Volunteers needed to sit on town boards

Interested citizens are needed to serve on the drug & alcohol committee, the mosquito control committee, the conservation commission, selectmen said. Please call the selectmen's office at 383-9900 for more information.

Ten minutes for walk-ins allowed at board meeting

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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Sun. 20	5:51	9.5	11:57	6:10	10.3	——
Mon. 21	6:54	9.7	12:35	7:15	10.3	1:01
Tues. 22	7:56	10.1	1:37	8:19	10.5	2:04
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Cohasset's Alumni Field is within budget

New bleachers to be installed

By CHARLENE VANDINI
Cohasset Mariner

Selectmen approved the payment of almost $61,000 for work on the new Alumni Field, which is nearing completion within the budget approved last year.

Committee chairman Wayne Sawchuk told selectmen Tuesday that the town will hold back $27,925 pending the completion of the field, which is more than enough to finish the remainder of the project.

"We're within our budget. We're not asking for more money," he said.

Within the next few weeks, the lines will be painted on the track, according to official athletic association requirements, Sawchuk said. The starting lines and lanes must be surveyed to ensure that these meet accepted standards for competitive track events.

The track is constructed of recycled rubber tires sprayed with a polyurethane sealer. By using this material, rather than a colored surface, the town saved more than $20,000.

Also within the next month bleachers will be installed over newly poured concrete, and the press box will be built with volunteer labor.

By scheduling games back-to-back, the town is saving on the cost for emergency medical technicians who are required to attend the games.

The committee also negotiated a warranty on the field lights, and has a supply of bulbs to replace those that may blow out. The bulbs can be changed with the town's 100-foot ladder truck, which can reach the light towers without driving on the track, he added.

Sawchuk told selectmen he has a maintenance manual that will be turned over to the school department that maps the locations of the sprinkler heads and contains a maintenance schedule. A copy of the manual will be given to the selectmen.

With 60 per cent of the fall season's games played, the field is in good condition, and Sawchuk added that he is pleased with the committee's decision to allow it to be used this year.

By next year, the field will be in "superb" condition, he said.

Drainage problems have been noticed in six areas of the field but these will be corrected by digging trenches filled with crushed stone and perforated pipes.

"I consider it fine-tuning," he said, in response to criticism from Robert Davenport, who said field should not have been used until next year.

Parking at B&B is topic

Regarding the Bed & Breakfast of Cohasset, 6 Stockbridge St., the zoning board continued deliberations last week on proposed parking spaces adjacent to the inn. The proposal barely meets regulations on the amount of space needed for parking, and falls 11 feet short of the space required for cars to turn around in the lot instead of backing out onto the street, said member Woody Chittick.

Board members said they were torn as to whether to approve the proposal.

"I feel a little like (zoning board member) Ben (Lacey) feels in terms of setting precedents. Before, we've always emphasized lots of parking space," said Powers.

The board decided to table discussions for a few weeks.

Country club seeks water holding tank

By ANDI WEISSMAN
Cohasset Mariner

A representative of Cohasset Golf Club asked the Zoning Board of Appeals to allow him to build a structure that will allow the club to hold water for irrigation purposes on the greens.

The town of Hingham, on which the golf club borders, had asked the club to divert water into a nearby brook during low-flow times, club superintendent Jimmy Carrol said.

"We're losing a lot of irrigation water down the brook in the spring, and we're just trying to capture some of it," he said. "If we ever had to release water downstream, this would allow us to do that."

A Hingham couple voiced concerns that the plans would affect water levels at a nearby skating pond. Carrol said the plans called for sending water to a brook downstream, and that the pond not be affected.

The zoning board will take the matter under advisement. Member Barbara Powers excused herself from the hearing, saying she is a member of the golf club.

Cabin addition is approved

Last week, the zoning board approved an application to build an addition to a small summer cabin off of Lothrop Lane, after debating whether it could be classified as a dwelling.

The 300-square-foot cabin is little more than a guest bedroom for a nearby cottage, said member Ben Lacey. Dwellings are classified as one or more rooms with living, sanitary and cooking facilities, Chittick said.

"It's extremely interesting. If it weren't on a separate lot, if it didn't have a separate septic system, we would not give it the time of day," Powers said.

Chairman Mark DiGiacomo said he was troubled by neighbors' reports that the cabin had been damaged by vandals; however, the cabin's owners sent a letter to the board refuting those reports.

The application was granted 4-0 with one abstention from a member who had not been present at the application hearing.

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Private Way Committee to seek guidance from selectmen

By JASON BOUFFARD
Cohasset Mariner

After its initial meeting Wednesday night at town hall, the newly formed Private Ways Committee will be seeking a stronger sense of direction from the Board of Selectmen.

According to committee member and Town Administrator Greg Doyon, the committee's purpose is to inventory the town's private ways and determine which are candidates for acceptance as public roads.

The committee's formation comes after a degree of public concern about services provided to private ways as opposed to public roads. Some residents of private ways have expressed dissatisfaction with the notion of paying the same taxes as their public road counterparts, but receiving less road and utilities maintenance.

Committee members include Greg Doyon; Department of Public Works Superintendent Harold Litchfield; Sewer Commission member Henry Rattenbury; Planning Board member Robert Sturdy; Ross Rosano of the Board of Assessors; and private citizens Ben Curley and David Wadsworth. Members were unanimous in their decision to seek further guidance from the Board of Selectmen.

The committee discussed at great length the historical origins of public and private roads to provide a background from which the committee will work. Robert Sturdy defined a public way as a road that has been dedicated to the town by a land owner, surveyed and then formally accepted as a public way at Town Meeting. Likewise, a formal Town Meeting action is required to make a public way private.

While boosting the mileage of accepted public roads would make the town eligible for more state aid and enable the town to use state funds for repaving on those roads, converting too many private roads to public would could open the door for unwanted development, Sturdy said.

Currently, about 11 of Cohasset's 48 miles of roadway are private. The town has not reclassified a private way as public since 1969.

Although DPW is required to plow any road with three or more houses for safety purposes, the town is not responsible for the maintenance of private ways.

According to some of those in attendance, it is this notion which brought discussion of public and private roads to the forefront. Some residents of private ways have held hopes of attaining public [redacted] status so improvements can be made to water pipes, resulting in better water pressure in area homes.

However, Sturdy cautioned that the committee's purpose should not be to accept a series of private ways as public roads. "I think we're opening Pandora's Box if you say that we should make any road that meets standards a public way," he said.

The committee hopes to have a better defined statement of purpose before meeting again Nov. 13.

Couple plans screened porch

Residents at 11 Black Horse Lane petitioned the zoning board to allow them to build a screened porch between their house and a guest apartment instead of constructing a garage on their property.

The proposed 22- by 25-foot garage had been approved by the board when the couple bought the house several months ago. However, the couple had since decided they would prefer to extend their deck, noting it would not be as intrusive into the flood plains.

The board asked the couple to submit a decision, saying it would try to approve the plans as soon as possible in order for construction to begin before winter.

The board will take under advisement a request for residents of a first-floor condominium at 131 Nichols Road to build an 11-foot extension of a bedroom.

Lacey questioned whether the board should set a precedent by allowing the extension.

"If we allow this, we will have difficulty turning down other people who want to push out walls," he said.

But DiGiacomo noted the extension would encompass a deck off of the bedroom. "It's not being pushed out; the footprint isn't changing," he said. "If the footprint were to change, it would be of more concern to me."

• In other business: deliberations on the building of a residence at 430 South Main St. continued. DiGiacomo said he would love to see a single-family home built on the lot, but questioned whether it would be financially feasible. He also said the spot may be too densely built for a residence. The board agreed to continue discussions.

Upcoming meetings noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

• Board of Health, 7 p.m., Oct. 22 , public hearing at 7 p.m., Oct. 29;
• Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 17;
• Historical Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 21;
• Planning Board, 8 p.m., Nov. 6.
• Republican Town Committee, 7:45 p.m., Oct. 23;
• Sewer Commission, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 24 & public hearing, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
• School Committee, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 17, Rm. 10 at Cohasset High School.
• Board of Assessors, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 30.
• Greenbush mitigation committees, citizens 7:30 p.m., Oct. 17; staff 6:30 p.m., Oct. 17.
• Private Ways Committee, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 14.
• Historical Commission, 7:30 p.m.., Oct. 21.
• Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 22.
• Recreation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Oct. 21.

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

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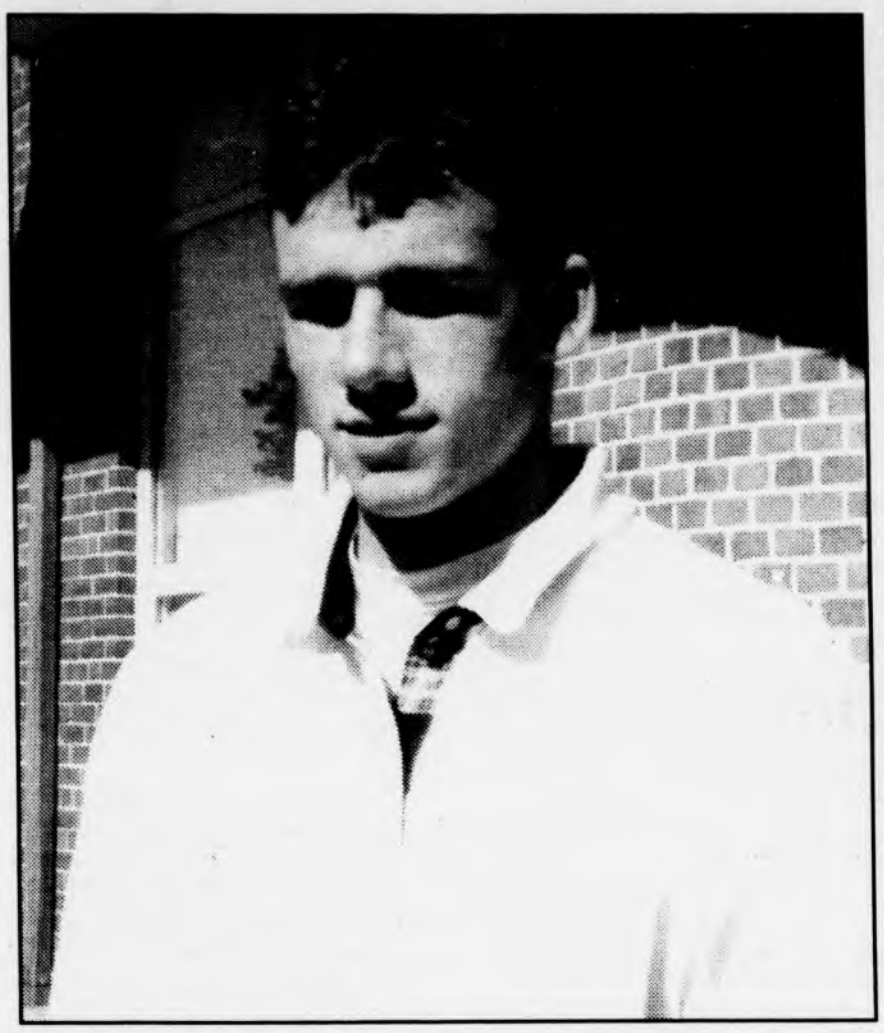

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Goal: To play college basketball.

Best vacation: Charlotte, N. C. with the basketball team.

Best day of your life: Beating Scituate last year.

Biggest worry: College.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite season: Winter.

Favorite TV show: 'Seinfeld.'

Favorite movie: 'Forrest Gump.'

Favorite book: 'As Bad as I Want to Be,' by Dennis Rodman.

Favorite junk food: Pizza.

Most embarrassing moment: Diving into the stands.

Person you'd most like to meet: Chris Farley.

Pet peeve: Being late!

Car wash slated

Members of the high school varsity basketball team will hold a car wash from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. , Saturday, Oct. 19 at Leo's Exxon at the corner of Beechwood Street and Route 3A.

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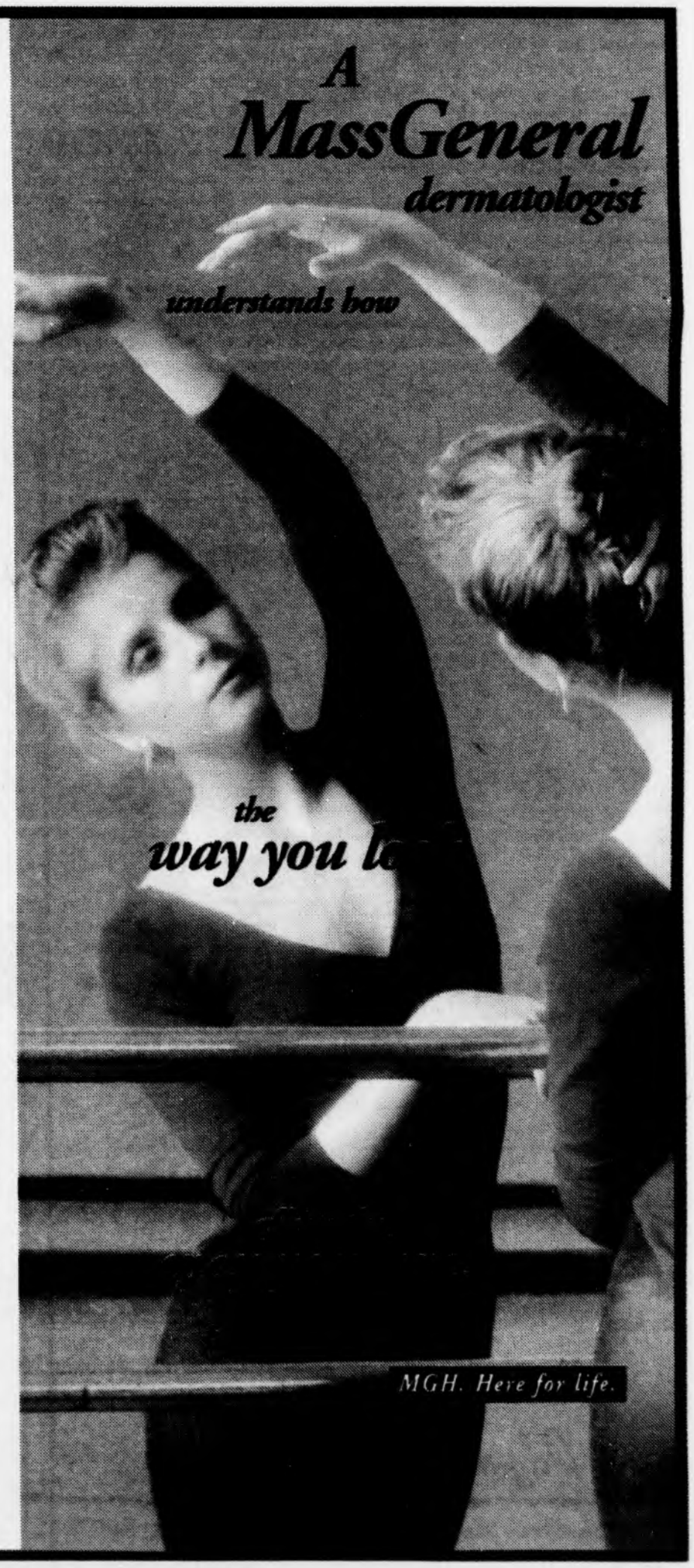

North Cohasset town water hookup floated

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But Pratt said Cohasset is in a position, with existing by-laws and enabling legislation in place, to take over the water company pipes in Cohasset, and connect the North Cohasset customers to the municipal water supply here.

"It only takes three members of this board to trigger an eminent domain proceeding," Pratt said, "and you don't have anything to say about it."

Earlier, in response to complaints from Diane Sullivan of Jerusalem Road, Perry said the water company is not for sale.

Perry and Bossung explained that bills that have exceeded the 150 per cent increase are the result of estimated bills that were issued when water company employees have been unable to read customers' water meters. In those cases, the bills were based on the bill for the same period last year.

In the case of the bill for the Lennon household on Tad Lane, Selectman Nan Roth said the family received a bill in March based on an actual reading, for 3,700 cubic feet of water used . The June bill showed 3,300 cubic feet of water, again based on an actual meter reading. But the September bill showed 9,700 cubic feet of water used.

Last week, Russ Lennon said his water bill increased from $101 to $346.

Perry said the recent bill was estimated, based on the amount of water used by the household in September, 1995.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said drought conditions existed the previous year, which necessitated more outdoor watering, as opposed to this year, when the rainfall has been plentiful.

Perry replied that the computer system is set up to use a similar period the previous year when an estimated bill is issued. However, residents with estimated bills can arrange for a meter reading and receive a new bill for the actual amount of water used, he added.

The Mass.-American officials also said the most recent bills reflect a full period of the rate increase allowed by the state Department of Public Works, as opposed to the June bills which were only partially calculated at the higher rates.

Mass.-American is now trying to persuade the DPU to allow monthly billing so customers can pay smaller amounts, Perry added.

With a percentage of the increased rates due to fixed costs for the treatment plant, Pratt said there is a disincentive for water conservation by customers.

To eliminate the estimated bills, selectman chairman Merle Brown urged the water company ought to speed up installation of new water meters than can be read without the meter readers being allowed into houses, which is difficult to arrange when residents are both working.

The new meters should have been installed before the new plant became operational, he added.

Brown pointed out that meters were replaced quickly for customers for Cohasset's municipal water system. Residents were instructed to schedule a time for the new meter installations and the residents were cooperative.

When Jerusalem Road resident Maria Plante displayed her stained clothing, Perry explained that using bleach creates a chemical reaction with the manganese in the water, which causes the discoloration. Customers should not use bleach in their laundry, he said.

He also said that the company's program of flushing the pipes will eliminate this problem, as built up minerals in the pipes are removed.

"We're flushing as fast as we can," Perry said.

However, the company has no plans at this time to replace the 100-year-old water pipes in North Cohasset.

Roth said she recently observed the municipal water pipes on Beach Street that were being replaced, which she described as "absolutely revolting." These are the same age as the Mass.-American's pipes in North Cohasset.

Bossung said all Mass.-American's pipes are being flushed to removed the build-up. If the flushing does not accomplish this, the company will go to mechanical cleaning and relining. Only if this does not remedy the situation would the company consider new pipes.

The age of the pipes, Bossung said, does not dictate the need to replace them.

Sullivan spurned Perry's invitation to join a liaison group to work with Mass.-American.

"I want to battle you," Sullivan said. "I don't want to join you."

Sullivan also "thanked" the water company for three weeks of "free" water. She said her water meter reading was the same three weeks after it was read for billing purposes.

Bossung said the meter was probably "stuck."

Sullivan and Plante are urging Mass.-American customers in Hingham, Hull, and North Cohasset not to pay their bills, and are organizing a formal protest next week at the State House in Boston. They planned to meet with fellow Mass.-American water users last night after the Mariner went to press at the Stop & Shop meeting room.

Sullivan said Mass.-American customers have had little or no support on the local level. A water company official told her, "' I don't know what good it's going to do to march.'"

But Perry said that statement was "inappropriate," and the employee was not authorized to say that. The water customers are "within their rights" to protest.

Joe Callanan, an aide to State Sen. Robert Hedlund invited selectmen to meet with Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci on Friday. Hedlund has arranged the meeting with selectmen from Hingham, Hull, and Cohasset, and their state legislators to discuss new DPU hearings on water quality.

Hingham and Hull are now appealing the water rate increase.

Moderator wants time limits

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print reports of those hearings, some people do not have time to inform themselves from these sources, she said.

Keller added that people also change their minds after listening to "thoughtful discussion" at town meeting.

Selectman Peter Pratt the issue of a commuter rail station at Cohasset Village or at the former Cohasset Winter Gardens site on Route 3A is one of the most important matters to face the town.

The MBTA wants a decision within six weeks on the location for the station, he said, and the selectmen should not make this "major public policy decision" without a sense of the will of the town.

"I'm not smart enough to figure that out," Pratt said.

Too many resolutions jeopardize open town meeting, Marlette said.

But selectman chairman Merle Brown said town meeting voters have made resolutions on matters for many years until Marlette prohibited them.

The resolutions give the board "a feel for what the town wants," Brown said.

Town meeting is not the appropriate forum for resolutions, Marlette said. There has been a dramatic change in Cohasset in recent years, which was underscored at the August special town meeting.

He agreed to consider debate on resolutions at the end of the town meeting business, at the suggestion of selectmen Nan Roth.

In a telephone interview Wednesday, Marlette said he liked the idea of debating issues after town meeting is adjourned. He said he would be willing to stay on to moderate the debate.

"I'd be more than happy to assist," he said.

Marlette told the board Tuesday that he has spoken with other moderators who said the time limits seem to work for a more orderly town meeting. However, he does not favor a by-law to regulate discussions at town meeting, because voters would then be unable to suspend the rule when the circumstances require it. Rather, he would like to see a rule adopted to set the time limits, to avoid repetitious discussion and to encourage speakers to quickly make their points. The time limits would also allow more speakers to be heard.

Selectman Nan Roth agreed that speakers sometimes need to be more organized, but noted that some issues require much information from several town boards and committees.

Marlette said he wants input from the selectmen.

He also said he would like to see town meeting rules printed in the warrant, so voters will know procedures for voting and other rules at the town meetings.

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Wildlife Center developing population control for animals

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The contraceptives create an antibody in the animals that prevent the females' eggs from being fertilized.

Mertz said the female deer are anesthetized, examined and inoculated with the vaccine. They are then given an antidote to the anesthesia and released. They are also ear-tagged, to mark them as part of the experimental program. This tag serves as a warning to anyone who may hunt the animals that they should not be eaten.

The process takes about 90 minutes. In three weeks the deer will receive booster shots that makes the vaccine effective for one year.

The program is focusing "less about the technology of the vaccine, and more about the field technology," Mertz said. An important factor in the study is the ability of the researchers to use the vaccine in field conditions. In this case, the vaccine needs no refrigeration, which makes it practical for use in wildlife habitat.

Residents in Hingham and Cohasset have reported deer sightings in various locations over the last few months, including a deer that was reported walking along North Street in Hingham Square during the early morning hours in July.

Mertz said deer will roam a wide area in search of food. The deer population in Hingham may be high one year, and then decrease as the animals move to Cohasset or Norwell.

Hingham Animal Control Officer said he has responded to calls about deer near Wompatuck State Park and on South Pleasant Street.

Cohasset Police Chief Brian Noonan said there have been numerous sightings of deer in that community: on Border Street near Government Island, Cedar Street, and Nichols Road.

Noonan said a larger problem has been flocks of Canada geese which have congregated around town, particularly at the Cohasset Golf Club, where duck hunts have been held for three years. He called these a "controlled shoot."

Cohasset Golf Club greens superintendent Jim Carroll said there are no plans for a duck hunt this year, and the the geese have been discouraged by a dog the club purchased that chases them away.

Ongoing problems with large flocks of Canada geese have prompted officials in Canton and Braintree to consider limited hunting to thin the flocks. The state Department of Fisheries and Wildlife say each goose produces one to two pounds of excrement per day, creating serious health problems when large numbers congregate in one location.

Mertz said the wildlife center is trying to obtain grants to develop a program to sterilize the ganders, to reduce the populations that have become nuisances in a number of communities.

There has been some success in "addling" the eggs of the geese, a process that kills the egg, but female continues to sit on the nest.

"The problem is that it's difficult to find the nests," he noted.

Permanent sterilization has the advantage of handling the birds only once, with long-term results.

The present flocks are the offspring of geese that were raised for hunters. Unlike their counterparts in Canada, the Canada geese flocks commonly seen in Hingham, Cohasset and surrounding towns have become a permanent population that do not migrate.

"Both are wild species," Mertz said, "but there's a genetic factor that makes one type migrate and the other doesn't."

It is impossible to distinguish one group from the other, Mertz said, so population control is the most effective way to deal with the birds.

"The technology is out there now," he said, noting the wildlife center needs the funds to implement the program.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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One more word from Beechwood Congregational Church, this time with regard to their **20th annual antique show and sale.** More than 25 dealers will participate Nov. 2 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Deer School, Sohier Street. The $3 admission and bake sale and snack bar proceeds will benefit the church. Ample free parking is available. For further information, call 383-0070 after 6 p.m.

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Happy 80th birthday greetings go to **Herb Marsh** this week. We surely hope your big day is a special one, and that all your birthday wishes come true!

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Speaking of birthdays, did you know **Gertrude Young** will be 94 on Oct. 29? We're telling you in plenty of time so you will be sure to send her a card to honor the occasion!

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Do we ever have good news about **Loni Colwill,** a 16-1/2-year-old senior at Cohasset High School! Loni and her horse, **Jesse,** are going to the 30th annual All-American Quarter Horse Congress, the largest single-breed horse show in the world.

Loni qualified with the Mass. Youth Quarter Horse Team and was reserve all around champion for MYQHA. Loni and Jesse will be in Ohio for three days, and we wish them the best of luck and hope they will share the experience with us when they return (Loni, that is!) You are a champ in our eyes already!

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Don't forget this Saturday, Oct. 19, is the **VFW Post 9146 yard sale.** It will be held at 211 North Main St. at the home of **William Higgins,** and the hours are 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

I guarantee you will find yourself a bargain! Funds raised by the yard sale will be used to sponsor various community events and help fund their scholarship program. By the way, anyone with usable items they would like to donate may call 383-0780 to arrange for pick-up.

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Speaking of fund raisers, the Art Center has a grand idea. On Friday, Oct. 25, from 3 to 8 p.m., Skinner's Inc. will offer verbal appraisals of art, antiques and collectibles. The charge is $5 per object or three items for $10. All proceeds will benefit **South Shore Art Center,** and you can find out how much Aunt Martha's blue vase is really worth! Neat, huh?

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Here is some more news about **Liz Hills,** who is really thriving. She is the news editor of the school's weekly paper, writing three or four articles a week. She received the highest GPA in French III and went on to French V after being tested. Now Liz's goal is to learn German and Cantonese! Liz is in three AP classes and two honor classes. Talk about a busy person!

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Hats off to **Donna Green,** who is exhibiting her illustrations and paintings at Thayer Gallery at Thayer Academy, Braintree. An opening reception was held Sunday, Oct. 13, and her exhibit will run through Nov. 8.

Donna has illustrated seven hardcover books, including "To My Daughter, With Love," which she also wrote. Donna is known for her wonderful pictures of children and local scenes, and her work is known all over the world!

Be sure to see the illustrations in her new edition of Margery Williams' classic, "The Velveteen Rabbit." In fact, go to see the whole exhibit and really get a thrill! She is awesome!

❑

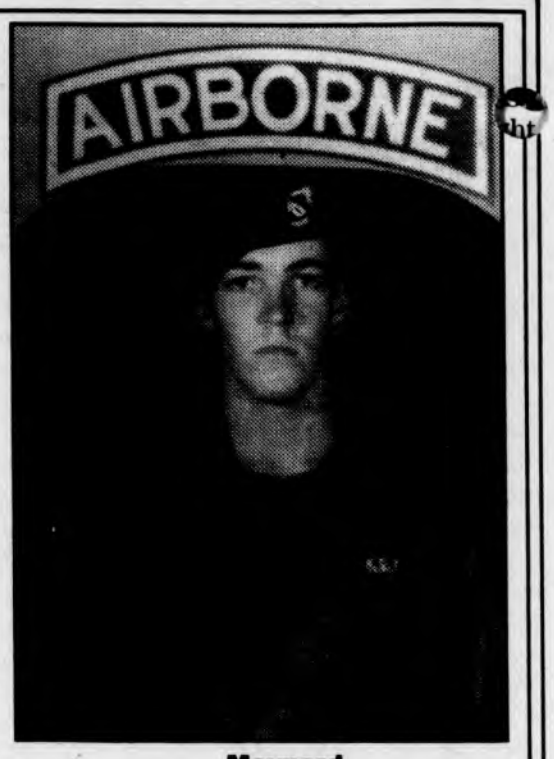
That's all the news for this week. Sure hope you have some to share with us. If you do, please give me a call at 383-0560.

— Sallyann
383-0560

Word comes from West Point that **John N. Maynard,** son of **John** and **Anna Maynard,** 20 Locust Rd., graduated from the U.S. Army Airborne school at Ft. Benning, Ga. this past summer. John received his wings and is now airborne qualified after making five successful jumps from Air Force C-130 and C-141 planes, at an altitude of 1,250 feet and at a speed of 150 miles per hour.

The jumps were done under different conditions. One was at night with full combat equipment. There was a "mass exit" jump with 32 at a time and a "Hollywood" jump, 16 at a time, done with two different parachutes — one you can steer and one you can't, you just pull down and go.

The school is famous throughout the world for training people from foreign services and all military branches of the U.S.A. including the Navy and Marines. John is now in his junior year at West Point.



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Engagements

Coley/ Geoghegan

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph T. Coley, Jr. of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer, to Martin R. Geoghegan.

Mr. Geoghegan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Geoghegan.

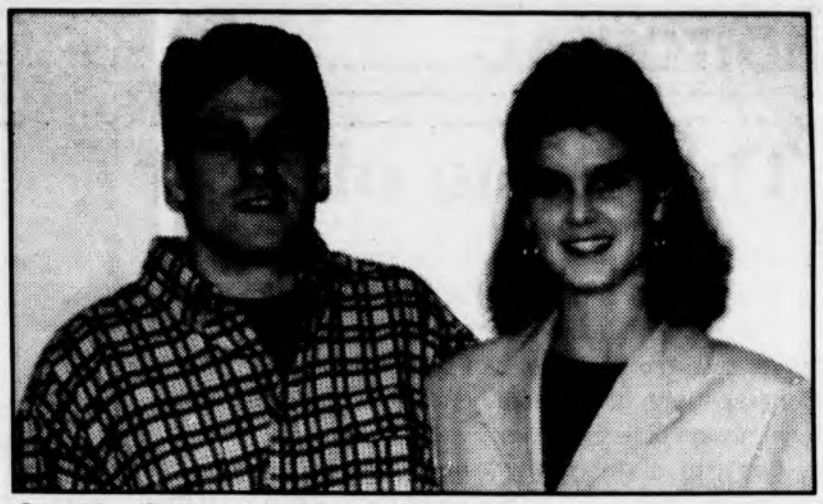
The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cohasset High School, the University of Connecticut, and the Masters in Education program of Springfield College.

She is employed as a child-life specialist at the Rehabilitation Institute in Kansas City, Missouri.

Her fiancé is a graduate of the University of Connecticut where he received a masters degree in education.

He is employed as an English teacher at Richmond Junior-Senior High School in Richmond, Missouri.

A March 1997 wedding is planned.



Jennifer Coley and Martin Geoghegan

Obituaries

Barbara Winslow Fellows

Mrs. Barbara Winslow Fellows, 89, of Cohasset, formerly of Milton, died Oct. 12 in Milton Hospital after a brief illness. She was the widow of George F. Fellows, a Milton school teacher. She lived many years in Milton before retiring to Cohasset in 1970. A graduate of State Teachers College in Boston, Mrs. Fellows was a kindergarten teacher, teaching a few years in Boston and many years in Hingham, where she was a positive influence on many young lives. She leaves her daughter, Diane Dacey of Milton; her son and daughter-in-law, Peter and Marlene Fellows of Roswell, Georgia; two grandsons, Peter and Scott Fellows of Jacksons Gap, Alabama; a granddaughter, Mrs. Patrick (Lauren) McBride of League City, Texas; Herbert Towle, her dear companion of several years; six great-grandchildren; her sister-in-law, Ellen Holmes Fellows of Duxbury and many other relatives and friends.

Visiting hours are from 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday (Oct. 17) at the McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, 1 Summer St., Cohasset. Funeral services and burial are private.

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EDITORIAL

That time of year

To many, fall is the best liked season of all.

The air is crisp and our energy level is up. And as the leaves turn radiant shades of yellow, red and orange — Cohasset, with its abundance of trees and parklands, becomes an artist's dream.

But with all the beauty around us — it's easy to forget what's ahead.

Winter — which we realize can be every bit as beautiful as fall — brings with it the flu season. Influenza isn't like an ordinary cold — it's much more serious than that. And every year, like the hurricanes, we seem to get new ones with unusual names.

This year we have the Texas, Nanchang and Harbin strains to look forward to.

Luckily for us though, the Social Service League and the Cohasset Board of Helath conduct flu clinics with free shots that can protect us from these dangerous germs. The first clinic is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday at the Second Congregational Church and the next one is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26 at town hall.

We urge everyone who falls into one of the target groups to get a flu shot. These groups include those who are over 65; adults and children who require regular medical care or follow-up; family members of high risk individuals; and those who provide essential community service such as medical personnel, police officers, fire fighters, and public works and school employees.

But even if you're not in a high-risk or target group — you probably won't regret getting vaccinated.

Injections are unpleasant — but they only hurt for a second or two. That's a small price to pay for staying healthy — which translates into not missing work or school or social events due to the flu. And best of all, you might be giving a co-worker, friend or family member a gift by not having the nasty germ to pass onto them.

— Mary Ford
Editor

Accurate news on wildlife valued

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

When I first read in the Oct. 3 issue of the Cohasset Mariner that the selectmen and police chief seemed to be "passing the buck" on the Coyote situation to the Mariner, I was concerned whether this was the proper role for a newspaper with limited resources.

How mistaken I was after reading the whole article. Our community editor Mary Ford knew just what to do and who to contact for professional information, Dr. Greg Mertz, the Director of the N.E. Wildlife Center in Hingham.

The result was an excellent report, giving the facts and putting to rest rumors which often spread in a situation like this. We are fortunate to have the Wildlife Center nearby and quick to respond to requests for information.

John F. Hubbard
144 Beach Street

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Johnston says thanks for support

To the Editor:

I want to express my deep gratitude to the thousands of people on the South Shore, the Cape and the islands who supported my candidacy for Congress. Although the bizarre events of the past few days have been difficult to absorb, my family and I are very proud of the campaign we waged. When we began last winter, we were far behind in the polls. We were outspent by other candidates but we were never outworked. Our volunteers in every community in the district worked their hearts out for many months. They are the reason we did so well Sept. 17.

I ran for Congress because I wanted to advocate on behalf of a policy agenda which I believe is in the interests of average working people in our country. I believe that every American should have access to high-quality, affordable health care, that our public schools should be the best on earth and that our natural resources should be protected. The voters responded positively to that agenda and I am grateful for that.

As President Kennedy pointed out, life is unfair. I will always believe that a plurality of voters supported my candidacy on September 17. A recount confirmed that, but a judge ruled otherwise. Despite the pain of that ruling, my family and I will look back on the campaign as a time of joy and passion, when our friends joined with us to produce a near-miracle. We will continue to work together to advance our agenda to make the South Shore, the Cape and the islands — and, indeed, our entire nation — a better place for all our people.

Phil W. Johnston

Concerns on village station aired

To the Editor:

Cohasset Town Meeting voters are suddenly being asked to decide the location of the proposed Cohasset train station. Very late in the game, a new proposal suddenly came to the table: change the Cohasset station to the village instead of Route 3-A. During this entire train project, we have been discussing a very different proposal. We therefore have no time to ask our T officials for extensive studies which would make our decision making easier.

For example, what are the impacts of a rush of 350 more automobiles driving through our town center twice daily? How will our town parking be impacted? We must anticipate a certain amount of hasty drivers running late and rushing through our residential streets to catch their train. Will we as taxpayers end up needing to increase our police force to handle morning and afternoon traffic jams, parking violations in our town lot as well as our side streets? Will our public safety be affected?

What about the environmental impact on local residents? Will air quality be negatively impacted with diesel emissions, nitrous oxide, carbon monoxide and dust from the huge trains idling in a village station and increased car traffic?

Will we be able to have our windows open in summer or will noise be greatly increased from idling trains and increased traffic? Will the removal of all the ledge which is a natural sound buffer amplify this new annoyance up the hillside?

Consider the above issues, I believe that there will be significant negative impacts to local residences which far outweigh the "benefit" of walking to the train station.

Jody Butman
17 Spring St.

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Reader Survey question for October 17, 1996

Ten years ago, the board of selectmen advised the MBTA to put the commuter rail station on Route 3A. Now, the selectmen have reopened the issue of a train station in the village, and the MBTA says it needs an answer soon. A non-binding survey is set to take place at the October 28 special town meeting. How should the decision be made?

Press 1 Selectmen should base their decision on the outcome of the October 28 special town meeting survey.

Press 2 The town should incur the expense of a special town referendum on the village train station.

Press 3 The town moderator should allow a resolution on the village station at the special town meeting.

Press 4 Selectmen have enough information now to make this decision.

Press 5 The town moderator should flip a coin to decide: heads the station is in the village; tails it's on Route 3A.

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, October 22.

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

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Results of Reader Survey question for October 10, 1996

Do you think the town of Cohasset should buy water from the Massachusetts-American Water Company and sell it to North Cohasset customers at the rate other residents pay for town water?

1 No

10 Yes

Your comments:

I don't live in North Cohasset, but I don't think it's a fair situation. I didn't vote to help them with their sewer because I wish I had sewer. Good luck. I hope we can do something to help them with their water costs.

More talk on station site needed

To the Editor:

Upon entering the upcoming town meeting, citizens are being asked to cast their vote about making a village train station or retaining the current proposed site on 3-A. Important decisions are made at town meeting, and I believe in general, we make good ones. However, in our town's history, how many decisions have been made with nary a discussion? It is a ludicrous premise to make such an important and far reaching decision without any discussion at the meeting prior to citizens casting their vote.

I can remember many instances that I entered town meeting expecting to vote a certain way but actually changed my decision after the thoughtful discussion which occurs in the normal process of debating articles. I understand that we do not have an "article" to discuss and that our town moderator ordinarily does not entertain non-binding referendums but there must be exceptions to rules in extraordinary circumstances. While well intentioned, the mitigation meeting on the 23rd will not fulfill this need to assure an informed vote.

I implore our town leaders and our moderator to allow a non-binding referendum to allow citizens the much needed opportunity to explore this issue in depth prior to asking us to cast our votes.

Linda Keller
2 Cushing Rd.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cohasset Village station is opposed

To the Editor:

As I understand it, Cohasset village is about to acquire an 800-foot-long loading platform and a 450-car parking facility. Neither the village nor the surrounding side streets can accommodate what will be a severely heavy flow of traffic.

One only need remember the filming of "The Witches of Eastwick" and the challenge that brought to traffic and parking, temporarily. Should we now create a permanent traffic nightmare with this village station/stop?

Should we invite added fuel emissions from the additional cars coming and going and those idling as they await home-coming passengers?

Do we want peak hour commuter traffic competing with school buses and parents driving their kids to school?

Finally, it has been stated that the parking facility will be used mainly by the residents of Cohasset — that residents of surrounding towns won't bother getting off 3A to commute from Cohasset village. Is this fact? Opinion? Do we have this in writing? Wake up Cohasset — your town's future is at stake!

Martha Ogrodnik
21 Pleasant St.

Co-op Eight luncheon planned

The Cohasset Democratic Town Committee invites all interested Democrats to join them at a luncheon, Sunday, Oct. 27, at the Chart House, Cohasset Harbor, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The event, sponsored by Co-op Eight, an organization of South Shore Democratic town committees, will provide an opportunity to meet with other Democrats and candidates for local offices. Tickets are $18.

For further information, call Pat Laugelle at 383-1737, Margy Charles, 383-0916, or Mary Goodwin at 383-0381.

GOP meeting set for Oct. 23

Julie Guild, Cohasset town chairman, will meet with the Cohasset GOP Town Committee Wednesday, Oct. 23, at 7:30 p.m. at Cohasset Town Hall to make plans for Election Day activities Nov. 5.

Guild is encouraging all voters who plan to be out of town, away at college or physically unable to go to the polls to vote with an absentee ballot. A family member may apply for the ballot. The deadline for applying is noon the day before the election or Monday, Nov. 4.

Those who wish to do so may cast their ballot at the Clerk's Office. Ballots should be available three weeks prior to the elections. Voters may also apply in writing to

Town should vote on station

(The following letter was in the Selectmen's correspondence this week.)

Dear Selectmen,

I attended the Oct. 1 mitigation committee meeting with the MBTA where the majority of the discussion focused on the proposed Cohasset village train station. There were many people in attendance, myself included, who feel a downtown station would negatively impact our beautiful village area.

Our mitigation committee chairman stated a meeting will be held in two to three weeks where Cohasset residents could give their input as to whether or not they wanted the station built in our village or on Route 3A. The mitigation committee would then make their recommendation to you on the placement of the station based on what the majority of the residents at this meeting wanted. This is a monumental decision facing our town. A decision of this magnitude should be voted upon by all Cohasset residents whether it be on the next ballot or by mail. More importantly, before a vote is taken people need to be educated on this issue. The pros and cons of a village station need to be made public so residents who cannot attend these mitigation meetings can still make a well informed decision.

You were elected to protect the best interests of our town no matter how controversial the issue. It is time you started doing your job with respect to defending the character of our town against the MBTA. A first step would be to allow Cohasset residents to vote on where they want their station. Since you won't fight the Greenbush line in general, you owe it to the 50 percent who voted against the train at least that much.

Carol Davis
38 Rocky Lane

Rail foe seeks to unseat Mary Jeanette Murray

Continued from page 1

tion of the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad, Buckley said her election platform consists of more than the train — an issue on which she and Murray see eye to eye.

In addition to founding the anti-rail Coastal Coalition, Buckley noted that she spearheaded the effort to preserve Hingham's Central Junior High School building for the town. It is now slated to become a new Hingham civic center.

A supporter of term limits, Buckley said it is important to give voters a choice.

"A lot of people think after 20 years it's time for a change. I think she's done a terrific job," Buckley said of Murray. "But it's time to pass the baton."

As a legislator Buckley said she would try to be proactive rather than reactive and maintained that as a legislator she would have worked harder to prevent the Massachusetts-American Water Company's 155 percent water rate increase approved this spring by the state Department of Public Utilities. Those rates affect more than 300 homes in north Cohasset.

And while she maintains that it's not her only issue, Buckley acknowledged that the possibility of getting into the State House would elevate her opposition to the Greenbush project to a new level.

"I promise to work with energy and commitment on all issues that effect the South Shore to preserve and protect this beautiful place I call home," Buckley said in her campaign announcement (for full text see page 13).

In the meantime, Murray, who hasn't been opposed for the Third Plymouth District seat since 1988, said she's been stepping up her campaign efforts for the election, something she does every two years even when unopposed.

"Even unopposed, I run," said Murray, noting "I want to beat the blanks."

Murray, who said she takes every challenge "very seriously" is counting on her experience and involvement in legislation on multiple issues facing her district to give her the edge in November.

"Everyone has a right to run, but I've had stiff opposition before and I'm prepared," Murray said.

With The Candidates

Teague Takes Issue With 'Middle-Class' Delahunt

By STEVE ADAMS
Cohasset Mariner

With a confirmed opponent finally in place, Republican congressional candidate Ed Teague bored into Democratic nominee William Delahunt during the first week of the general election campaign, challenging Delahunt's self-described "middle class" status.

Teague cited Delahunt's refusal to release his tax returns, his use of an automobile leased by his campaign committee and charging of $100,000 in restaurant bills to his campaign fund over the past two decades.

Oh yes, and his infamous vacation at Hedonism II, described by the Teague campaign as a "Jamaica nude resort."

"Well, I'd be surprised if most people would select that as a vacation site," said Teague, a Yarmouth Republican and the House Minority Leader.

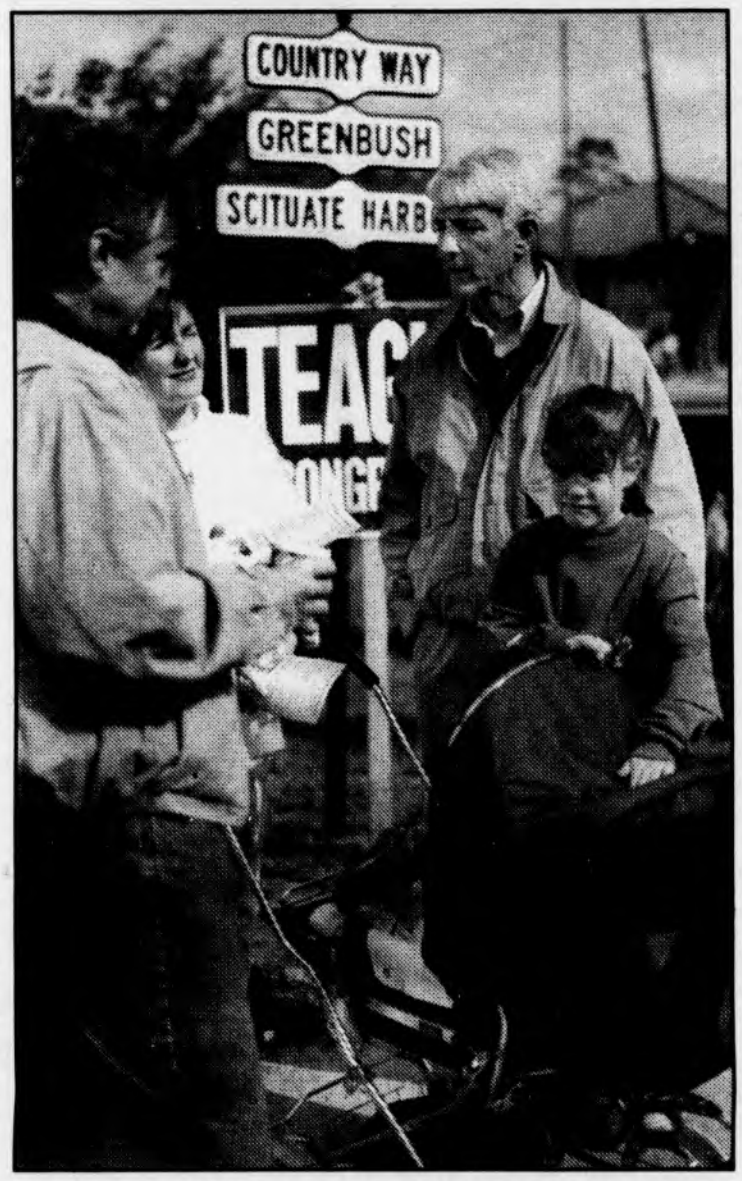
Citing Norfolk County District Attorney Delahunt's previous use of an automobile seized by his office, and his current use of a leased car, Teague questioned whether middle-class voters can identify with Delahunt's lifestyle.

Delahunt campaign coordinator P.J. O'Sullivan said the car issue "has no relevance whatsoever in who will make the best congressman."

"I don't think that anybody is surprised at Teague, who spent about $100,000 in attacking Phil Johnston before Phil was even declared the nominee," said O'Sullivan. "So I think his intentions beginning on Sept. 18 were made very clear: to do anything possible to keep the discussion away from his record, which quite frankly is frightening."

He cited Teague's pro-life stance, vote to deny abortion counseling to rape victims, opposition to a ban on assault weapons and low environmental rating from the Massachusetts Audubon Society as examples of that record.

"These are the reasons Ed Teague will talk about anything other than the real issues voters care about," said O'Sullivan.



Ed Teague talks to people at Octoberfest in North Scituate.

Staff photo/Steve Adams

Teague also raised the question of Delahunt's real estate dealings, particularly his participation in a 1985 purchase of an 11-acre parcel on Nantucket.

The Nantucket Land Bank, an entity created by the legislature in 1983 to preserve open space, had planned to purchase the parcel for $125,000. Due to a delay, the property owner sold the parcel to Delahunt and three other partners for $150,000. The land bank filed suit in Nantucket Superior Court, citing an earlier purchase-and-sale agreement. A year later, the lawsuit was settled when the Delahunt group agreed to sell the parcel to the land bank for $292,650.

Teague said he finds hard to believe Delahunt's vague response to questions about whether he made money on the deal.

"I think most middle class folks would remember whether they made or lost money — and even the sum of the money if it were that large," he said.

O'Sullivan said Delahunt stated eight months ago that he couldn't recall how much money he made on the deal, but that it wasn't a large amount. Delahunt said his group paid hefty legal and consulting fees.

Delahunt has publicly acknowledged that "on paper" he may have been a millionaire during the 1980s. His real estate holdings have been transferred to a private family trust.

Teague and the Delahunt camp both downplayed the importance of a Boston Globe/WBZ-TV Channel 4 poll released Friday that showed Delahunt enjoying a 12-point lead in the race.

"There were numerous polls before the primary, all of which declared an overwhelming victory for one candidate, and all of which proved wrong," said Teague. "I would put this one in the same category as those."

"It's a poll and what it represents is a snapshot at that particular time," said O'Sullivan. "We take absolutely nothing for granted. Bill is out there working extremely hard in this shortened campaign."

Johnston looks ahead following court decision

By ROB ROGERS
Cohasset Mariner

The blue-and-white sign outside his campaign headquarters at 1800 Ocean Street is gone. A stack of lawn signs rests neatly on the brick staircase out front. Inside, a room alive with the buzzing of phones and bustling of campaign workers just a few days ago is quiet, now, with only a handful of volunteers picking up placards or loading campaign literature into cardboard boxes.

On the phone, a campaign worker trips over her words.

"Johnston for Cong..." she begins, then catches herself. "Johnston headquarters."

After winning, then losing, the 10th Congressional District Democratic primary in two of the most surprising upsets in the 1996 election season, former candidate Phil Johnston is adjusting to life outside the spotlight. Although still "in shock" from the Superior and Supreme Court decisions that named William Delahunt the primary victor — even as Johnston was being lauded by Democratic leaders at a party unity rally — the Marshfield resident feels anything but defeated.

"I'm still standing," Johnston said. "I feel like it's a tremendous loss. So many people have been working so hard and were so committed to what we were doing — I feel bad for them. On the other hand, I've personally gotten a lot of support from my friends and family. This has been a very strong, grassroots effort, and we are all going to remain together, to live for another day."

Johnston and his wife, Beverly, will spend this week in Florida discussing possibilities for the future. Johnston said he plans to seek some kind of public service position, and that he had not ruled out a possible return to his former position as New England director of health and

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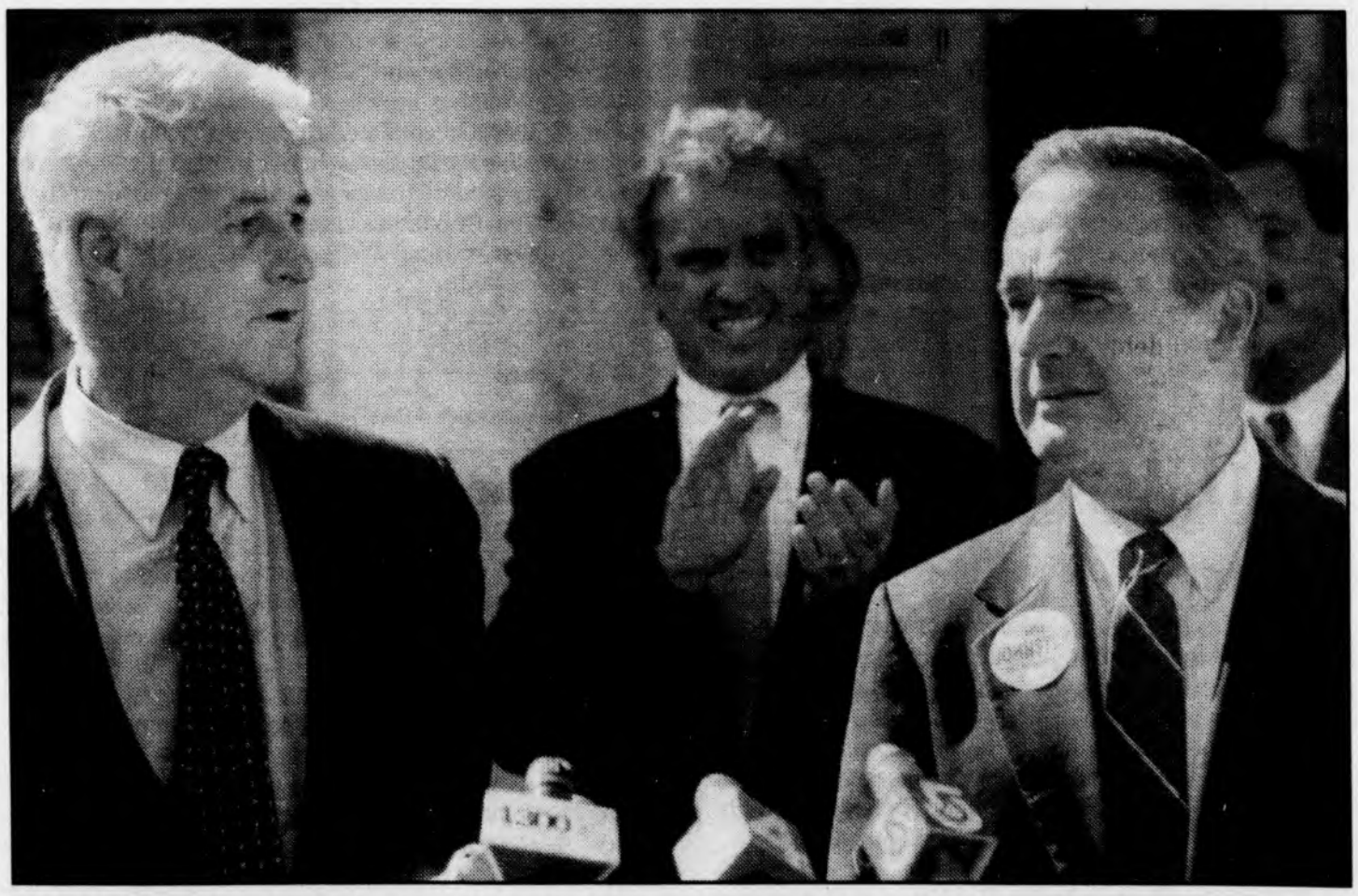

As U.S. Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II applauds in the background, Phil Johnston, far right, and Bill Delahunt pledge to support one another at a Boston press conference while awaiting the results of a state Supreme Judicial Court ruling to determine which of them would be their party's nominee.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Candidates Corner

Nancy Buckley announces candidacy for state rep.

Nancy Buckley of Hingham announces she is launching her campaign to unseat Mary Jeannette Murray as representative in General Court (Third Plymouth District).

Buckley has worked diligently to improve water transportation as co-founder of the Coastal Coalition. She also spearheaded the effort to save Hingham's Central Junior High School, which is now being converted to a multi-use civic center to include a new police station, senior center, town hall offices and recreational facility.

Nancy Buckley

Recognizing strong support for term limits, Buckley is confident voters will agree Murray's 20 years as state representative should not necessarily become 22.

"My candidacy gives voters a choice. There are distinct differences in our ideology, such as Rep. Murray's recent vote favoring assault weapons. I, as an ardent supporter of gun control, will work to ban the sale of assault weapons in Massachusetts.

"Another example of our differences is how I, as state legislator, would have been working actively to prevent the 155-percent water rate increase when the plant was in its planning stage, as opposed to reacting to the increase after the fact.

"I promise to work with energy and commitment on all issues that affect the South Shore to preserve and protect this beautiful place I call home."

Buckley, a lifelong Democrat, is a graduate of Archbishop Williams High School and Suffolk University, where she received a bachelor of science in business administration.

There will be a meeting Thursday, Oct. 17, at 7:30 p.m., in the Whiton Room of the Hingham Library for anyone interested in helping with the write-in sticker campaign.

This announcement was submitted by the Buckley Campaign.

Johnston looks ahead

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human services.

"I expect that I will be involved in health and human services in one aspect or another," Johnston said. "Once we get through the November election, I'll take a look at the political landscape and see what's available."

Johnston said he would also consider running for office again.

"I think I enjoyed the campaign tremendously," Johnston said. "I'd like to do it again, but next time I'd like to avoid any court [illegible]."

In the days following the Oct. 4 decision by Superior Court Judge Elizabeth B. Donovan, Johnston criticized Delahunt for taking the recount process out of the hands of local election officials and placing it in a courtroom. He has also commented on the apparent impropriety of placing that decision in the hands of Donovan, who had previously worked for persons now involved with the Delahunt campaign. He added, however, that he had no intention of pursuing the matter any further.

"I know if the judge had been tied to me, people would have screamed about it," Johnston said. "I don't question her integrity, but I am concerned about the appearance of a conflict.

After campaigning against Republican rival Ed Teague for three weeks — and being unable to accept donations for part of that time while the recount process continued — the Johnston campaign is now about $100,000 in debt, Johnston said.

"We will have help from people to retire that debt," Johnston said. "We have also raised some money to defray the costs of our legal expenses."

Johnston said it "remains to be seen" what the primary campaign may cost the Democratic party in terms of disillusioned voters and name recognition.

"I think Teague will attempt to exploit the situation," Johnston said. "I myself have been astonished and surprised by the intensity of emotions this case has generated. I can't go into stores without having people I have never met come up to me to express their anger about what happened. I do think it was a matter of concern to many people."

Having promised to aid Delahunt in his battle against Teague, Johnston plans to do just that after returning from Florida. He also plans to assist other local Democrats in their campaigns. The former state Representative from Marshfield even stopped Friday morning to help state Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Marshfield, hold a campaign sign by the side of the road.

"I'm a Democrat, and I believe Ed Teague should not be elected to Congress," Johnston said. "With that in mind, I am perfectly [illegible] supporting Bill Delahunt."

In campaigning against Teague, Johnston recommends that Delahunt focus on the state House Minority Leader's past voting record. He also recommends that Delahunt take his campaign away from the cities of Quincy, Brockton and Weymouth, where the Norfolk District Attorney has already built a strong voter base.

"There are a whole range of issues, from assault weapons, to choice, to the environment to education," Johnston said. "And if one looks how Bill Delahunt did in the primary, one might worry about how he would fare on the south coast, the Cape, and the islands. He'll have a lot of help, though, from [retiring U.S. Rep.] Gerry Studds, and he'll be in pretty good shape come Election Day."

In the future, Johnston said, what people will remember about the 1996 Democratic primary will be not the division that [illegible] headlines, but the hardworking campaigners who made the race so close.

"I think people will remember the energy and the emphasis on people," Johnston said. "We worked very, very hard, and we were unapologetic about our view that government should be there to help people. That was particularly reflected in our emphasis on health care."

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Social Service League

Consignment shop needs influx of volunteers

Since its beginning in 1912, the Social Service League's Cohasset consignment shop has relied on volunteers. Manager Andy Merrill is sending an "SOS" to all retirees, men and women, along with newcomers in the towns which benefit from SSL services, including Hingham, Hull, Scituate, Norwell and Cohasset.

Merrill said volunteers are most needed on Fridays, but assistance is always welcome throughout the week as well, especially with the holidays approaching.

Volunteering provides fellowship and camaraderie, and most volunteers look forward to not only helping a good cause but the friendships which often develop from volunteering.

The new enlarged shop is located in Cushing Plaza, Route 3A, and is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Individuals interested in volunteering are asked to call 383-0687.

Proceeds from the shop benefit flu shot clinics, Meals on Wheels, battered women and Keep Well programs, along with other services provided by the League.

Men's and women's tweed jackets, a Halloween clown costume, turkey platter, travel clocks and umbrellas, along with an array of children's and teen sweaters and apparel, are currently available at the consignment shop.

Lillian Peters, a volunteer at the Consignment Shop, hangs up a child's jacket. If you can volunteer at the shop a few hours a week, please call 383-0687.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Social Service League provides help to residents

Cohasset Social Service League, founded in 1912, wishes to remind residents and newcomers to town of the services it provides. Counseling and support groups are led by professional social worker Patricia Carleton, LICSW, whose confidential service include individual, family, geriatric, marital, teen and grief counseling, advocacy and referrals. Office and home visits are available.

Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver hot, nutritionally balanced meals provided by South Shore Elder Services at a reasonable price to qualified residents five days a week.

Nursing services are provided by Public Health Nurse Judy Fitzsimmons, RN, under the direction of Cohasset Board of Health. Services include lead screening, blood pressure monitoring, home visits, immunization clinics for flu and pneumonia, cancer screening clinics; and consultations on general health, diet and medication.

"Keep Well" clinics are held each month at Harborview senior housing on the first Friday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon.

There is a senior luncheon on the second Tuesday at the Senior Center from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Walk-in nursing hours at SSL offices, 16 Highland Ave. (at St. Stephen's Church) are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Cohasset Consignment Shop at Shaw's Plaza is operated solely to benefit the SSL. New volunteer workers and consignors are welcome. Call 383-0687 for details.

The Social Service League also compiles a list of emergency telephone numbers, which may be found on page 157 of the Rotary Club Cohasset phone directory. For more information about the League and its services or to volunteer, call the SSL office at 383-0771 or 383-0821.

Midlife career transitions to be discussed on Oct. 22

The Social Service League of Cohasset will sponsor a meeting Tuesday, Oct. 22, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.; offering the opportunity to hear a panel of experts discuss the practical, financial and psychological aspects of the job market for those at midlife. Competing personal responsibilities outside of work which impact the process will also be addressed.

Included in the discussion will be career re-engineering for the millennium; condensing life experiences onto a resumé; finding hidden financial resources; jobs in an improving job market; second careers; and relocation.

Panelists will be Employment Specialist Michelle Sweeney, JVS, skills training program; Steve Etkind, EdD, vice president, Private Health Care Systems and Cohasset Counseling Associates; and Nancy Socoli, director of education, Consumer Credit Counseling Services.

The meeting will take place at the Lighthouse Residence, 96 Border St., Cohasset Harbor. There is no charge, but seating is limited. To register or to obtain directions, call 383-0771.

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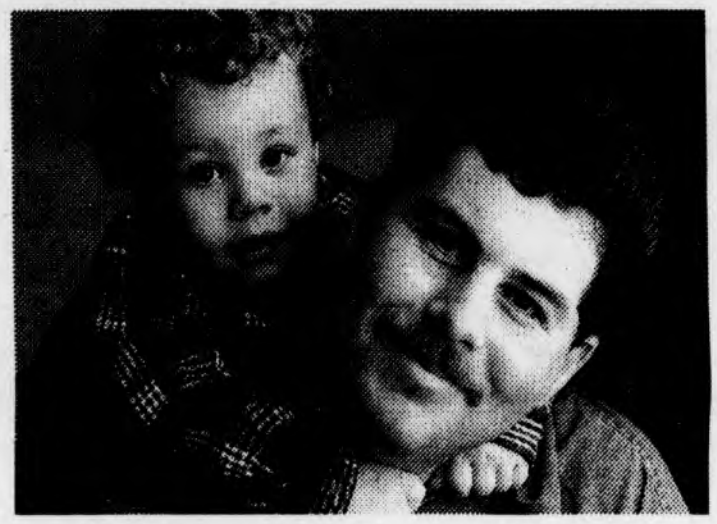

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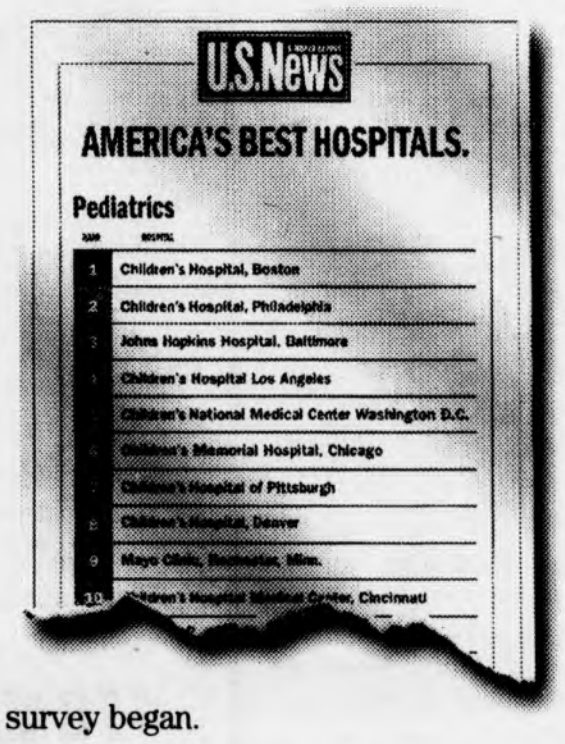

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Brig St. John of Galway was town's

By DAVID WADSWORTH
Special to the Mariner

On Oct. 11, 1849, an Irish "famine ship" from Galway on Ireland's west coast, bound for Boston, ran into a severe coastal storm as it entered Massachusetts Bay. Carrying a full complement of passengers and crew, many of whom were from the counties of Galway and Clare, the large two-masted sailing vessel anchored near the first Minot's Ledge Lighthouse some two and a half miles off Cohasset's shore, at the approaches to Boston Harbor, in an attempt to ride out the storm.

The ship's anchors failed to hold, and it soon struck a submerged ledge. The tragedy that ensued is still talked about on both sides of the Atlantic. The famine ship was the St. John of Galway, Ireland, and the ledge was a treacherous granite outcrop called The Grampuses. The site of the wreck was Cohasset's rocky shoreline.

Of those aboard the Irish brig, 99 souls perished; the survivors numbered just over 20. Galway-built St. John was owned on the island of Lettermullen, some 30 miles west near the shore of Galway Bay. The owner was Lettermullen's Tony Conneely, and master of the ship on that voyage was a Capt. Martin Oliver, who survived and is listed as being from Galway. His first name never appears in the records. Isaac Cummerford was first mate, and he also survived the wreck, later joining the U.S. Navy.

Many County Galway and County Clare names were represented on that voyage; their names are on the list of crew and passengers, which included both singles travelling individually and either entire families or parts of families from that area.

Near St. John that day was another brig of British registry, named Kathleen. Its anchors also failed, and it, too, was pushed towards the rocky shore. But by that particular stroke of fate which determines the destiny of those upon the sea, Kathleen would completely miss the dangerous rocks and find safety on the Cohasset shore.

Only yards distant, St. John suffered the opposite fortune and struck full upon the Grampuses. Attempts to free the vessel failed, and pounding waves began to break open its hull. In desperation, St. John's crew began to cut away masts and rigging in an attempt to lighten the ship, but to no avail. A ship's boat was launched, only to be smashed by the raging sea, and some passengers drowned.

Within an hour, the vessel's hull had broken into fragments and no longer was visible from the shore. Horrified spectators could see only great raftlike sections of wreckage rising and falling with the waves as they drifted slowly to shore. Upon one of those sections huddled a pitiful few half-drowned people who eventually would be counted among the survivors. Of the rest, only the ship's Captain Oliver, some of the crew and a few passengers were able to launch the ship's longboat and gain safety on dry land.

Once ashore, a 19-year-old girl named Elizabeth Lothrop witnessed the entire horrifying tragedy from her home near Sandy Cove. That home, a summer boarding house run by the Lothrops and Whittingtons, would be the destination of the survivors from the St. John.

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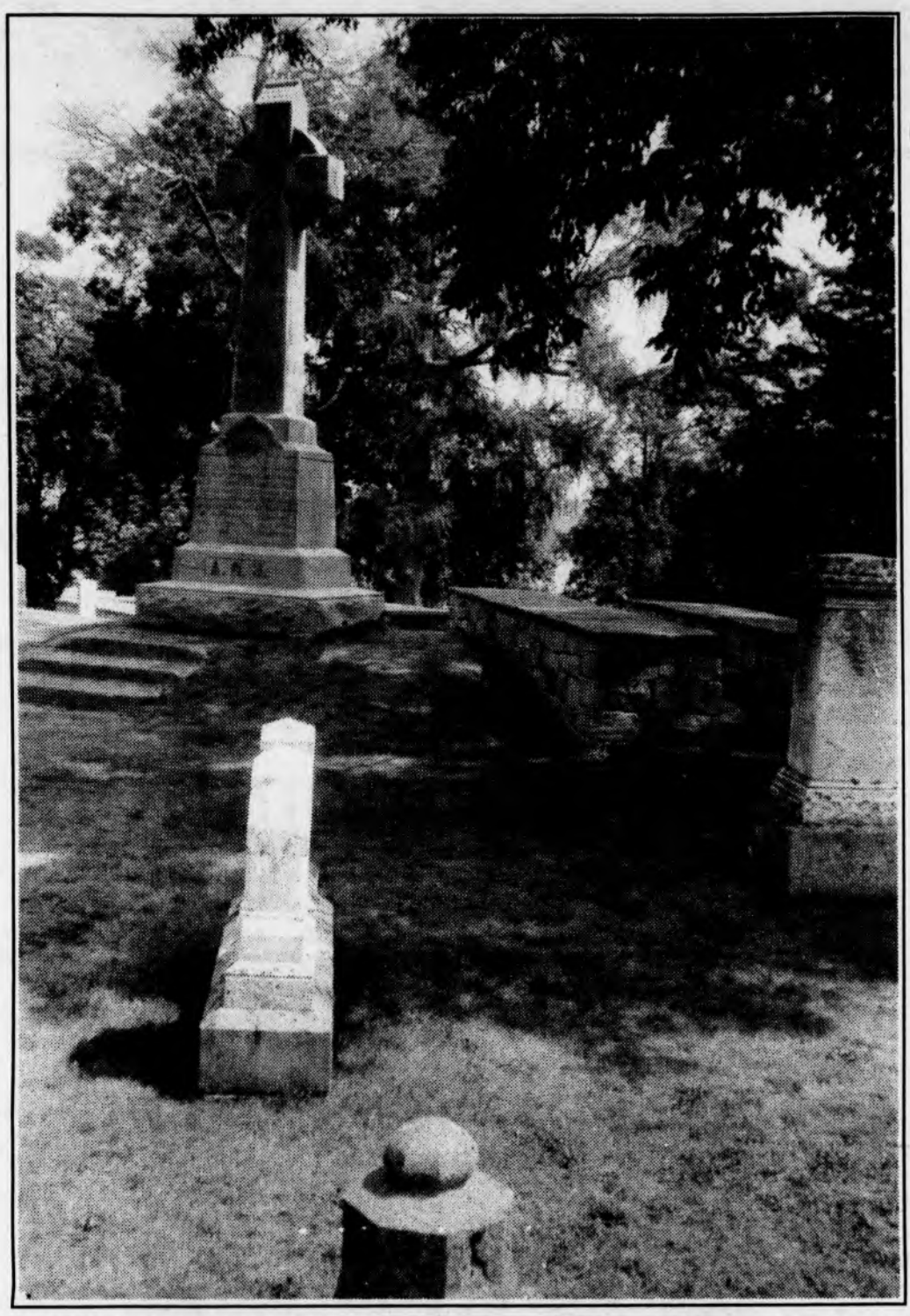

A Celtic Cross stands over a mass grave in Cohasset Central Cemetery where unidentified bodies from the St. John are buried.

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Newcomer's Club elects officers

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomer's Club has elected new officers for the 1996-'97 year. They are: co-presidents, Martha Gangemi and Andrea Kinnealey of Cohasset; vice president, Susan Biddle Jaffe of Cohasset; treasurer, Tracey Kelly of Scituate; corresponding secretary, Jennifer McGreenery of Cohasset; recording secretary, Suzanne Clark of Scituate; communication secretaries, Linda Edwards of Scituate and Karen Hohner of Cohasset; historian, Mal McCunney of Cohasset; membership, Susan Hernon of Cohasset and Dierdre Kelly of Scituate; hospitality co-chairs, Ginny Callahan, Laurie Sheehan and Nancy Touhey of Scituate; telephoning co-chairs, Karen Canfield of Scituate and Susan Donohue of Cohasset; Moms and Tots, Jen Adams of Scituate and Lori Hyslip of Cohasset; and publicity, Kathleen Knight of Scituate.

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomers Club is open to new members and invites all residents of both towns to join the club and participate in its activities. The purpose of the group is to meet people with similar interests.

Club activities include a Moms and Tots play group, sip 'n stitch crafts and gourmet groups, chess and poker gatherings and the option to take part in the club's annual parties.

For more information, call 383-6963 or 545-4937 or write to Scituate-Cohasset Newcomer's Club, P.O. Box 623, Cohasset 02025.

worst shipwreck

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Immediately, clean sheets, blankets and boiling water were brought out and carefully placed in the house, ready for use.

Elizabeth's father, Capt. Daniel T. Lothrop, a Cohasset seafarer, had departed earlier for Cohasset Harbor to assist the Humane Society's volunteer lifeboat crew in an attempt to reach the site of the disaster.

Later, Elizabeth Lothrop would write in her diary of the "horrible shipwreck" and describe the appalling power of the stormy sea as it tore the large vessel asunder, seemingly with ease. When the first survivors arrived at the Lothrop House, they were "half-drowned, more dead than alive," and in lamentable condition.

As for the Cohasset volunteer lifesavers, they launched the Humane Society's lifeboat at Whitehead near the entrance of Cohasset Harbor. Struggling through tumultuous seas into the teeth of the gale, the big rowboat headed for the Grampuses. Subsequently Capt. Lathrop would write a detailed explanation stating why the lifesavers never did reach the sunken ship.

When part of the way there, they saw the St. John's longboat with Capt. Oliver and the survivors heading past them for the shore. No attempt was made by the longboat's occupants to inform the lifesavers of the presence of others at the site of the wreck.

Soon seeing the other drifting brig, Kathleen, which was flying distress signals, the exhausted lifesavers veered off to assist that vessel, unaware that scores of people still may have been clinging to the wreckage of the St. John. Only later did those on shore become aware of the magnitude of the loss of life at that ledge. In any event, the volunteer lifeboat could have rescued only about 20 people, the number of survivors it was designed to hold.

Once ashore, a 19-year-old girl named Elizabeth Lothrop witnessed the entire horrifying tragedy from her home near Sandy Cove. That home, a summer boarding house run by the Lothrops and Whittingtons, would be the destination of the survivors from the St. John.

In the appalling disaster that befell the brig from Galway, entire families were wiped out. Patrick McSweeney drowned while trying to save his wife and nine children, none of whom survived. Of the survivors, two were taken to the Cohasset Almshouse, where they could receive intensive medical attention.

A week later, Elizabeth Lothrop visited the almshouse and was heartened to see the two women survivors much improved. A service was conducted for the victims by Father Roddan of Quincy, and about 45 unidentified victims were buried in a grave at Cohasset's Central Cemetery. Sometime after the shipwreck, Elizabeth Lothrop, in a somber train of thought, confided to her diary that having witnessed the awful event from beginning to end that day, she feared her life could never be as happy and carefree as it had been before the incident. She wrote of a profound sadness that seemed never to depart. Thus the sinking of the ship and loss of those on the vessel touched those who watched and tried to help.

Today, nearly a century and a half after the tragic event, Cohasset is sometimes visited by residents of the island of Lettermullen and Galway, who have heard the story of Tony Conneely's ship St. John and its ill-fated company who perished long ago upon the very threshold of a new and better world.

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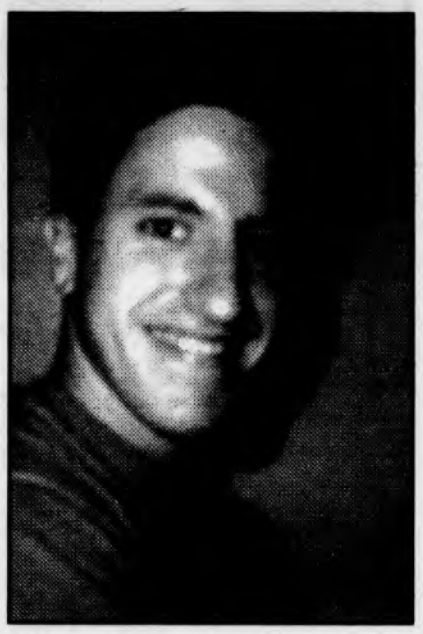
The town of Cohasset was glad to once again have a small, local butcher shop in the village offering fresh, quality meats. Now residents may lose the butcher at Village Butcher Shop, located on Brook Street.

Good-natured Mike Feroli has agreed to be "arrested" to benefit Wellspring, a South Shore community service agency located in Hull which provides an array of services to South Shore residents.

Feroli will be "incarcerated" unless his friends and customers agree to come by and bail him out by Saturday, Oct. 19. A mere $2 contribution will purchase a Key of Caring, which will help support Wellspring's services, including a food pantry, adult learning program, domestic violence intervention, holiday gift and food baskets, thrift shop, career guidance and counseling and social service referrals.



Mike Feroli of the Village Butcher Shop.

The sale of 75 keys will also "spring" Feroli.

Along with Feroli, Debbie, Cindy, Nancy and Cathy, the morning crew at Dwyer's Cleaning Spot, located on Cushing Highway, have also agreed to participate in the fund raiser and also need "bailing out."

Individuals and groups who have made donations are invited to stop by the Red Parrot in Hull on Sunday, Oct. 20, from 1 to 4 p.m. to celebrate the "liberation" of Feroli and other notable "criminals."

VFW seeks donations for Oct. 19 yard sale

Cohasset VFW Post 9146 is seeking donations for their annual yard sale, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 19.

Anyone who would like to contribute saleable items is asked to call 383-0780 to arrange for pick-up.

Adult education opportunity

The Rev. Jenny Rankin, interim minister at First Parish in Cohasset, is offering a course in Spiritual Autobiography which is open to the wider community. This is a unique opportunity to explore and write about one's own spiritual "journey" and find its commonality with others. No writing experience is necessary. Through drawings and other exercises, past experience is evoked and examined. Rules of the class include attendance at all sessions (except for emergency or other unusual exception) and "the right of reticence" (no one is required to reveal any material he or she wishes to remain private). Confidentiality is essential.

The class is not only enriching and illuminating, it is a whole lot of fun! Sessions will be held on from 9 to 10:15 a.m. on six consecutive Sunday mornings starting Nov. 3. Participants will meet in the Unitarian Parish House, 23 N. Main St., which is across the street from the Meeting House on the Common. To register, please call 383-1100. Enrollment is limited.

The course will be repeated on Wednesday afternoons in January 1997, the dates and times to be announced later.

Come to the Halloween fair

For nearly 20 years, South Shore Community Center Nursery School has hosted a Halloween Fair on Cohasset Common, which has become a tradition for families throughout the South Shore. This year's fair will take place Sunday, Oct. 27, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The event offers children and parents early Halloween fun and laughter through games of skill and luck as well as creative activities. The fair is a major fund raiser for the nursery school and its scholarship and program funds.

The traditional costume parade will step out at 1:30 p.m. Encircling the common will be the school's very own favorite friendly witch. Grand marshall of the parade for 16 years, she first led the parade accompanied by her favorite little "warlock," her son. Last year her 1-year-old grandson joined the parade.

Activities will include cupcake decorating, donuts on a string and monster paws, 15 different games, ghostball, a treasure hunt, pumpkin-carving contest, carousel and moon walk. Pumpkins for the contest may be dropped off at the common at 1 p.m.

The fair is designed for all children and appeals in particular to children ages 2-8, according to Lynne Sheridan, director of the nursery school. Children leave each game with a prize or treat.

Tickets for games and activities are three for $1 and may be purchased at the fair. Most activities require two or three tickets to participate.

In the event of rain, the fair will be held inside the community center, directly across from the common. For more information, call 383-0036.

Dawna Hammers at coffeehouse

The Coffeehouse Off the Square, located in Old Ship Parish Hall, 107 Main St., Hingham, will present Dawna Hammers and Manuel Santos with his group, Bambule, Saturday, Oct. 19, at 8 p.m.

Tickets are $5 at the door, with proceeds benefitting Central American Medical Relief.

There will be an open microphone and refreshments. For more information, call 545-2798.

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Mariner Sports

Last gasp for tourney

Field hockey team still in running for postseason berth

By JOE REARDON
Cohasset Mariner

With the boys and girls soccer teams both having disappointing seasons, the Cohasset High field hockey squad is the only team this fall with a chance at qualifying for postseason play. But four-game scoring slump two weeks ago has put the squad's back against the wall.

Coach Debby Bostwick's crew was 4-5-3 coming into this week after an exhausting string of games. With four games left, Cohasset needs to reach 16 points. The squad has 11.

The Lady Skippers have two scenarios in which to qualify for the tourney. They must either win one game and tie three, or win two and tie two. That doesn't sound like an overwhelming challenge, and it normally wouldn't be. But when you add first-place Hull and perennial tourney qualifier Hanover to the mix, the Lady Skippers have little, if any, room for error.

Bostwick, however, is very pleased with the team's play and believes Cohasset has a decent shot if the girls put their best efforts out.

"They have a real positive outlook," Bostwick said, "and they're playing as hard as they can, so I can't complain.

"We're really taking the hard route."

Cohasset outplayed the Carver Crusaders in its 0-0 tie at Carver last Friday, but the combination of strong goaltending and wet field conditions were enough to slow the Lady Skippers enough for the Lady Crusaders to escape with a stalemate. Cohasset put 10 shots on net and had two corner shots, but weren't able to finish up the plays once inside the Carver zone.

"We need to play to win and the kids know that," said Bostwick, who feels the girls are as intense as they've been all season.

Jackie Hurley proved to be the star in the team's 0-0, Oct. 8 tie at East Bridgewater. The stalemate was a retribution of sorts after the Lady Vikings defeated Cohasset, 2-1, in the first meeting of the year between the two teams.

Hurley was the dominant force for the Lady Skippers, stopping 21 shots, including a spectacular save on a penalty stroke awarded to East Bridgewater.

"Jackie was spectacular for us," Bostwick said. "She kept us in the game."

Whitney Cook and Kelly Lordan both had solid games and broke up a number of plays coming off the bench for Cohasset, and the starters put consistent pressure on

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Cohasset's Hannah Breganl gains control of the ball during a soccer victory over South Shore League opponent Hull.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Skippers still looking for first victory

BY JIM O'SULLIVAN
Special to the Mariner

Last Friday the Cohasset Skippers varsity football team bowed to the Scituate Sailors by a score of 33-0 at Scituate, dropping their record to 0-4. The Skippers' play improved in the second half, as they only surrendered six points, but were still unable to punch through the solid Sailor defense to score.

Less than two minutes into the game, Scituate registered a 34-yard rushing touchdown, but failed to kick the extra point. Sophomore Jamie DeMichele returned the kickoff to the Skipper 30, but the visitors immediately gave up the ball, surrendering an interception, which turned into a 44-yard runback for another score. This time, the extra point attempt split the uprights and the Skippers were quickly down by 13.

DeMichele sprinted to the 34 on a reverse during a kickoff return. Senior Matt Belson carried to the 38 and quarterback Pat Hurley took a well-executed draw play down to the 43, leaving the Skippers three feet short of a first. Cohasset's punt team came out, but Belson took the fake punt all the way to the Scituate 35. However, the Skippers couldn't capitalize and the home team got the ball back with its second interception of the game. This time, though, the Skipper defense tightened with a great play by Jamie Buick, who made a nice tackle. Belson and Jarred Batts combined for a takedown and sophomore Justin Golden crushed a Scituate runner trying to recapture an errant lateral. These plays forced a

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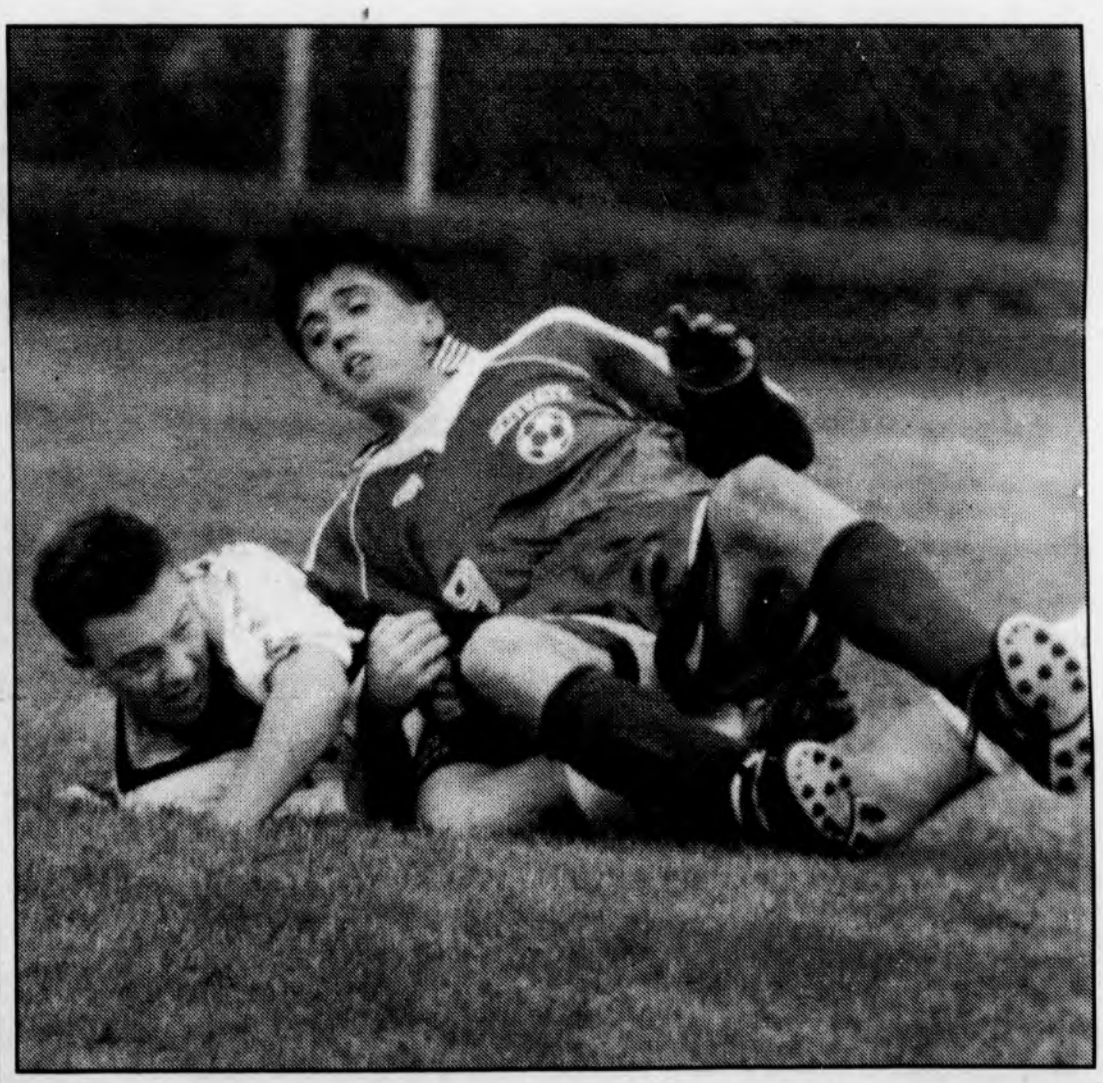

Scituate's Shawn Flynn lands on Cohasset's Leigh Atherton during a recent South Shore League game between the two squads.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Editor's note to high school coaches

Because of the number of afternoon and night games during the week and an earlier sports deadline, I will no longer be able to contact coaches in the evening. I will be calling coaches on Sundays in the afternoon evening and Mondays from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. This will free me up to cover afternoon and evening games during the week and give coaches a definite time range when they can call me back. Coaches can also call me at any time during the week at (617) 340-1006. If I'm not in I will return your message.

JOE REARDON

Mariner Sports

A Cohasset player heads the ball away from a Green Wave defender as they both go high for possession.

Staff photo by Victor Pryles

Skippers still looking for first victory

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Sailor punt.

Once again the Cohasset offense sputtered and turned the ball over to Scituate, who capitalized with a 2-yard TD run. Cohasset got the ball back, but punted once again. This time, the Sailors ran it 52 yards for the score. After the two-point conversion was tacked on, the score was 27-0. The Sailors had scored 14 points in the closing two minutes of the first half.

Another Scituate interception set up the final Scituate score, a 1-yard touchdown run. The Skipper offense failed to get moving and punted again. And again, Golden made a nice backfield tackle, dropping the Sailors for a loss. Pat Murphy pounced on a fumble, gathering the ball in for the Skippers. Freshman QB Joe Pergola lofted a perfect spiral for a 35-yard connection to Buick. Belson carried to the Sailor 45 and Golden took a reverse around end for a gain to the 37. But the Skippers couldn't gain another first and the haggard defense came out for another effort. Buick notched a sack and Golden collected his third backfield tackle of the game and forced a Sailor punt.

Hurley, rolling out of the pocket, somehow threaded the needle to Buick along the sideline for a 5-yard gain, but the Sailor defensive backfield picked off its fourth interception on the next play. Jordan Fiore and Greg Boyne teamed up to take down a Sailor ballcarrier and Pergola jumped in for a tackle. Boyne then dove on a fumble, but the game was out of reach at that point and the Skippers lost their fourth game of the season.

This week, Cohasset treks to Carver to take on the Crusaders. The Skippers will be searching for their first win of the season and will be fired up from last week's loss to Scituate.

Adult programs

Adult golf — Dan Neary, $65 for five, one hour classes. Cushing School 6 and 7 p.m. Starts Nov. 7, Thursdays. Checks payable to Town of Cohasset.

Men's Under 35 Basketball — Gates Jr. High School. Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 21. $25. Checks payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's Over 35 Basketball — Gates Jr. High School. Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25. Checks payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult, Advanced Co-ed Volleyball — Gates Jr. High School. Wednesday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 21. $25. Checks payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Beginner/Intermediate Volleyball — Gates Jr. High School, Fridays, through May 23, 6 to 8:30 p.m. $25 check payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

To register or for further details, please call either the Cohasset or Scituate Recreation Departments at 383-6791 or 545-8738, respectively.

Dance program starts

The South Shore Community Center dance program is beginning an exciting new season with new and innovative classes for young dancers of all levels. Donna Joyce Viau returns from Gloucester this year as director of the program.

This program creates an environment where the child is part of a group, working together with fairness and friendship as the emphasis. It is important for these students to be motivated to work hard at something, and have fun at the same time, to be expressive and creative and to enhance their individuality and to believe that dreams can become goals and goals can be reached. The program develops group ideas and choreography, creates scenery and costumes, incorporates singing, sign language and more.

The students have the opportunity to showcase their work by performing both onstage and in informal studio-like settings to allow families and friends to see the progression of their work. This is an atmosphere where everyone participates, individual strengths are enhanced and novice skills are developed. Positive reinforcement is the key. Enrollment is ongoing for members as well as non-members of the center.

For more information, please call Joyce, Tuesday and Wednesday, or Stephanie Church, Monday through Friday, at 383-0088. Classes are held Tuesdays and Wednesdays for ages 3 to 15.

Girls night out

Girls night out will be held Friday, Oct. 18, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. for ages 5 to 8 years old. The cost is $15. Limited sign up, so sign up today.

Enjoy a fun-filled evening with gymnastics, bowling, make your own pizza, and obstacle course. Everyone receives a special gift just for coming. There will also be prizes for bowling and obstacle course winners. Call the center at 383-0088 for more information.

Field hockey team still in running

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the Lady Viking goalie. But, that nemesis of not being able to put the ball in the net came back to haunt the Lady Skippers once again.

Amazingly, the tie was the second in a string of three after wrapping up Notre Dame of Hingham, 2-2, on Oct. 7.

The Lady Skippers took a 2-0 lead in the first half on goals from Meghan Connolly and Natale Cheel at the five- and 10-minute marks and Cohasset looked to be on its way.

Notre Dame cut the lead to 2-1 just before the half when they scored on a defensive corner on a shot that was accidently deflected in.

Cohasset beat Scituate two days later, 1-0, at home when Cheel blasted home a pass from Lauren Dooley at the 15-minute mark of the second period.

The Lady Skippers used a swarming offense to pepper Scituate with 22 shots on goaltender Meghan Duffy.

"She was unbelievable," Bostwick said. "We should have beaten them five zip."

Bostwick decided not to make any substitution changes because the team was playing so well together. "I told the players I was going to keep them out there and the girls on the bench said they were doing good and they should stay out," Bostwick said. "Everything went right for us."

Hopefully that will continue long enough to get Cohasset a berth in the South Sectional tourney.

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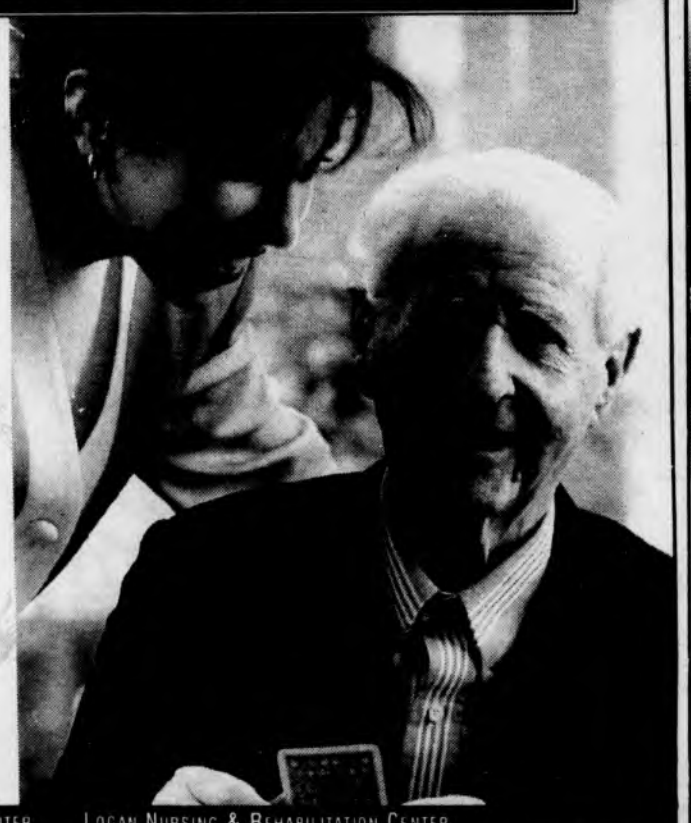

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The Cohasset Recreation Department in conjunction with the Scituate Recreation Department will accept registrations via pl[illegible] for adult indoor golf lessons, scheduled to begin Thursday evening, Nov. 7.

Lessons are five weeks, meeting one-hour weekly and cost $65 per person. Classes are limited to 10 and registrations are accepted on a first enrolled basis. Should you require use of golf clubs for the classes, please indicate this at the time of your registration and we will loan you clubs for the classes free of charge.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Dan Neary will be the golf pro teaching this session, which will be held at the Cushing Elementary School, off Route 3A, Scituate. Classes will be held Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12. Class times are at 6 and 7 p.m.

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GYMNASTICS

South Shore Community Center still has a few openings in the following gymnastics classes:

Friday, 4:15 to 4:45 p.m., Sports for Kids, ages 6 through 9.

Tuesday, 3:15 to 4:15 p.m., Gymnastics for Boys, ages 5 through 7.

Call Ruthann Ardizzoni, 383-0088, for registration information.

Former Cohasset resident Richele Mein (Sargent) and her husband, Willie, reached the summit of Mt. McKinley in Alaska on June 19. Mt. McKinley (20,320 ft.) is the highest peak in North America and known for its extreme weather conditions.
Richele and Willie, both avid rock climbers and back country skiers, completed their unguided expedition in 19 days. After being flown onto the Kahiltna Glacier, they traveled over snow and ice, encountering storms with winds more than 100 miles per hour and temperatures dropping to -40 degrees Fahrenheit. Although they encountered unusually cold and stormy weather on the lower mountain, they summited on a clear day.
Richele and Willie have just relocated to Boulder, Colorado where they own and operate a snowboard binding company called Mein Mountain. Richele is also working as a physical therapist.

Sixth-graders host spaghetti dinner

The Deer Hill sixth-grade class will sponsor a spaghetti dinner to help raise funds for their outdoor education program in November. The dinner will take place on Oct. 23, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Cohasset High School cafeteria. The cost of tickets will be $5 for adults and $3 for children under 12 and senior citizens. Tickets are available through sixth-grade students, at the Deer Hill office, or may be purchased at the door.

The outdoor education program will take place on Nov. 18-20 at Camp Bournedale in Plymouth. This will be the students' second fundraiser. They also held a car wash on Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Deer Hill School.

Special Olympics Seeks Volunteers

The Massachusetts Special Olympics needs volunteers who can spend a few hours a month working on the management team and special events for the New Norfolk Area, which includes Avon, Braintree, Canton, Cohasset, Dedham, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Milton, Needham, Newton, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Sharon, Stoughton, Walpole, Wellesley, Westwood and Weymouth.

Management volunteers with experience in marketing, fund-raising, competition and volunteer recruitment are important in assuring that the area provides an opportunity for athletes to compete.

For more information, call Area Manager Mary Iacovelli at (617) 984-5841 and leave a message that includes name, address, telephone number and area of interest (marketing, fund-raising, competition, etc.).

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Tryouts Set for Blazers

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School News

After reading 'Ira Sleeps Over,' Osgood second-graders Tyler Brown, Paul St. Pierre and Erin Chism enjoy the class pajama party.

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METCO news: dinner is Nov. 3

The Cohasset METCO Committee will host its annual fall dinner from 3 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 3 at the Cohasset High School cafeteria. The annual Sunday dinner is given by the Cohasset METCO host families for Cohasset's METCO students and their Boston families. This year's dinner will feature a Southern style menu of baked ham, macaroni & cheese and sweet potato pie. All METCO families, Cohasset host families and anyone else from the community who would like to attend are welcomed guests at event.

Please call PSO METCO reps. Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) if you can attend or if you would like to know more about the METCO program.

Second-grader Maggie Byrne cuts out a Teddy Bear for decoration with teacher Kristin Wrye watching during the 'Ira Sleeps Over' pajama party.

PSO help sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

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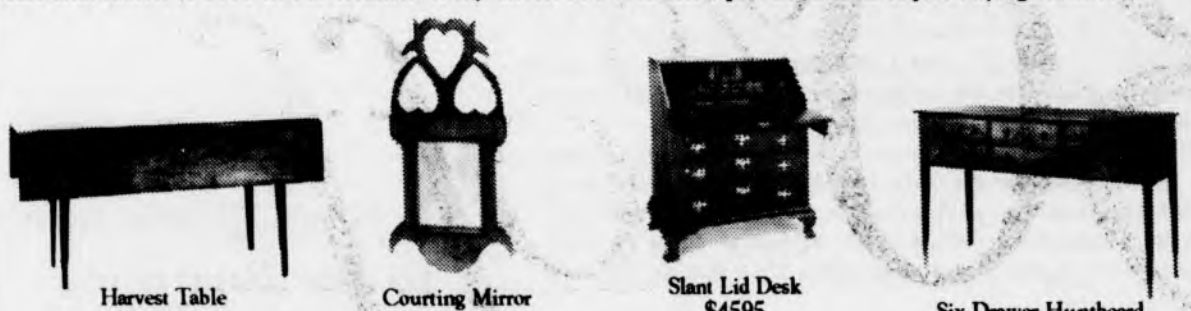

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School News

Summer reading program a hit

A total of 163 children participated in "Catch the Spark," this summer's reading program at Paul Pratt Memorial Library. Ninety-three children received a free paperback, courtesy of the Friends of the Library, for reaching their reading goal. All participants will receive certificates in school later this month. Children who would like to keep their decorated shooting star or firefly may pick them up at the library.

Children who participated were:

Joshua Aikens, Nick Aikens, Matt Ayer, Jason Benterou, Evan Benterou, Sarah-Beth Butman, Peter Bunstein, Mike Bunstein, Sophie Bertolami, Isabelle Bertolami, Prescott Busk, Austin Breslow, Jessico Bilbo, Maggie Byrne, Lindsay Blake, Jacqui Blake, Amelia Butman, Laura Campedelli, Melissa Campedelli, Jessie Catlin, Myles Collins-Wooley, Kate Carpenter, Sean Connolly;

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Natalie Hunt, Alexander Hunt, Courtney Hurley, Caitlin Hurley, Terry Hurley, Caroline Henderson, Martha Henderson, Brooke Harrington, Kirstie Harrington, Patrick Horrigan, Jack Hyslip, Gretchen Hyslip, Ryan Ingram, Ryan Jacobs, Alyson Jacobs, Kevin Jacobs, Kristen James, Kaitlin James, Alison Krupcak, Chloe Kittle, Lucy Kittle;

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Nathan Needle, Kevin O'Connell, Caitlin O'Connell, Stefan Parnell, Megan Parnell, Kyle Pinkus, Claire Pozniak, Paul Pozniak, Maggie Pilczak, Tim Pilczak, Nicole Plante, Jessica Reagan, Brian Raftery, Betsy Reynolds, Chris Reynolds, Dominique Rioux, Charlie Reel, Colleen Richardson, Robert Silvia;

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Matthew Steffens, Corey Steffens, Alida Tangherlini, Amanda Thompson, McKenna Teague, Kaleigh Teague, Molly Trisler, David Toomey, Timmy Toomey, Jessica Wheelwright, Frank Wheelwright, Katherine Whoriskey, Kara Wilcox, Chris Wilcox, Nate Wilcox and Noah Wilcox.

Open house at Notre Dame

Notre Dame Academy, 1073 Main St., Hingham, will hold an open house Sunday, Oct. 27, from 1 to 5 p.m. All interested girls and their parents are invited to attend. Notre Dame is a Catholic college-preparatory high school for young women.

Visitors will have an opportunity to meet with students, faculty and administrators and take guided tours of the school. Registration for the Archdiocesan entrance exam set for Saturday, Dec. 14, will also take place. The exam will be administered at Notre Dame.

For more information regarding the open house or exam registration, call the admissions office at 749-5930.

Derby open house set

Derby Academy, 56 Burditt Ave., Hingham, has scheduled an open house for visitors Tuesday, Oct. 22, beginning at 8:45 a.m. in the school library. Jay Sadlon, director of admissions, and Linda Wakeman, parents' association admissions liaison, have planned the event as an informal introduction for parents interested in learning more about the pre-K through grade 9 school.

Headmaster Edward Foley will give parents an overview of Derby's educational program, and Sadlon will review the application process. Parents of current Derby students will lead visitors on tours of the campus, and division heads and faculty will be on hand to answer questions during and after the tours.

Those interested in attending the event may call the school office at 749-0746.

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It's Happening

Harvest supper tonight

Beechwood Congregational Church of Cohasset will hold its annual Harvest Supper and Auction Thursday, Oct. 17, at 6:30 p.m.

In keeping with tradition, dinner will include ham (low sodium, low fat), cole slaw, mashed potatoes, harvard beets, string beans, beverage and dessert for $7.99 ($3.50 for children).

Children, spirituality and family is topic Oct. 19

Author/educator Dr. Gretchen Wolff Pritchard, minister of Christian Nurture, will present "Children, Spirituality and Family" Saturday, Oct. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at St. Stephen's Church, 16 Highland Ave., Cohasset. Parents, grandparents, teachers and all who touch the spirit of children at every age are welcome to attend.

The presentation will be followed by dessert and coffee and an opportunity to meet informally with Pritchard. A donation of $3 is requested.

Pritchard has had an interest in the spirituality of children since her own childhood in a family that did not attend church. She sought out baptism at age 14 and has continued in Christian education ever since.

She has been minister of Christian Nurture at St. Paul's Church, New Haven, Ct., since 1979, and is the author of four books on children and spirituality. Her focus for parents, grandparents and teachers is in helping children incorporate the story of God's compassion into their lives.

Family fall festival benefit

A Family Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, from 3 to 8 p.m. at South Shore Community Center, Cohasset. Activities will include a haunted house, scavenger hunt, hayride, costume contest, children's games, prizes, bowling, TV football party for adults, dinner, dancing to the "Grateful Dads," silent auction and raffle. Costumes are optional.

Tickets are $10 per person ($60 maximum per family) and may be purchased by calling 383-6670 or 383-6399.

'Dracula' performances set

Cohasset Drama Club will present "Dracula" for theatergoers who enjoy thrills, surprises, shudders and sensations Oct. 18, 19, 23, 25, 26 and 30 and Nov. 1 and 2.

Two Cohasset residents are members of the cast, including Meredith O'Hayre as the Ghost Wife and Angi Walsh as Mrs. Fern.

Performances will be held at Cohasset Town Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10 and may be purchased at Buttonwood Books in Cohasset or at the door on the night of the performance. The play, directed by Sally Wright, is an adaptation of Bram Stroker's "Dracula."

Dave Houvck as Prof. van Helsing and Christie Temberton as Flora rehearse for Cohasset Dramatic Club's production of 'Dracula' on stage at town hall.

Staff photo/Victor Pryles

The event is sponsored by South Shore Community Center, with proceeds benefitting the center, Cohasset Education Foundation and GEMS of Hope. For further information, call Diane Tracy at 383-2551.

Come to the Halloween fair

For nearly 20 years, South Shore Community Center Nursery School has hosted a Halloween Fair on Cohasset Common, which has become a tradition for families throughout the South Shore. This year's fair will take place Sunday, Oct. 27, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The event offers children and parents early Halloween fun and laughter through games of skill and luck as well as creative activities. The fair is a major fund raiser for the nursery school and its scholarship and program funds.

The traditional costume parade will step out at 1:30 p.m. Encircling the common will be the school's very own favorite friendly witch. Grand marshall of the parade for 16 years, she first led the parade accompanied by her favorite little "warlock," her son. Last year her 1-year-old grandson joined the parade.

Activities will include cupcake decorating, donuts on a string and monster paws, 15 different games, ghostball, a treasure hunt, pumpkin-carving contest, carousel and moon walk. Pumpkins for the contest may be dropped off at the common at 1 p.m.

The fair is designed for all children and appeals in particular to children ages 2-8, according to Lynne Sheridan, director of the nursery school. Children leave each game with a prize or treat.

Tickets for games and activities are three for $1 and may be purchased at the fair. Most activities require two or three tickets to participate.

In the event of rain, the fair will be held inside the community center, directly across from the common. For more information, call 383-0036.

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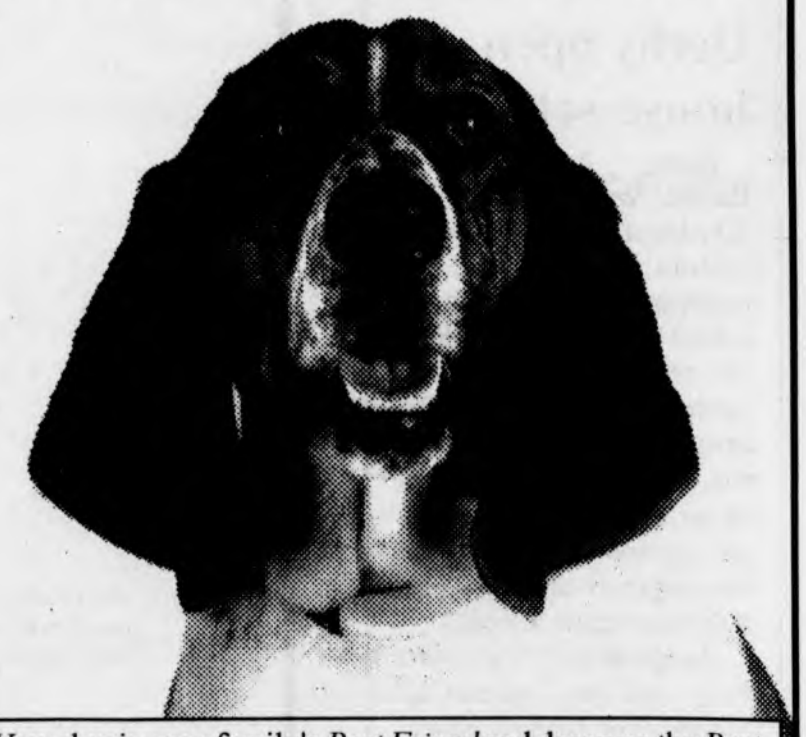

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A small victory over taxes

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

It seems, as the years pass and the process of accretion takes over, that the trauma of tax time sticks fresh in both our memory and wallet. Second to April, no other time brings up this most painful duty than when the holidays blow out our wallets. With that in mind, we offer this strictly legal list of tax breaks to stick on your refrigerator door. We hope it will help make the rest of your year a little less painful.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

The exemptions and deductions below come from the Office of Management and Budget in Washington, D.C., which annually delivers a list of tax expenditures — tax breaks that cost the government billions — to congressional tax-policy analysts. We also consulted Commerce Clearing House, a tax publishing firm in Chicago, and certified public accountants Janice Johnson of Coopers & Lybrand and Sidney Kess, both of New York City.

"By paying attention to these breaks," says Johnson, "an individual who earns $100,000 annually in adjusted gross income could save an extra $3,000 a year." Other incidental breaks exist in the law — for a more complete list, consult your tax pro.

•Nontaxable distributions. If you receive a dividend that includes a return of your capital, typically the case with utility shares, you may owe no tax on that amount. Ask the company you invested in to separate the taxable and nontaxable dividends.

Also tax free: Dividends paid as stock, stock rights (which let shareholders buy newly issued stock at a discount), stock received in a split, mutual fund dividends that represent tax-exempt interest, and dividends on insurance policies (so long as they don't exceed your net premiums).

•Retirement plans. Retirement plans cost the government about $66 billion annually. Experts say the deficit will eventually force Congress to tax these benefits. So max out while you can on 401(k) contributions, individual retirement accounts, Keoghs, and simplified employee-pension (SEP) plans, and consider after-tax contributions. These retirement plans are not all equally suitable for every taxpayer. Kess says, "The IRS requires no annual reporting and plan documentation for SEPs, plus they can be opened any time before taxes are filed, unlike Keoghs."

'An individual who earns $100,000 annually in adjusted gross income could save an extra $3,000 a year.'
Janice Johnson
Certified public accountant

•Life insurance. Money received by the beneficiary of a life insurance policy is not taxed. However, that rule applies to the principal amount only — not interest. Also, up to $5,000 in death benefits from company-provided life insurance is tax-exempt (the same rule applies to the estate of the deceased employee). That amount must be prorated if there are multiple beneficiaries.

•Legal settlements. This is a complex, evolving area, but in general, you don't have to pay taxes on awards from lawsuits filed for personal injury, sickness, libel, damages, or race, sex, or age discrimination.

•Employer-provided benefits. The IRS will forgo an estimated $60.7 billion this year by not taxing these. However, "if you get better health benefits because you're a top executive, but other employees have to self-insure or get less coverage, you'll have to pay tax on the difference between the annual benefit payments," says Kess.

•Dependent care. A growing number of companies are offering on-site child care. Such benefits are tax-exempt up to $5,000 in value. Ask your employee-benefits department for a year-end statement of the value of the services you used. Also, taxpayers who furnish more than half the total support for a parent, child, in-law, or other household member who earns less than $2,500 annually may claim a sizable $2,500 exemption. That applies even if your parent resides in a nursing home, so long as you are head of your household and provide over half of the support, including nursing-home fees.

•Gifts and inheritances. No income tax is owed on property received from a gift or inheritance.

•Real estate. Two breaks stand out: If you are age 55 or over and have lived in your principal residence three out of the last five years, you are eligible for a onetime exclusion of up to $125,000 in profits from selling your home. The OMB says this rule will save taxpayers $4.7 billion this year. Also, income from renting a residence for less than 15 days each year is tax free.

•Scholarship and fellowship grants. You owe no tax on scholarship and fellowship grants awarded by a nationally accredited educational institution for tuition and course-related fees, books, supplies, and equipment.

(Elizabeth MacDonald is financial editor at Worth magazine.)

How to choose a financial planner

By Samuel J. Liang

Many people approach the challenge of choosing a financial planner with skepticism, even fear, and for good reason.

Unfortunately, we have all heard stories of unscrupulous impostors who take advantage of unsuspecting "clients." It comes as little or no consolation that their victims are sometimes the wealthy and the famous as well as those, like the rest of us, who are not so well-off and nowhere near as well-known.

Choosing a financial planner demands the same care as you would give to choosing a physician or attorney. There is plenty you can do to avoid potential pitfalls.

Inquire of any financial planner you meet, regardless of their backgrounds, about any certification he or she may have. Certification isn't a guarantee, of course, but it does demonstrate that the individual has studied the essential aspects of financial planning.

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(Samuel J. Liang of Burlington is a registered financial consultant with the Newton-based New England Advisory Group.)

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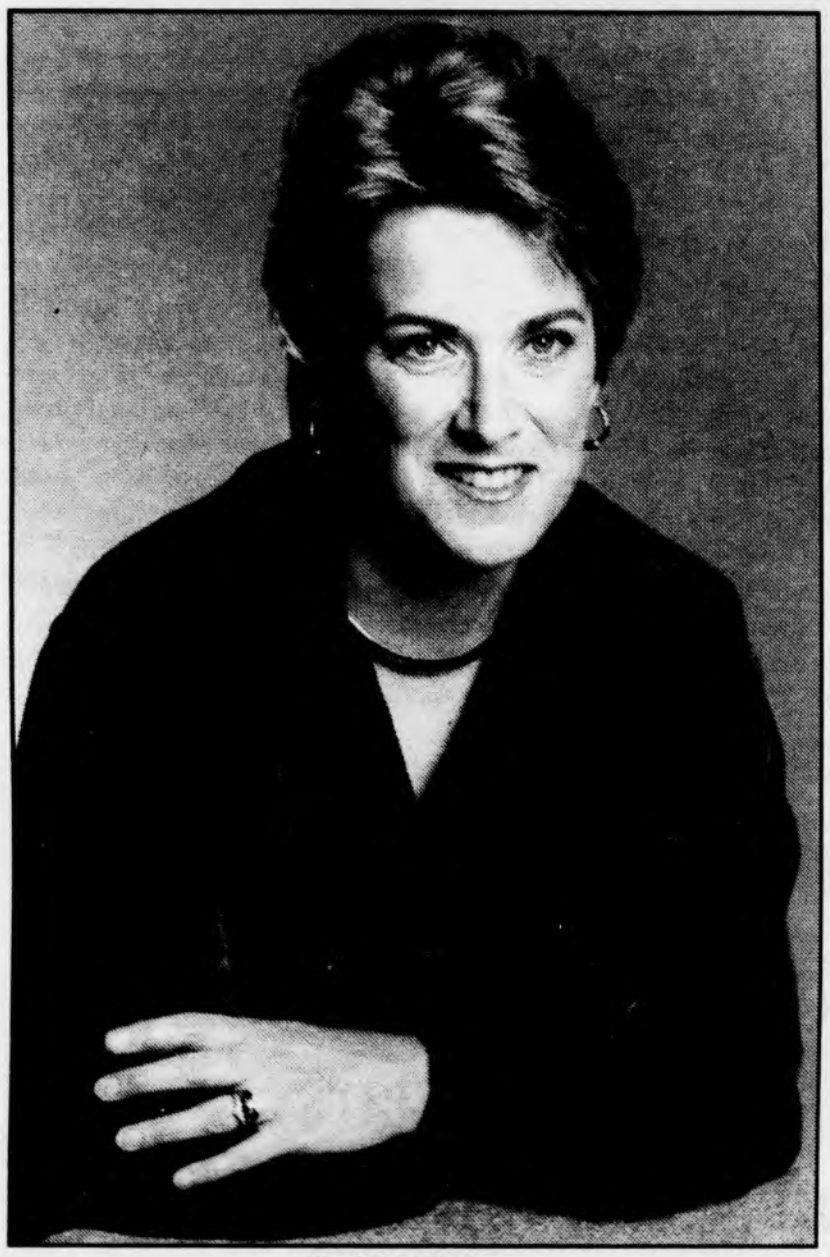

Craigie Zildjian

Craigie Zildjian of Cohasset, vice chairman of the board of the Avedis Zildjian Company, has been appointed to the board of trustees of Berklee College of Music, Boston.

Zildjian is also North American general manager of the Avedis Zildjian Company, a worldwide leader in the manufacture of percussion instruments, and has initiated various music scholarship programs, including a fund at Berklee in memory of her grandfather, the company's founder. She has worked with Boston music educators to help launch Zildjian's Inner City Program, offering percussion clinics to Boston-area high school and middle school students.

Zildjian holds a master's in education degree from Boston University, an M.S. in personnel and human resource management from American University and has studied guitar and piano.

Her father, Armand Zildjian, a long-time Berklee trustee, has been named to the college's board of overseers.

Christy Mihos wins award

Cohasset resident Christy Mihos, president and CEO of Christy's Market Inc., has been named the 1996 Labouré Center Service Award recipient. The Labouré Center, located in South Boston, is a community service center of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Boston which annually provides comprehensive health, education and social services to more than 2,500 infants, children, teens, adults and elders in South Boston, Dorchester and the South End.

Sr. Maryadele Robinson, DC, director of Labouré, made the announcement at the center's Fourteenth Annual Reception last spring at Anthony's Pier Four Restaurant in Boston. In presenting the award, Robinson cited Mr. Mihos' "generosity in providing for the nurturing of the children in Labouré Center's Early Childhood Program."

Labouré was established in 1907 in response to childcare needs of immigrant families in which parents worked long hours to provide basic necessities. Currently, daycare is available at Labouré every weekday for 78 children age three months through six years so that parents may work, attend school or job training, or receive counseling to improve parenting skills.

The service award has been presented annually since 1982 to an individual(s) in recognition of outstanding support of and commitment to the goal of Labouré — to strengthen the family unit and enhance the stability of families through a partnership of staff, volunteers, neighbors, business and community leaders.

Chamber general meeting Village 'charette' postponed

The Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will conduct a general meeting at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 22 at the South Shore Community Center. The agenda includes, the village revitalization, November auction, village train stop, Norfolk County tourism, and an open forum on the Chamber and how it can work for its members. For more information, call Dean Rizzo 383-1994. The village "charette" scheduled for Oct. 19 & 20 has been postponed until the beginning of November.

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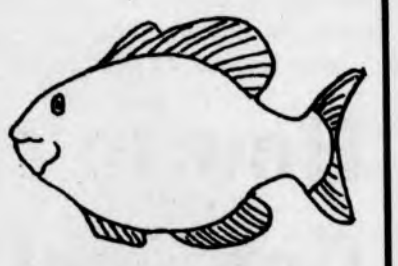

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Stolen pocketbook found in fatal Hingham crash

A pocketbook which police said was stolen from a home on Black Rock Road on Oct. 9 was found in the black Mercedes driven by Michael Subenko of Marshfield and Weymouth, which was involved in a fatal car crash last Thursday in Hingham.

Police Sgt. Robert Jackson said a burglary at the Black Rock Road residence was reported to police at 5:20 p.m., Oct. 9. A VCR, jewelry, along with a woman's pocketbook and credit cards were taken.

"Subsequently through work with Hingham police detectives and State Police, the pocketbook was found in the vehicle operated by Subenko," Jackson said.

He said Cohasset police will seek a warrant in Quincy District Court for Subenko relating to the breaking and entering. Jackson said another burglary in the Black Rock Road area is also under investigation.

Subenko was arraigned on Tuesday before Judge Patrick Hurley of Cohasset in his hospital bed at Beth Israel Hospital on charges relating to the Hingham crash which claimed the life of a Weymouth woman. Subenko is being treated for injuries sustained in the accident.

The remains of a Mercedes following a fatal accident last Thursday in Hingham. The driver, Michael Subenko of Marshfield and Weymouth, who was arraigned Tuesday at Beth Israel Hospital on charges relating to the accident, is a suspect in a Cohasset burglary, police said.
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Vandalism is investigated

Cohasset police are investigating 13 incidents of motor vehicle vandalism which involved tire slashing and cars being "keyed" on the sides, Sgt. Robert Jackson said Tuesday.

The incidents which were all reported on Oct. 14 occurred on Forest Avenue, Sohier Street, Jerusalem Road Drive, Jerusalem Road, Deep Run, Fern Way, Joy Place and South Main Street. He said the tires appeared to have been slashed with a knife. The perpetrators were probably in a motor vehicle because the incidents were so widespread, he said.

Two school busses were also damaged.

"The stop signs on the busses were bent and the wire harnesses to them were disconnected," Jackson said.

Jackson said owners of the damaged motor vehicles called the police station after waking up Sunday morning, so the vandalism probably occurred sometime late Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

He urged anyone who has heard or seen anything suspicious to call the police at 383-1055.

Route 3A enforcement up

Due to the increasing number of accidents at intersections along Route 3A, police are stepping up enforcement of red light violations and improper turns, Police Sgt. Robert Jackson said.

This past week, police issued about 15 citations, he said.

"There is a high incident rate of people going right through red lights," Jackson said. "I recommend people look both ways to ensure that everyone has stopped (before proceeding at an intersection).

"Drive defensively," he said.

State grant for PALS

Police Chief Brian Noonan has learned that the PALS for Wellness program will receive a $12,081 state grant for FY'97, which started July 1.

PALS is Cohasset's DARE-like program in which police officers work with the schools to help educate students on a myriad of social issues.

"We are all well aware of how important drug and violence resistance education has become to the young people of our communities," state Secretary Kathleen M. O'Toole of the Executive Office of Public Safety wrote in a letter to Noonan.

"The detrimental effects of violence, alcohol, drug and tobacco use continue to effect us all.

"The PALS program provides critical education and further empowers our children while it strengthens the community as a whole," she said.

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Police Log

Saturday, Oct. 5

1:48 p.m., well being check, Pond St.

4:12 p.m., MV violations, S. Main St.

4:40 p.m.., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

6:54 p.m., assist motorist, Highland Ave.

6:58 p.m., animal complaint, Rust Way.

7:38 p.m., animal complaint, Scituate Lane.

8:23 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.

Sunday, Oct. 6

12:58 a.m., MV stop, Sohier St.

1:07 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:12 a.m., open door/window, King St.

2:51 a.m., MV stop, Scholfield Rd.

7:25 a.m., assist other agency, Atlantic Ocn.

8:49 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

11:00 a.m., assault, CJC Hwy.

11:00 a.m., medical aid, Beechwood St.

11:11 a.m., property (found), Jerusalem Rd. by Rice Island.

11:55 a.m., arrest, Beechwood St., Ptl. Jones in with Peter K. Madge, 43 Beechwood St., Cohasset. DOB: 3/4/65, arrested for (domestic) A&B dangerous weapon (motor vehicle) and assault with intent to commit murder.

4:40 p.m., MV stop, Atlantic.

7:21 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

8:59 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

11:10 p.m, MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Monday, Oct. 7

12:01 a.m., transport, Scituate line to Hingham line.

10:42 a.m., general services, Cedar St.

1:45 p.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.

4:42 p.m., medical aid, Parking Way.

7:47 p.m., property (found), Sohier St.

7:43 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beechwood St.

8:34 p.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.

8:52 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.

9:00 p.m., parking violation, Highland Ave.

9:23 p.m., fire auto, CJC Hwy.

Tuesday, Oct. 8

8:59 a.m., disorderly conduct, S. Main St.

9:15 a.m., runaway, King St.

11:09 a.m., medical aid, Ripley Rd.

12:42 p.m., well-being check, Elm St.

1:23 p.m., vandalism, S. Main St.

2:12 p.m., medical aid, Howard Gleason Rd.

2:21 p.m., officer wanted, White Head Rd.

3:12 p.m., transport, Ripley Rd.

4:20 p.m., MV stop, Cedar St.

10:12 p.m., well-being check, Beechwood St. by ball field.

10:33 p.m., larceny, King St.

10:48 p.m., disabled auto, 3A north of Pond St.

Wednesday, Oct. 9

7:09 a.m., general services, Border St.

1:00 p.m., officer wanted, King St.

1:04 p.m., medical aid, Parking Way.

1:08 p.m., animal complaint, Spring St.

3:15 p.m., MV violations, Ripley Rd.

4:55 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

5:13 p.m., drug/narcotic violations, Elm St.

5:19 p.m., burglary, breaking & entering, Black Rock Rd.

6:47 p.m., assist citizen, Pond St.

7:35 p.m., animal complaint, King St.

7:46 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

8:26 p.m., MV violations, S. Main St.

10:24 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:57 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

Thursday, Oct. 10

12:00 a.m., burglary, breaking & entering, Lamberts Ln.

12:51 a.m., suspicious (other), CJC Hwy.

10:07 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:14 a.m., investigation, Lamberts Ln.

11:26 a.m., fire alarm, Hobart Ln.

2:10 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

3:04 p.m., suspicious (other), Jerusalem Rd.

5:09 p.m., general services, Pond St.

6:39 p.m., annoying phone calls, Windsor Rd.

7:28 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

9:06 p.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.

9:18 p.m., assault, Jerusalem Rd.

9:50 p.m., medical aid, Clay Spring Rd.

Friday, Oct. 11

1:13 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:54 a.m., suspicious auto, King St.

6:42 a.m., MV stop, Cushing Plaza.

7:00 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

7:06 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.

7:27 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:36 a.m., MV stop, Clay Spring Rd.

7:42 a.m., MV stop, Red Fox Ln.

10:01 a.m., property (found), N. Main St.

10:29 a.m., MV accident, front of 772 CJC Way.

12:06 p.m., MV stop, Elm St. in front of station.

12:39 p.m., well-being check, Norfolk Rd.

2:35 p.m., investigation, Jerusalem Rd.

3:56 p.m., medical aid, Lawson Rd.

4:09 p.m., annoying phone calls, CJC Hwy.

5:13 p.m., assist motorist, S. Main St.

5:27 p.m., MV stop, Elm Ct.

5:40 p.m., property (found), Forest Ave.

6:03 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.

8:42 p.m., general services, Beach St.

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9:19 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:29 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:32 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:51 p.m., arrest, CJC Hwy., Ptl. Treanor in with Erik Nicholson of 5A Brunswick St., Marshfield, arrested on a straight warrant.
10:18 p.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.

Saturday, Oct. 12

1:30 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
2:32 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
3:12 a.m., fire alarm, S. Main St.
6:05 a.m., medical aid, Parker Ave.
7:31 a.m., officer wanted, Gulf River.
9:37 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
9:43 a.m., MV accident, CJC Way by the Knoll.
11:36 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St.
12:41 p.m., assist other agency, the harbor.
6:22 p.m., MV stop.
6:24 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
7:01 pm., property (found), CJC Hwy.
9:30 p.m., medical aid, Hickory Ln.
10:48 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:23 p.m., medical aid, Atlantic Ave.
11:30 p.m., officer wanted, Windsor Rd.

Sunday, Oct. 13

12:20 a.m., fire, gas leak (outside), Jerusalem Rd.
8:48 a.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.
10:18 a.m., info, general, Highland Ave.
10:30 a.m., vandalism, S. Main St.
11:22 a.m., medical aid, Spaulding Ave.
11:25 a.m., vandalism, Fernway.
12:45 p.m., fire alarm, Atlantic Ave.
1:54 p.m., larceny, Lamberts Ln.
3:18 p.m., annoying phone calls, Pond St.
4:15 p.m., vandalism, Pond St.
6:39 p.m., suspicious person, Pond St.
6:49 p.m., property (found), Jerusalem Rd.
7:58 p.m., animal complaint, CJC Hwy.
8:31 p.m., property (lost), Jerusalem Rd.
9:14 p.m., parking violation, Elm St.
9:34 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.
9:39 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.
10:02 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.
10:13 p.m., disturbance, Flintlock Ridge Rd.
11:19 p.m., disturbance, King St.
11:37 p.m., larceny, King St.

Public Notice

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PROJECT: Mary Soutter — Bank Stabilization

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PROPONENT: EAS Survey, Inc.

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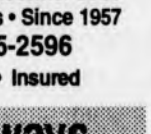

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Weekend walkathon and fair to support wildlife center

By ALICE C. COYLE
Cohasset Mariner

Take a walk on the wild side this weekend and support a good cause — the New England Wildlife Center (NEWC).

The center is hosting a wildlife fair and walkathon Sunday to raise awareness about, and funding for its many programs.

Founded more than a decade ago, the center has been putting wounded wild animals back on their feet and back into their natural habitats ever since.

A non-profit organization dedicated to preserving wildlife, NEWC is one of only two professional wildlife hospitals in New England. In addition to wildlife medicine, the center focuses on education and humane research. NEWC also serves as a teaching hospital offering dozens of internships to students in veterinary programs.

Funded by donations from private companies and its members, NEWC costs $260,000 to run each year. This weekend's fair and walkathon is a fund-raiser to help the center meet its budget, said NEWC board member Lynn Ford.

According to Ford, the center treats more than 4,000 sick, injured and orphaned animals (168 species) each year. Many of the center's patients are treated for ailments stemming from manmade hazards including geese poisoned by lawn chemicals, coyotes and foxes hit by cars, and hawks and owls injured by flying into power lines.

After receiving treatment from the center's veterinarian and licensed wildlife rehabilitator, most of the animals are released back into the wild.

Animals that can no longer survive in the wild, become permanent fixtures at the center making visits to elementary schools all over the state as part of NEWC's educational programs. Alarius, a 1-1/2 year-old, Great Horned Owl with cataracts is one of the center's permanent residents and he'll be on hand, literally for this weekend's events.

The wildlife fair will get underway at the center starting at 11 a.m. and will feature jugglers, clowns, carnival games, wild animal exhibits, hay-rides and more. Youngsters can bring their sick stuffed animals by the Teddy Bear clinic or hug a real baby bunny at the "Hug a Bunny" exhibit. The wildlife center's two-mile walkathon steps off at 1 p.m. at Bare Cove Park. There is a $5 registration fee for the walk and prizes including gift certificates from Etonic, New Balance and Eastern Mountain Sports will be given to the top pledge-getters. The walkathon registration fee will be waived and T-shirts will be given to walkers who raise more than $35 in pledges, Ford said. For information on the event or for sponsor sheets the walkathon call the New England Wildlife Center at 74[illegible] 5387.

Marlette installed as 100th Master of Masonic lodge

George L. Marlette of Cohasset was installed Sept. 28 as the 100th Master of Old Colony Lodge A.F. and A.M., Masonic lodge, Hingham, which was founded in 1792. Marlette, a practicing attorney in Brockton, is Cohasset Town Moderator.

Installing Master was Frederick M. Shaw Jr. of Hingham. A special charge to officers and personal message was delivered by past Master The Honorable Charles E. Black, presiding Justice of the District Court Department, Quincy Division, and the regional administrative Justice.

A reception, which was attended by more than 100 guests, followed at Congregation Sha'aray Shalom, Hingham.

Old and rare books is topic

Cohasset Elder Affairs will sponsor a lecture, "Treasures in your Attic: Old and Rare Books," Thursday, Oct. 24, at the Senior Center, 3 North Main St.

Kenneth Gloss, proprietor of the nationally known Brattle Book Shop in Boston, will speak at about 1:40 p.m., following the council's luncheon.

Gloss has worked in Brattle Book Shop since childhood, succeeding his late father, George Gloss, a well-known figure in both Boston and antiquarian circles, as proprietor upon his death several years ago.

Gloss will bring to the lecture several examples of interesting books, magazines and ephemera from the store's private collection, including a 1912 World Series scorecard and old Life magazines.

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Glass flowers are on agenda

The Community Garden Club of Cohasset will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, Oct. 22, at 9 a.m. in Walton Rodgers Hall, St. Stephen's Church.

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	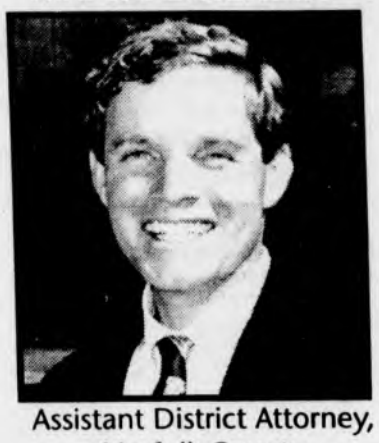 Assistant District Attorney, Norfolk County	Politician
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The pages you hold still contain all the local news, sports, letters, editorial and cartoon, community events, school news and award-winning photography that have distinguished the Cohasset Mariner for more than 18 years. We think our new format will provide those features with the style and organization they deserve.

In our flag, we've retired the ship's wheel and replaced it with a color rendering of historic Minot's Ledge Lighthouse as symbol of Cohasset tradition.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Jim Kirk Won't Run for Reelection

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WATCHING TOWN HALL

Little League Signs Get Cool Reception

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Village Station Vote Could Draw a Crowd

Special Town Meeting is Monday

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

Voters will be asked to appropriate upwards of $600,000 of the town's free cash for a range of capital items at the Special Town Meeting which gets underway at 7:30 p.m., Monday at Cohasset High School auditorium.

Town Moderator George Marlette said he will start the meeting promptly after the required quorum of 100 registered voters is reached.

With a non-binding "straw poll" on the village train station being held as residents check in, reaching a quorum shouldn't take long, Marlette said. The possibility of moving the railroad station, originally proposed for Route 3A, is proving to be nearly as controversial among Cohasseters as the debate over whether or not to restore the Greenbush Line has been.

Marlette and Town Clerk Marion Douglas have formally asked for extra checkers and an additional detail officer to ensure that the voting goes smoothly. They are determined that the train vote not interfere with the business before town meeting. Selectmen did not act on their written request at their meeting Tuesday.

To keep the meeting moving along, Marlette will limit the amount of time spent discussing articles — which number 38 for this special town meeting — by restricting the time that proponents, board members

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Town Can't Stem Tide

Flood Gates Now Open for Full Drainage Study

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

As the town pulled together to battle the worst flood in memory which damaged 50 to 60 homes and businesses — officials realized the town's drainage problems must be addressed in their totality to avert a future disaster.

While faulty tidal gates at the mouth of James Brook in the Cove have been blamed for minor flooding in the past — this week's mammoth flood proved the problem is more complex, Selectman Peter Pratt said.

The record-breaking nor'easter dumped more than 8-1/2 inches from 8 a.m. Saturday to 8 a.m. Tuesday in town, proving too much for James Brook which extends from Scituate Hill at Cohasset Heights Landfill off Route 3A to the harbor. The excess water backed up into the village onto Ripley Road, Sohier Street, Smith Place and the James Lane and Pleasant Street neighborhood prompting town officials to declare a state of emergency on Tuesday.

Selectmen Merle Brown and Peter Pratt, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield, Fire Chief Roger Lincoln and Police Chief Brian Noonan huddled in the selectmen's office Monday afternoon to plan for the worst.

Bob Knurek positions his hose to pump out his basement on Pleasant Street. Knurek said his furnace was damaged in the flood.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Fears escalated as water in flooded areas continued to rise despite low tide and the open tidal gates in the Cove. To complicate matters, the water department reported that the water levels in the reservoir were coming perilously close to the limit — which, if exceeded, would have necessitated shutting the plant down to prevent untreated water from mixing with treated water in the system.

Joanne Lehr organized a shelter at the Second Congregational Church which was not used although at least two families in town did have to leave their homes during the flood.

After calls to the state for help proved fruitless because of flooding elsewhere, the town was able to rent a tractor with a pump used to drain cranberry bogs to help empty some of the water from James Brook basin. While the gates were closed at high tide, the pump sent thousands of gallons of excess water through rubber pipes across Border Street and Memorial Park into the harbor.

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Cohasset's Week

Unified Effort Against Water Company

Selectman Peter Pratt said Cohasset should contact officials in Hingham and Hull to coordinate their actions against a 150 per cent water rate increase that affects customers of the Massachusetts-American Water Company in the three towns.

Last week, Pratt, selectmen Ronnie McMorris and Nan Roth joined officials from Hingham and Hull, state legislators, and representatives of the executive office of consumer affairs in a meeting with Lt. Gov. Paul Cellucci, to voice their complaints about the water rate increase.

McMorris noted that Mass-American must report its actual costs at the end of the year, in comparison to the estimates it submitted at the time of the rate case before the state Dept. of Public Utilities.

Roth said Cohasset should keep the issue of water quality in the forefront of the discussions, since Hingham and Hull seem to be objecting about the rates and "really ignoring [water] quality."

She added that Cohasset should continue to be aggressive in its dealings with Mass-American, and cannot "sit back" now.

From a strategic point, Cohasset should consider laying new water pipes to connect the Mass-American customers in North Cohasset to the town's water supply, selectman Michael Sullivan said. This action might be preferable to an eminent domain taking of Mass-American's 100-year old pipes, since Cohasset does not want to own an interest in another water system and old pipes that serve a small percentage of the population.

North Cohasset resident, and Mass-American customer, Maria Plante said that with new sewer pipes being laid in the area, this might be the best time to also lay the water mains. She noted that contractors have told her that both sets of pipes can be laid in the same trenches, providing the sewer pipes are at least 18 inches lower than the water mains.

Jersusalem Road resident Diane Sullivan formally requested that the town purchase water from Mass-American and re-sell to the North Cohasset residents, at the same rate paid by residents with town water service.

Pratt agreed with Selectmen Sullivan said this would be difficult to do.

Plante and Diane Sullivan, who have regularly attended recent selectmen's meeting complain about their water rates and water quality, said they are pleased with the response they have had for the planned "march" on the State House next week. However, the women noted that their posters and notices have been displayed at various businesses in Cohasset, but the police department has refused to allow them to post a notice of the march there.

Ten Minutes for Walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

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Sun. 27	11:13	11.6	4:59	11:45	10.6	5:31
Mon. 28	11:58	11.4	5:45	---	---	6:18
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Cohasset's Week

Letter carrier Patrick Dwyer helps bring in the mail which was delivered by boat during Monday's flood. Trucks from Hingham brought the mail to Smith Place and then postal workers and volunteers helped ferry the mail across the flood to the post office.

Rich Bonnano photo

Dump Hours Could Change

Selectmen have approved, pending comments for the public works superintendent, a request from transfer station personnel to change the hours of operations there, allowing them two consecutive days off.

Selectmen said this week that the transfer station could be closed on Mondays and opened on Thursdays.

The old schedule was for the transfer station to be open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. On the new schedule, it will be open Wednedays, Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays.

Chairman Merle Brown said this should represent little inconvenience to residents since the transfer station is not now open to the public on Mondays. Workers are there to do maintenance and clean-up only, Brown said, and this work can now be accomplished on Thursdays.

Brown suggested that the hours be changed to 7:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., to allow more time for clean up that may be necessary on Thursdays, when the transfer station is open to the public.

The workers will be allowed to have a day-off on Thursdays, to compensate for any "Monday Holidays" that occur.

License Transfer at Log 'n Line

Selectmen unanimously approved the beer and wine license for the Log 'n' Line restaurant from Panos Kulterides to Richard Piasecki.

Piasecki said he has lived in Cohasset for 10 years, but has worked in the food service industry since age 14. Until purchasing the local restaurant, he was a district manager for area Boston Market restaurants.

While he expects to do some minor remodelling of the Ripley Road restaurant, much of the business will remain the same family restaurant for the immediate future.

Eventually, he hopes to open the restaurant for dinner, but wants the beer and wine license only to offer those beverages to customers dining there.

Upcoming Meetings Noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Health, public hearing at 7 p.m., Oct. 29;
- Planning Board, 8 p.m., Nov. 6.
- Sewer Commission, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 30 & public meeting, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Board of Assessors, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 30.
- Private Ways Committee, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 13.

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

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Your cooperation with these efforts would be greatly appreciated. The easements are required to provide the homeowner with sewer service. **State funding will not be available to sites without properly executed easements.**

If you have any questions relative to this matter or you wish to schedule a site visit, please contact Mr. Daniel Coughlin, P.E., of Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. at (508) 658-7493.

Thank you for your cooperation
Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

Kirk Won't Seek Re-election to School Board

By Andi Weissman
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

School Committee member Jim Kirk announced Thursday he will not seek re-election next spring.

"The time pressures of trying to manage and build my (strategic research) company are considerable, and I find I cannot sustain my time commitment to the School Committee," he said. "I am announcing my decision now so that anyone who may wish to consider running for the Committee will have plenty of time to consider their decision."

Kirk has been a member of the School Committee since he was elected in 1994. Prior to that, he was chairman of the regional school study committee and a member of Cohasset Education Foundation.

He also asked Cohasset residents to "reflect on the nature of public service."

In a telephone interview, Kirk said last year's controversy over the new elementary school project may have hurt the spirit of volunteerism in Cohasset.

"All along the way, an awful lot of bitterness and angry words were leveled at the School Committee," he said. "We had people literally questioning our motives. . . . It really left a bad taste. It certainly made me question my decision to be involved."

He stressed that the rancorous public debate did not contribute to his decision not to run for re-election. The time demands of his growing Watertown company, Eidetics, limits his ability to contribute to the School Committee, Kirk said.

Kirk considers his work on a comprehensive, townwide survey which formed the basis of the committee's strategic planning for 1995 and his "business approach" to the committee to have been his greatest accomplishments to date.

For the remainder of his term, Kirk looks forward to working with the new school principals and working on the budget.

Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder said Thursday night that Kirk's resignation will be a loss to the committee.

"I have done everything in my power short of holding Jim's youngest for ransom to convince him to seek re-election," Kidd said.

School Superintendent Stephen Hart thanked Kirk for the hard work and effort he has shown over the past two-and-a-half years. Kirk was often hard at work for the committee before the workday had even started, he said.

"I don't know if I'll be grateful not to get those early morning faxes," Hart joked.

Village Station

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and voters can speak to an issue.

Marlette expects most of the articles to move quickly except perhaps the borrowing article for the nearly $230,000 needed to complete the Department of Public Works garage — a project which is over budget and therefore may require some explanation. Voters will also be asked to approve borrowing $60,000 to extend the Cedar Street water main to the garage.

Taking care of unpaid bills; repairing sidewalks, private ways and streets; purchasing computers and related software; and buying and installing air conditioning at the library are just a few of the items before voters.

More expensive items on the warrant include purchasing two new school buses for $90,000 (includes trade in of two 1986 busses); refurbishing the high school auditorium for $140,000 and contributing $100,000 towards the purchase of Turkey Hill which will be preserved as open space.

Marlette said if most of the articles are completed by around 11 p.m., Monday, then the meeting might continue for a half an hour or so in order to finish. Otherwise, the meeting will be continued at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday.

If time permits and if there is enough interest, Marlette said he would be happy to moderate a public forum on the village station after town meeting adjourns.

In a flyer included with the special town meeting warrant, selectmen urged citizens to attend the Oct. 23 village station public meeting, held last night after the Mariner went to press, to become knowledgeable on the issue and then to express their opinion in the informal non-binding survey Monday night.

It is not clear if voters, attending solely for the village station issue, will decide to stay until the close of the special town meeting to discuss the train.

A crowd of more than 600 jammed the high school gym at a special town meeting on restoration of the Greenbush Line three years ago. That vote revealed that the community was nearly split down the middle on the train issue.

New Look

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Favorite holiday: Halloween!

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite TV show: 'E.R.'

Favorite movie: 'Forrest Gump.'

Favorite book: 'Remembrance of Things Past,' by Marcel Proust.

Favorite junk food: Chocolate, chocolate, chocolate!

Most embarrassing moment: In the nursery school business, there are no embarrassing moments — everything is so accepted. Children allow for that!

Person you'd most like to meet: There are so many great women I'd like to meet.

Pet peeve: Cruelness.

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Cohasset Bicyclist Killed in Accident in North Scituate Last Week

By Steve Adams
COHASSET MARINER

The driver of the car that struck and killed a 49-year-old bicycling college professor in North Scituate Thursday night turned herself into police after initially fleeing the scene. Police say she was drunk and speeding at the time of the crash.

Andrea Beale, 32, 87 Glades Road, was arraigned in Hingham District Court Friday morning on charges of motor vehicle homicide while operating under the influence of alcohol, driving to endanger, leaving the scene of an accident after causing death, failure to pass a bicycle at a safe distance and speeding. She was released on $2,000 bail and is next scheduled to appear in court Nov. 4.

The victim, Sam Postbrief, 49, 176 Pond St., Cohasset, was bicycling westbound on Henry Turner Bailey Road when he was struck from behind by Beale's car. Postbrief, who was wearing a bicycle helmet, was thrown over the windshield of the car and the bicycle was sent about 50 yards down the street.

"The indications were that he was riding in the proper area for bicycles, and had lights on the rear of the bicycle that were in operation," said Police Chief Thomas Nielen. "For some reason, she came up behind and hit him."

Neilen said the preliminary investigation indicates Beale's brown Ford Tempo was travel-

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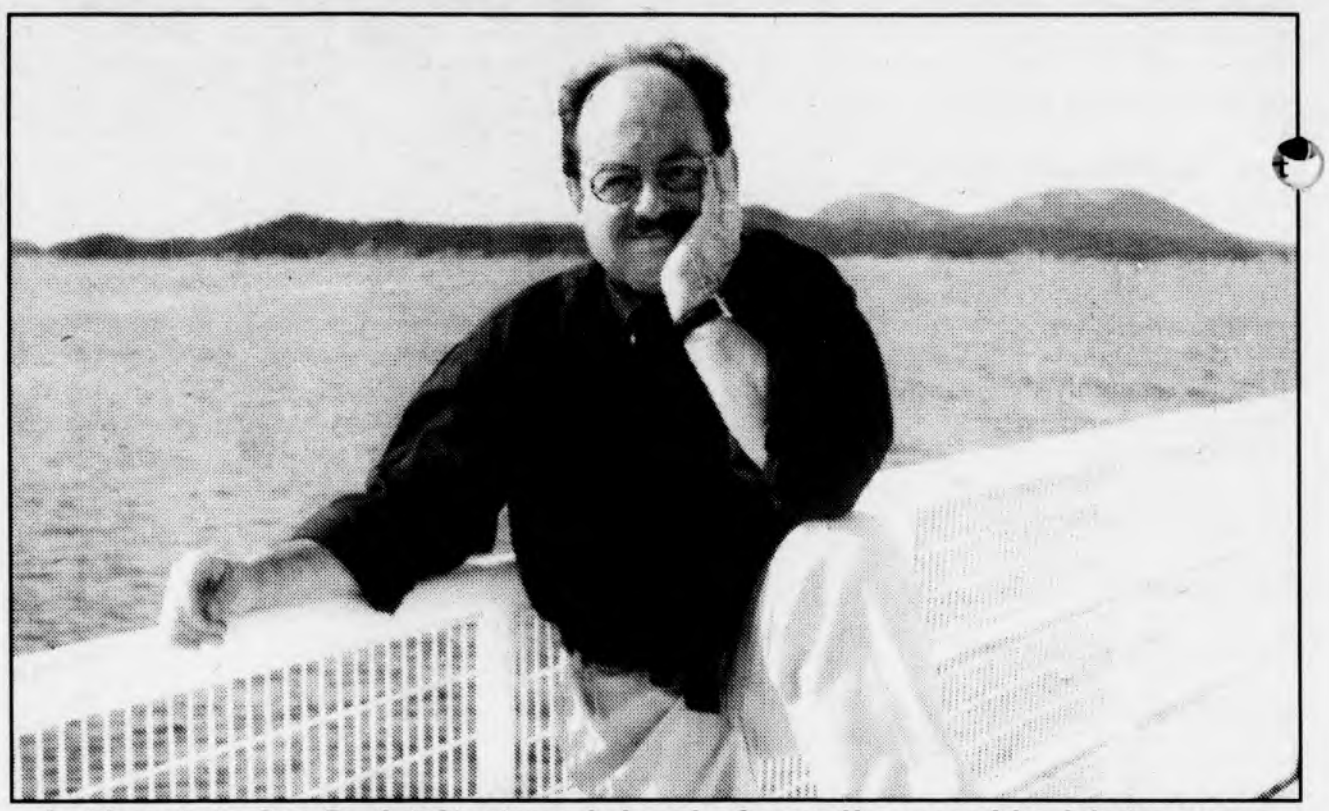

Accident victim Sam Postbrief is pictured aboard a ferry to Vancouver Island during a vacation this summer.

Victim's Interests Knew No Boundaries

By Steve Adams
COHASSET MARINER

There is a strain of mystical Judaism that maintains there are 36 righteous souls in the world, people whose identities remain unknown but whose simultaneous presence heralds the beginning of the Messianic Age.

This doctrine of the "small number of just men" came to mind when Louise Wolfe described her longtime friend Sam Postbrief.

"He was the most generous, loving person you could imagine," said Wolfe. "He was unusually kind, with a generous spirit and a great sense of humor."

Following Sam Postbrief's death Thursday evening in an accident in North Scituate, Wolfe and friends and family of Wendy Jane Gordon-Postbrief served as a "support group" for the widow of a man whose interests and enthusiasms seemed to know no boundaries.

A Cambridge lawyer and friend of Gordon-Postbrief, a Boston University law professor, Wolfe agreed with her friend's description of her husband as a "Renaissance man."

"If there was a subject, whatever it was, it turned out that Sam had read 100 books on it," said Wolfe, who did not know Sam Postbrief growing up but later learned that she had grown up in the same Brooklyn, N.Y. neighborhood and, like Postbrief, had graduated from Midwood High School.

When Wolfe became pregnant, suddenly Postbrief began collecting books about child development, she recalled.

Wolfe and other members of the Gordon family remained at the couple's home on Pond Street not far from Cohasset High School Saturday to offer support and condolences.

Sam Postbrief's family emigrated to America from Europe when he was 3 1/2, settling in Brooklyn.

Mr. Postbrief graduated from Brooklyn College and obtained his doctorate in political science from Indiana University in 1975. After graduate school, he taught political science at the University of Maryland for eight years.

In 1983, he took up professional photography and moved to the New York City area. He also became a professional chef, working at the Rainbow Room, China Grill and Princeton Club, where he served as the executive sous chef. He met his wife in 1990 through a mutual friend.

In 1993, the couple moved to Cohasset when Sam was hired as a culinary instructor by Johnson and Wales University in Providence and Wendy was hired as a law professor at B.U.

He taught culinary arts, sociology, and food and culture at Johnson and Wales. He had been planning to launch a political science program at the school next fall.

The couple also had been collaborating on an essay about ownership for the Yale Journal of Law and the Humanities.

"He and Wendy really appreciated each other," Wolfe said.

A funeral was held Sunday at the Congregation Sha'Aray Shalom in Hingham.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Postbrief leaves his parents, Jehoszua and Rachel (Zeitman) Postbrief of Brooklyn; a stepdaughter, Lynne Petrovic; and a brother, Simon Postbrief of Brooklyn. He was the stepfather of the late Debbie Petrovic.

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Selectmen are Cool to Proposed Little League Signs

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

A request for advertising signs at Barnes Field has been directed to the zoning board appeals.

Bob Moody, representing the baseball program said there would be only 12 to 14 signs, and would be done tastefully. They would be hung from the end of the batting cage down the right field line, only during the baseball season, from April to August.

He showed the board photographs of fields in Milton, Braintree, and Stoughton, and expects such advertisers as Coca Cola and Reebok to pay the $400 per year fee.

The signs could generate up to $12,000 which would support the program, paying for field maintenance and uniforms, Moody said.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said he objects to a sign from a state senator that appeared in one of the photographs, and selectman Peter Pratt noted the field is within one-quarter mile of the historic district and in a residential area, so the signs may be inappropriate.

Allowing the signs in this case may put the board in a difficult position to require enforcement of the zoning by-laws for businesses.

Chairman Merle Brown said he is opposed to advertising signs at athletic fields in general, noting he does not like the signs that encircle the ice at professional hockey games.

Moody said the youth baseball league has tried other forms of fund-raising but cannot raise enough money to cover its expenses.

"There's only so much people can give."

He added that building inspector Bob Egan said the signs might be allowed under Cohasset's zoning by-law if they are considered temporary signs.

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Cohasset Bicyclist Killed... *Continued from page 6*

ing 45 to 50 mph at the time of the crash. The area is posted as a 40-mph zone.

Several passing motorists, including an EMT, stopped and attempted CPR on the victim. A Scituate ambulance transported Postbrief to South Shore Hospital, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

The vehicle left the scene and Scituate police alerted their counterparts in neighboring towns to be on the lookout for a dark-colored car with heavy front-end damage. About 20 minutes later, Beale called Cohasset police from a pay phone at the Super Stop & Shop Plaza.

A passenger got out of Beale's car in Cohasset before police arrived. The passenger, whose name police would not divulge, arrived at the Scituate police station with an attorney early Friday morning and provided a statement as a witness.

Scituate police closed off Henry Turner Bailey Road from Route 3A to Gannett Pasture Lane for several hours while evidence was collected. Bits of broken glass from the headlight and parking lights, the crumpled bicycle on the roadside and a single running shoe left in the middle of the street were the only remnants of the fatality.

A State Police accident reconstruction team also took part in the investigation.

A Scituate detective who interviewed Beale at the supermarket plaza made observations of slurred speech and an odor of alcohol on her breath. She was subsequently transported to South Shore Hospital for treatment of shock. She refused a breathalyzer, Neilen said.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Don't miss antique appraisal day at art center!

I have to begin by extending belated birthday wishes to **Ken Fone.** A few weeks ago it was **Sue,** now Ken. For those few weeks both were the same age! Anyway, now he is a year older again, and we hope there are many more in store for both of them!

❑

Don't forget — this Friday at **South Shore Art Center** is **Skinner Appraisal Day!** What is your antique worth? Is that vase really valuable? You may bring a total of three items from virtually all collecting categories — porcelain, pottery, paintings, books, toys, dolls, antique textiles, jewelry, china, silver — it takes approximately five minutes to appraise each item, and if you are interested in selling, consignment arrangements may be discussed with your Skinner representative. (If you have large items, a good photo may be substituted.) So, it's Friday, Oct. 25, from 3 to 8 p.m., $5 per item or $10 for three. As they say, "The value could be priceless"!

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A few weeks ago, Scituate High School students, parents and many graduates attended the dedication of the school's new hockey field. It was dedicated to **Paul Svensen,** former athletic director and coach who passed away last December. Many people in Cohasset knew Paul. He touched lives through sports and his children.

We just wanted to let his family know we think of Paul often, he was a fine man and he is missed.

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Had a nice chat with **Michele Buckley** last week. She was full of news! Michele is a 1968 CHS graduate with a background in special ed and library media. Well, Michele has branched out on her own and is now an independent distributor for Dorling Kindersley Books, a British publisher.

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Matthew Tydurski snoozes with a cookie while his mother, Terri, donates blood during the Red Cross blood drive in Cohasset last month.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

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Congratulations go to **Gary Barrow** this week. He is now a certified arborist after having passed the exam recently. Now you will know who to call if you have any questions with your trees or are planning a tree farm!

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South Shore Community Center, Cohasset Education Foundation and **GEMS of HOPE** are planning a **Family Fall Festival** this Saturday, Oct. 26, from 3 to 8 p.m. at SSCC, and they promise "fun for everyone!"

There will be a hayride, scavenger hunt, bowling, costume contest, dancing to the **"Grateful Dads,"** children's games, a haunted house, dinner, silent auction and raffle. It promises to be a time chock full of things to do. Check it out!

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After that, return to the Common the next day for the **Halloween Fair,** an annual event sponsored by South Shore Community Center's nursery school.

The fair will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., with lots of activities planned for everyone. For more info, call **Lynne Sheridan** at 383-0036.

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Cohasset Community Church is starting its **Weigh Down Workshop** is tonight (Oct. 24) at 7 p.m. Please phone Kim Hurlbut at 383-9761 for more information on the free orientation.

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Two weeks ago was the final **Farmers' Market** for this year, and it truly will be missed by all. Just one more time, let's thank **Anna Abbruzze** for the great idea, and the **Chamber of Commerce** and **Village Revitalization Committee** for sponsoring it. There was great produce, food and fun. Oh, let's hope winter flies by . . . .

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Hats off to **Jack Conway & Co.!** The company received the 13th Annual Plymouth County Corporate Citizen of the Year Award, presented at the annual meeting of Plymouth County Development Council at Sheraton Inn, Plymouth.

The award recognizes a company that has shown a "continuing commitment to maintain and expand the economy of Plymouth County." We all know what Jack Conway does for so many, and it is nice to see him recognized for it.

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Once again the **PSO** needs you! They plan many fund-raising events each year, and this year is no different — there will be a fall dance, gift wrap sale, silent auction and more. Any help you can give would be appreciated. To volunteer, call **Tomi Bukowski** at 383-6771; **Lesley Faber,** 383-2071; **Patty Smith** at 383-2773; or **Jane Wasel** at 383-0121.

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Here's some news from Hawaii! As you all know by now, my sister **Ricki** has a lot of surfers in her family. Well, Ricki's son, **Zane,** just returned from the world surfing championship held in France, and he came in fifth!

Last hear he was 13th in the world, so you can see how much he has progressed in the surfing world! For all of you surf enthusiasts, Zane has a great picture in this month's edition of Longboard Magazine. You'll recognize him if you know Ricki — he looks so much like her! Oh yes, their last name is **Aikau.**

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That's all we have heard for the week, and we're sure you must have news of your own to report! Call me, please!

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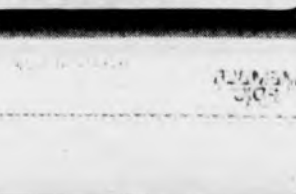

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Halloween Happenings

Visit a Haunted House

The Junior High Youth Group of Second Congregational Church in Cohasset is sponsoring a Haunted House timed to coincide with the conclusion of the Community Center's Halloween party.

The Haunted House, designed for children ages 2-8, will run from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27.

Coordinator Stephanie Noble described the event's tableaux format as "scary fun." A $1 donation for ages 5-8 for the tour through the Haunted Hallways, and 50 cents for children 2- to 4-years-old to enter the Haunted Story Room is requested (brave parents allowed, too).

Why not join in some scary fun?

'Dracula' performances set

Cohasset Drama Club will present "Dracula" for theatergoers who enjoy thrills, surprises, shudders and sensations Oct. 23, 25, 26 and 30 and Nov. 1 and 2.

Two Cohasset residents are members of the cast, including Meredith O'Hayre as the Ghost Wife and Angi Walsh as Mrs. Fern.

Performances will be held at Cohasset Town Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10 and may be purchased at Buttonwood Books in Cohasset or at the door on the night of the performance. The play, directed by Sally Wright, is an adaptation of Bram Stroker's "Dracula."

Come to a family fall festival!

A Family Fall Festival will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, from 3 to 8 p.m. at South Shore Community Center, Cohasset. Activities will include a haunted house, scavenger hunt, hayride, costume contest, children's games, prizes, bowling, TV football party for adults, dinner, dancing to the "Grateful Dads," silent auction and raffle. Costumes are optional.

Tickets are $10 per person ($60 maximum per family) and may be purchased by calling 383-6670 or 383-6399.

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For further information, call Diane Tracy at 383-2551.

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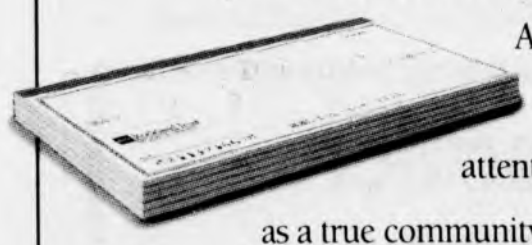

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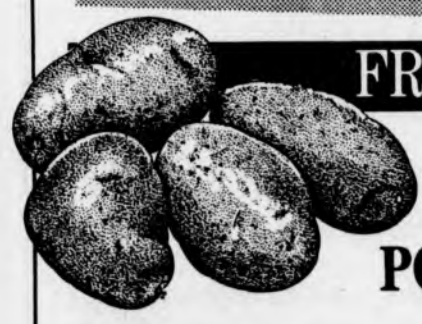

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It's up to you

Massachusetts voters have a tough choice to make in the U.S. Senate race. Not in living memory have we had two candidates of such stature, a sitting governor and a sitting senator, vying for our votes.

Gov. William F. Weld and Sen. John F. Kerry are among the most intelligent, articulate political leaders in America today. Each can point to solid accomplishments and each has demonstrated political courage. They have waged a vigorous, issues-oriented campaign without cheap shots and personal attacks.

On critical issues facing Congress and the nation, both Kerry and Weld have something to contribute:

* Education: Kerry has a proven commitment to federal support for education, and was an early champion of the targeted tax breaks for education that have become a key plank in the Clinton campaign platform. Weld gets credit for bringing education reform to Massachusetts and pledges to keep on reforming.

* Taxes: Nobody's tougher on taxes than Weld. He has cut taxes by $1 billion as governor, and can be counted on to push for more of the same in the Senate. Kerry's commitment to tax relief isn't nearly as strong, but he has shown more discipline than many Democrats on deficit reduction.

* Crime: Both men are former prosecutors, and both are serious about crime. Weld's emphasis is on imprisonment, while Kerry's is on prevention and law enforcement, but both support the 1994 crime bill, which Kerry helped push through the Senate.

* Environment: No one in the Senate has stronger environmental credentials than Kerry, who has the support of the major environmental organizations. But sportsman Weld has a good environmental record as well, including the Rivers Protection Act, the open space bond bill and the Title 5 septic regulations, and he is more likely to promote innovative approaches to environmental issues.

* Foreign policy: This is Kerry's specialty, and his proudest accomplishment has been the restoration of relations with Vietnam - and helping heal the scars that still ache from that war. Weld brings no foreign policy resume, but he is, he says, ``a violent free-trader and a thorough-going internationalist," who has shown a strong commitment to helping Massachusetts business succeed in the global economy.

* Economic development: Both understand the importance of high technology and global trade to the Massachusetts economy, and each can be counted on to help out a local company in need. Their differences reflect their philosophies: Weld wants to help business by getting government regulations and taxes out of the way, while Kerry wants government to help business directly, through job training, research grants and trade assistance.

* Welfare: Weld's sympathies lie with those who pay for government assistance, not those in need of it. The welfare reforms he brought Massachusetts were long overdue, and some of the cuts his administration has made in social services, however painful, were necessary. Kerry, on the other hand, loves the poor more than he hates the bureaucracy. The social safety net is safe in his hands, even those threads that are of little practical value.

* Government reform: Weld has proven to be a serious, unflinching champion of leaner, more effective government. He challenges assumptions and is capable of resisting interest group pressure. But while Weld has a bias toward making government go away, Kerry is passionate about finding ways for government to help.

A strong case can be made for either of these candidates.

John Kerry has served Massachusetts and the nation well during his two Senate terms. He has strong values and has earned the respect of his colleagues on issues ranging from banking regulation to foreign affairs. He can work well with President Clinton and Sen. Ted Kennedy, not only to rein in the excesses of Congressional Republicans, but to give all Americans a more effective, responsive government for the 21st Century.

Bill Weld took over as governor at a time when state government was in the red, the economy was in the doldrums and the political establishment was in disrepute. The turnaround under his leadership has been nothing short of remarkable, and his fresh vision could do the same for Washington. He is a independent thinker, who takes his marching orders from no one, but he is a Republican, and Massachusetts could benefit from having a strong voice in the Senate Republican Caucus.

Community Newspaper Company, publishers of this paper, is a group of newspapers that spans eastern Massachusetts. Through our group strength, we've been able to cover this race in depth, assigning extra reporters to it and bringing the candidates together with 400 high school students in a Youth Forum we hosted. Our editors, publishers and management have met as a group with both Kerry and Weld for lengthy interviews on their beliefs.

Although a United States Senator represents the entire commonwealth, Massachusetts includes dozens of regions, 351 municipalities and tens of thousands of neighborhoods. Public policy that is a boon to one community may be at the expense of another.

In meeting with the candidates and discussing our own responsibilities to our readers, it became clear that the records and pledges of Kerry and Weld mean different things and offer different advantages to the variety of cities and towns that comprise eastern Massachusetts. Tip O'Neill's maxim that ``All politics is local" still holds true.

So while we offer our thoughts on this race, we won't presume to tell you which of these outstanding candidates is best for your family or your community. We urge you to consider carefully both John Kerry and Bill Weld and give one of them your vote.

This is a close race with much at stake, so make sure your voice is heard. The good news is that whichever of these gentlemen comes out on top, Massachusetts can be proud of its senator - and we can feel good about leadership into the 21st Century.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Station Site is up to Selectmen

To the Editor:

The location of the proposed Cohasset Railway Station can have a positive effect on our town's future. Cohasset is one of the few towns that has a real central village with its Town Hall and Common, police and fire stations, churches, Community Center and Art Center, museums and library, hostelries and eating places, professional offices, and local banks and businesses all in the one area. A railway station here would help generate the foot traffic that these places depend upon; we might even get back a regular drug store. It is also the place where people would expect to find a station; one had been there since 1849. (My first acquaintance with Cohasset started there just 50 years ago when I came to seek a place to bring my family.

The alternative would be on the edge of town next to the Hingham line in the midst of a very large wetland known as Great Swamp, its attraction being its relatively low cost and the fact that it wouldn't bother anybody. However, we're talking about a passenger station, not a freight depot.

This is a decision for the long term, costly too, and there are some who will be discommoded; these people would need to be properly compensated.

The question itself must be decided from the evidence so carefully studied by the people, committees, and boards involved as well as private citizens and presented to the Selectmen for their consideration. This is not a popularity contest; politics, emotion, and prejudice must be put aside in favor of the best long-term interest of our town. Straw polls and Town Meeting votes deserve consideration, but in the end reason must prevail and only the Board of Selectmen is in a position to deliberate as a panel of judges to hammer this thing out. Let us hope that they will recognize their responsibility and make a reasoned recommendation to the M.B.T.A.

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Reader Survey question for October 24, 1996

Do you think the selectmen should allow private organizations or town departments to use the Hagerty property buildings or parking lot for storage?

Press 1 Yes

Press 2 No

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, October 29.

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

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Results of Reader Survey question for October 17, 1996

Ten years ago, the board of selectmen advised the MBTA to put the commuter rail station on Route 3A. Now, the selectmen have reopened the issue of a train station in the village, and the MBTA says it needs an answer soon. A non-binding survey is set to take place at the October 28 special town meeting. How should the decision be made?

9 Selectmen should base their decision on the outcome of the October 28 special town meeting survey.

12 The town should incur the expense of a special town referendum on the village train station.

45 The town moderator should allow a resolution on the village station at the special town meeting.

1 Selectmen should have enough information now to make this decision.

1 The town moderator should flip a coin to decide: heads the station is in the village; tails it's on Route 3A.

Your comments:

I would suggest that the Route 3A stop is infinitely preferable to a village station. I vote that the common sense place for a Cohasset station is Route 3A, provided there is ample parking. This will avoid traffic congestion in the village.

I don't think there should be a train coming at all. The economics are ludicrous and without merit. The proposals I've seen, spending a $137,000 per potential rider, just to get the train in place, and that doesn't have anything to do with the annual operating budget. I can buy a van, drive six people to Boston anytime I want, put $600,000 in my pocket. I'll be a chauffeur and I'll take them to work for a lot less than $137,000 per person. I see no need for the train, and I see no reason to upset the center of Cohasset. There's a place on 3A if we have to have the damned train.

No train at all.

I feel absolutely that putting a station in a village is completely ridiculous. I'm opposed to the train being here at all. We need transportation, but the train isn't the answer.

I have always been against the train coming through Cohasset. And, I'm particularly appalled that Cohasset Village could even be considered for the station. I think we have a beautiful village. It's small and quaint, and I don't see why anyone could even entertain the idea of a noisy, diesel, polluting, huge, monsterous thing coming through our beautiful quaint little town. If the train if the train is to be realized, I hope it's on Route 3A and not the village.

I support the train, and I think it's important that we consider the possibility of a whistle stop in Cohasset, mainly for people walking to the station and people who are dropped off. It would not include parking. It would slow the train down, which is a concern many people have, and it will free up the need for parking spaces. We should still have the station and parking on Route 3A, and even encourage people from Hingham to use that, rather than spend money for a tunnel under Hingham. We should give some thought to making sure that some our citizens that live here and have had homes along the tracks long before the train was removed to be compensated and have a sensitive ear given to concerns about losing their property or losing property value.

I think they've had plenty of time and have plenty of information to make a decision. I think they can do it in the best interests of the community, both the people who live here today and those that will in succeeding generations. The people voted them to that postion to make that decision. Let's get on with it. It's an important decision, but no decision takes this long to figure out. I think the decision is pretty obvious. Other communities have trains and have experience with this.

I am very upset and displeased that we would consider putting a major structure in the middle of our town. It's unsafe and unncessary. They should relocate that station to another town where it belongs in Scituate or Marshfield. I hope there's a special vote on this.

I think the train should stop both on Route 3A and in the village, but there should only be a large parking lot on Route 3A, so only walkers can get on the train in the village, or people who are dropped off there.

I believe the town should be able to discuss this issue and then vote. For people to go to the meeting a week ahead of time and listen to what people say, and there's such a great chance that a different group goes to town meeting. And they'll be voting on the way it hits them, without having heard some of the good discussion on both sides before they cast an informed vote. It's great that the train is coming to Cohasset. It'll be a great benefit to get into Boston easily, whether the station is in the village or on Route 3A. There's so many things that the town should hear before they vote. I think it's ludicrous that the town moderator won't allow the town to discuss such a huge issue. There's no better way to do this than at town meeting because everyone shows up for town meeting.

I've talked to several people on Pond Street and Bancroft Road, and we're all against having the station in the village. It's much more appropriate to have it on Route 3A. I've talked to many, many people, and only one merchant wants it in the village. The residents by and large want it on Route 3A.

I'm against putting the train station in the village. That train station should go up on Route 3A. I've seen what they've done in Plymouth and that positively wouldn't fit in Cohasset Village. I'm totally against putting the station in the village.

I do not want the station in downtown Cohasset. It should go up on Route 3A. If we're allowed to vote, that's how I'll vote.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keep Rail Stop on Route 3A

To the Editor:

It has been said that a train station in the village would be safer for Cohasset than a stop on 3A. Let's look at the facts. According to the MBTA Greenbush report, with the station on 3A, the train would only be traveling 31-mph at Spring Street (in front of the library), and only 25-mph at Depot Court (near the Art Center and Community Center Nursery School). The reason for the slow speeds is that the existing RR right of way winds between outcrops of ledge — ledge which in addition to slowing the train, provides a visually attractive sound barrier for neighboring homes, ledge which would be removed if the station was to be moved to the village.

Think of all the extra cars a village stop would bring into Cohasset. According to the Greenbush report, the Cohasset station will see 350 cars twice a day. When I think of children walking and riding their bikes, I am much more concerned about 350 cars rushing to make a train in the morning and 350 cars hurrying home for dinner in the evening, than I am about a slow moving train on a stationary track. Try to imagine a parking lot with 450 spaces in our village. The parking lot between Blockbuster Video and Stop & Shop has only 431 parking spaces, the lot in front of Woolworth's and CVS has only 312 spaces. Doesn't it make sense to keep commuter cars on 3A?

Everyone in Cohasset will enjoy the benefit of mass transportation to Boston whether the train stops on 3A or in the village. The children of Cohasset will be safer if the station is left on 3A.

Cassandra Rioux
41 James Lane

SAFEGUARD Support is Appreciated

To the Editor:

As the organizers of Cohasset's recent Project SAFEGUARD Program (Student And Family Education Guards Us Against Reliance on Drugs), we would like to thank the many sponsors and volunteers who contributed to making the day an overwhelming success.

We extend a special thank you to The First Parish Church, The Second Congregational Church, St. Stephen's Church, St. Anthony's Church, Cohasset Rotary Club, Cohasset PSO, Cohasset PALS for Wellness Program, The Teen Center, Buttonwood Books & Toys, Cohasset Drug & Alcohol Committee, The Social Service League, Quickava, Super Stop & Shop and Tedeschi Food Shops. We would also like to thank Susan Carr and Jane Pescatore of the Volunteer Committee, Michelle Laney of the Hospitality Committee, Diana Kinch and Joan Kovach, who worked on publicity, and the many sixth-grade parent volunteers who gave their time to this most worthwhile educational program. In addition, we would like to thank the seventh-grade parents and teachers for showing their tremendous support by attending Project Safeguard.

You have sent a very clear message to your children. A message that Cohasset cares and that by working together, we can make children a priority in our community.

Mike Gill
Health Education Coordinator
Cohasset Public Schools
and
Project Safeguard Committee
Liz Bates, Susan Etkind, Maureen Smith

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

School Doors of Communication Opened

To the Citizens of Cohasset:

As you may know, we have begun a special effort to gather from the town questions and comments about the schools. On a pilot basis, we have placed comment boxes in each of the schools and the Paul Pratt Library. We have already received a variety of questions from both groups and individuals. We're also meeting directly with several different groups in town to get their input.

We will attempt to organize the communication better by sorting the issues we receive into groups of topics. This letter responds to two topics which have prompted questions from several of you:

Security: What is the status of security in the schools? What are you doing to improve security?

There are two areas of security which are of concern to the School Committee and the school administration. The first has to do with what might be termed in-school issues. How safe are our students and their belongings in the school? At the high school/middle school, Assistant Principal Jack DeLorenzo leads investigation and handling of incidents that are reported by students, parents or teachers. As needed, Mr. DeLorenzo, Principal Curt Collins, guidance counselors or teachers may be involved in talking with students or groups of students about specific situations. To help prevent incidents of petty theft, all students have access to lockers, which can be secured with a lock of the student's choice.

With regard to vandalism, we have renovated such often-vulnerable areas as the rest rooms, and have placed special maintenance priority for cleaning graffiti or fixing broken windows as soon as possible. So far in 1996, the level of vandalism seems to be lower overall, although a few incidents have been reported.

Recognizing that locks and disciplinary meetings are only part of the solution, the Cohasset Schools have, for several years, focused on teaching our younger children the importance of respect for one's own possessions and those of other students. This "Respect" theme carries through a series of instructional activities beginning in kindergarten and carrying through the sixth grade.

The other area of security is related to after-hours or weekend thefts or major vandalism. In some instances, these incidents have involved valuable equipment, including video and other electronic devices, and ropes course equipment. Over the past three years, losses have amounted to several thousand dollars of missing or vandalized school property, some of it equipment that was donated generously by groups like the PSO.

The School Committee and school administration take this aspect of security very seriously. As readers will probably recognize, we cannot discuss the specifics of increased security without directly reducing the effectiveness of those measures. We maintain a close working relationship with the Cohasset Police regarding surveillance, reporting of incidents, investigations and follow-through.

Parents, in particular, are urged to call Jack DeLorenzo, Curt Collins, Steve Hart, or any of us on the School Committee if you have specific concerns about security.

Communication: What are you doing to broaden awareness of school issues?

As a first step in improving communication, each of us has been assigned specific groups within the town; they are as follows:

Students – Ralph Kidder
Teachers – Jim Kirk
Principals and other staff – JoAnne Chittick
Parents – Rick Shea
School Councils – Maureen Jerz
Seniors – JoAnne Chittick
Non-parents – Jim Kirk
Media – Ralph Kidder
Local businesses and organizations – Rick Shea
Town boards – Maureen Jerz

Each of us is making an effort to meet with representatives or members of each "constituency" to gather questions and comments. The "comments" boxes are one avenue for collecting these thoughts.

We expect to begin televising School Committee meetings on a pilot basis, beginning in the next few weeks (as soon as we're able to make arrangements with Continental Cablevision). At our last meeting, we debated the pros and cons of this approach – will more people be aware of what's going on, but at the expense of having less direct input from the community at our meetings? We're hoping to try broadcasting the meetings until sometime in January to get a sense of how well this is working.

We will also be exploring other avenues for broadening communication, and welcome your suggestions. Already, some of you have suggested an open house for the community, as well as written reports to let you know what's happening in the schools, such as a town-wide mailing or more detailed annual Town Reports.

Hopefully, letters such as this can further help address your questions and concerns. We appreciate the help of our local papers in publicizing these issues.

Ralph Kidder, Chairman
Maureen Jerz, Vice Chairman
JoAnne Chittick, Secretary
Jim Kirk

Town Drainage System Explained

In light of the recent heavy rainstorm and because of the numerous phone calls from residents, I would like to explain how Cohasset's drainage system works.

At the beginning of every high tide, the James Brook tidal gates, which are located on Summer Street near the harbor, close shut to keep the tidal water from entering James Brook. At the beginning of every low tide these same gates re-open to allow the accumulated water to drain into the harbor.

During normal weather conditions, this system works fine unless large debris blocks the gates from opening. Regular maintenance usually prevents this, but occasionally this has happened. However, with heavy rain or snow or in some cases where a higher than normal tide occurs, flooding conditions are going to occur and there is nothing we can do here to prevent this from happening. The water is trapped for six hours until the next low tide begins and the gates re-open.

Your cooperation is appreciated in keeping basin covers clear of debris. This helps a lot.

Harold W. Litchfield
D.P.W. Superintendent

Kirk Won't Seek Re-election

(Editor's note: Jim Kirk read this letter to the school committee last week.)

To: The Cohasset School Committee
From: Jim Kirk

I will not be seeking re-election to the School Committee next spring.

The time pressures of trying to manage and build my company are considerable, and I find I cannot sustain my time commitment to the School Committee. I am announcing my decision now so that anyone who may wish to consider running for the committee will have plenty of time to consider their decision.

Since I still have almost six months to serve, I won't make a farewell speech, but simply say that I have very much enjoyed working with the members of the committee, and with Superintendent Hart and his staff.

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask the citizens of the town to reflect on the nature of volunteer public service. All of the people who serve on the many town committees make personal, family and often business sacrifices to give their time and their skills to the town. We do so willingly because we believe in contributing to this place that we're privileged to call home. Were we to hire professionals to do all the jobs in this town that volunteers do now, our tax rates would be considerably higher.

The events of the past year have left many of us feeling quite battered and bewildered. It is one thing to have a few individuals question the results of thousands of hours of work on the part of well-qualified volunteers. It is quite another to have these individuals question our motives, our intelligence, and even our morals. The many bitter words which were passed as a result of this sad process should make us all think twice about how best to preserve this most precious resource: the willingness of capable, honest and caring people to give of themselves to make this town the best that it can be. I hope we're successful in sustaining the spirit of volunteerism in Cohasset.

Station Would be Eyesore

To the Editor:

It seems a handful of village businesses are ramming the idea of a village station without concern for Cohasset.

They are gambling on patronage from train commuters at the risk of ruining the beauty of our village.

The MBTA doesn't go out of business. After spending an additional $3 million of taxpayers' money to blast ledge, chop down trees and destroy a family home, they will build a parking lot the size of Stop & Shop to Papa Gino's and a train platform the size of three football fields.

Cohasset will be left with this monstrous eyesore forever.

Cindy MacCleave
9 James Lane

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Officials, water users plot rate attack strategy

By Andi Weissman
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

Lt. Governor Paul Cellucci seems willing to support north Cohasset residents in their fight to overturn a 150-percent rate increase for water services, State Senator Robert Hedlund told protesters Sunday night.

Hedlund joined Cohasset, Hingham and Hull town officials at a meeting with Cellucci's office last Friday to discuss the towns' options in fighting the rate increase, which include taking an eminent domain action against Massachusetts-American Water Company.

"I think it was clear the state would be there to help us and not fight us," Cohasset Selectman Peter Pratt said.

Despite the weekend's nor'easter, nearly 20 water users met to hear the officials' update on their meeting with Cellucci and to discuss further plans to protest the rate increase.

Residents have complained that their quarterly water bills have been more than tripled with charges to help pay for the company's new $40 million treatment plant, yet water quality has not improved. Several residents have come forth with clothing they claim was stained by the water.

Ratepayers from the three towns plan to march on the State House next Tuesday to protest the increase. Cohasset residents Diane Sullivan and Maria Plante are also encouraging water users to protest by refusing to pay their bills.

Hedlund said Cohasset should pursue the option of taking Mass.-American's plant by eminent domain.

"Our options are limited," he said. "I think that will make the most impact."

One of the next steps, Hedlund said, is to determine what, if any, responsibility the attorney general's office has in overseeing water rates. He did not think state statutes allow for the attorney general's involvement, but said he would work to enact legislation that would change that.

In the meantime, Cohasset, Hingham and Hull residents should try to have the rate increase overturned because of the poor water quality, Hedlund said.

"The only thing we have to hang our hat on to ask for a new hearing is the quality of water," he said. "We would like them to address the rates again through that process."

Pratt stressed the towns have to continue to work together to get the rate increase overturned and suggested a tri-town task force to address the issue.

"I haven't seen this level of cooperation among the three towns on anything else," he said.

Hedlund said his office had researched Mass.-American's practices elsewhere.

"They've sought this kind of advantage in other communities," he alleged. "Part of the problem is . . . nobody gave water a second thought in the nation's history. They took it for granted."

He added that he toured the new Mass.-American facility and was told many improvements were unnecessary. One plumber allegedly told him, "They built a Cadillac when they could've gotten by with a Chevrolet."

Plante said north Cohasset residents seem to be receiving widespread support.

"I went to St. Anne's Church (in Hull, Saturday) night," Plante said. "When I was walking in, the priest gave me the thumbs up."

She added that 1,700 people in Hull signed a petition protesting the increase and that Mass.-American has received more than 1,000 phone calls from irate customers.

Sullivan said she was pleased with the response so far from local and state officials.

"It relies on our voices. We have to keep hammering away at our elected officials," she said.

State House Protest is Tuesday

Irate water ratepayers plan a protest at the State House, Tuesday, Oct. 29. They will meet at 9 a.m. in the Nantasket Beach parking lot across the street from Carousel Station flying horses in Hull. Call Maria Plante at 383-9263 or Diane Sullivan at 383-1166 if you can come. Organizers will ask for a small donation to cover the cost of the bus.

Studds to Speak at Brunch

Congressman Gerry E. Studds, who will be resigning his seat in January after 24 years of service to the 10th Congressional District, will be the featured speaker at a brunch celebrating Democratic unity Sunday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Chart House, Cohasset Harbor.

The event is sponsored by Co-Op Eight (the organization of South Shore Democratic Town Committees) and hosted by the Cohasset Democratic Town Committee.

Candidates for federal, state and local offices will be introduced, including William D. Delahunt, Norfolk County District Attorney and candidate for the 10th Congressional District.

Tickets are still available for the brunch, and all interested Democrats are invited to attend. For further information, call Tim White at 740-2899 or 331-6900.

Antique show slated

More than 25 dealers will participate in the 20th Annual Antique Show and Sale sponsored by the Beechwood Congregational Church Nov. 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Deer Hill School on Sohier Street, Cohasset (just before the Music Circus).

The $3 admission, snack bar and bake sale will benefit the church. Ample free parking is available. Please call 383-0070 after 6 p.m. for further information.

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It's Happening

Wildlife Center Reschedules Event

New England Wildlife Center has rescheduled its Walkathon and fair for Sunday, Nov. 3.

The fair will begin at noon (admission is free). The Walkathon through Bare Cove Park starts at 1 p.m. There is a $5 registration fee for the walk. The original event, scheduled for Oct. 20, was canceled due to inclement weather. Proceeds will benefit New England Wildlife Center.

Have Your Treasures Appraised

Bring your special treasures to South Shore Art Center, 119 Ripley Road, Friday, Oct. 25, from 3 to 8 p.m. to find out if you own a valuable antique or priceless collectible. On that day, the center will sponsor Skinner Inc. Appraisal Day. Individual attention will be offered in a private setting, and a verbal estimated value will be offered by a Skinner appraiser.

American and European paintings and prints, art glass, antique textiles and needlework, books, toys, dolls, games, china and silver will be appraised.

For fragile items and large furniture, a good-quality photo will be accepted for appraisal purposes. For china or silver services, an example of each piece in a set should be presented, along with a list of the total number of pieces in the set.

For further information, call the SSAC at 383-ARTS.

Free flu Clinic Offered

A free flu clinic, sponsored by the board of health and Social Service League is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 26, at Cohasset Town Hall.

Pneumonia vaccine will be available to individuals age 65 and older and those with chronic heart or lung conditions. The pneumonia vaccine is a one-time vaccination except in rare cases where a physician is required to make an evaluation. The clinic will administer first-time vaccinations only.

The Mass. Department of Public Health is also providing tetanus vaccine and is urging those who have not had tetanus booster in the last 10 years to do so at the flu clinic.

All three of the above vaccines can be administered simultaneously with few or no side effects. There is no charge for any of the immunizations.

For further details, call the League office at 383-0771 or 383-0821 (Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Appalachia Buses Filling Up

As the Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project begins preparations for their 10th work-camp trip, the deadline for registrations draws near. Thirty-two teenagers (10th- to 12th-graders) have signed up, and there is room for 16 more. Nov. 1 is the date registrations will close. Any registrations postmarked after that date will be placed on a waiting list.

Forms are available in Cohasset High School's main office and at the following Cohasset churches: First Parish, St. Stephen's, St. Anthony's and Second Congregational.

For additional information, call the Rev. Gary Ritts at 383-0345 or 383-1422.

Junior Choir Jubilee Planned

A Junior Choir Jubilee is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m. at Second Congregational Church.

The event will provide a rare opportunity for music lovers to hear massed junior voices in concert. Participating will be junior choirs from the churches on Cohasset Common, including Second Congregational Church, First Parish (Unitarian-Universalist) and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church.

The event, which is under the direction of Robert Leavitt, with assistance from Carolyn Curtis and Fred Guzausky, will be followed by a cookout for the performers.

Adult Education Opportunity

The Rev. Jenny Rankin, interim minister at First Parish in Cohasset, is offering a course in Spiritual Autobiography which is open to the wider community. This is a unique opportunity to explore and write about one's own spiritual "journey" and find its commonality with others. No writing experience is necessary. Through drawings and other exercises, past experience is evoked and examined. Rules of the class include attendance at all sessions (except for emergency or other unusual exception) and "the right of reticence" (no one is required to reveal any material he or she wishes to remain private). Confidentiality is essential.

The class is not only enriching and illuminating, it is a whole lot of fun! Sessions will be held on from 9 to 10:15 a.m. on six consecutive Sunday mornings starting Nov. 3. Participants will meet in the Unitarian Parish House, 23 N. Main St., which is across the street from the Meeting House on the Common. To register, please call 383-1100. Enrollment is limited.

The course will be repeated on Wednesday afternoons in January 1997, the dates and times to be announced later.

Poetry Reading at Library

Prize-winning poet and author Suzanne E. Berger will read her poetry and excerpts from her book, "Horizontal Woman," Wednesday, Nov. 6, at 7:30 p.m. at Paul Pratt Library, 106 South Main St.

Berger will discuss the story of the pain, rage, absurdity, hilarity, humiliation and gratitude experienced in the years following a "freak" back injury so severe that she was dramatically disabled and flat on her back for seven years.

Berger's uncle, Bruce Berger, also a prize-winning poet, will read some of his poetry. Known more widely for his prose, he has published tow books on the American Southwest as well as a collection of poetry. He has lived in a log cabin in Aspen, Colo., for the last 30 years.

The program is sponsored by Friends of the Cohasset Library. Refreshments will be served. For additional information, call 383-1348.

Plans for Village Fair Underway

The Cohasset Village Fair is coming Dec. 7. The book sale committee of St. Stephen's Church is already working on the annual feature of the fair. They welcome contributions of hardcover and paperback books in good condition, CDs, tapes and videos. Current textbooks and cooking, craft and gardening books are especially needed.

Materials may be left on the stage at Walton Rodgers Hall or inside the Parish Hall door marked "Church offices" Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. For further information, call 383-6840.

Greek Night Set for Nov. 7

The first annual Greek Night, a fun-filled evening to benefit Panagia Greek Orthodox Church, Cohasset, will be held Thursday, Nov. 7, at the Barker Tavern. Community President Michael McNamara said, "A capacity crowd is expected."

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m., with dinner and dancing at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $25 per person and may be ordered by calling 925-7033.

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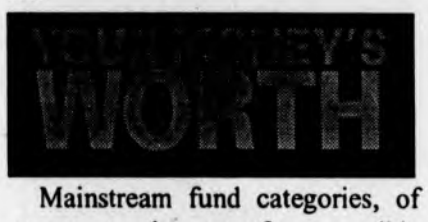
PERSONAL FINANCE

Oddball funds that make sense for your portfolio

By Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Oddballs may be socially maladroit and sartorially bizarre, but when it comes to mutual funds, weird can be beautiful. So-called oddball funds, whose performance doesn't correlate with U.S. markets and which fit no established category, can boost portfolio returns and lower risks. Professional portfolio managers recommend that investors diversify with one or two, but few do.



Mainstream fund categories, of course, are the core of any sensible portfolio, and no fund, however singular, can insulate an investor from a severe market downturn. But placing up to 30 percent of a portfolio in three to five oddballs will smooth the road to respectable returns. And a mere 10 percent allocation in one or two such funds will improve the 10-year performance of most portfolios.

Oddballs spread risk because they don't closely track the widely watched stock, bond, and foreign market indexes that most funds resemble.

We asked investment advisers to name their favorite oddballs — funds that over the next five years are likely to lower the risk of an investor's portfolio, add some return, or both. Here are their picks.

GAM International

GAM International is almost certain to add a risk-return pattern unlike any other fund because it bears little resemblance even to other foreign-stock funds. The fund's charter could not be much less restrictive, requiring only that at least 65 percent of fund assets be placed in at least three countries. It must mainly buy foreign equities, but it can also move heavily into investment-grade foreign bonds. In fact, in recent quarters, it invested 47 percent of its assets in bonds, 34 percent in cash, just 11 percent in stocks, and the rest in convertibles and other securities.

"The manager can go anywhere in the world looking for opportunities, and he has a track record for wandering into the right places," says Jeffrey Mortimer, vice president of the Cambridge, Mass., investment advisory firm Higgins Associates.

Mortimer calls this fund an "aggressive oddball" and a "sleeper" because, despite its $286.9 million in assets as of the end of last year, "no one has ever heard of it." The fund is just right for a growth investor, says Mortimer, adding that its growing asset base and consistent performance ensure it won't remain anonymous much longer.

Proceed with caution — not all of GAM's big bets have succeeded. After soaring 80 percent in 1993, the fund plunged 10 percent in 1994 before briskly rising 22 percent by year-end 1995.

Cohen & Steers Realty Shares

Among real estate investment managers, the team of Martin Cohen and Robert Steers has a good reputation. But it's not just as a sector play that Cohen & Steers Realty Shares appeals to Eliot Williams of The Williams Investment Counselors, a Windsor, Conn., manager of fund portfolios for wealthy investors.

One caveat: Williams says that an investor should take a pass on this fund if more than 70 percent of his or her net worth is tied up in a residence and/or vacation home. These investors already have enough real estate exposure in their portfolios.

Vanguard Emerging Markets Portfolio

Experienced investors know that merging (also known on the Street as submerging) markets have had a rocky history. Overall, this market climbed 72 percent in 1993, according to Morningstar, but sharply rising interest rates in the United States induced investors to bring their money home. Then came the Mexican peso crisis, followed by the Japanese earthquake.

As liquidity evaporated, emerging-markets funds went on a year-and-a-half-long nose-dive. The second-largest fund in this category, the $1.4 billion Fidelity Emerging Markets Fund, plunged 18 percent in 1994 and was down another 13.8 percent at one point in 1995. The fund is improving, albeit slowly.

Through the rest of the decade, less-developed countries are expected to grow at twice the rate of developed countries, according to Vanguard International Equity Index Fund sales literature. This index fund buys a total of 300 stocks in 12 different LDCs, including Turkey, Mexico, Thailand, and Indonesia.

"The stock markets of these countries over any short period of time are most influenced by flows of funds primarily from outsiders," Williams says. "Over the longer period, the fundamentals will win out, and the investment community will increasingly allocate modest amounts to these markets and lift their prices. For those who can tolerate some risk, it's attractive."

The Vanguard fund only started up in May 1994, so it still needs some time to establish a track record. The 60 basis point expense ratio (a fee for management and operating costs) is less than a third of the average of its peer group, making it the cheapest way to play the emerging markets.

Merger Fund

The only mutual fund investing exclusively in deal stocks — corporate mergers, takeovers, and capital restructurings — Merger Fund would provide a good fit with an income-oriented or growth-stock portfolio.

After the terms of a takeover are announced, the share price of a takeover target often rises, but it usually trades below the price an acquirer proposes to pay, because of the chance the deal will fail. Merger Fund buys the target company before the deal is done. The strategy, known as risk arbitrage, exploits the difference between the deal price and the pre-takeover stock price.

The fund is a true oddball, with virtually no correlation with any of the 13 stock indexes against which Morningstar matches stock funds.

Fidelity Convertible Securities Fund

Convertibles are a hybrid of stocks and bonds. While their prices don't run in the opposite direction of stocks and bonds, they do behave differently and can smooth out a fund portfolio's returns.

Convertible securities return a higher dividend yield than growth stocks. According to Andre Ratkai, a chartered financial analyst in Denver managing about $20 million in fund portfolios, the dividends cushion a portfolio when the stock market drifts downward. "The fat dividend tends to limit downside risk," he says.

Convertibles are generally issued by small- and medium-sized growth companies. Firms of this size favor convertibles — securities that pay regular interest, like bonds — because they offer investors slightly lower interest rates, in return for which the convertibles can be converted into stock.

Also, convertibles are unsecured debts — so they don't have to be paid back if the company happens to go belly-up, nor do they encumber a balance sheet. Investors are usually willing to pay for convertibility because it allows them to profit from a stock run-up, which is not a possibility with straight bonds.

The securities are usually most attractive when medium-sized and small companies are posting the largest share gains on the stock market. And that's where we've been most of the year. Ratkai expects small-cap companies to outperform blue chips over the next five years because they remain cheap by historical standards.

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School Notebook

Common Campus Tackles Timely Topics

Social issues is focus for seventh-graders

On a warm, sunny Wednesday last week, the Cohasset Common and surrounding buildings became a campus. The seventh-grade class from Cohasset Junior-Senior High School and about 60 percent of their parents milled about Town Hall, St. Stephen's, First Parish and Second Congregational Church, as well as the common. All day they attended Project Safeguard (Students and Family Education Guards Us Against Reliance on Drugs) workshops.

The nationally recognized program was funded in Cohasset by individual and community donations, grant money and PALS for Wellness (Police Assisting Local Schools, administered by Police Chief Brian Noonan).

Eighteen months of research, preparation and organization by Liz Bates, Maureen Smith and Susan Etkind, who worked in collaboration with high school Health Educator Mike Gill, produced a smoothly orchestrated day of insight and education for participants.

Judging by the written and verbal responses shared at the end of the event, many folks appreciated all the work and would like to see it happen again next year. Many workshops were videotaped and are available for review by contacting Gill at the high school.

Workshops covered topics relevant to raising and being a teenager today in the '90s in Cohasset. Students reported for school as usual and then were bused to the common, where parents (after coffee and registration) met them in Town Hall for a rousing opening session with Ed Gerety. He woke people up with his robust presentation, emphasizing what's right about life and the opportunities that await everyone to connect with each other and achieve goals.

From there, parents, community guests and seventh-graders attended four of nine different workshops. During the course of the day, there were four or five different sessions happening simultaneously.

Jack Agati presented a workshop entitled "Who's Driving The Car?" for parents. He has visited Cohasset before as a guest speaker at an annual PSO meeting, where his topic was birth order. Once again, using warmth, humor, insight and skill, he conveyed some powerful ideas about how we are in danger of raising a "generation of house guests." He emphasized the need to hold children, especially teens, accountable for their behavior, from missing the school bus to putting off mowing the lawn to denting the car.

For students, Gerety continued his electrifying motivational style in his workshop, "Reach for the Stars."

One student reported it was "enthusiastic . . . great, got the info in our heads and made many points." Others said, "Inspiring . . ."; "Awesome. Every story had a point."

Judy Stone's presentation, "Taking Charge of Your TV," offered useful ideas, and some thought it would be helpful for parents of younger children as well.

Mike Weber's "Get an Attitude" addressed ways to make the best of things, no matter what. One parent felt it had "lots of good advice and practical information," and a student reported the program "made great points . . . (and) . . . taught a lot."

"Drug Proof Your Child" by Dick Armour gave participants "lots to think about, good information." Participants expressed a wish that this, and many other sessions, could go on longer.

Rahn Flemming's "Better Too Soon Than Too Late" took parents and kids face-to-face with the realities of unwanted sexual experiences and the enormously common presence of alcohol in these situations. Attitudes and stereotypical thinking were explored, and in a short time, he provoked much soul-searching in the group about these difficult issues.

Assistant District Attorney Frank Gaziano and Judge Robert Murray delivered the sobering facts about drugs, alcohol and related criminal charges that can extinguish the dreams and future plans of young people.

Marialana Cook told a moving, inspiring and cautionary tale about her struggle with and triumph over alcoholism. One student said, "She had a lot of pride in herself and really put her heart into her story. Very sad!"

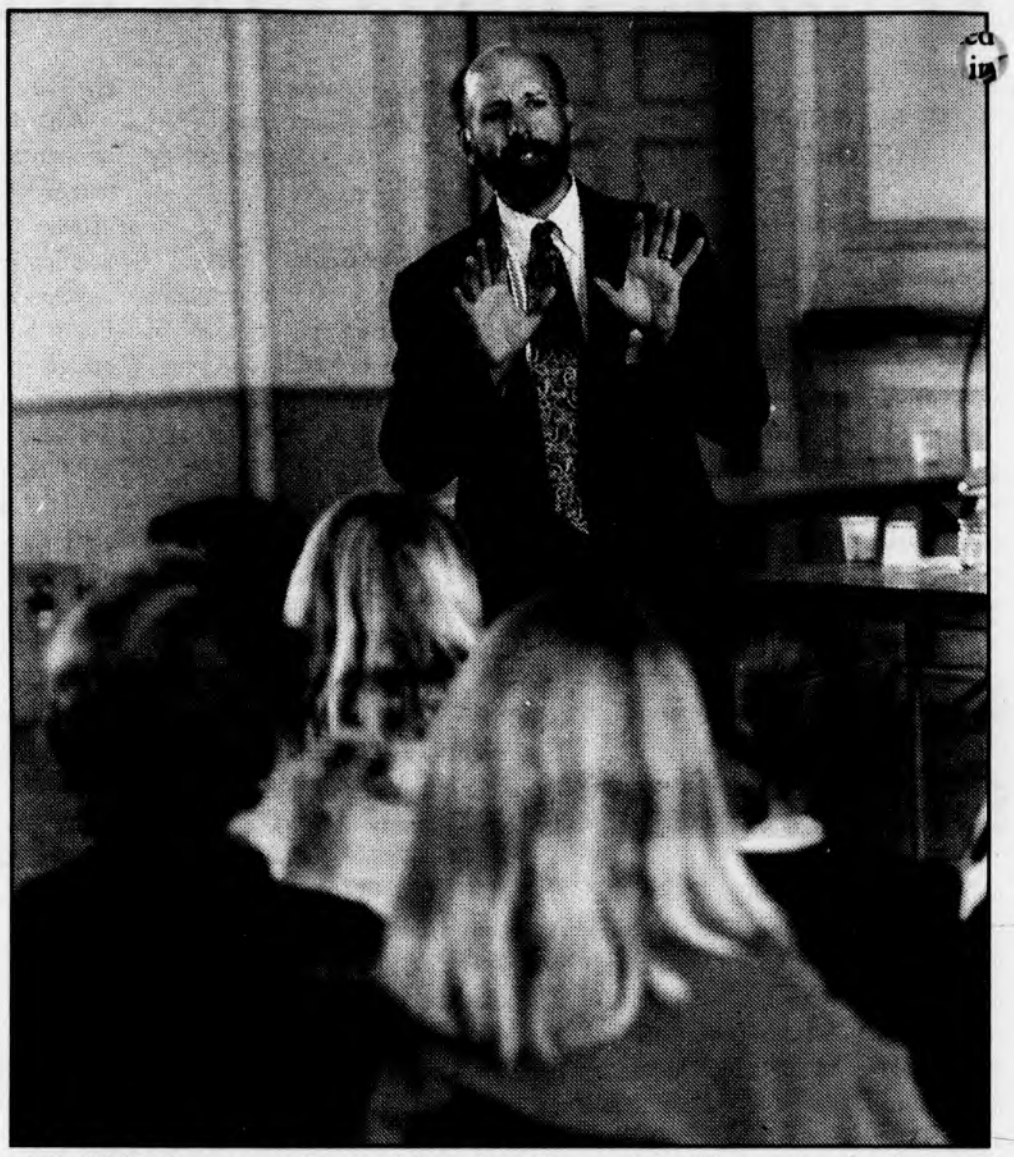
A hands-down favorite of the day was Danny Duval, who participants said was "incredible" and "awesome." Pacing the floor of St. Stephen's Walton Rogers Hall before a large and riveted crowd, Duval told the story of his high school athletic success — three-time All State football, two-time All State basketball, High School All American, voted "most popular," "best athlete" and "most likely to succeed" — and his utter life a failure, as, addicted to cocaine and alcohol, he abused his family's love, failed at jobs, conned friends and became a street person without friends, family or feelings.

During his presentation, Duval cried, and the audience cried; Duval smiled and the audience smiled. One student said, "Best thing I've ever heard! He was so moving and I will never forget it in all my life." Now in recovery, married and a high school coach, Duval travels around to tell his story to help kids avoid the brutal path he took, which began with drinking beer to celebrate high school sports victories.

As participants walked from building to building across the "campus," they bubbled over with reflections on the speakers they had heard. Lunch was served at Second Congregational Church, complete with a birthday cake for two seventh-grade boys who turned 13. A strong sense of community prevailed.

The day, which progressed flawlessly thanks to the tireless preparation and terrific organization, ended with Rahn Flemming's engaging and thoughtful comments on this phase of parents' and students' lives.

"Go easy on your folks, guys. They do what they do out of love," he told the students.



Mike Weber lectures on 'Get and Attitude' telling students 'You can't control what happens to you but you can control how you react' at the Campus on the Common last week.

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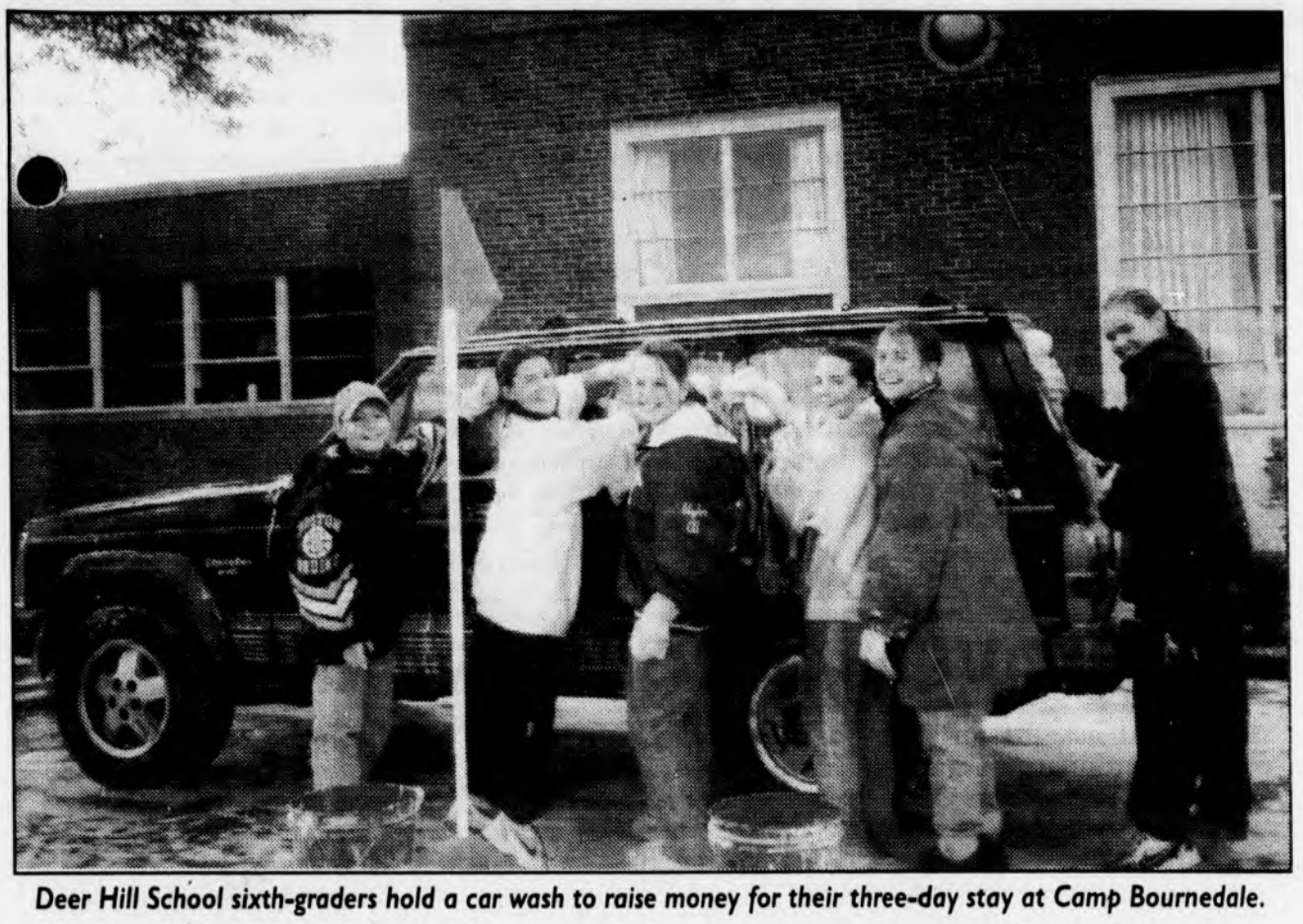

Deer Hill School sixth-graders hold a car wash to raise money for their three-day stay at Camp Bournedale.

Students Raise Funds for Camp

In November, sixth-graders at Deer Hill School will spend three days and two nights at Camp Bournedale in Plymouth. While at the camp, students will benefit from a program offering a broad range of classes focusing on the environment and the natural sciences.

Various fund-raising activities are being held by students to help defray the cost of the program. Activities have included a car wash at Deer Hill School and a spaghetti dinner in the Cohasset High School cafeteria.

More fund-raising activities are planned to help fund the cost of the trip, and the support of the community is appreciated by the sixth-graders.

METCO Dinner is Nov. 3

The Cohasset METCO Committee will host its annual fall dinner from 3 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 3 at the Cohasset High School cafeteria. The annual Sunday dinner is given by the Cohasset METCO host families for Cohasset's METCO students and their Boston families. This year's dinner will feature a Southern style menu of baked ham, macaroni & cheese and sweet potato pie. All METCO families, Cohasset host families and anyone else from the community who would like to attend are welcomed guests at this event.

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School Committee Meetings to be Shown Live on Cable

By Andi Weissman
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

School Committee meetings will be broadcast on local access cable television in an effort to broaden communications with the public, the committee decided last Thursday.

In a pilot program tentatively slated to begin Nov. 2, Cohasset residents will have the option of watching the meetings from their homes. Viewers will be asked to call a number posted on the screen so the committee can gauge the success of the program.

The pilot program is a part of the School Committee's effort to inform the public about its activities.

School Superintendent Stephen Hart said nearby communities that broadcast school committee meetings on local access cable television have had a generally positive response.

However, comments tended to be less candid with the cameras turned on, he said.

"That may decrease as people become more used to having cameras," Hart said.

Committee member Jim Kirk proposed a pilot program in which a number would be posted at the bottom of the television screen. Viewers would be asked to call the number and answer a few questions about their interest in school committee activities.

He suggested the pilot take place before the budget process begins so viewers would be able to see some "regular" meetings, with issues ranging from approving field trips to discussing capital expenditures.

Committee member Joanne Chittick questioned whether the program would actually decrease communications.

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"I think I would prefer to have people interested in watching or interacting with the School Committee to be here to talk to us personally," Chittick said.

One-third of the citizens attending the meeting said they would have stayed home and watched the cable broadcast if it were offered.

PSO President Kathy Ofsthun joked that the committee would be the loser when going up against Thursday night sitcoms.

"Against 'Seinfeld'? Not a chance," she said.

Kirk also said public questions and comments are starting to come in via drop boxes stationed in each of the Cohasset schools, and the communication subcommittee is starting to group those remarks together. The first two issues the subcommittee plans to address are communications and school security; future issues will include the reasoning behind the decision to form a middle school.

Hart suggested placing another drop box in the public library in order to broaden the opportunities for public comment.

In other business, the committee approved a three-day field trip to Camp Bournedale for sixth-graders. Each student will take four classes in subjects such as marine biology and animal adaptations. They will also take "Adventure Challenge," a course requiring teamwork to solve physical challenges, said Betty Cisneros, an English teacher at Deer Hill.

The cost is $160 per child, and students are participating in fund raisers to offset the cost, she added.

More male chaperones are needed for the excursion.

Selectmen Approve School Bus Purchase

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Selectmen voted unanimously Tuesday to recommend the purchase of two new school buses, at an estimated cost of $89,000.

School Supt. Stephen Hart said buying the buses achieves an economy in the long range.

Leasing buses would cost $16,000 more than purchasing them; financing the purchase over five years is the most expensive option. The new buses will replace two that were purchased in 1986.

"It's a question of how much money you have available and how you want to spend it," he said.

The town-operated bus service costs approximately $175,000 per year, including salaries and benefits for drivers, fuel, maintenance, insurance, and an 8-year bus replacement cycle.

Hart provided selectmen with a comparative cost analysis that showed North River Transportation would cost the school department $180,245 per year and Ryder School Transportation would charge $192,360 for the same service now provided by the school department.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said parents of school children are pleased with the school bus service, and there is a value to providing employment and health insurance benefits to drivers who are Cohasset residents.

Having control over the buses is also valuable, said selectman Michael Sullivan.

But Selectman Peter Pratt said the town has been "victimized by a state agency" referring to the state Registry of Motor Vehicles which called the entire school bus fleet unsafe. He added that the issue of purchasing school buses could be "in transition." While parents trust the bus drivers, he said, special services could be contracted over time, and there are ways to protect the work force.

Cohasset students spent a week in September riding leased buses when Registry officials said all six buses failed inspections for what town officials called minor problems.

At that time, Hart said buses failed the inspection because they did not say "owned and operated by Cohasset" and tape used to repair torn seats was not up to flammability standards.

Following the failed inspections, Hart said some of the Registry's listed violations as "lies."

But Registry officials said the problems were serious, and Cohasset had been warned about poor maintenance in the past. Three buses failed inspection in the spring: one due to improper railings and two others for lack of "body fluid kits" containing mask, gloves, and brush, to clean up if a child vomits.

Hart said the fleet of only six buses does not justify hiring a mechanic for maintenance of them. He noted that the town could consider hiring a mechanic to work on other town vehicles, with the cost shared between departments.

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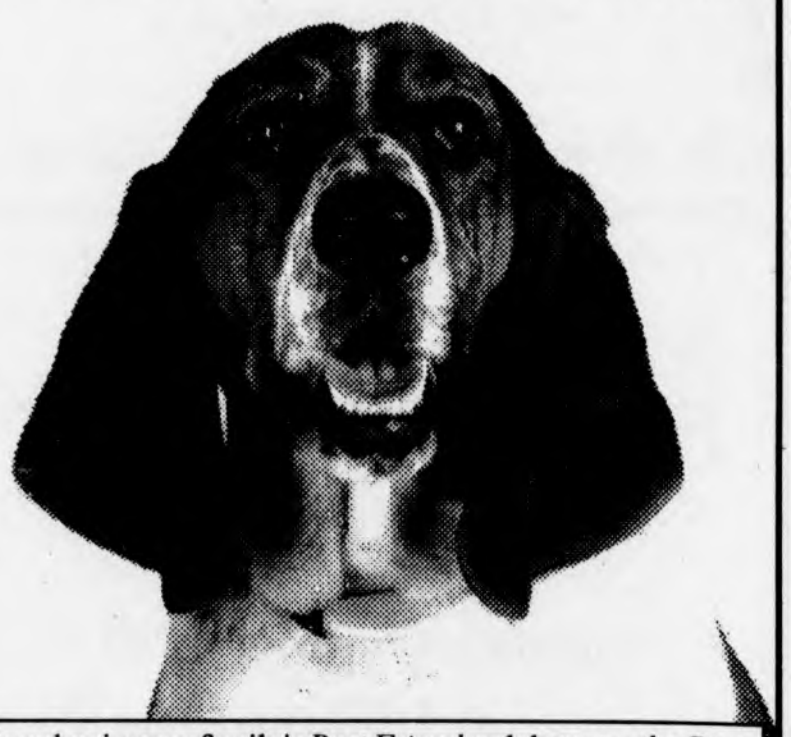

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It's Now or Never for Field Hockey

Lady Skippers Must Avoid Losses

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset put thoughts of a possible field hockey tourney invitation in head coach Debby Bostwick's head quite a while ago. Now it's time for the Lady Skippers to turn their game to the boiling point in a last-ditch effort to qualify for the South Sectional competition.

"I didn't predict we'd make the tournament this year," Bostwick said, "but they spoiled me by winning three games early in the season."

Sporting a 4-6-3 record as of Wednesday morning, Cohasset was scheduled to play Norwell at home that afternoon with a game slated for today against Marshfield and Hull on Saturday or Sunday.

Getting into the tourney will be tough for the Lady Skippers. They can't afford to lose another game, and, if they beat Norwell and Marshfield, they have to salvage a tie against league champion Hull.

Cohasset, however, is much improved over last year when the team finished last in the South Shore League. The Lady Skippers are currently in fourth place and have played every team tough this season.

Cohasset put together one of its finest games of the fall in a heartbreaking 1-0 loss last Friday at Hanover. Playing solid defense for the majority of the game, the Lady Indians took advantage of one defensive lapse and it proved to be all they would need in the end.

With 15 seconds remaining in the first half, a Cohasset player cleared the ball in front of the Lady Skippers' net instead of up the side. The ball was intercepted by a Hanover forward and she proceeded to hit the post with her shot and the ball trickled across the goal line.

"It was an absolute killer," Bostwick said simply of the play.

Cohasset managed three breakaways in the opening half, but the Hanover goaltender came up with three huge saves to frustrate the Lady Skippers' offense.

Bostwick made an adjustment in the second half where she opened a hole in the Cohasset defense and put an extra

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Cohasset High field hockey player Alia Afshar puts up a banner for good luck, prior to a South Shore League game.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Kelley's Work Honored by YMCA

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset's William Kelley's 30-year involvement with the YMCA has not gone unnoticed.

The South Shore YMCA dedicated its outdoor track to Kelley on Oct. 17 in appreciation of the work he has done as a director and committee chairperson.

Kelley still has the focus of the Y's goals firmly implanted and he continues to do his part in fufilling the facility's goals.

The track is just a part of the renovations being worked on at the Quincy location on Coddington Street. Construction includes new athletic fields, a restructured parking lot, basketball court, a new swimming pool and the redesigned accessiblity of the back entrance and locker rooms. Funding for the work is being provided through a $2.5 million Capital Campaign, for which Kelley is a committee member.

South Shore YMCA President Ralph Yohe commended Kelley for what he has meant to the Y over the years.

"It is not every day that we can honor a plerson like this," said Yohe, "who has given freely of his time and expertise in many capacities. Every foot that steps onto this track represents one step closer to achieving our Capital Campaign fund-raising goal, and the strides Bill Kelley has enabled us to achieve to date."

Kelley has been a board director since the late '60s. He is also the chair of the finance committee and planned giving committee. Kelley serves as the liaison for the investment committe and is a member of the executive and insurance committees.

"I am honored to be here today to receive this recognition," Kelley said. "I have a high level of interest in this YMCA, and in its success. I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have madea a contribution to the Y's capital fund drive and acknowledge my friends and former business associates."

William Kelley (Left) and Ralph Yohe stand behind the stone with the dedication of the South Shore YMCA's Track etched into it.

Skippers Continue Gridiron Dry Spell

The Cohasset High varsity football team continues to struggle in its first season back in the South Shore League after a successful run of six years in the Independent League.

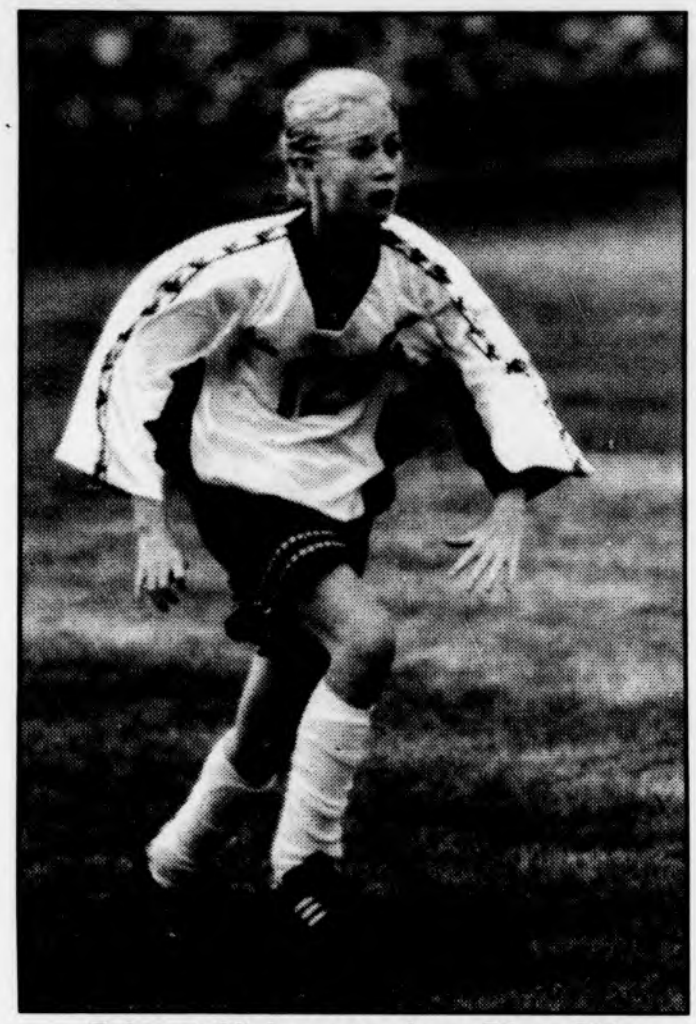
The Skippers dropped to 0-5 on the season after dropping a 50-18 decision to Carver, last Friday night.

Cohasset managed to stay close to the 3-2-1 Crusaders through the first quarter, trailing by just two points, 14-12. The Skippers took the early lead on Jamie DeMichele's 5-yard touchdown run. Cohasset had to settle for the six points, however, when the PAT was no good.

Carver went up 14-6 on consecutive touchdowns. Russ Lyons broke through the Cohasset defense and returned the kickoff 89 yards and added the two points when he went into the end zone on the conversion run. John Densmore romped 24 yards for the Crusaders' second TD of the quarter, but Cohasset's defense stopped the pass attempt on the conversion.

The Skippers' Pat Hurley scored the squad's second TD of the game on his 19-yard run.

Carver pulled away for good by going on a 28-0 run over the next two quarters and scoring 14 more in the final quarter. Cohasset managed just six more points during the fourth quarter.



Cohasset High soccer player Eileen Ridge keeps her eye on the action down the field as she heads towards the ball.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

10th River Race Oct. 26

The 10th Head Of The Weir River Race will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, beginning at noon at West Corner, at the Hingham-Hull-Cohasset line.

The race will finish at 1 p.m. at the Hull Lifesaving Museum Boathouse, Pemberton Point, Hull. For more information, call Ed McCabe, Hull Lifesaving Museum Maritime Program Director at 925-5433 (w), 924-4826 (h).

The Head of the Weir River Race is one of the Hull Lifesaving Museum's hallmark events. Beginning at the Hingham-Hull-Cohasset line at West Corner, and following the river along World's End in its full autumn glory, the race spills out into the open water of Hingham Bay for an all-out sprint from Bumpkin Island to the HLMI Boathouse at Pemberton Point. A wide range of boats typically show for this highly contested five-miler, including coxed youth and adult gigs, single and double dories, Irish curraghs, ocean kayaks and Alden ocean shells. The best views of the race are at the starting line, from the bridge on George Washington Boulevard (five minutes after the race start), or the boathouse. Registration for the race will begin at 10 a.m. behind the Hull Public Works building.

Lady Skippers Must Avoid Losses

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forward up top. It proved to make a difference as the Lady Skippers' offense became more consistent in its scoring attempts, coming up with a number of chances. Cohasset, however, could not finish the plays, despite the intense pressure it put on the Hanover defense.

"The ball could not get in," Bostwick said. "We were playing for a tie at that point. It just wouldn't go in. I'm happy with how we played. I can't remember the last time we played Hanover to a 1-0 loss."

Bostwick was especially pleased by the fact that the Cohasset players are getting more respect around the league. Three Lady Skippers, fullback Emily Collins, center-midfielder Jo Hurley and inner Lauren Dooley were all named to the SSL All-Star team. The game is scheduled for 4 p.m. on Saturday in Duxbury. That date, however, is tentative because of Cohasset's game against Hull.

Bostwick also credited first-year varsity player Jill Magner, who cheered the team on, despite the face she wasn't feeling good and just as easily could have taken an afternoon off.

Bostwick said Magner will figure prominently in the team's future plans.

"She's been a great support," she said. "Jill's a go-getter, who's going to pick up the slack next year."

But for now, Bostwick is concentrating on the present, and doing the best job as a coach as she knows how to help her team lengthen its season for as long as possible.

Parking Restrictions Enforced

Saturday, Nov. 2, the Beechwood Congregational Church will hold its annual Antique Show at the Deer Hill School. It is imperative that parents, parking for soccer games, leave the fire lane in front of Deer Hill School and the side gate area open and free of vehicles.

Ample parking exists behind Deer Hill School, with only a short walk to the field, and parents are asked to utilize that parking area.

South Shore Community Center

The South Shore Community Center is offering Gymnastics Girls' Night Out, for girls ages 8 to 12, Friday, Nov. 8, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. The girls will enjoy making their pizza, participating in gymnastics, obstacle courses, bowling, contest and prizes. Space is limited.

Gymnastics Session II begins Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 6 and classes run for 11 weeks. The cost is $74.25 for members and $84.25 for non-members. Monday classes start Dec. 9 and run for nine weeks. The cost is $60.75 for members, $70.25 for non-members. Gymnastics is on-going throughout the year.

There are still a few openings in the Gymnastics Session I, Tuesday, 3:15 p.m., Beginner Girls' Class, ages 5-7; and the Wednesday, 6 p.m., Beginner/Intermediate Girls' Class, Age 9-11. Please call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 383-0088 for more information.

Special Olympics Seeks Volunteers

The Massachusetts Special Olympics needs volunteers who can spend a few hours a month working on the management team and special events for the New Norfolk Area, which includes Avon, Braintree, Canton, Cohasset, Dedham, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Milton, Needham, Newton, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Sharon, Stoughton, Walpole, Wellesley, Westwood and Weymouth.

Management volunteers with experience in marketing, fund-raising, competition and volunteer recruitment are important in assuring that the area provides an opportunity for athletes to compete.

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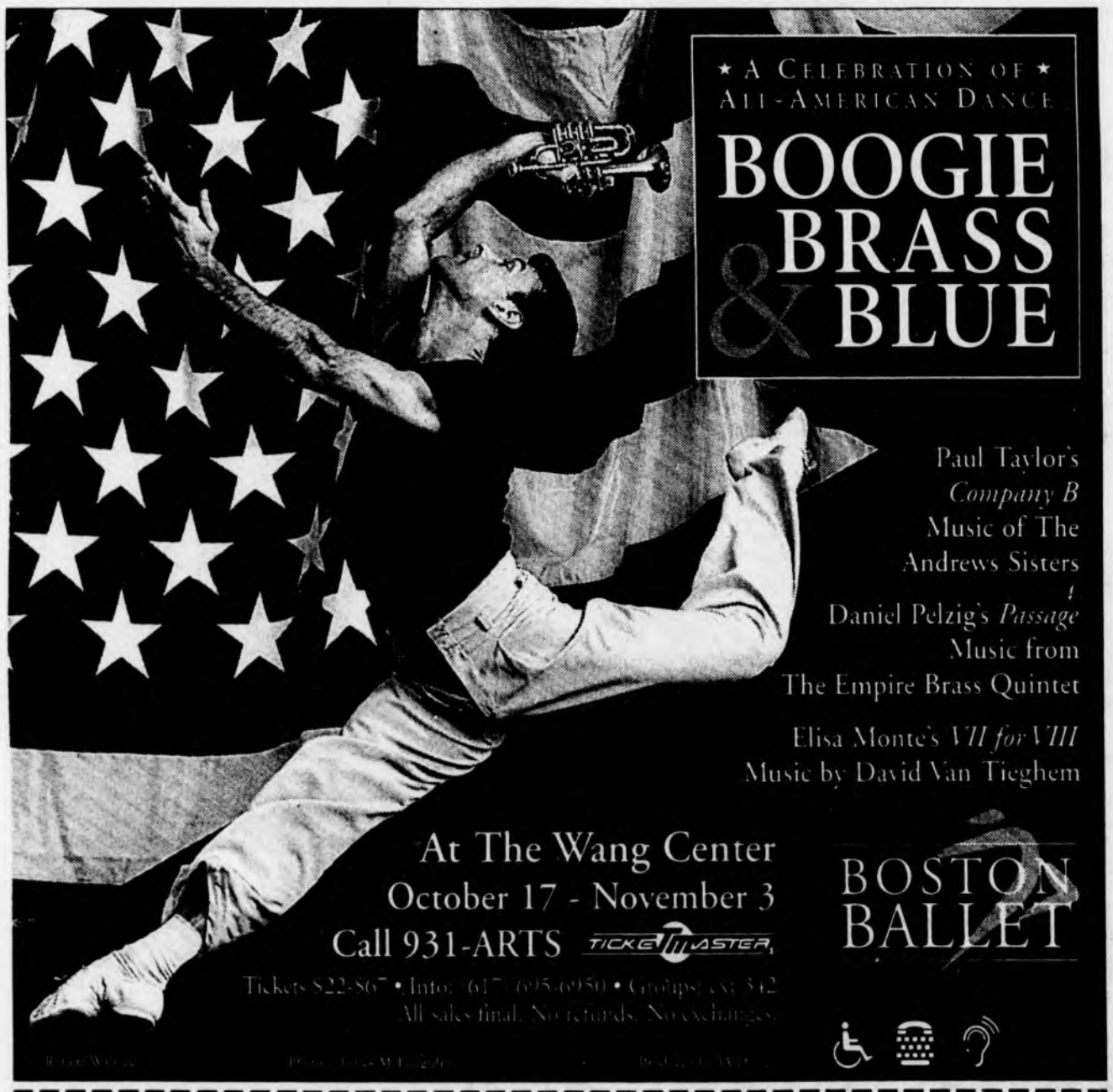

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Indoor Golf Lessons

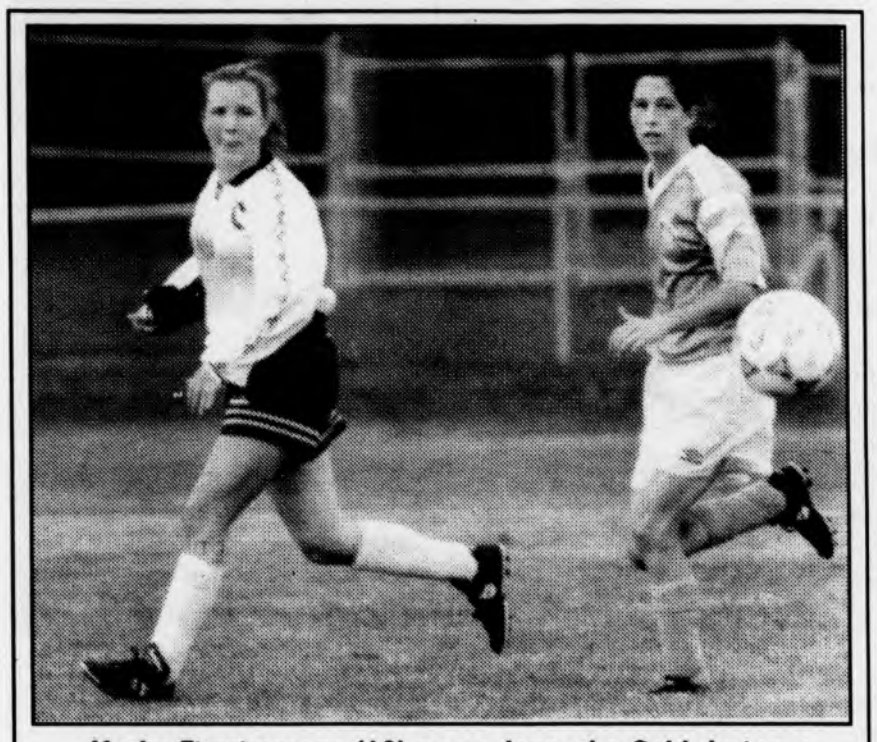
The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Scituate Recreation Department will accept registrations via phone for Adult Indoor Golf Lessons, scheduled to begin Thursday evening, Nov. 7.

Lessons are five weeks in duration, meet one hour weekly and cost $65 per person. Classes are limited to 10 individuals maximum. Registrations are accepted on a first-enrolled basis. Should you require use of golf clubs for the classes, please indicate this at the time of your registration and we will loan you clubs for the classes free of charge.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Dan Neary will be the golf pro teaching this session, which will be held at the Cushing Elementary School, off Route 3A, Scituate. Classes will be held Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12. Class times are at 6 and 7 p.m.

Golf Clinic Set

A free seniors golf clinic will be conducted at Sandbaggers Golf Practice Range and Pro Shop at 10 a.m., Oct. 29 and Nov. 5. It will be conducted by Class A PGA Professional Chris Masterton. Other instructional formats will be available throughout the fall and indoors during the winter. For information, call (617) 826-1234 or 585-6114. Sandbaggers is located on Route 53, 15 minutes from both the Independence Mall and the Hanover Mall.



Kathy Fitzsimmons (10) races down the field during a South Shore League soccer game against East Bridgewater.
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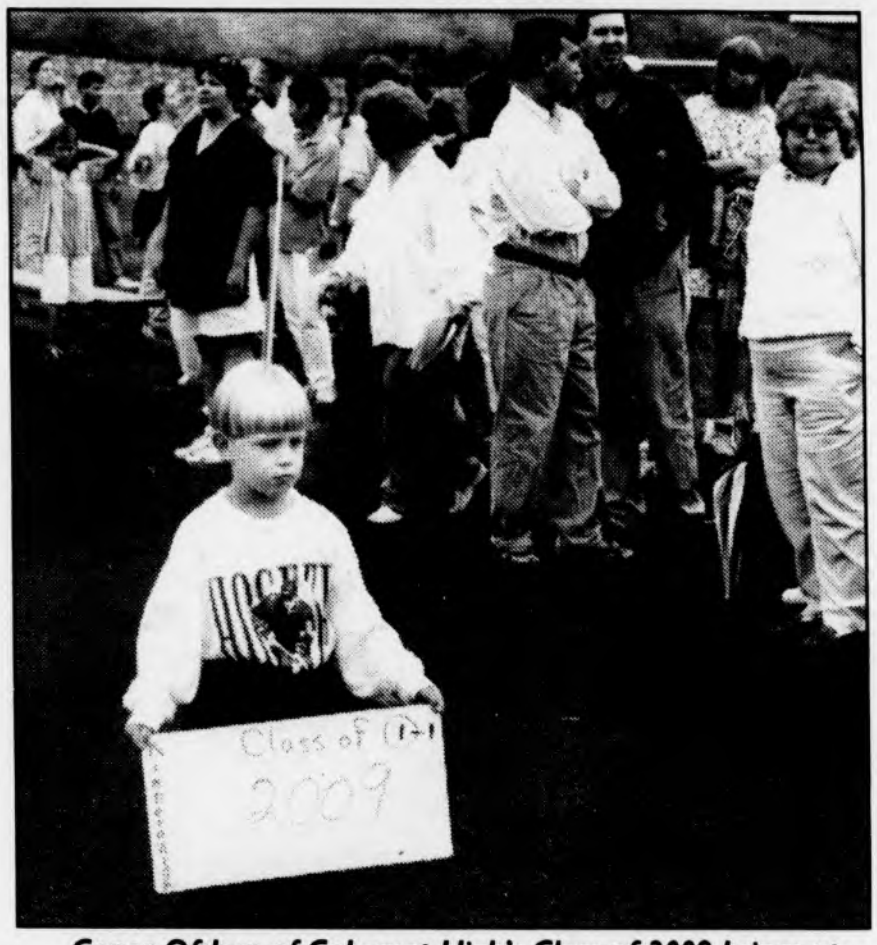

Conor Ofshun of Cohasset High's Class of 2009 brings up the rear of the official march around the track during the dedication of the new Alumni Field.
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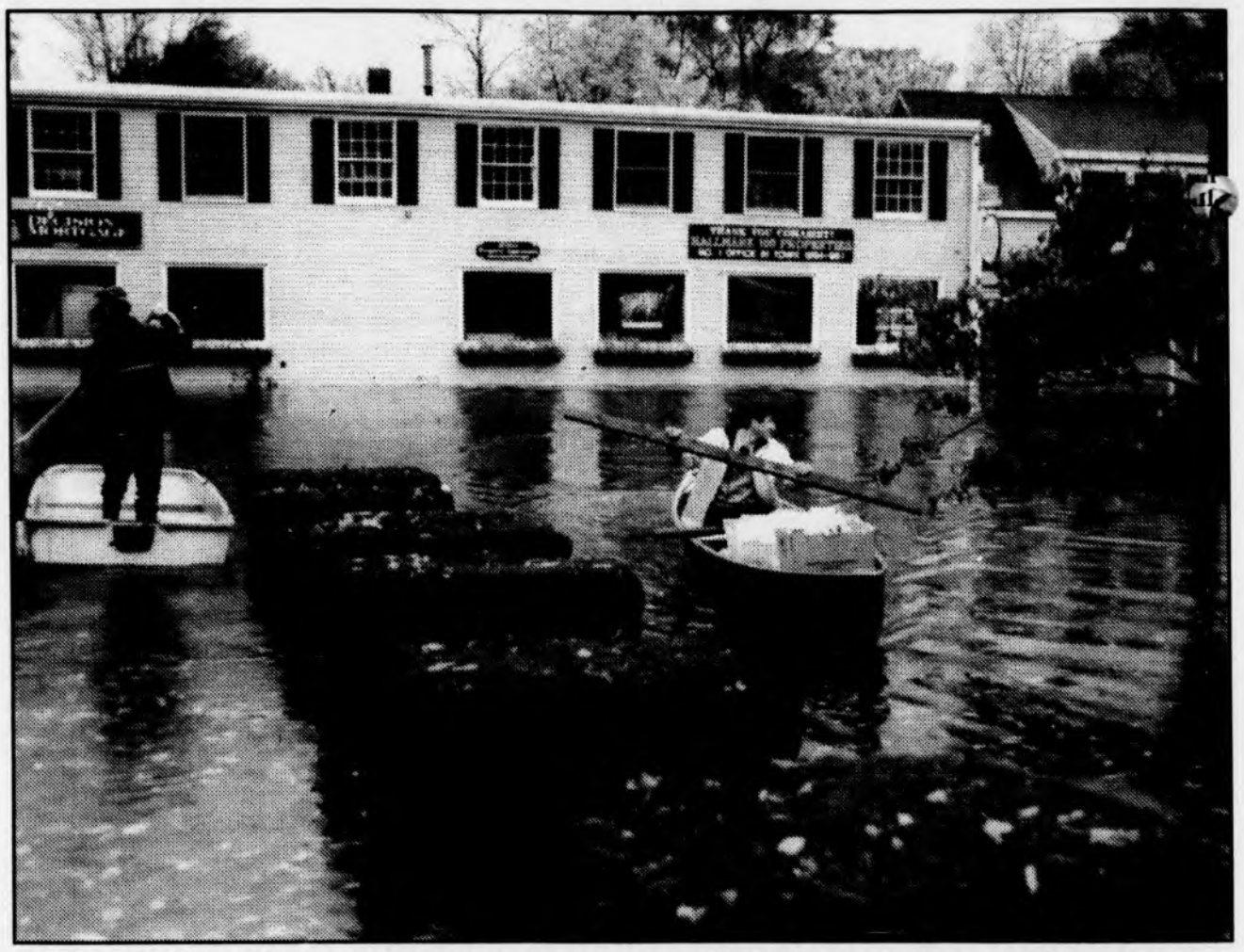

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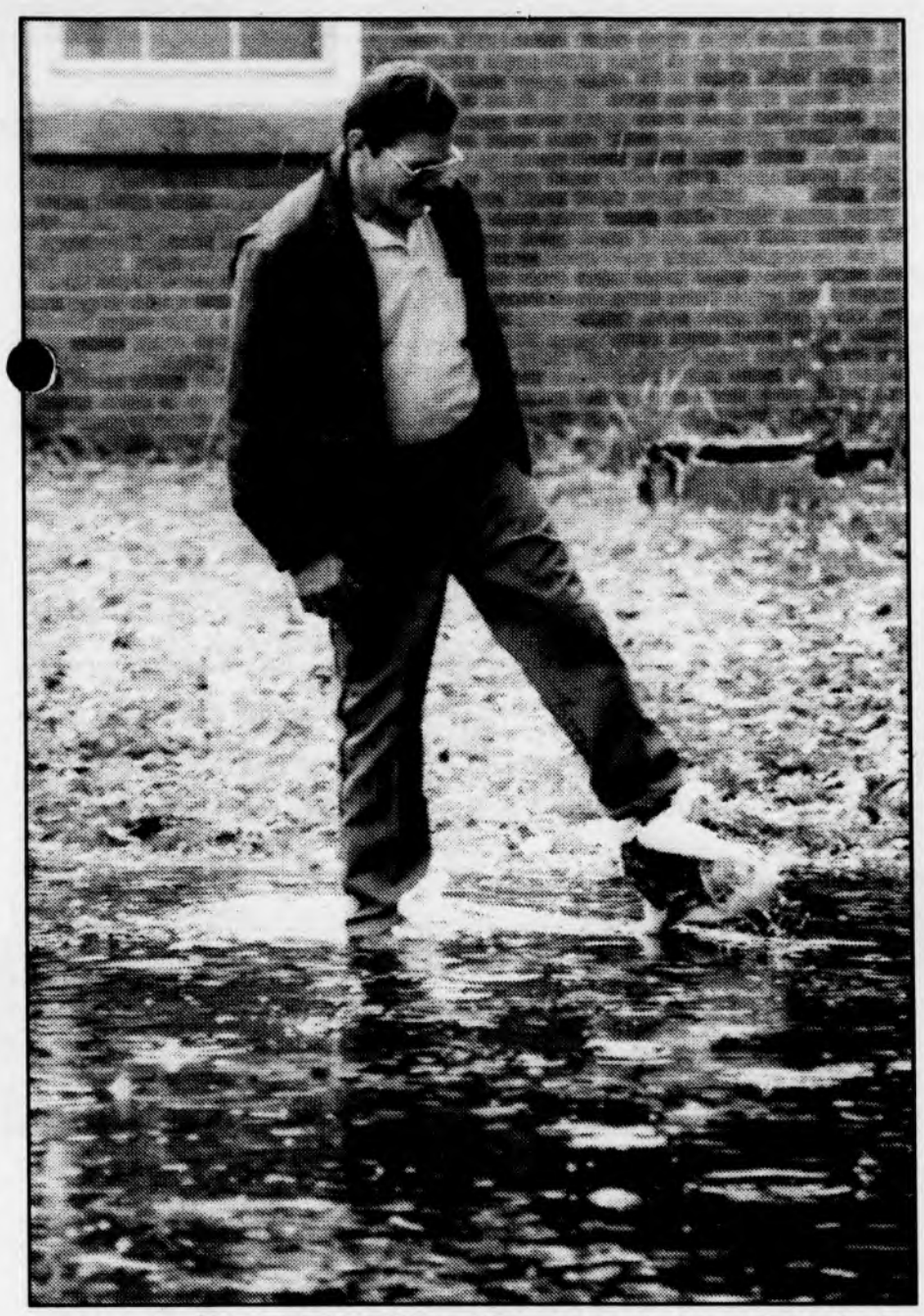

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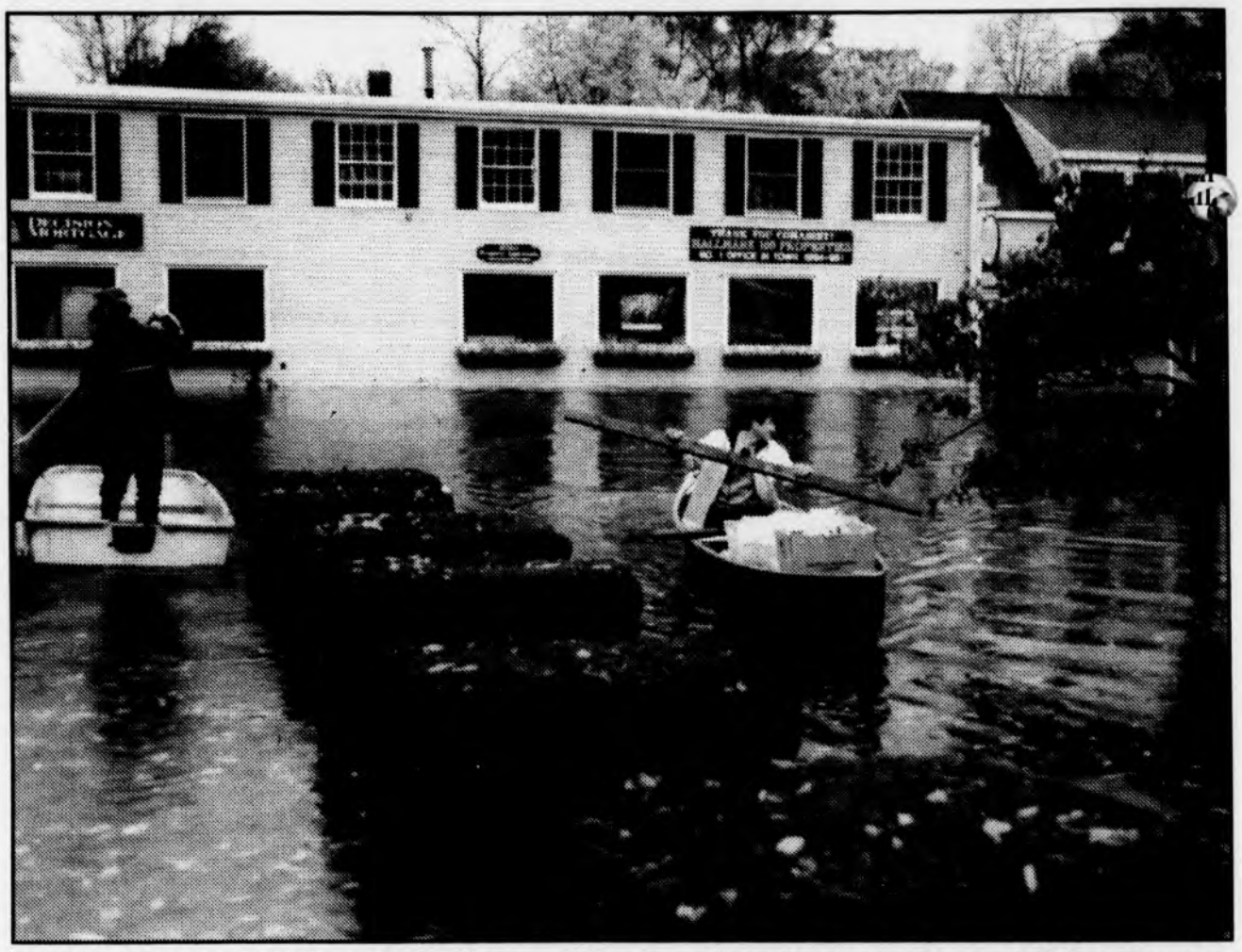

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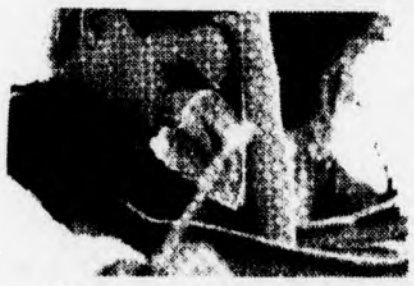

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Police Report

Monday, Oct. 14

12:19 a.m., disturbance, King St.
1:55 a.m., medical aid, Margin St.
4:06 a.m., medical aid, Highland Ave.
7:09 a.m., vandalism, Joy Pl.
7:18 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.
7:19 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.
8:29 a.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd. Dr.
8:37 a.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd.
9:32 a.m., vandalism, Sohier St.
9:38 a.m., vandalism, Sohier St.
10:12 a.m., vandalism, Smith Pl.
10:34 a.m., property (lost), Linden Dr.
12:00 p.m., vandalism, Deep Run.
12:15 p.m., parking violation, front of Town Hall.
12:26 p.m., disturbance, Cedar St. by the dump.
12:55 p.m., animal complaint, Holly Ln.
1:34 p.m., vandalism, Forest Ave.
1:35 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.
2:00 p.m., missing person, Fernway.
2:10 p.m., motor vehicle theft, Beechwood St.
4:30 p.m., vandalism, Reservoir Rd.
4:10 p.m., vandalism, Border St.
4:10 p.m., vandalism, Pleasant St.
6:50 p.m., annoying phone calls, N. Main St.
7:43 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.
7:55 p.m., animal complaint, Elm St.
8:34 p.m., MV stop, Church St.
9:34 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:45 p.m., runaway, N. Main St.
10:01 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

Tuesday, Oct. 15

12:13 a.m., investigation, Lamberts Ln.
12:29 a.m., MV stop, Atlantic Ave.
6:20 a.m., MV stop, Ridge Top Rd.
6:37 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:49 a.m., MV stop, Ridge Top Rd.
7:32 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:33 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:51 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.
11:09 a.m., officer wanted, King St.
2:45 p.m., annoying phone calls, S. Main St.
2:57 p.m., brush fire, S. Main St.
2:58 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:12 p.m., officer wanted, HQ.
5:17 p.m., assist citizen, Elm Ct.
6:38 p.m., assist citizen, Smith Pl.
6:42 p.m., disturbance, Jerusalem Rd.
9:43 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.

Wednesday, Oct. 16

12:20 a.m., general services, Lamberts Ln.
12:37 a.m., suspicious auto, Beechwood St.
2:33 a.m., suspicious person, Pond St.
6:12 a.m., MV stop, Ridge Top Rd.
6:17 a.m., MV stop, Mendel Rd.
6:39 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:51 a.m., disabled auto, CJC Hwy.
8:53 a.m., vandalism, Bancroft Rd.
9:12 a.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.
9:56 a.m., assist motorist, Brook St.
10:10 a.m., investigation, Linden Dr.
12:44 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
1:51 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
1:54 p.m., investigation, Little Harbor Rd.
2:17 p.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd.
2:39 p.m., investigation, N. Main St.
3:03 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.
3:15 p.m., transport, Jerusalem Rd.
5:04 p.m., assist other agency, Beechwood St.
6:23 p.m., disturbance general, N. Main St.
7:33 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
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7:56 p.m., general services, Hammond Ave.
8:11 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
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11:11 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
11:27 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:37 p.m., Mv stop, Cushing Plaza.

Thursday, Oct. 17

12:56 a.m., suspicious auto, Forest Ave.
12:57 a.m., protective custody, Forest Circle.
1:31 a.m., officer wanted, Linden Dr.
2:12 a.m., suspicious auto, King St.
2:22 a.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.
3:03 a.m., protective custody, Jerusalem Rd.
3:04 a.m., protective custody, Jerusalem Rd.
3:35 a.m., medical aid, Church St.
7:02 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:27 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:53 a.m., warrant arrest, Timothy Patrolia, 9 Cedar Acres Ln., Cohasset. DOB: 4/15/65.
9:56 a.m., medical aid, Elm Ct.
10:25 a.m., investigation, Jerusalem Rd.
11:36 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
2:13 p.m., assist other agency, S. Main St.
4:39 p.m., MV stop, N. Main [redacted]
7:11 p.m., animal complaint, [redacted] Hwy.
7:20 p.m., MV accident, Cohasset Plaza.
7:43 p.m., officer wanted, Summer St.
8:23 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:08 p.m., MV violations, James Ln.
9:48 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
10:11 p.m., assist other agency, CJC Hwy.
10:16 p.m., medical aid, Cohasset Plaza.
11:18 p.m., assist citizen, Pond St.
11:29 p.m., open door/window, Highland Ave.
11:45 p.m., assist citizen, Linden Dr.

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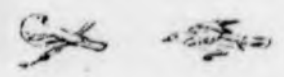

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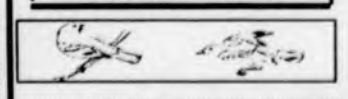

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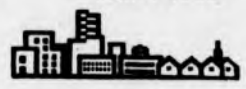

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4 Mendel Rd Unit 4 to Jones Family Trust for $189,000 by Emile N. Dupont.

15 Woodland Dr. to Jean Ms Udell for $300,000 by Peter Oconnor.

114 Linden Dr. to Peter E. Mahoney for $330,000 by Steven R. Boudreau.

57 Wheelwright Farm Unit B27 to Peter Oconnor for $245,375 by Christopher McKenna.

17 Bayberry Ln to Terence F. Faherty for $210,000 by Daniel J. Marceusz.

456 Beechwood St to Scott D. Fraser for $257,500 by Brian Connors.

134 South Main St to Brian G. Connors for $335,000 by Hugh S. Sease 3rd.

276 North Main St. to Sal K. Atkinson for $194,500 by George Bushnell.

39 Cedarledge Ln Unit 3 to Laure E. Becker for $200,000 by Samuel A. Morse.

37 Aaron River Rd. to Paul J. Pitts for $240,000 by Patricia B. Tolini.

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36 Aaron River Rd.to Kenneth R. Warner for $310,000 by Robert P. Colletti.

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13 Norfolk Rd. to Mark Remlinger for $195,000 by Kathleen A. Rosen.

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THIS WEEK

Large Voter Turnout Predicted

If Cohasseters stay true to form then upwards of 87 percent of the town's 5,351 registered voters will make a trip to the polls on Tuesday.

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said presidential elections are always a big draw. In 1992, when then Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton challenged incumbent President George Bush, 87.2 percent of the town's voters cast ballots.

The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Nov. 5 at Town Hall.

Absentee voting can take place

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Marijuana, a Societal Problem: Health Educator Says

Peer Counselors Defend Actions

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

According to a group of high school upperclassmen serving as "peer counselors", several ninth-graders brought marijuana to a school-sponsored camp on Cape Cod in September.

The peer counselors, confronted the students involved, confiscated the drug and flushed it down the toilet. They did not immediately tell teachers, parents or school administrators and will not reveal the names of the freshmen involved.

The incident became public last week when two letters detailing the incident — one signed by the peer counselors and the other from a school counselor, peer counselor advisor and two teachers — went home to parents of ninth graders.

School officials were not aware of the incident until several weeks after it occurred.

"It's a community problem, a cultural problem—I'd rather not point fingers but sit down together to see what we can do as a community, schools and family."
-Mike Gill
Health Educator

Principal Curtis Collins refused to comment to the Mariner except to say he was alerted by a parent. Guidance counselor Mary Babaian, who signed one of the letters, would not comment. They would also not say how the school was handling the matter.

The camp is an annual activity intended to help ninth-graders come together before the school year gets fully underway.

Cohasset High School Health Education coordinator Mike Gill says the incident is disappointing but not surprising.

"I find it disappointing that kids chose a school activity to try and use an illegal substance," Gill said Monday.

But Gill conceded that Cohasset kids are no different than their counterparts across the country.

"It's a community problem, a cultural problem — I'd rather not point fingers but sit down together to see what we can do as a community, schools and family."

Gill referred to a student survey conducted last February and subsequent parent forum in June to discuss the results.

The anonymous survey showed that 39 percent of Cohasset students in grade seven through 12 had tried marijuana during the previous 30 days as compared with about 32 percent in the state. Fifty-five percent said they had used marijuana compared with about 48 percent in the state.

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Ratepayers March on Beacon Hill

Anger About Water Bills Boils Over

By Leslie Miller
COHASSET MARINER

BOSTON—A hundred angry residents from Cohasset, Hingham and Hull demonstrated in front of the Statehouse Tuesday to protest their 155 percent water rate hike, then marched to Gov. William Weld's office to lay the blame at his feet.

Arriving at the Statehouse steps, the demonstrators held homemade signs and listened to speeches by Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth and Leonard Hersch of Hull, an organizer of the event.

Signs and speakers targeted Massachusetts-American Water Company, which won the rate hike from the Department of Public Utilities early this year to help pay for the company's new $40 million treatment plant in Hingham.

About 340 homes in the north section of Cohasset are served by Mass.-American, a private company.

The signs read, "Decent water, decent rates," "Weld, where were you?" and "New Hingham water rates

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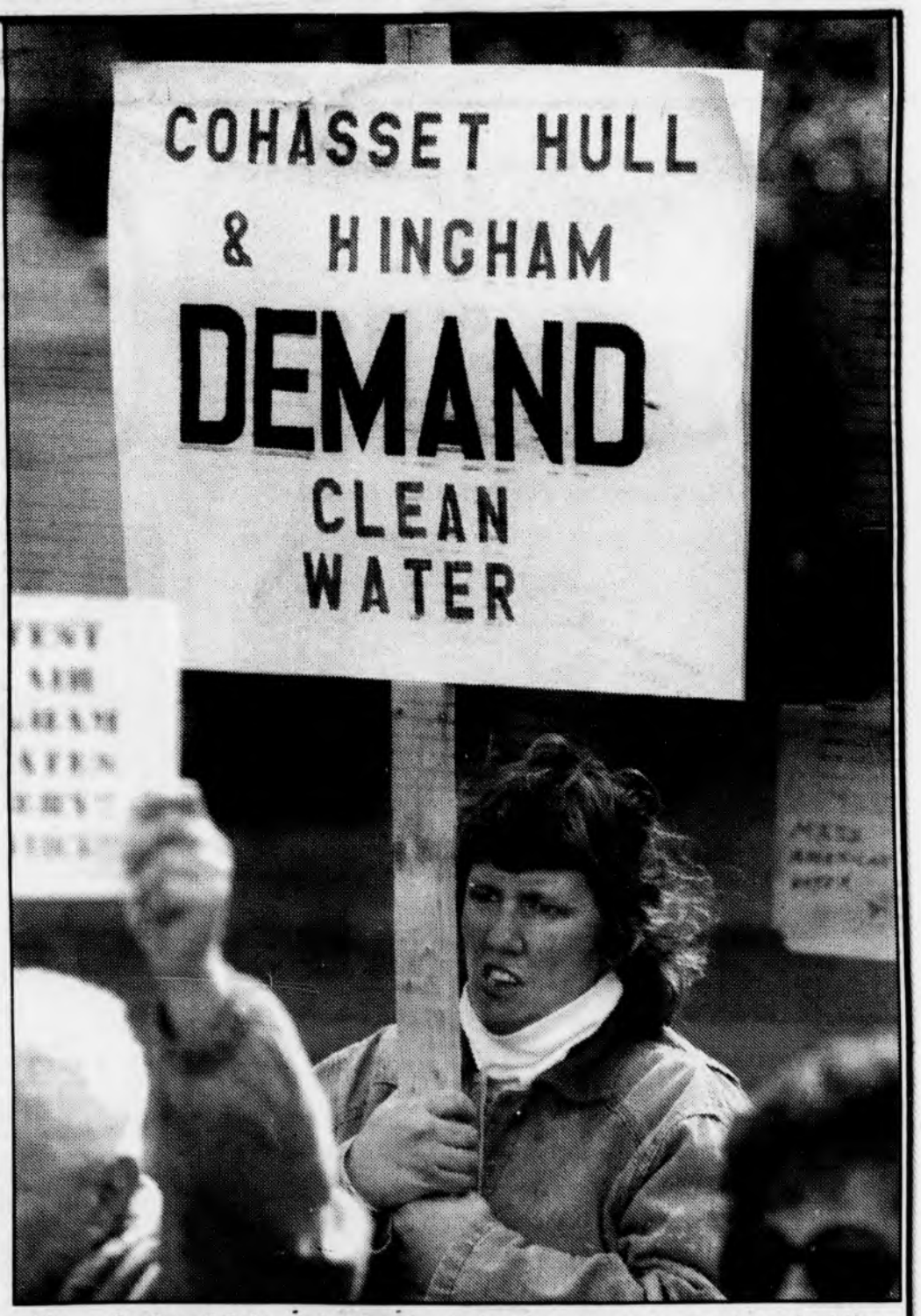

Sharyn Studley of Cohasset holds a sign during the water rate protest march at the Statehouse on Tuesday.

Staff photo/David Lane

Cohasset's Week

New School Buses Okayed

Town meeting unanimously approved $90,000 for the purchase of two new school buses.

The school department will trade-in two 1986 model buses and apply funds received toward the new buses.

Chairman Ralph Kidder said the school department is beginning a long-range replacement program, but will continue to investigate "outsourcing" transportation to determine if it is more economical to contract with a bus company.

Jerusalem Road resident Leonora Jenkins asked the school department to look into the purchase of "transit-style" buses which provide better visibility from the driver's seat of children walking in front of the bus.

She cited statistics from around of the country where children have been killed or injured because the bus drivers could not see them when they walked in front of the bus.

In addition, these "transit-style" buses can carry more children, which may be necessary as the Cohasset school population increases.

School Supt. Stephen Hart replied that buying different types of buses may pose problems with maintenance by mixing the models in the bus fleet, but the department will look into these buses for future purchases.

In September, the Registry of Motor Vehicles said all six Cohasset school buses failed inspection, and criticized the town for failing to take bus safety seriously.

School officials, in turn, said the the Registry failed the buses for minor reasons that did not jeopardize the safety of the children riding the buses.

Face-lift for CHS Auditorium, Gym

The high school auditorium will get a face-lift with $130,000 approved for a remodeling project.

School committee chairman Ralph Kidder said the auditorium has had no "serious renovations" in more than 10 years. Article 27 provides funds for a total renovation, including new upholstery for the chairs and extensive acoustical improvements.

The article had the support of the advisory committee, capital budget committee, and the selectmen.

"Anything to get rid of this awful color we have here now," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said in recommending the expenditure. He added that the renovations have "been deferred long enough."

But Jerusalem Road resident Leonora Jenkins noted that the town had spent $25,000 last year for a professional evaluation of all buildings, and the town should apply for a state grant to help pay for major renovations, rather than "Band-aid repairs."

Kidder said the high school auditorium does not qualify for a state grant because it must be tied anticipated increases in the school population.

In addition to the auditorium remodelling, $10,000 was approved to replace the sound system in the high school gymnasium.

Continuing History of the Town

Town meeting approved $5,000 for a new committee that will update the town's history to cover the second half of the twentieth century.

Article 25 authorized the selectmen to appoint the new 20-person committee to write volume 3, "dedicated to the memory of those persons of Cohasset who, in the Korean and Vietnam Wars, gave their lives so that our country and the world might have another chance to live in peace and freedom."

The article had the support of the advisory committee and selectmen.

Wigmore Pierson of the historical commission said the $5,000 represents "seed money" that may not be needed.

He also accepted the offer of school committee chairman Ralph Kidder to involve students and teachers in the project.

Selectman Peter Pratt, who noted that his father, Bertram Pratt wrote volume 2, said there are momentous events to record in the last half of the century.

Betterments Can Be Deferred

Town meeting adopted a provision of a state law to allow betterment assessments, as well as real estate taxes, to be deferred.

Under article 31, any person who now qualifies for a tax deferment can also have any assessed betterments similarly deferred.

Town counsel Paul DeRensis explained that no tax revenues are lost, but are paid at the time the property is sold. Both types of deferments apply to elderly residents, allowing the payments, plus interest, to be made when their homes are sold by their estates.

Water Department Repairs

The water department's request for $87,000 to replace equipment was unanimously granted by town meeting Tuesday.

Of this amount, $32,000 will come from the water department's maturing debt, with the balance of $55,000 coming from water department revenue.

In all cases, the equipment was originally installed 18 years ago.

The department will replace wall heaters in plant #3, chlorinators, three doors and windows at the treatment plant, and an 11-year-old utility truck.

BOSTON TIDES
EASTERN STANDARD TIME

Oct/Nov 1996	High AM	- Hgt.	Low AM	High PM	- Hgt.	Low PM
Thurs. 31	2:06	9.5	8:03	2:15	10.2	8:38
Fri. 1	2:56	9.1	8:53	3:06	9.7	9:28
Sat. 2	3:48	8.8	9:45	3:59	9.3	10:21
Sun. 3	4:42	8.7	10:40	4:55	9.0	11:15
Mon. 4	5:37	8.7	11:37	5:52	8.9	——
Tues. 5	6:30	8.9	12:08	6:47	9.0	12:33
Wed. 6	7:20	9.2	12:59	7:39	9.1	1:26
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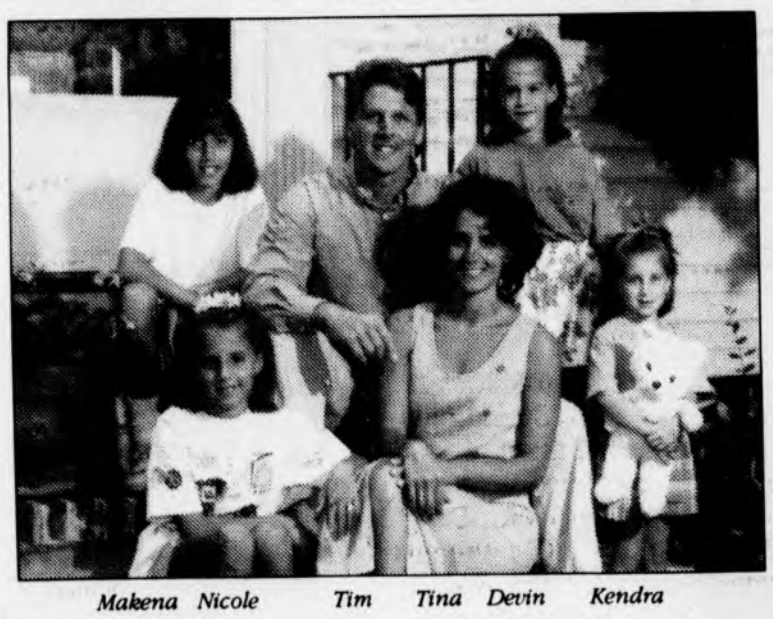

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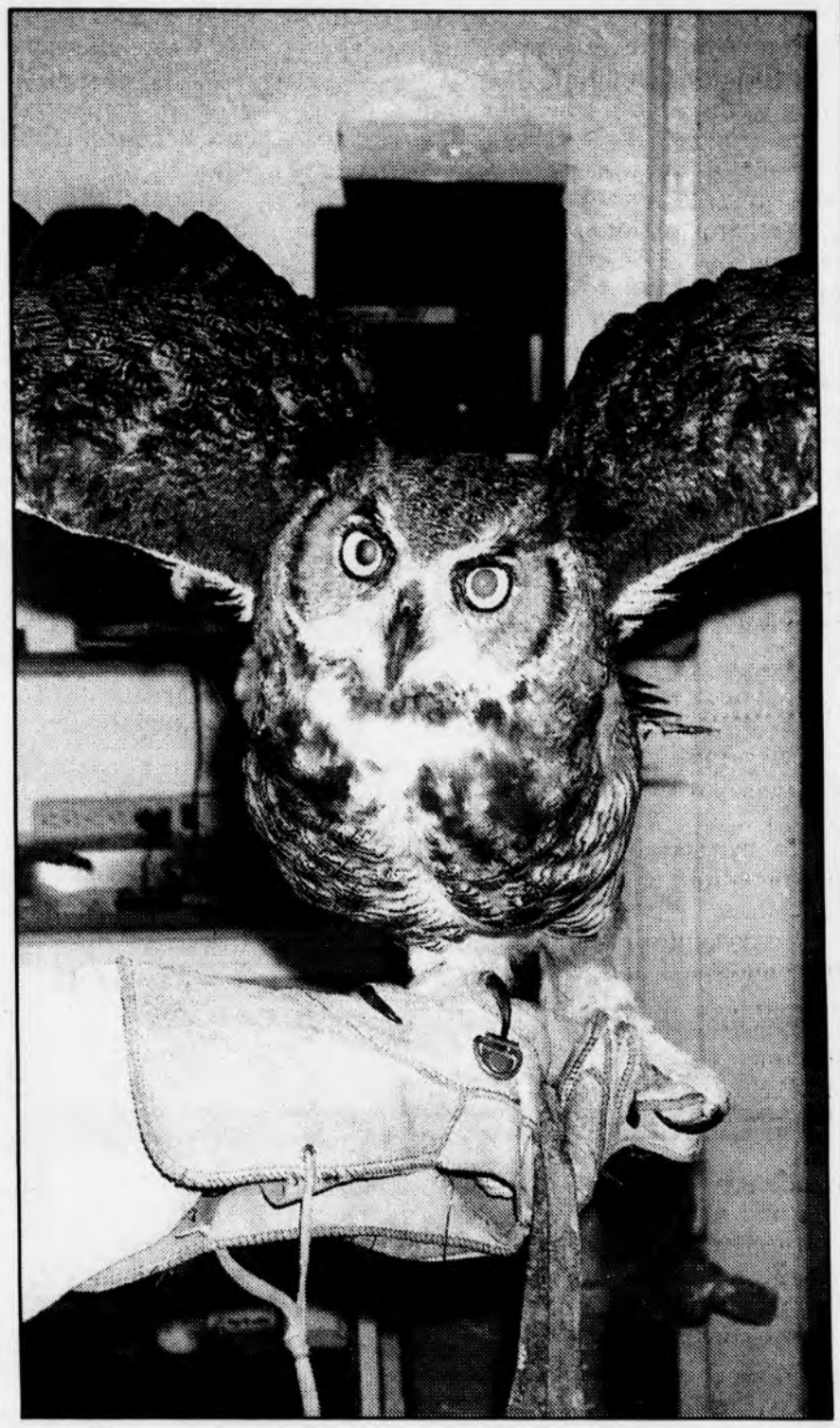

Name: Alarius (Latin for "the winged one").

Occupation: A patient at and mascot of the New England Wildlife Center.

Goal: To have my own haunted house.

Biggest worry: To be discovered by Frank Perdue.

Best day of your life: The day my eggs hatched.

Best vacation: Field trips out of the Wildlife Center where I can spread my wings.

Favorite holiday: Halloween.

Favorite T.V. show: Anything on the Discovery Channel.

Favorite season: Fall.

Favorite movie: "Bird Man of Alcatraz."

Favorite junk food: Young mice and Wise Potato Chips.

Person you'd most like to meet: Woodsy the Owl.

Most embarrassing moment: Flying off course and making a bad night landing.

Pet peeve: People that don't give a hoot.

Wildlife Center Walkathon and Fair

Don't miss the New England Wildlife Center's walkathon and fair starting at 11 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 3 at the Center, Bare Cove Park in Hingham.

The fair features jugglers, clowns, carnival games, wild animal exhibits, hay-rides and more. Youngsters can bring their "sick" stuffed animals by the Teddy Bear clinic or hug a real baby bunny at the "Hug a Bunny" exhibit. The center's two-mile walkathon steps off at 1 p.m. at Bare Cove Park off Fort Hill Street (across from the South Shore Country Club). There is a $5 registration fee for the walk and prizes include gift certificates from Etonic, New Balance and Eastern Mountain Sports. The walkathon registration fee will be waived and T-shirts will be awarded to walkers who raise more than $35 in pledges. For more information, call the Center at 749-5387.

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A Societal Problem

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In their letter to ninth-grade parents, peer counselors said they did the right thing by disposing of the marijuana and not telling.

"First, the peer counselors confronted the students and stressed the fact this behavior was completely unacceptable," they wrote, explaining that they proceeded to flush it down the toilet.

"As juniors and seniors, we felt this was the best way to deal with the situations without breaking the trust between ninth-graders and ourselves."

The counselors' letter said the school has confronted the issue with the entire ninth-grade class as well as faculty advisors and peer counselors to discuss what happened. They asked for parents' assistance "in making this process a learning experience for your son or daughter."

According to the school code of conduct, principals can expel students involved in drug incidents.

Peer Counselor Alia Afshar, who signed her group's letter but did not attend the camp, defended her counterparts' actions.

"The whole point is trust," she said. "They (underclassmen) look up to us. If we had turned them in that would have defeated the whole purpose."

She stressed that the peer counselors told the ninth-graders what they did was wrong.

"They felt stupid after they did it," she said.

Afshar said as peer counselors they usually work in small groups with seventh- and eighth- graders conducting activities that help them adjust to school.

She said they've never been trained to deal with the possibility of finding drugs.

"Maybe they should have notified teachers right away," she said about the incident at the camp. "But we've never been prepared to deal with this issue."

Sidewalk Repair Money Approved

Monday's Special Town Meeting appropriated $27,812 to repair sidewalks along North and South Main streets and the town common.

The money represents the town's share of the project which is subsidized by the state.

Private Ways By-Law Adopted

Monday's Special Town Meeting approved a by-law change that will continue the town's present ability to maintain private ways.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris explained that the by-law does not change what the town is currently doing but puts the town in conformance with the state statute on private ways.

She said the by-law provides selectmen maximum flexibility in maintaining private ways which make up 1/3 of the town's roads.

The Special Town Meeting also appropriated $50,000 to repair private ways.

Tidal Gates to be Fixed

Voters approved spending $26,000 to repair the James Brook tidal Gates, the grate leading into the culvert, and to construct a riprap retaining wall on a portion of the brook to the rear of Legion hall.

Repairs are needed to help alleviate periodic flooding in the area.

"We appreciated the down payment to a permanent solution to the James Brook problem," said Ralph Kidder of Cushing Road. Last week's record rainfall caused the worst flooding in memory in neighborhoods along James Brook.

Community Center

A wide variety of classes and activities is being offered at South Shore Community Center.

"Skins and Scales" will be presented by Jennifer and Leo Spinners Monday, Nov. 11, from 11 a.m. to noon in the center's gym. The event will provide an educational 60-minute presentation of reptiles and amphibians and an unusual exhibit of live animals from around the world. Admission is $5 at the door.

Classes include **Gym Dandy; Girls Nite Out,** Nov. 8, 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. (ages 8-12, $15); **gymnastics; pediatric CPR,** Tuesdays, Nov. 12 and 19, from 7 to 10:30 p.m. ($35/members, $45/non-members); **step aerobics; cake decorating** Mondays, Nov. 4, 18 and 25, 7 to 9 p.m. ($45/M, $55/NM); **Soup for Starters** with Anna Abbruzzese, Tuesdays Nov. 5 and 12, 6:45 to 8:45 p.m. ($15 per class, $24 for both); **Computer Kids,** Wednesdays, 3:15 to 4 p.m., for ages 3-5; and **Bowling & Computers,** Tuesdays, 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. for ages 6-9 (10 weeks, $120/M, $130/NM).

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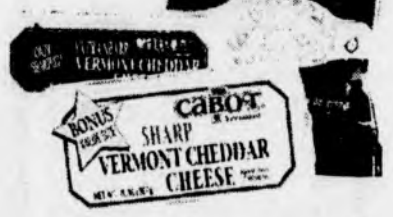

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Town Meeting Business Noted

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• paid bills from the previous fiscal year, totalling $1,560, including $999 from former town counsel Richard Henderson and $493 from Savin Corp.

• approved $49,600 to install air conditioning at the Paul Pratt Library. Library trustee Patience Towle this will not only make the building more comfortable for the staff and patrons, but will also preserve the valuable books there.

• approved $6,000 to purchase six new portable radios for the Cohasset fire department. Selectman Ronnie McMorris offered a minority recommendation from the board, saying the town should spend $12,000 for 12 new radios, as had originally been requested. "I hope we haven't compromised safety for $6,000," she said.

• the fire department was granted its request for $6,000 to repair the pump control panel on Engine 2. Chief Roger Lincoln said water has seeped into the panel which monitors the safe operation of the apparatus.

• voted $7,300 towards the purchase of a 10-passenger, handicapped accessible van, and $2,700 for a personal computer for the council on elder affairs. The council will receive $40,000 in a grant to cover the balance of the cost of the van which is equipped with a wheelchair lift, to comply with disability requirements.

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Village Station Loses in Monday's Straw Poll

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

The Route 3A train station came out on top in Monday's "straw poll" on where the town's Greenbush stop should be.

Selectmen said Tuesday the poll results will carry some weight but they still need to examine traffic and pollution issues before making a final decision.

Monday's vote was 311 in favor of the Route 3A site and 112 for the village station.

"We're going to make a decision soon," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown, noting that the MBTA needs an answer.

Brown said personally he prefers the 3A site which he thinks would be less disruptive.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said the vote would be a point of reference but the board still needed to "research on potential traffic impact and health issues."

He said opponents to the village station worked hard to get out the vote and did what they intended to do.

"I'm not sure the proponents are as energized about the situation."

Sullivan said in the end, selectmen must weigh all the issues and do what's best for the town.

Chamber of Commerce vice president Dean Rizzo, who sits on the train Mitigation Committee, said the vote was substantial enough to "weigh in on the decision process."

He said the Mitigation Committee will meet with selectmen on Nov. 12 to discuss the station issue.

Voters cast their ballots a[illegible] signing in at Monday's Spe[illegible] Town Meeting. While 423 citizens took part in the straw poll — about 177 made the trip out just to vote on the train and did not stay for the special town meeting.

Opponents Object to Mitigation Process

By Andi Weismann
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

Opponents of a Cohasset Village train stop are not concerned only about safety, traffic and health questions — they claim citizens lacked knowledge about the village station and its Route 3A alternative necessary to have cast an informed vote in a straw poll taken at Monday's Special Town Meeting.

At a public forum held last Wednesday to answer questions about the two station alternatives, several citizens attacked the MBTA Mitigation Committee and the mitigation process, saying townspeople had not been provided with enough information on either the stations or public meetings to discuss the alternatives.

Marty Corey of Pleasant Street sparked the issue when he complained of a lack of publicity about meetings. "Where are the TVs?" he asked.

Corey also contended the entire mitigation process is flawed, citing a number of problems, including a low response to a survey on the station issue that ran in the Mariner and the fact that two citizens' forums were held during the summer when many people travel.

Dean Rizzo, chair of the Mitigation Committee, acknowledged the committee had been disappointed by the turnout at the forums, which contributed to the committee's decision to hold another informational meeting.

"This is not a fight. We are not fighting you, just looking for a recommendation," Rizzo said.

He also said that although only 100 people responded to the Mariner survey, it was a start.

Linda Keller, Christian Road, complained that in the past when the town was involved in a major project, she was notified by mail.

"I was waiting for just such a letter this time," she said. "That letter didn't come."

A number of residents asked why meetings were not broadcast on local access cable television so people who could not attend the meetings could still learn what was happening.

Cassandra Wheeler, James Lane, suggested townspeople had been too involved in the debate over the new elementary school to learn about the station alternatives.

"Just because people have chosen not to come doesn't mean people don't have to hear about it," she said.

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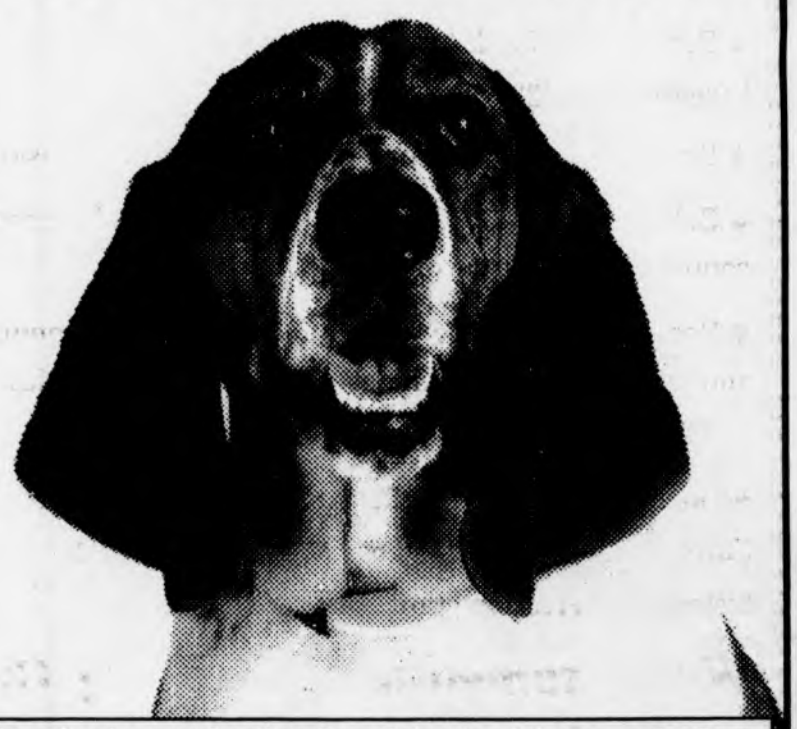

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Mitigation Process

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Corey said citizens were "dealing at a significant disadvantage" when much of the Mitigation Committee's information was provided by the MBTA.

"It appears to me you're in a position to mitigate something with the MBTA when in fact you are relying on the MBTA for studies," Corey said. "You're dealing with people with a goal here. When you rely on people whose agenda is much different than our own, that's when I have a problem with the process." He also accused the Mitigation Committee of calling the meeting "to posture."

Town officials became incensed when Corey admitted he didn't start to pay attention to the process until recently. Meetings on the topic were well-publicized, they said.

"Don't come to us here (and complain about the process) when you never bothered before," Selectman Michael Sullivan told him.

Citizens also continued to voice concerns that the train would cause safety and traffic problems if the station was built in the center of town instead of on Route 3A.

Many citizens requested traffic studies be done to determine the impact of a village station. Wheeler said she had measured the distance from the intersection of Beechwood Street and Route 3A to the two alternative sites and found that a station in Cohasset Village would be two miles closer than one on Route 3A.

Commuters would also have to drive through residential areas to get to a village station, creating a greater risk, she said.

"I personally think cars are a lot more dangerous if you are tired after work or trying to catch a train," said Wheeler.

Others protested the diesel engines would emit noxious fumes that would lead to poor air quality.

But some disagreed.

Herb Jason, Cushing Road, said he goes out on his fishing boat daily and sits three feet from the exhaust of his boat's diesel engine for eight hours a day.

"I'm 83 years old. I've been breathing diesel for 40 years, and my health is not all that bad," Jason said.

'Dracula' Performances Set

Cohasset Drama Club will present "Dracula" for theatergoers who enjoy thrills, surprises, shudders and sensations Nov. 1 and 2.

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Performances will be held at Cohasset Town Hall at 8 p.m. Tickets are $10 and may be purchased at Buttonwood Books in Cohasset or at the door on the night of the performance. The play, directed by Sally Wright, is an adaptation of Bram Stroker's "Dracula."

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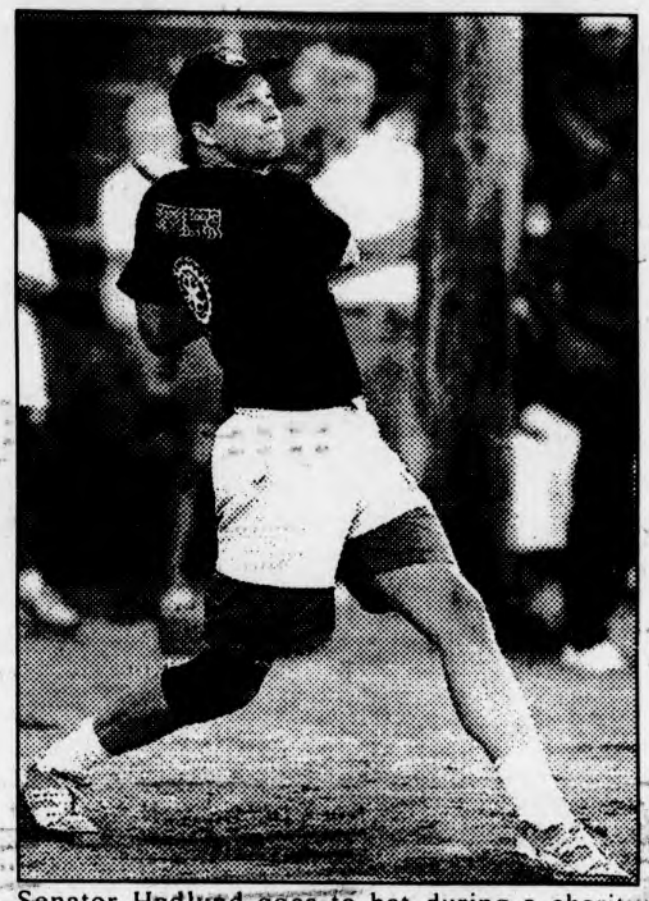

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Had a chat with **Peg Litchfield** last week. She is really excited about a venture she and **Jennifer Piepinbrink** have started! They have a children's transportation company, and they will take your kiddos anywhere they need to go! Do they have ballet in Boston, a dental appointment in Weymouth or a sporting event in Marshfield? You get the idea — they could actually do your part in the carpool parent role! Call them at 1-888-BUS BY US.

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Polly (Laugelle) Litchfield called requesting we put in a great big thank-you to all her friends and former co-workers at Cohasset Town Hall. As you all know, she retired from there recently, and they held a surprise party for her at Sons of Italy Hall Oct. 19. Carmine was the caterer for the gala, and guests surprised Polly once again when her brother, **Tony**, made an appearance (one of the real highlights, as he is quite ill).

Anyway, Polly sends tons of thanks for the generous gift and lots of fun. The fact that she has wonderful family and friends means the world to her! By the way, Polly, you reap what you sow, and you are extraordinary yourself, you know!

Shown here is a Northeast Airlines DC-3 at East Boston Airport, June 25, 1941. Harvey Kertzman of Cohasset is president of the Mass. Aviation Society, which will present its first annual achievement award, Nov. 16.

Robert Mudge photo via Paul Larcom

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A week from Sunday is the **memorial dedication,** an event that should make all of us proud, especially the families of those being honored! Here is the order of events: noon, Peter Cogill Square (at Doane and Church streets); 12:30 p.m., William C. Laidlaw Square (Beechwood Street and Norman Todd Road); 1 p.m., R. Edward Maree Landing (Parker Avenue boat ramp); 1:30 p.m., C. David Strout Square (Jerusalem Road and Red Gate Lane); 2 p.m., John Paul Lyon Square (N. Main Street and Joy Place); 1:45 p.m.; Peter J. Albiani Jr. Square (Jerusalem Road and Gammons roads); 2:30 p.m., Craig M. Simeone Square (Pond Street and Lantern Lane); 3 p.m., Allen F. Keating Square (Summer Street and Blackhorse Lane); 3:30 p.m., Dennis J. Reardon Square (Elm Street and Highland Avenue); and at 4 p.m., a reception at the Senior Center.

What a fine way to honor our veterans. Special thanks to **Glenn Pratt** for the idea and for pulling the whole thing together, and thanks to all who helped! Don't forget the date, Sunday, Nov. 10. I'll put a reminder in next week for you!

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Did you know we have a president living right her in Cohasset? His name is **Harvey Kertzman,** and he is president of the Massachusetts Aviation Society, which was founded in 1989. Its purpose is to preserve and explore the rich aviation history the Bay State has experienced since the balloon ascensions of the 19th century. The MAHS has prepared a chronology of significant Massachusetts aviation events and is offering its third annual Yankee Flyer calendar.

The society has a quarterly newsletter and holds monthly meetings where they exchange information and research and feature presentations on all aspects of Massachusetts and New England aviation history.

Their first annual achievement award will take place on Nov. 16 to honor Crocker Snow of Ipswich for his many years of dedicated service to Massachusetts aviation. If you are interested in attending the dinner or donating to the Massachusetts Aviation Museum, their non-profit 503C charity is accepting them to fund the Aviation Museum in Quincy. Call (800) 924-3644 for further information.

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Brooke Lombardy of Cohasset has begun her first season on the women's volleyball team at Connecticut College. The Camels have won six of their first

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Obituaries

Helen Brandt

Helen (Wallace) Brandt, 79, of Cohasset, died Oct. 20 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth, after a brief illness.

Born in New Hampshire, she was a resident of Cohasset for 35 years.

Mrs. Brandt, a homemaker, was a member of Cohasset Senior Citizens and a communicant of St. Anthony's Church.

Mrs. Brandt was the wife of Arnold A. Brandt and leaves three daughters, Andrea Daab Davis Lawson of California, Elinore Mary Daab Brown of Quincy and Jessica Ann Daab Grace of Malden; a stepson, Jon H. Brandt of Rhode Island; two sisters, Marjorie Vallely of Newton and Carolyn Myers of Weymouth; 20 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren. She was also the mother of the late Katherine Daab Clapp.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Oct. 23 in St. Anthony's Church.

Donations in her memory may be made to Hospice of the South Shore, 100 Bay State Dr., Braintree, 02184.

Arrangements were by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

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13 games this season. Brooke, who is an outside hitter on the team, is the daughter of **Michael** and **Barbara Lombardy,** Windy Hill Road.

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Boston University awarded academic degrees to 5,305 students this fall, and among the graduates was Cohasset resident **Robert Paton.** He received an MLA in interdisciplinary studies. Congratulations!

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Most of you remember **Bob Donovan,** who used to work at the Music Circus as the publicity, PR, art and everything man. He now works for Mercer Public Relations located at 7 Commercial Wharf West in Boston. Bob just wanted to say hi to all of his Cohasset friends and let them know where he is. He says he'll keep in touch! You'll get a kick out of this — he started his fax cover sheet with "So how's life in Eastwick?"

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Delahunt for Congress

For voters hoping to get a good airing of the issues, the 10th Congressional District race has been a major disappointment.

It was bad enough that the Democrats were sniping at each other after a razor-thin primary outcome forced a recount.

When a winner finally was declared, instead of looking at the very real ideological differences between Republican Ed Teague and Democrat Bill Delahunt, the campaigns started slinging mud.

Rep. Teague sunk the lowest with his ad about Delahunt's visit to Hedonism II, which he described as a "nude resort."

From what we've heard, it very well may be, but that's not what were voting on in this election.

Voters on the South Shore and Cape Cod care about health care, Medicare and Medicaid funding, and the environment to name some top concerns.

We also believe that most agree a woman has a right to do her own private soul-searching when deciding whether or not to have an abortion.

More contentious, undoubtedly, is gun control, although a ban on assault weapons seems to be an obviously good idea.

On those issues, we support District Attorney Delahunt for Congress.

His record is not perfect, in fact neither men seem to have much of one on protecting the environment.

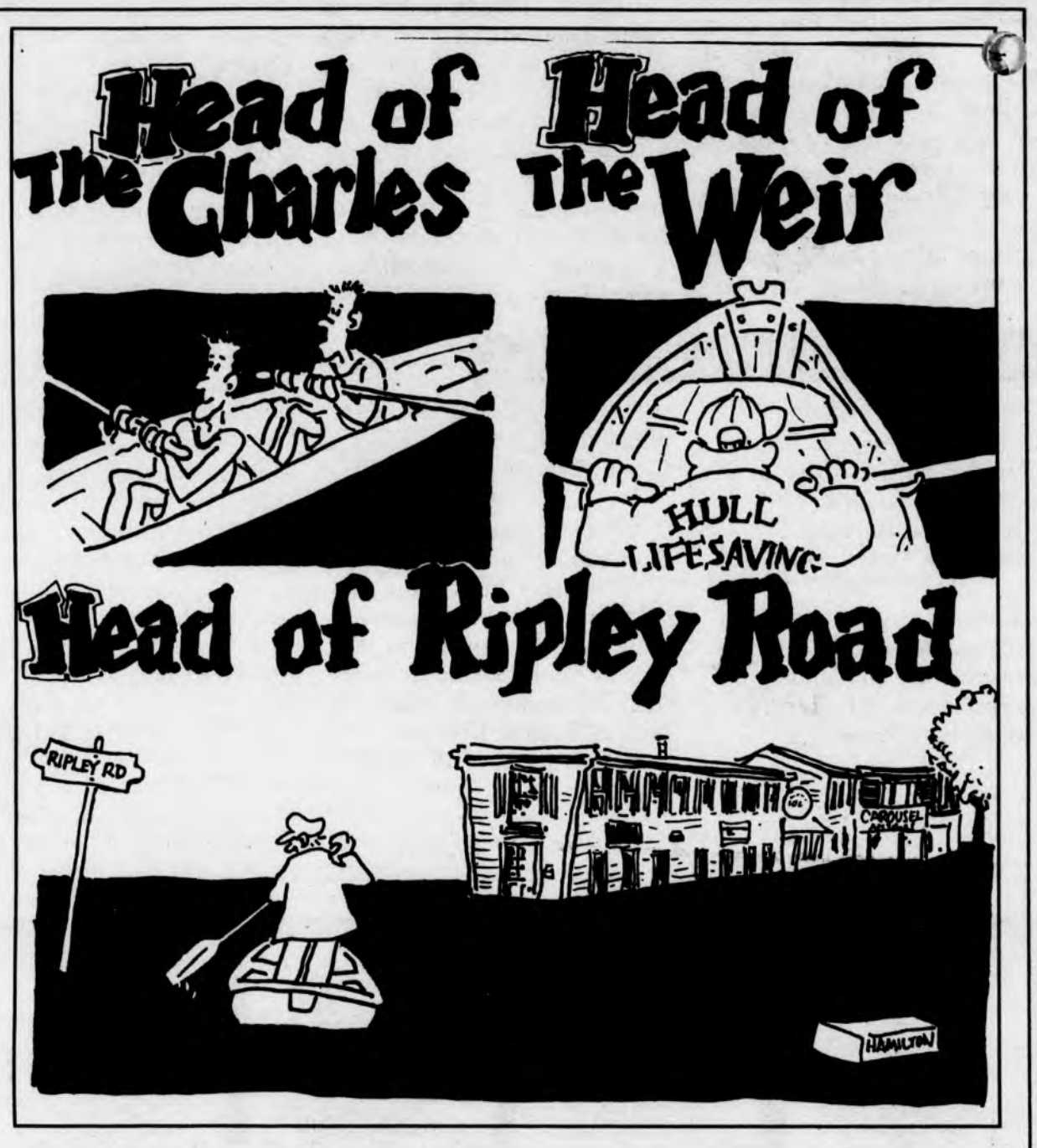
But instead of applying the Newt Gingrich mantra of "eliminate fraud, waste and abuse" to complicated funding problems in entitlements and health care, Mr. Delahunt seems willing to look for creative solutions. Let's face it, the problem with Medicaid funding is not, as Mr. Teague implies, that a lot of people were using it to have sex-change operations.

Mr. Delahunt is pro-choice and anti-assault weapon. He also has shown that he won't simply cast the party-line vote by coming out against the welfare reform bill signed into law by Pres. Clinton. He believed that the law was too harsh.

Ultimately that is our problem with Mr. Teague. While he is unquestionably a hard worker, we believe he walks a line which is more conservative than the district and leaves little room for compassion or compromise in government.

Whatever your beliefs, there is a clear choice in this race. Please get out and make it on Nov. 5.

— The Editors.



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Peer Counselors Supported by Freshman Parent

To the Editor:

As a parent of one of the ninth-grade students attending the overnight field trip, I feel compelled to write this letter expressing my support to the peer counselors and to the freshman class at Cohasset High School. Yes, I do agree that the students who brought the marijuana on the field trip used extremely bad judgment and jeopardized the reputation of the entire ninth-grade class at an extremely important time in their high school years. But I also believe there are two major issues that need to be mentioned before the entire situation gets totally out of control.

First, the peer counselors should not be held responsible for not reporting the students involved. One of the major objectives of this event was to establish trust and confidence between the attending parties. being able to establish open communication and dialogue with the students involved may be one of the major factors in helping to deter some of these students from further drug use. The peer counselors can take this opportunity to follow up on their own with some of these students by trying to guide them to make better choices. Teenagers definitely respond more to what their friends tell them and especially if that friend is a good role model for them to emulate.

In order to minimize the likelihood of this situation happening again on future field trips, guidelines and procedures need to be adopted and adhered to by Cohasset High School. These guidelines may already be in place. Conduct a meeting before the event, reinforcing the rules; explain the conduct expected on the trip and the consequences to expect if someone is caught breaking the rules.

A signed contract between each of the attending freshmen, peer counselors and school administrators may be a method to adopt. This contract should outline in a detailed manner the consequences to expect if any of the rules are broken. No exceptions would be given. If the expectations for the counselors and freshmen are discussed beforehand, then quite possibly some students may thing twice about breaking them and decide to stay home. This will reinforce the behavior expected of freshmen and also assist peer counselors in handling unforeseen circumstances. Let's remember these are 16- and 17-year-old students, not trained professional counselors.

My second issue is to ensure the freshman class does not start off this year by having the "drug and social" label attached to it. I am very fortunate to have the opportunity to know the majority of these students and believe all of them have outstanding individual talents, academic capabilities, common sense and extremely good work ethics. They may make mistakes and use poor judgment at times, but let us not label this upcoming class so early in their high school years. Let us as parents and educators focus on their positive qualities.

We must continue to educate our young community about the consequences of illegal drug use and constantly promote the importance of being able to stand up to peer pressure. No matter how much money is spent or education given about the dangers of drugs and alcohol, the fact remains that there will always be some students involved in drug and alcohol abuse in our schools. This is inevitable, and anyone who thinks otherwise is not living in reality. Let's not penalize a whole grade of high school students because of extremely poor judgment exhibited by those students who brought the marijuana. Let's use this unfortunate situation as a learning experience to all those involved.

Linda Schwalje Chastain
Atlantic Avenue

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Reader Survey question for October 31, 1996

Cohasset High School peer counselors, who are juniors and seniors, disposed of marijuana that several 9th-graders brought to a school-sponsored camp last month. They did not immediately tell the teachers and will not reveal the names of the freshmen involved.

Did the peer counselors do the right thing?

Press 1 **Yes**

Press 2 **No**

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, November 5.

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

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Results of Reader Survey question for October 24, 1996

Do you think the selectmen should allow private organizations or town departments to use the Hagerty property buildings or parking lot for storage?

Yes 2

No 3

Your comments

It might make sense for other town departments to use that property, but it seems unreasonable for a private organization to use it. I think the town administrator made some kind of deal with the yacht club behind the selectmen's backs. That's not the way town government should be conducted.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Peer Counselors' Actions Don't Deserve Ridicule

To the Editor:

Granted, kids do drugs. An hour of television or the top stories in a newspaper will vouch for that. They were doing them in our parents' generation, and despite the noble efforts of Nancy Reagan's cliched message, "Just say no," kids are still doing them today. I do not mean to rationalize or undermine the pandemic of drugs in this country. I am simply stating that drugs have always been around, and will always be around, despite the messages our elders preach and adhere to so religiously.

The point at hand lies in the fact that kids know drugs are bad for them and understand that there are consequences for doing them, and they still use them anyway. Is this use, and abuse, simply a right of passage that most every teen will inevitably undergo? Is it human nature for teens to experiment with drugs as a manifestation of their desire to rebel against the authoritative figures that they blindly obeyed in years past? The answer is yes.

The front page of the Patriot Ledger of Oct. 24 contained an article that condemned Cohasset High School peer counselors for wrongfully disposing of some marijuana. The article reads that the peer counselors, who consist of juniors and seniors, found marijuana belonging to freshmen while the group was attending an overnight orientation camp. The PCs, as they are called, took the marijuana and flushed it down the toilet, which was found to be unacceptable, especially considering they were at a school function that harbors beliefs and goals quite contrary to drug use.

The paper attacks the response of the PCs, and in one shot on the front page, attempts to sully the character of all those students who were just trying to do the right thing — and for what? To sell more papers? To catch the eye of the already opinionated, youth-cursing adults?

The Ledger listed all the profound, one-sided "incriminating" facts on the front page, and then to spare its reputation as a "factual" newspaper, listed the other half of the story, the side that shows the pure intentions of the students. This side, however, was masked from the first-glance viewer and could only be found by flipping forward to the cryptic pages that lay hidden amongst an olio of other articles and advertisements. This condescending attitude that society projects towards kids, and the blatant misrepresentation of them, are what make these kids rebel in the first place. How can society expect youth to listen to the anti-drug message pioneered by adults when those very same adults are broadcasting the guilt of well-intentioned students on the front page of a newspaper?

The paper engaged itself in the ultimate paradox. By condemning the students' actions towards the drug use, in the hopes of spurring some anti-drug sentiment, they only kindled the rebellious flame that secretly burns in the gut of even the most restrained students.

The decision made by the PCs was a noble one indeed. It stopped the problem at hand and sent a clear message, one that was sent from one group of fellow students to another. What better way is there to try to make kids realize that drugs are not tolerable than to have older, admired fellow classmates relay the message?

The approach of damning drugs through a hierarchy of authorities, ranging from the President to teachers, is the old pedestrian and futile fight aimed towards reaching a drug problem panacea.

And newspapers pontificating their biased ridicule concerning the choice of action by some concerned students is to further divide the schism that will inevitably rest between adults and teens.

Brian Fair
a student from
Scituate

Train Will Ruin Golf Course View

To the Editor:

The Widow's Walk Golf Course currently being constructed in Scituate has, according to an article in the Scituate Mariner Oct. 24, caught the attention of the national media, in particular Golf Digest, CNN, ESPN and the Smithsonian magazine no less. This nationwide publicity is quite a compliment to the town, but I wonder what these famous media outlets will say when they get a view, not only of James Landing, Scituate Harbor and the North River, but "smells and sounds with a view" when they see and hear thee planned 1,000-car parking lot and the four parallel 830-foot-long storage tracks for the air particulate-polluting diesel locomotives of the Greenbush branch of Old Colony Railroad, not to mention the electrical equipment building for the engine block heater system and the oil-water separator system for the drip pans under the locomotives on the storage tracks?

A fence is planned, so says the MBTA, but just how high will it go? Up to the sky, will it go? A large clubhouse and visitors area are also planned for the public to enjoy, which includes a widow's walk along the top of the building. To get a better view of the layover facility? How very sad — a beautiful, exciting and unique golf course of which the town could be proud, only to be diminished by this ill-advised evil atrocity called the Greenbush Railroad.

The town shouldn't be too quick to take a bow, at least not until they tell the MBTA to get out of town!

Marion Sherman
Fort Hill Street
Hingham

Move Halloween to the Last Saturday of October

To the Editor:

I am asking for your help to legally change the day that we celebrate Halloween to the last Saturday of October.

Kids love Halloween. It's right up there with their birthdays and Christmas as one of the most exciting days of the year, but it is absolutely ridiculous to have it falling on school nights. We rush to prepare our children to go out trick-or-treating, then they run around the neighborhood, stay up too late and eat a small mountain of candy before going to bed. Imagine what it must be like to be a grade school teacher on the day after Halloween.

It's also very dangerous. Daylight saving now ends on the last Sunday of October, so Halloween now always comes after the clocks are set back. This means that even the youngest children are out in the dark. Think about all the kids in costume out on the streets as darkness falls with all the slippery fallen leaves in the streets as the working parents are driving home in a rush to be part of the big event.

Yes, I suppose there is an original basis in religion and folklore for the Oct. 31 date, but is there any modern day reason to be particular about this date? What does matter is that our young children have a fun and safe time decorating a pumpkin, putting on a costume and heading out for the wonder of trick-or-treat. Let's just do it on Saturday so more parents can be involved, so it comes before the end of daylight savings time, so we can have more controlled parties or supervised trick-or-treating, and so the teachers are spared as the children would have all day Sunday to rest and recuperate.

This is one small change that we can make with your help that will have an immediate, positive effect on just about every parent, teacher and young child in Massachusetts, if not the entire United States of America. Help me make this happen.

John H. Dean
362 Beechwood St.

Station Belongs on Route 3A

To the Editor:

My husband and I bought our house on Ash Street 18 years ago because, after being raised in cities, we wanted to raise our children and live our daily lives in an environment that was quiet, safe, clean, and natural. Well, we thought we'd died and gone to heaven when we discovered Cohasset...and we still do!

Now I feel that this environment is being threatened by a proposal to locate the train station right in the village. Yes, I think a train station with an 800-foot platform and a parking lot for 450 cars is totally non-aesthetic. Yes, I think that hundreds of cars coming into our center will have a negative effect on the air we breathe, and will also create traffic, safety, and parking problems galore. No, I do not believe that commuters rushing to work in the morning and eager to get home in the afternoon will generate enough downtown business to justify the $3 million, the blasting of ledge or the pollution and congestion to the neighborhood. Can't we support businesses in less drastic ways?

Therefore, regardless of where you live in Cohasset, if you feel that a village station will bring city-type problems to an area where citizens live, work, shop and play, a wonderful, increasingly rare kind of place, then please let the selectmen know. Keep the station where we all thought it was to be in the first place: at the 3A former Winter Garden site, accessible to all without damaging the quality of life for many, many people.

Gail Whitehouse
17 Ash St.

Neither Candidate Can Afford a Mistake

Congressional Race to be Decided Nov. 5

By Doug Fraser
COHASSET MARINER

Early on in the debate Tuesday night at Quincy Junior College in Plymouth, 10th Congressional candidates Ed Teague and Bill Delahunt were asked what they considered to be their biggest mistake in life.

Not surpsingly neither one could recall any major gaffs of their own, but when allowed to question each other, they found plenty of faults as Teague pressed Delahunt hard on ethical questions and Delahunt pushed Teague on his voting record and his Newt Gingrich connections.

Delahunt cited a need for privacy in not disclosing his tax returns as the six other primary candidates had. He complained such a disclosure would also affect his ex-wife's privacy as well and cited retiring Congressman Gerry Studds refusal to make his taxes public and General Colin Powell's refusal to run for President on the basis his privacy would be compromised.

"I've met General Powell, Delahunt," Teague dryly observed, "and you're no Colin Powell."

Delahunt did say he made $100,000 last year, and challenged Teague on the amount of taxes he paid.

"You make more and yet you paid less in income taxes than I did," said Delahunt, questioning Teague's $50,000 in deductions on his income taxes.

"How do you rationalize taking a tax exemption away from seniors while taking a $50,000 tax exemption for yourself?" Delahunt asked, referring to a vote by Teague made in 1991 which would have taxed Social Security income.

But Teague said Delahunt's plan to switch long term nursing home care from Medicare A to Medicare B to save on overall costs, would require seniors to pay between $320 and $1800 in co-payments now covered by the federal government. Delahunt said he would introduce legislation to have those premiums capped.

Teague accused Delahunt of making a profit off environmentalists in a controversial land deal in which the Nantucket Land Bank paid for land they had already contracted to buy after the seller sold to a group of real estate investors which included Delahunt.

Delahunt said the seller only sold to him after the land bank had defaulted on their purchase and sales agreement . He said he made no profit on the deal because there were additional costs incurred in the acquiring the land.

Delahunt repeatedly returned to Teague's voting record in the state legislature. He cited votes to cut educational funding including cuts to student loan programs, a $170,000 cut in funding for Cape Cod Community College and a $225,000 cut to Massachusetts Maritime Academy. He said Teague was one of 44 out of 142 who voted for these cuts.

"We went through a crisis in Massachusetts," Teague responded. "We had to live within our means then. But budget reductions have been restored and we will be reducing tuition this year."

Large Voter Turnout *Continued from page 1*

at the Town Clerk's office up until noon on Monday.

The crowded presidential race features Clinton and former Sen. Bob Dole, Reform Party candidate Ross Perot and three other candidates from the Libertarian, Natural Law and Workers World parties.

Pollsters say the senatorial race between U.S. Sen. John Kerry and Gov. Bill Weld is neck and neck. That race also includes Susan G. Gallagher of the Conservative Party and Robert C. Stowe of the Natural Law Party.

Congressman Gerry Studds' successor will also be determined Tuesday as William D. Delahunt, the Norfolk County district attorney, and House Minority Leader Edward B. Teague, vie for the 10th District seat. Also in that race is A. Charles Laws of the Green Party.

Delahunt got the Democratic nomination only after a count, recount, superior court ruling and appellate court decision over Phil Johnston of Marshfield in a primary that left the party divided.

Incumbent state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, who lives on Margin Street, is facing a write-in campaign challenge from Hingham's Nancy Buckley, a leader of the anti-train Coastal Coalition.

And Assistant District Attorney Robert Delahunt, Jr. of Weymouth, a second cousin to Bill Delahunt, seeks to unseat incumbent state Sen. Robert Hedlund of Weymouth.

Douglas urged voters to check the back of their ballots to make sure the holes are punched completely through.

"If they need help voters can contact any election officer and we'll be glad to help," Douglas said.

She explained that in every voting booth there will be a poster detailing how to use the punch-card ballot.

During the Sept. 17 primary, the high number of blank ballots cast prompted candidates for the Democratic nomination for the 10th Congressinal District seat to seek recounts in several towns, including Cohasset, that use the punch-card system.

Douglas is optimistic that votes will be counted by about 10 p.m., Tuesday. She said the write-in campaign for Mary Jeanette Murray's seat will add some time.

There are a total of 5,351 registered voters in town: 1,113 Democrats; 1,180 Republicans; 10 Libertarians; and 3,048 unenrolled.

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Voters Give Garage Green Light

Cost Up by 32 Percent

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

At Monday's session of Special Town Meeting, voters opted to borrow 32 percent or about $230,000 more for a public works garage at the town landfill.

They also authorized borrowing $60,000 to bring the water main from Cedarledge Village up to the proposed D.P.W. garage site.

This brings the total cost of the project to $1.05 million.

Construction of the garage was approved at the 1994 annual town meeting but estimates were under budget. Proponents considered cutting back or possibly abandoning the project when the low bids came in 32 percent more than anticipated.

"But the town needs the building, so we decided to ask the town for additional funds," said garage committee member Garry Gardner, 90 Beechwood St.

Selectman Michael H. Sullivan said the excess in cost is directly attributable to improvement in the construction economy and planners' efforts to be conservative when the initial proposal was brought forward. Plans now include a hydraulic lift and storage loft.

The 13,000-square-foot corrugated metal building will house the tree & park and highway equipment and will have offices in the center.

Dan Prisble, 60 Jerusalem Rd., and Tom Gruber, 8 Pratt Court, both said they were concerned about the high cost. Fred Quelle, 120 Nichols Rd., argued the town should use the Eastern Edison building and not build a new garage.

With a vote of 192 to 54, the garage won the 2/3 majority was needed for approval.

Voters overwhelmingly approved by a vote of 215 to 14 to extend the water main 1,500 feet to the garage site.

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield pointed out that digging a well and using well water would not provide enough water pressure for fire suppression purposes.

CLT Likes Rep. Murray

State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, has won the endorsement of the Citizens for Limited Taxation's 2-1/2 PAC in her reelection bid.

CLT's 2-1/2 PAC, the political arm of Citizens for Limited Taxation, was created to support candidates who would defend Prop. 2-1/2 in the state legislature.

Francis J. Faulkner, executive director of CLT's 2-1/2 PAC, said the group endorsed Murray based on her long-time support for tax limitation and control of government spending.

Young Adult Authors Signing

Young adult authors Maureen Crane Wartski and John Neufeld will discuss and sign their books Thursday, Nov. 7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham.

Wartski and Neufeld write powerfully about contemporary issues of racial harmony, mental illness, censorship, and relationships among friends. Wartski's novels include "Candle in the Wind, "What are They Saying About Me?" and "The Face in My Mirror," while Neufeld's books include "A Small Civil War, Almost a Hero," and the classic "Lisa, Bright and Dark."

Admission is free, but reservations are requested for seating and refreshments. Recommended for grade six and up. Call 749-2665 to reserve your place.

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Septic Management Plan Gets Go-ahead

Voter Worries About 'Septic Police'

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Citing their fears of government intrusion, a dozen residents objected to the health board's article for $45,000 to set up a management plan designed to provide financial relief for homeowners with failed or substandard septic systems at Tuesday's session of Special Town Meeting.

The article passed after nearly an hour of debate.

Engineer John Struzzieri said the money, of which $20,000 would come from a state grant, would be used to set up waste water management districts, to inventory and map all septic systems in towns, delineate the priority areas, and determine what financial assistance would be available for septic system repairs.

The plan would be available for town meeting action in the spring, 1997. In the upcoming months, there will be hearings and meetings to involve and educate the public on the plan.

Health board member Kevin Ulmer said "hundreds of thousands of dollars" are available in loan subsidies for septic system repairs, but Cohasset residents will not be eligible unless the town has the management plan in place.

But Fred Quelle of Nichols Road said the article would subject all residents to "forced inspections and forced repairs," and could lead to future forced inspections for such things as lead paint and lead pipes.

Beechwood Street resident Florence Jerome said she does not want to allow inspectors on her property, calling them "septic police" whether or not there is a problem with the septic system. If the inspectors find a problem with a septic system, the homeowners can be forced to take out loans, incurring the expense of the repayment.

Nancy Snowdale of Mill Lane said the warrant article "scares the hell out of me." She said Cohasset should follow other towns that have required septic system inspections only when the property is about to be sold or at the time of major renovations.

She asked who will conduct the inspections and how much they will cost.

Ulmer said the management plan will, with public comment, address these issues.

"This money only develops the plan," he said. The money, plus $2,500 in another article to buy a computer, will gather the information and create a computer data base. At the present, the health department has no information on some septic systems in town.

Wigmore Pierson of Atlantic Avenue asked if homeowners must pay for the inspections.

In response, Ulmer explained the cost of inspections may be paid by the town, by the property owners, or split between the two.

"There's nothing fixed in stone."

One part of the plan would create a priority list to provide, first, for inspections of septic systems in the most sensitive locations, such as those near the town's water supply, and as long as low-interest loans are available for septic system repairs. That the money is exhausted and will not resume until more funds are available.

The sewer department said it can apply for as much as $500,000 per year for septic system repairs. Having the plan in place will allow residents to apply for "a variety of financial options" if repairs are required, Ulmer said.

On several occasions Ulmer and others, including selectman Michael Sullivan, explained that the article does not require inspections at this time.

"No one will come on your property if you vote for this tonight," Ulmer said.

The septic management plan is designed to provide an "equitable benefit" to homeowners with septic systems, in tandem with the benefit provided to those homeowners in north Cohasset who will be connected to the sewer system.

"This came up at the time of the sewer project," selectman Michael Sullivan said, explaining that some residents balked at their taxes paying for the north Cohasset sewers at the time they were facing expensive septic system repairs to comply with the state's Title V regulations.

Advisory committee member Ken Ingber said the board of health has, at the present, the authority and obligation to "seek out failed systems" and order their replacement or repair. That authority remains in place without this article, he said, but without the article, no money will be available to help finance the repairs.

Jerusalem Road resident Diane Sullivan said the article is "doing what we asked them to do," to provide a way to solve septic problems for some residents.

"It doesn't put anyone on your property; it doesn't require repairs," she said. The article provides money to gather the data for the management plan that will come back to town meeting in the spring.

Anne Stenbeck said that her house on King Street has an "older septic system" and is close to Lily Pond. She said she does not want to pollute the town's drinking water, and she wants "as much help as possible" when the time comes to repair her septic system.

"I'll feel better about the North Cohasset sewer if I know there's help available for me," she said.

Quelle's substitute motion to indefinitely postpone the article was defeated on a voice vote.

Moderator George Marlette ruled that the voice vote on the main motion passed, and refused Quelle's request for a hand-count of voters.

Town Matches Grant for Water Study

Voters approved $10,000 to match a $20,000 grant from the Army Corps of Engineers through the state Department of Environmental Management, to undertake a water supply protection study.

John McNabb, chairman of the water resources protection committee explained that the study will assess the water quality, assess threats to the watershed, map the watershed, and develop a long-term water quality monitoring plan.

McNabb said the study will look at four threats to the watershed: Cohasset Heights Landfill, the Hingham Naval Ammunition Depot Annex, Wompatuck State Park, and run-off from septic systems.

The $10,000 match from the town is provided through the water department, advisory committee member Leland Jenkins said. It was supported by the board of health and the selectmen.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

A house is not just a home

By the editors of Worth Magazine

For most of us, home ownership amounts to little more than a form of forced savings. We pour perhaps a third of our income into a mortgage, taxes, and upkeep, all the while hoping we'll get something for our investment when we sell. That's as far as most of us go when considering the house as part of a financial portfolio.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

William Goetzmann, a professor of finance at the Yale School of Management, begs to differ. In a 1993 study, he examined four diverse urban housing markets — Atlanta, Chicago, Dallas, and San Francisco — from 1971 to 1985. He found that a house should play an important part in an investment portfolio, and that treating a house as such can reduce overall portfolio risk. "The return and risk of owning a home is often misunderstood," says Goetzmann. "A house can contribute significantly to the diversification of your portfolio."

The key is that housing values tend to run counter to the stock market. When one is up, the other is down. Houses, like all hard assets, rise in value with inflation, making them excellent hedges. And, according to Goetzmann, they generally appreciate a respectable 7 percent to 10 percent annually, compared with 12 percent for stocks and 6 percent for bonds.

Of course, most financial advisers consider it gospel that home ownership should have no bearing on investment strategy. "Your house is strictly a place to live," says Mike Kabarec, a financial adviser in Palatine, Ill. "You should not treat it as an investable asset — period." A house is about the most illiquid thing around, says Karabec: "You may be building equity, but it's next to impossible to tap." There's also the volatile nature of real estate, not to mention the irrational attachments people develop when house hunting.

As with any type of investment, higher risk brings higher returns. In this case, the more an individual puts into his home, the lower his portfolio risk and the more modest his overall returns. Take San Francisco, where historically homes have had an average annual appreciation rate of 11.5 percent. Using the lowest-risk portfolio model, according to the study, you could have achieved a healthy 10.5 percent return by putting 40 percent of your assets in your house, 40 percent in stocks, and 20 percent in bonds. You'd increase the return to almost 12 percent by putting only 10 percent in your house, 90 percent in stocks, and nothing in bonds.

In Atlanta, where houses appreciate annually at 7 percent, a more conservative mix — 70 percent in your house, 10 percent in stocks, and 20 percent in bonds — would get you an 8 percent return. You'd get close to a 12 percent return, however, by putting 90 percent in stocks, 10 percent in bonds — and renting.

This study has obvious implications for people considering buying a home. But is it relevant for those who already own one?

"Absolutely," says Goetzmann. For example, a Dallas resident with $1 million in assets, $500,000 of which is sunk into his home, needs to think about how home ownership relates to the rest of his investable assets. If he put $400,000 into stocks and $100,000 into bonds, total return on his $1 million portfolio would be almost 1 percent higher than if he put $200,000 into stocks and $300,000 into bonds, although the risk would be higher as well. The 9.6 percent annual appreciation of his Dallas home, combined with his investment goals, should help him decide whether the risk is worth taking.

The same considerations should also help him decide what to invest in.

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William Goetzman
Professor of finance,
Yale School of Management

For example, investing in additional tangible assets will only concentrate his risk. "Your home will move in a similar direction as natural resources — that is, as anything coming out of the ground," says Ron Roge, president of R.W. Roge & Co., a financial-advisory firm in Centereach, N.Y. That especially means gold, silver, and platinum, as well as other tangible items, from antiques to comic books.

If you are considering a second home, Goetzmann's study suggests buying one in a different region: two locations are less likely to experience a simultaneous drop in value. Even better, says John Dale, senior vice president of Peregrine Capital Management in Minneapolis, don't purchase a home; just buy raw land. "When you start building, that's when your taxes go to the moon," he says. "And you'll still reduce the risk if, say, they want to build a freeway across the street from your first house."

In constructing your portfolio, keep in mind that its value is affected by the fortunes of your region. For example, the median home price in Los Angeles County fell 14 percent from 1991 to 1994, due in part to massive layoffs by defense-industry companies. So consider investments not linked to industries in your area. If, say, you're living in Dallas, don't overweight oil stocks or real estate investment trusts in the Southwest.

Says Goetzmann: "If you choose investments that aren't correlated to one another, your financial future should be considerably less uncertain in the long term."

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Air Transportation	12-16-85	-9.11%	10.90%	9.01%*
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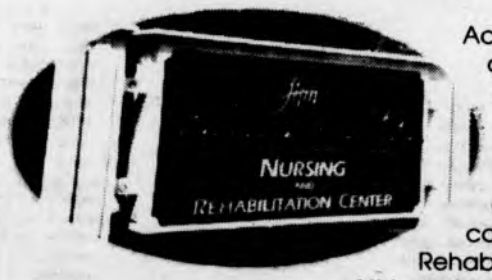

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Turkey Hill Purchase Okayed

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Town meeting took the last step on the path to the purchase of 20 acres of land for conservation purposes when it unanimously authorized $125,000 for its share of the acquisition of Turkey Hill Tuesday night.

Joining with the conservation commission in Hingham and three private land trusts, the purchase will preserve a total of 55 acres that straddle the two towns, offering spectacular views of the Boston skyline, the harbor islands, and the Worlds End reservation. In addition, the property is contiguous with the 800-acre Whitney and Thayer Woods and Wompatuck State Park's 2,900 acres, creating what the conservation groups call a "green belt" of undeveloped, publicly-owned land.

Earlier this year, the Trustees of Reservations said it had an agreement to purchase the property, owned by the heirs of Joseph Saponaro, for $810,000, which is at least $100,000 less than its assessed valuation.

Last spring, Hingham voters approved $165,000 to buy the 30 acres on its side of the town line, and Cohasset voters agreed in principal to buy the 20 acres in this town. Tuesday's vote makes good on that stated intention, backing it up with the money to complete the deal.

The two towns have applied for $450,900 in a state grant which, added to $110,000 in private donations will equal the purchase price plus initial expenses.

The Trustees of Reservations is raising $307,000 for demolition of some derelict buildings on the property, renovations of the farmhouse there which will be used as the caretaker's residence, and for site improvements and maintenance of the area.

While the two towns will actually own the property, the Trustees will manage it.

Conservation commissioner Susan Cope told town meeting a decision on the towns' grant applications is expected at the end of this week.

She also noted that state Secretary of Environmental Affairs Trudy Coxe will visit Turkey Hill today (Thursday).

Trustees of reservations land specialist Valerie Talmage told town meeting that the state authorities have been impressed by an application submitted jointly by two towns and three private groups. She said Coxe's visit is a "great sign" that the grants will be approved, adding that with many parties involved in this acquisition, many people will be "upset" if the grant money is not available.

However, Talmage said the towns are not committed to following through on the purchase if the grant is denied. Making up that $400,000 would be difficult, but she also said there is always a chance that a private donor could come forward.

Conservation commission chairman Tom Callahan said the Saponaro family will continue to own a small portion of the land where a cellular phone tower is located. This property remaining in private ownership will continue to pay real estate taxes to Cohasset.

The property has been checked for hazardous waste, and none found, Cope said. This was originally a source of concern since the property was used in 1950s as a Nike missile tracking station.

The Saponaro family operated a riding stable at Turkey Hill until Joseph Saponaro's death in 1987. His heirs originally offered it for sale with a $1 million price tag. Eighteen months ago, they agreed to demolish the Nike installation to allow the conservation groups to purchase the property.

Earlier this year, Talmage described Turkey Hill is one of the last coastal drumlins—a hill created by receding glaciers—on the South Shore. In an historical context, local residents gathered on the hill to watch a naval battle that took place off the coast of Scituate during the War of 1812.

Activities Planned for Seniors

The Council on Elder Affairs offers many activities and programs for seniors.

A Caregivers Group meets the second Friday of each month at 10 a.m. The group will also meet Nov. 13.

Sign-ups for the SHARE program are Nov. 4-8. Distribution day is Nov. 23.

A Jingle Bell Walk is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 29, at 1:30 p.m.

A Christmas Pops trip is planned for the Saturday, Dec. 21, matinee performance. The cost is $45, which includes the performance and bus transportation.

Tickets are available for the South Shore Men of Harmony performance Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. Call 383-9112 for tickets, which must be ordered in advance.

Several day trips are scheduled, including the following:

Nov. 4, Christmas Tree Shop; Nov. 12, charity opener at Filene's, South Shore Plaza (bus leaves at 9:30 a.m.); Nov. 13, luncheon at Mile Post, Duxbury; and Nov. 20, Pilgrim Day and lunch in Plymouth. A trip to Sandwich is also planned in November. Call the COA for more information about day trips.

The COA is offering the following classes: step aerobics, low-impact exercise, yoga, easy exercise, chi gong, computers, bridge, wood working at Cohasset High School, chess for men, knitting, 55 Alive Driving, gourmet cooking and Classes Without Walls (Robert Frost, Nov. 13; major religions, Nov. 20).

Senior writing programs include "Reflections" with Karen Flood, Dec. 11.

On Wednesday, Nov. 13, District Attorney Michael Sullivan will speak about fraud at 10 a.m.

Guest speakers are featured Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Flu clinics are offered on the second Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m. (call 383-0771), and foot care clinics take place at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday ($18). Blood pressure screenings are slated for the second Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m.

Showstoppers Dinner Theater at the Golden Rooster Restaurant, Scituate, is offering Wednesday and Thursday senior matinees.

The Vista newsletter for seniors, which includes programs, classes and trips offered by the Senior Center, is mailed monthly. Call the center to request a place on the mailing list.

Luncheons for seniors are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon.

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Ratepayers March at Statehouse

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civilized."

"When this happens, it's the governor who appointed these people, he's responsible for their actions," said Hersch. "He appointed them, he can remove them."

"Next time, we're going to tell the governor how we feel," he said. "I'm a Republican, but I'm very, very appalled at the governor for not coming forth. People on fixed incomes, senior citizens, small businesses are all affected in their pocketbooks." Hersch said small businesses have had to lay off help in order to pay their water bills.

Hedlund told the group that after he sat through the DPU hearings, he told himself there's no way the DPU can grant this increase. "You see a lot of crazy things in this building, but this one takes the cake," he said.

Hedlund said the ratepayers wouldn't get any help from the governor or from the DPU.

"It's up to the towns to pursue the only option to bring relief short of state or federal aid: take the plant by eminent domain and set up a tri-town water authority," he said. Grafton, he said, had done so successfully.

Ginnie Norman, a Cohasset resident, said she used to pay $60 every 3 months for water. Her latest bill arrived in the beginning of October for $215.

"They wanted me to pay by Oct. 15," she said. "They're supposed to give us 45 days.

"I want the governor to be responsible for the DPU," she said. "A lot of people like myself wrote to DPU before the decision was made. A lot of people didn't expect a 155 percent increase. These people are not accountable."

James R. "Russ" Lennon of Cohasset brought along a water bill showing a total amount due of $346.96. After a meter reader came to check his meter, he said, the bill came down by $144.

"Only two people live in that house," he said.

Murray and Hedlund led the residents up to the third floor to meet with the governor's staff. Both Weld and Cellucci were out on the campaign trail.

David Ramsay, deputy director of Consumer Affairs, got an earful from the angry ratepayers about dirty dishwater and clothes discolored permanently from water filled with manganese and iron.

"Will you let him know we represent 11,000 households," said Bill McLearn, a Hull selectman.

"Where does he appoint people who think that would be in any way tolerable?" said Cohasset Selectman Peter Pratt. "That's the problem we have with the governor."

"We're very sympathetic," said Ramsay. He told the group that Cellucci had met with selectmen two weeks ago and has since asked his staff to explore three avenues of relief:

— To improve customer responsiveness, the Division of Consumer Affairs asked Mass. Water to assign additional personnel to field complaints. He said he had been assured the company had done so.

— To get some rate relief, the governor's staff has asked the federal government whether they can get federal funding for rate relief, since half of the increased rates are a direct consequence of the federal Clean Water Act. He said the governor may also ask the Legislature for rate relief from the state.

— To lower the cost of water, the governor's staff is setting up meetings with town managers and selectmen to explore the possibility of gaining public control of the water works.

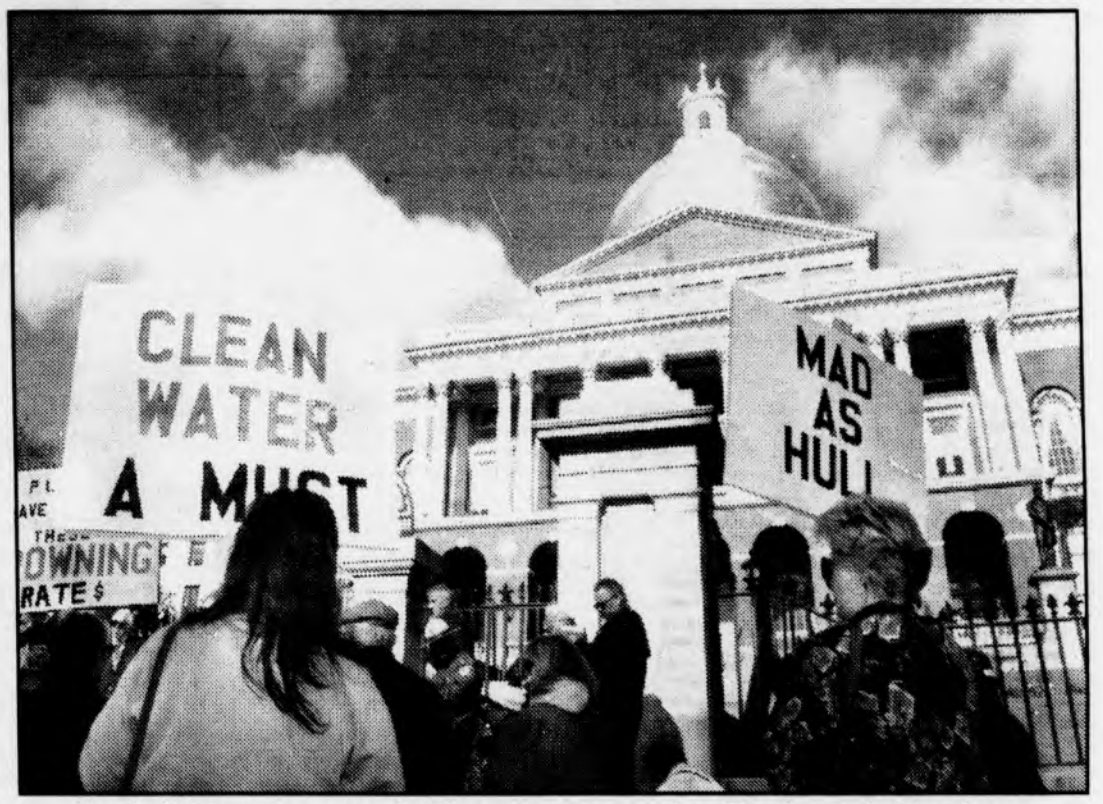
The initial DPU ruling is under review by the Supreme Judicial Court, said Ramsay, and so he could not comment on it.

Ramsay also said residents could protest their bills to the company and to the DPU, while withholding the amount in dispute.

"I can assure the governor and lieutenant governor want immediate action," he said.

Despite Ramsay's assurances, residents didn't leave convinced they would see rate relief any time soon.

"It's questionable based upon the history of the governor and his responsiveness to people's needs," said Mike Devitt, a Hull resident.



Nearly 100 protesters attended the water rate march on Tuesday at the Statehouse.

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School Notebook

Fourth-graders at Deer Hill School, along with their teachers, are on the look out for whales during a recent field trip.

Fourth-graders Learn About Whales

"Look over there! No, over there! There's another one!"

Cries such as these could be heard from Deer Hill School's entire fourth-grade class as they cruised in an area of Stellwagen Bay off of the Plymouth coast in search of whales.

Mother Nature blessed them with smooth waters and a clear fall day Sept. 27. As they embarked on a Captain John's Whale Watch excursion from Plymouth Harbor, expectations were high.

The students had been involved in research on the ocean and the natural resources of the Northeast region of the United States. Attention had been paid to the historical importance of the whaling industry in our region and the changes that have taken place since the colonial days in America. The appearance and behaviors of the whale were studied extensively.

Proof that the children had mastered these concepts was evident from their responses to the spectacular show performed by the whales during the field trip.

"He is spouting. There is a blow hole. Look I see a humpback whale. He is making a bubble net. You can see ica-baleen. Wow, look at that krill jump!"

Thanks to a generous contribution from the Cohasset PSO and parent chaperones who donated their time, the students were graced with a learning experience they will long remember.

whales a snap. Fourth-graders here get a close up look at one of the great mammals.

Buy Wreaths to Support METCO

The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.

Papa Gino's Night Benefit is Nov. 4

Help the Deer Hill sixth grade students ear money for their outdoor school program. Buy anything at the Cohasset Papa Gino's from 4 to 9 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4, and a portion of the profits will go toward the outdoor school fund.

DRUG FACT

Dr. Robert DuPont, founding director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, and president of the American Council on Marijuana, points out that: "In all of our history, no young people have every before used marijuana regularly on a mass scale; therefore, our youngsters are, in effect, making themselves guinea pigs in a tragic national experiment. Thus far, our research clearly suggests that we will see horrendous results."

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Pupils have already raised money to help pay for their outdoor school program with a class car wash and spaghetti dinner. This will will their final fund-raising event. The trip to Camp Bournedale for their outdoor school program will take place Nov. 18-20.

Stained-glass Windows Come 'Home' to Notre Dame

When Notre Dame's campus moved from Roxbury to its present Hingham location in 1964, the beautiful stained-glass windows from the chapel were given to St. Ann's Church in Hull.

On Nov. 3, the Notre Dame Academy will celebrate the return of these windows to the Notre Dame Chapel. "Our Lady" and "The Good Shepherd" were made in the Glasmalerei workshop in Munich, Germany, in the 1850s. They are of exquisite quality and would be very difficult and costly to produce today.

To prove they are truly home, the windows fit perfectly into the Hingham chapel entranceways.

PSO Auction is Nov. 22

For a fun evening in support of the PSO, come out for dancing, drinks and Karaoke on Friday evening, Nov. 22. The usual silent auction has so many great new items that some will be auctioned live. Talk a group of friends into going to the Chart House with you that evening. Stay tuned for ticket information. (Book you baby-sitter now!) Call Tomi Bukowski with questions, 383-6771.

PSO Help Sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

METCO Dinner is Nov. 3

The Cohasset METCO Committee will host its annual fall dinner from 3 to 6 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 3 at the Cohasset High School cafeteria. The annual Sunday dinner is given by the Cohasset METCO host families for Cohasset's METCO students and their Boston families. This year's dinner will feature a Southern style menu of baked ham, macaroni & cheese and sweet potato pie. All METCO families, Cohasset host families and anyone else from the community who would like to attend are welcomed guests at this event.

Please call PSO METCO reps. Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) if you can attend or if you would like to know more about the METCO program.

Notre Dame Names AP Scholars

Sr. Barbara Barry, principal at Notre Dame Academy, Hingham, has announced that eight members of the Class of 1996 have been named AP Scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Examinations.

Erin McCauley of Marshfield, Julie Bradley of Norwood, Meghan Field of Milton, Lisa Fuller of Abington, Claire Lutts of Quincy, Luiza Nanu of Weymouth, Demetra Pappas of Brockton and Mary Elizabeth Puzo of Hingham are being honored for scoring a three or above (out of a possible five) on AP exams in three different subjects. McCauley is being honored in four subjects.

Approximately 54 percent of America's graduating seniors have taken one or more AP Exams. Only about 12 percent of the more than 537,000 students who took the exams in May, 1996 performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.

Notre Dame has completed the installation of a Multimedia Language Learning Center, the only installation of its kind in New England.

All the students and teachers have computers in addition to cassette recorders and headsets to utilize word processing and CD-ROM Interactive programs.

Ultimately, once the school completes its campus network, Internet access will also be provided.

The system, which has been called the electronic classroom of the future, allows the teacher to view and listen to what any student is working on by simply touching the screen of the console.

The instructor may then take control of the student's computer keyboard and mouse to assist in problem areas. Students can be assigned an automated oral exam for the teacher to evaluate the student's oral proficiency.

Each student PC has a video card so that videotapes, laser discs, satellite TV and overhead video camera can be displayed on the student's computer monitors.

Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalist Named

Moira Slynne of Weymouth, a student at Notre Dame Academy, Hingham, has been named a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program. Only one-half of one percent of each state's graduating seniors become semi-finalists.

As a semi-finalist, Slynne enters the competition for a spot as one of the 14,000 finalists in the nation, and then will compete to become a National Merit Scholar. This year about 7,000 Merit Scholars will receive $27 million in scholarships.

Six other members of the Class of 1997 have been named commended students in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program. Karen Adams of Weymouth, Allison Bird of Scituate, Emily Brown of Whitman, Julie Catalano of Cohasset, Shannon O'Connell of Whitman and Allison Walsh of Weymouth placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 1997 Merit Program by taking the 1995 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. They are among 35,000 Commended Students throughout the nation being honored for their exceptional academic promise.

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Skippers Tame the Bulldogs, 31-6

By Jim O'Sullivan
COHASSET MARINER

The Cohasset Skippers (1-5) triumphed over the visiting Holbrook Bulldogs, posting a 31-6 win.

Cohasset was led by senior running back Matt Belson on offense and a host of players on defense, most notably sophomore linebacker Justin Golden.

The boys in blue started the game with the ball on their own 30-yard line, and immediately Belson went to work, muscling for 11 yards and the first down.

An offsided penalty pushed the ball up to the 46-yard line and Belson's two-yard gain set up sophomore back Jamie DeMichele's 14-yard sprint for another first down.

Belson again went for 11 yards and the first down. Penalties drove the Skippers back 10 yards, but that only added to the drama, as Belson rushed for 14 yards, then rumbled his way for 23 yards into the end zone. The Skippers' conversion failed, but they were already ahead 6-0.

The all-purpose Belson kicked off after the score, then made the tackle with a bone-crushing hit along the sidelines at the Holbrook 36-yard line. Tackles by Golden, sophomore Mike Rossi, and junior John Kasameyer set up a Belson sack and the defense had forced a punt. Unfortunately, the kick was muffed and dived on by a Bulldog at the CHS 40.

No problem for the Skippers, though, as they got it right back when Sean Parkinson hopped on a Holbrook fumble at the Cohasset 32-yard line. Quarterback Pat Hurley wasted no time in firing a strike to junior end Jamie Buick, who made it to the 38-yard line. Belson followed Buick's catch with a 38-yard TD stroll, behind the strength of the hardworking Cohasset offensive line.

On the kickoff, sophomore Raheem Shepard hurtled down field to make the tackle at the Holbrook 30. Buick and senior Jerry Cogill combined to make a tackle and the Skipper defense once again forced a punt.

Belson sprinted to the Bulldog 45 and DeMichele ran off-tackle for six yards. Hurley scrambled seven yards for a first down. Shepard rolled 17 more for another first down. From the 19-yard line, Golden took the reverse and sped 19 yards into the end zone for the home team's third touchdown of the night. Kasameyer nailed the extra point kick and the Skippers were out in front 19-0.

Belson's kickoff sailed to the endzone and senior Jarred Batts made a hard hit and tackle at the 13. Once again, the Skipper defense forced a punt, giving the offense superb field position at their own 48. Golden gutted out 11 yards and a penalty, along with a DeMichele run, brought the Blue up to the Holbrook nine-yard line. Hurley connected with Buick once again, this time for six yards and a touchdown, making the score 25-0.

Shepard and Batts made the tackle on the kickoff and Cogill and Parkinson joined to make a nice hit on the Bulldog ball carrier. On the last play of the first half, Shepard ripped the ball loose and Golden made a heads-up play. Instead of merely diving on the fumble, Golden scooped it up and trotted 29 yards for the touchdown after time had expired, making the tally 31-0.

The second half started with Ben "Yoda" Ketchum skying to make the interception for the Skippers. However, Cohasset couldn't get moving and the home team punted for the first time all game.

Ketchum again made a big play on the next Holbrook series, knocking down a pass, and possibly saving a touchdown.

Sophomore defensive back Ben Roine did the same on the next play, leaping over both Holbrook receivers and other Cohasset defenders.

Luke Caldwell lowered the hammer on a Bulldog runner, forcing still another Holbrook punt, which sailed to the 45.

Freshman Joe Pergola bolted for 15 yards off left tackle but the Skippers could not get rolling and were forced to punt.

Andy "Mad Dog" Curran tore loose the pigskin from Holbrook, but the visitors recovered.

On the next play, Mike Kearney and Greg Parkinson, who played outstanding defense in the second half, made the tackle and Kearney, Shepard and Golden made the gang tackle, but the Bulldogs prevented the shutout on the next play.

Joe Guizzardi trucked six yards for the score, only to be stuffed by Ketchum on the two-point conversion.

Senior Doug Cameron twisted his way to the CHS 44 on the kickoff. However, the Skippers fumbled and the Bulldogs came up with the ball.

Pass coverage by Shepard, Roine and Ketchum kept the visitors out of the endzone and Ryan Goff fell on a fumble for the Skippers, giving them the ball back with time running down.

Freshman back Danny Mulligan took the reverse and bulled his way for nine yards, shedding tacklers left and right. The buoyant Skipper sideline, assured of victory now, started the "Mully! Mully!" chant and it soon spread to the stands. Shepard rushed for the first down and the first Skipper victory of the '96 season was in the books.

Belson's 129 yards on a mere eight carries gave him an astounding average of just above 16.1 yards per carry. The Cohasset coaching staff was ecstatic after the win, but realized that the Skippers still had work to do.

"The kids showed a lot of class tonight. It's been a long, tough season so far, but we held together and played well when it counted tonight," head coach Bob Knurek said after the game. "This gives us something to build on for the home stretch," noted coach Dave Terry.

One major aspect of the game which some spectators may have missed was the methods used by the Skipper coaches.

Increasingly, in both high school and college sports, teams (East Bridgewater springs to mind) leave their starters in well after the game has gotten out of hand, to run up the score, boosting their rankings in the polls and humiliating the opposing team.

On the contrary, the Skipper starters, particularly the upperclassmen, played sparingly the second half, as they already had established a commanding 31-0 lead.

Other coaches should follow this example and make a decision which is beneficial to not only the fans, but also the players on both sides of the field.

The Skippers displayed an ability Friday to dominate a football game with class, and should be more enthusiastically supported by the Cohasset fans. The next game is in Hanover at 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 1.

The stadium flag is officially rasied for the first time during the dedication of Cohasset High's new Alumni Field.
Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

Recreation Report

The Cohasset Recreation Department/Booster's Basketball registrations will be held for girls and boys in Grades 1-8 at town hall, Saturday, Nov. 9, from 9 to 11 a.m.

The fee for the program is $30. Checks should be made payable to Town of Cohasset, and the shirt fee charge is included in the fee.

Details on the basketball program will be available at registration. Games are played Saturdays, but not during any vacation periods in order to avoid conflicts.

The recreational basketball program is made available via the joint efforts of the Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club and the recreation department, providing youngsters with a teaching and recreational opportunity.

SKI LESSONS AT BLUE HILLS

The Cohasset Recreation Department will conduct Blue Hill Ski Lesson registration Thursday, Nov. 14, at the recreation office, Cohasset Town Hall, between 3 and 4 p.m. and again in the evening, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian for participation in this five-week program. Beginner through advanced level instruction is available for children and youth, seven years old and older. Lessons are scheduled to begin Thursday, Jan. 2, and meet for five consecutive weeks, through Thursday, Jan. 30.

The bus will leave each week from the town hall parking lot at 3:20 p.m. and return from Blue Hills at about 6:45 p.m.

The fee for the ski lessons and transportation for the five-weeks is $100 and checks should be made payable to

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Getting the Point

Local Team Shines in Dart League

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

Since our very beginnings, human beings have sought to be social. Our innate quest to belong is well-documented in every world history book.

The TV show "Cheers" was built on this premise — a group of people whose lives revolved around that place "where everybody knows your name."

For Bill Walker, Hingham's Varsity Club is a place where everybody knows his name.

Walker is a member of the world's largest dart league and co-captain of a team in the Minuteman Dart League South Shore division. He and his team, "Not A Problem," can be found on many Tuesday evenings waging their battles against opponents at the Varsity Club.

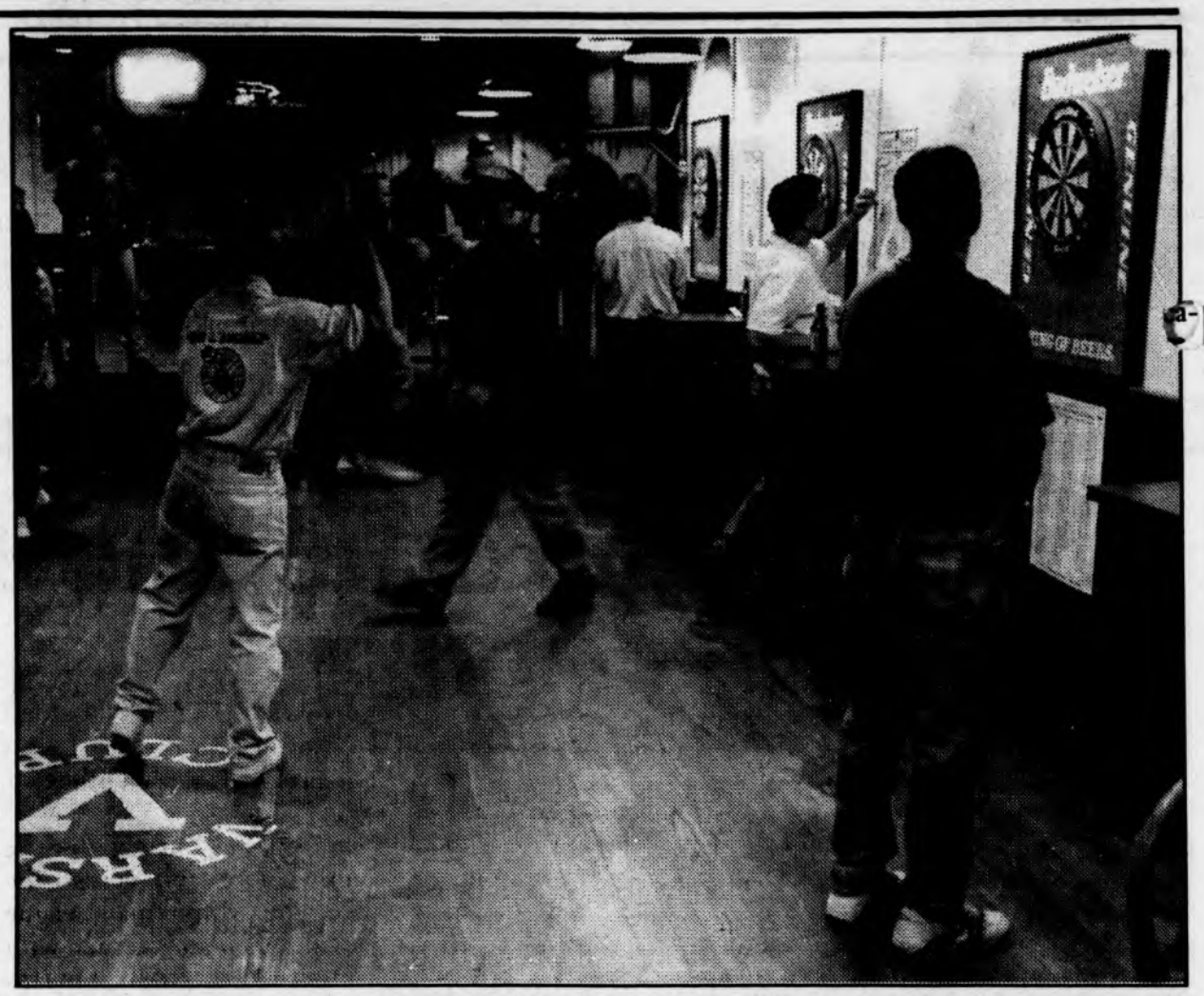
Since its inception in 1975, the Minuteman League has grown to encompass about 1,100 teams and approximately 10,000 players statewide. It was the social nature of the game that drew Walker and many others to join.

"It's a night out with the guys," Walker said, explaining the lure of the game. "It's a chance to get together with your friends and have some fun."

Make no mistake about it. The game is not to be taken lightly.

Walker and his teammates come from Hingham, Weymouth, and Braintree and travel from as far away as Cape Cod every season to compete for the state title. They practice religiously, and they're up against world-class competition.

Due to its sheer size, the league is divided into four divisions: South Shore, North Shore, Central and Boston. These are subdivided into several classes, depending on ability. The South Shore division's top teams compete in the Super A division. Next is the A division, then B, continuing down to I.



In the Dart League, Co-Captain Bill McNulty of the "Not a Problem" team fires off the first shot of the night during competition at the Varsity Club in Lincoln Plaza in Hingham.

Staff photo/ Chris Bernstein

When a friend invited Walker to throw his first dart six years ago, he soon found himself on a G division team in the Minuteman league. Within three seasons, he had vaulted ahead to the C division.

"I learned by getting beat by better players. I used to watch the way they played and try to copy it," Walker said. He also practiced five hours a day. Walker figures he has logged about 7, 000 or 8,000 hours in dart throwing over the past six years. Since he came into the league, he can recall missing only a handful of games. Now, not many players could threaten him.

This past spring, his team captured the A division championship. This fall, Not A Problem is vying for a Super A crown.

"I have very good eyesight," said Walker, who paints and hangs wallpaper for a living. "In my work, I have to be able to tell if something is a fraction of an inch off. I have to have good hand/eye coordination." Many of his teammates and opponents share the same background.

"On my team, I have a carpenter, a painter, a precision mechanic. . . . Most of us are in the trades," he said. Working professionally with their hands, they have developed the skills that a good dart player must master.

"People from all walks of life are playing the game, though," said Walker. He has competed against doctors, architects and lawyers as well as tradesmen.

Evidence of the widespread popularity of darts resides in the league's membership figures. In 1991, only about 6,000 or 7,000 players took apart in Minuteman league competition, Walker said, but after a

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substantial growth spurt between 1992 and 1994, the total membership has risen by about 3,000 to 4,000 players.

However, Dartmania is not confined to the jurisdiction of the Minuteman league. Numerous dart tournaments are held across the state and throughout the country every year. Walker said many of the league's top players enter the tournaments regularly.

Four major tournaments are held locally and draw worldwide competition. The New England Dart Challenge in January, the Firecracker Open in July and the Clipper City Tournament in early spring are all held at the Andover Marriott. The Witch City Open, a $30,000 tournament, is now held at Ferncraft Hotel in Danvers.

"Five or six of the guys on our team will go to the Witch," Walker said.

In August, John Finnegan and Jim Mulcurran, a pair of Super A Minuteman players whose home turf is at Holbrook's Dalton Post, won the open doubles cricket competition at the World Cup in Las Vegas. Finnegan is a two-year Irish National Champion.

Lesser tournaments are held as frequently as every other week in the spring and also draw a number of competitors. Many are held on Cape Cod.

For now, Walker is content to play at the Varsity Club, which his team has called home for two season, establishing a symbiotic relationship with the restaurant/bar. The Varsity Club pays the $100 league entrance fee every season for Not a Problem and the four other teams who play their home games there, which is a well-placed investment, according to Walker. The traffic brought in by the five dart teams more than covers the league expenses.

The teams have also helped establish a core of regular patrons at the Varsity Club. Walker estimates 30 or 40 percent of the crowd comes to the restaurant often, and that figure is even larger on weekends.

"It's a very tight, friendly atmosphere here. It's like a family," he said. In fact, when the Varsity Club expanded recently, Bill Walker did the painting.

Such is the nature of darts.

"There is a team from Cohasset," Walker said, "and they all live on the same road and have known each other for years."

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Community Sports Briefs

Indoor Golf Lessons

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Scituate Recreation Department will accept registrations via phone for Adult Indoor Golf Lessons, scheduled to begin Thursday evening, Nov. 7.

Lessons are five weeks in duration, meet one hour weekly and cost $65 per person. Classes are limited to 10 individuals maximum. Registrations are accepted on a first-enrolled basis. Should you require use of golf clubs for the classes, please indicate this at the time of your registration and we will loan you clubs for the classes free of charge.

To register, please call the Cohasset Recreation Department at 383-6791. Dan Neary will be the golf pro teaching this session, which will be held at the Cushing Elementary School, off Route 3A, Scituate. Classes will be held Nov. 7, 14, 21 and Dec. 5 and 12. Class times are at 6 and 7 p.m.

Girls' Night Out

The South Shore Community Center is offering Gymnastics Girls' Night Out, for girls ages 8 to 12, Friday, Nov. 8, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. The girls will enjoy making their pizza, participating in gymnastics, obstacle courses, bowling, contest and prizes. Space is limited.

Gymnastics Session II begins Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 6 and classes run for 11 weeks. The cost is $74.25 for members and $84.25 for non-members. Monday classes start Dec. 9 and run for nine weeks. The cost is $60.75 for members, $70.25 for non-members. Gymnastics is on-going throughout the year.

There are still a few openings in the Gymnastics Session 1, Tuesday, 3:15 p.m., Beginner Girls' Class, ages 5-7; and the Wednesday, 6 p.m., Beginner/Intermediate Girls' Class, Age 9-11. Please call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 383-0088 for more information.

Parking Restrictions Enforced

Saturday, Nov. 2, the Beechwood Congregational Church will hold its annual Antique Show at the Deer Hill School. It is imperative that parents, parking for soccer games, leave the fire lane in front of Deer Hill School and the side gate area open and free of vehicles.

Ample parking exists behind Deer Hill School, with only a short walk to the field, and parents are asked to utilize that parking area.

Skating Clinic Set for Nov. 18

The Rockland Rink will hold the seventh annual clinic beginning Nov. 18. The purpose is to offer high school hockey players the opportunity to get in shape for the high school season.

There will be a total of seven sessions. The first four sessions will be held Nov. 18 to 21 and the final three sessions will be held Nov. 25 to 27.

The guest instructors will include Bob Sylvia, of Quincy High School; Jim Sylvia of Hanover High School; Barry Parker of Rockland High School and Dave Pierce of Whitman Hanson High School.

The clinic is open to all area high school players, ages 14 to 18. The cost is $100 per player. Applications may be obtained at the Rockland rink. Applications will not be accepted by phone.

For additional information, call Fred Isleib at (617) 871-0547.

Special Olympics Seeks Volunteers

The Massachusetts Special Olympics needs volunteers who can spend a few hours a month working on the management team and special events for the New Norfolk Area, which includes Avon, Braintree, Canton, Cohasset, Dedham, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Milton, Needham, Newton, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Sharon, Stoughton, Walpole, Wellesley, Westwood and Weymouth.

Management volunteers with experience in marketing, fund-raising, competition and volunteer recruitment are important in assuring that the area provides an opportunity for athletes to compete.

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Recreation Report

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Town of Cohasset. Those participants who require equipment rentals may rent at Blue Hills and the cost for the five-week rental package is $45 per person. The rental fee can be included in the check for the program fee, i.e. $145.

This is the 20th year that ski lessons at Blue Hills have been offered through the Cohasset Recreation Department.

Over the years hundreds of youngsters have had the opportunity to learn how to ski or improve their techniques.

Remember, registration date is Thursday, Nov. 14.

ELM'S MEADOW SKATING AREA

The Cohasset Recreation Commission extends their most sincere gratitude to Paul Laugelle, Anthony Sestito and Harold Litchfield for their very kind donation of machines, effort and time cutting and cleaning out growth at the Elm's Meadow skating area at Spring Street and Cushing Road.

Each year it is necessary to cut and remove the considerable vegetation growth from the meadow in order to place boards in the Spring Street dam to collect water for freezing for ice skating.

Elm's Meadow is a lighted, shallow depth skating area available for winter ice skating to all residents.

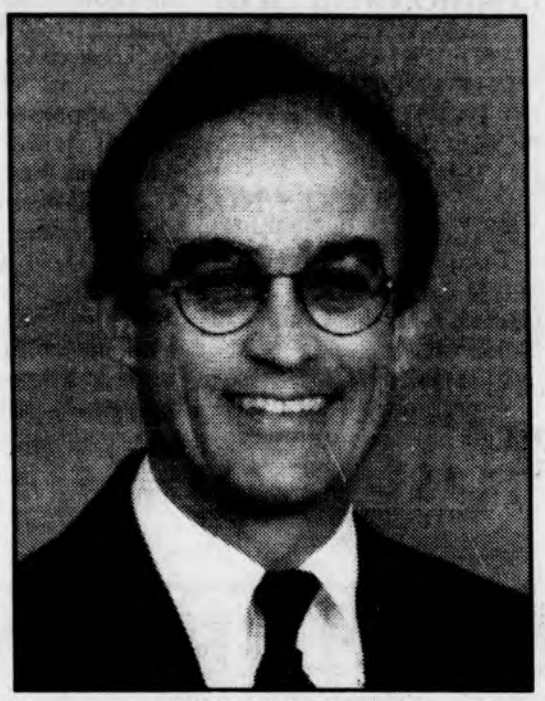
Mr. Laugelle, Mr. Sestito and Mr. Litchfield, DPW Superintendent, are thanked for their day-long efforts Saturday, Oct. 19.

Cohasset Business

Cohasset Doctors Named Officers of Cancer Care Network

Michael Anderson, MD, FACP and Paul Musto, MD, FACP, both of Cohasset, have been named treasurer and director, respectively, of Commonwealth Hematology-Oncology, P.C. the area's largest cancer care network providing comprehensive services on the South Shore. The organization is affiliated with South Shore Hospital, Quincy Hospital, Carney Hospital, Milton Hospital and New England Medical Center.

Anderson holds an MD from Yale University School of Medicine and a BA from Yale University. He served as an intern in basic medicine and as a resident in internal medicine at the U.S. Navy Hospital, San Diego, Calif. He has also served as an instructor of medicine at Harvard Medical School and as



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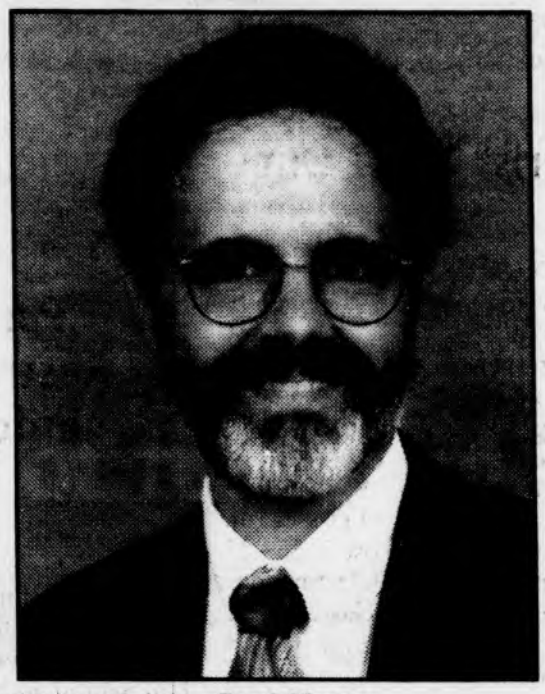

Paul Musto

head of the medical oncology division at the National Naval Medical Center. He resides in town with his wife, Sheri, and their two sons.

Musto received an MD and BS from Michigan State University and served as an intern in medicine and as a medical resident at Butterworth Hospital, Grand Rapids, Mich. He served as chief of the oncology division and chief of the department of medicine at Quincy Hospital. He has also served as chairman and medical vice president of the American Cancer Society at its Quincy-Milton unit. He resides in town with his wife, Ann, and their four children.

New Toy Manager at Buttonwood

Buttonwood Books has announced the appointment of Cathy Brace as toy manager/buyer for its stores in Cohasset and Hingham.

Brace is the former owner of Gifts by Ribbons, a specialty gift and card store in Elkhart, In., and recently served as assistant manager of Dansk in Mt. Kisco, N.Y.

Brace lives in Hingham with her husband, Duff, and their two daughters, Megan and Chelsea.

Recent Cohasset Real Estate Transactions

The following Cohasset real estate transactions have transpired recently as compiled by Banker &Tradesman.

193 Fairoaks Ln. to Christopher D. Lund for $395,000 by Michael J. Marchky.

131 Nichols Rd Unit 2 to A Herschel Kranitz for $299,000 by Walter K. Winchester.

89 Fairoaks Ln. to Joseph G. Coner for $350,000 by Helen B. Carter.

96 Forest Ave. to Paul D. McHugh for $385,000 by Thomas G. Ward .

137 North Main St. to James B. Murray or $405,000 by Williams Theresa L Est.

26 Stanton Rd. to Thomas A. Digan for $432,000 by Douglas R. Manchester.

100 Elm St. to Robert J. Deutsch for $365,000 by Sally K. Atkinson.

22 Little Harbor Rd. to Robert F. Donahue for $629,000 by Raymond J. Hanian.

262 North Main St. to Clarl H. Brewer for $120,000 by Dolan Frederick T Est.

103 Aaron River Rd. to Kevin J. Wilson for $225,000 by Dalbeck Donald B Est.

55 Cushing Rd. to Michael C. Skakel for $231,250 by Claire B. Flannery.

60 Howe Rd Unit 1 to John D. Doherty for $322,000 by James M. Shaughnessy.

736 Jerusalem Rd. to John F. Scott for $275,000 by Joseph V. Stanford.

17 South Main St. to Barbara H. Stonge for $119,000 by Harold E. Boyden Jr.

30 Bayberry Ln. to Mary M. Conneely for $150,000 by Commercial Credit Corp.

57 Howe Rd. to James M. Shaughnessy for $249,900 by Robert E. Holland.

756 Jerusalem Rd Unit 4 to Valerie J. Semensi for $170,000 by 756 Jerusalem Rd Etc.

Carbone Ln. to Iantosca Blding Co Inc for $129,900 by Joseph Carbone.

1 Red Gate Ln. to David R. Marks Jr for $153,000 by Hilda R. Bonnanno Gdn.

164 Sohier St. to Scott P. Collins for $240,000 by George T. Jones 3rd.

182 Pond St. to Diane Salvatore for $110,000 by Richard B. James Ex.

Police Report

Friday, Oct. 18

1:25 a.m., officer wanted, King St.
3:15 a.m., MV stop, King St.
7:02 a.m., MV stop, Red Fox Ln.
7:14 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:28 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:38 a.m., annoying phone calls, S. Main St.
10:45 a.m., officer wanted, King St.
12:42 p.m., medical aid, King St.
12:58 p.m., medical aid, Pleasant St.
2:57 p.m., drug, narcotic violations, Margin St.
5:00 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:10 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:53 p.m., assist citizen, Beechwood St.
6:11 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
6:41 p.m., general services, Elm St.
7:58 p.m., assist other agency, Cushing Rd.
9:08 p.m., annoying phone calls, Hammond Ave.
9:22 p.m., family disturbance, Atlantic Ave.,
10:01 p.m., annoying phone calls, Rustic Dr.
10:03 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.
11:22 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
11:32 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

Saturday, Oct. 19

8:20 a.m., protective custody, HQ.
12:58 p.m., MV violations, Cedar St.
1:14 p.m., public service, N. Main St.
4:33 p.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.
8:24 p.m., suspicious auto, Cedar St. @ Hull St.
10:11 p.m., suspicious (other), King St.
11:16 p.m., vandalism, Linden Dr.
11:50 p.m, MV stop, Elm St.

Sunday, Oct. 20

6:11 a.m., public service, Brewster Rd.
8:00 a.m., vandalism, Linden Dr.
8:23 a.m., open door/window, Pond St.
8:33 a.m., electrical fire, Red Gate Ln.
10:19 a.m., assist motorist, Tedeschi Plaza.
10:22 a.m., medical aid, Highland Ave.
11:17 a.m., escort, S. Main St.
12:35 p.m., parking violation, CJC Hwy.
1:58 p.m., electrical fire, Black Horse Ln.
6:49 p.m., MV violations, James Ln.
6:58 p.m., wires down, Jerusalem Rd.
7:00 p.m., MV violations, Atlantic Ave.
7:01 p.m., disabled auto, Jerusalem Rd.
8:01 p.m., disabled auto, Sohier St.

Monday, Oct. 31

2:46 a.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd.
5:24 a.m., assist citizen, Ripley Rd.
6:45 a.m., assist citizen, Cushing Rd.
7:13 a.m., disabled auto, Border St.
7:22 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:36 a.m., general services, Cushing Rd.
8:32 a.m., suspicious auto, Pleasant St.
12:12 p.m., assist citizen, Smith Pl.
3:08 p.m., disturbance, King St.
3:15 p.m., assist citizen, Stevens Ln.
6:31 p.m., well being check, Stanton Rd.
6:51 p.m., disturbance (family), Wheelwright Farm.
7:08 p.m., transport, Wheelwright Farm.
7:28 p.m., well being check, Sohier St.
10:08 p.m., medical aid, Wheelwright Farm.
10:37 p.m., medical aid, Hillside Dr.

Tuesday, Oct. 22

2:28 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.
6:22 a.m., fire alarm, Howard Gleason Rd.
7:19 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:35 a.m., fire alarm, Highland Ave.
9:49 a.m., fire (misc.), Ripley Rd.
10:45 a.m., investigation, King St.
12:11 p.m., warrant of apprehension, State Park Rd.
1:10 p.m., fire alarm, Howard Gleason Rd.
8:23 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

Wednesday, Oct. 23

1:06 a.m., investigation, Lamberts Lane.
1:14 a.m., animal complaint, Bedford.
7:26 a.m., medical aid, Wheelwright Farm.
9:00 a.m., arrest, Ripley Rd., Ptl. Lennon in with Guy Scarpaci, 81 Hull St., Cohasset., arrested on WMS warrant.
10:11 a.m., animal complaint, Atlantic Ave.
11:20 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
11:49 a .m., MV stop, S. Main St.
3:26 p.m., investigation, Fairoaks Ln.
5:04 p.m., medical aid, Sohier St.
6:55 p.m., runaway, Cedar St.
7:16 p.m., runaway, Sohier St.

Thursday, Oct. 24

12:39 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St.
3:06 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd.
3:20 a.m., suspicious auto, Atlantic Ave.
6:24 a.m., general services, Beechwood St.
7:13 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:19 a.m., suspicious person, Pond St.
10:49 a.m., suspicious (other), CJC Hwy.
2:00 p.m. parking violation, Elm St.
3:02 p.m., MV stop CJC Way by Mary Lou's.
3:36 p.m., well being check, King St.
4:05 p.m., medical aid, Fairoaks Ln.
5:13 p.m., suspicious (other), Elm St.
6:06 p.m., medical aid, Parkingway.
7:38 p.m., missing person, Hull.
11:23 p.m., disturbance (family), Brewster Rd.

Friday, Oct. 25

6:56 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:09 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:22 a.m., MV stop, 3A Cohasset Imports.

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No Nonsense Tolerated on Halloween

Police Chief Brian Noonan said there will be two officers on bike patrol, one on foot patrol and at least three cruisers out tonight to keep a lid on any potential Halloween problems.

Police have spoken with local stores and asked them not to sell large quantities of eggs to youngsters.

Noonan said police will not put up with any "egging" incidents which have been a problem in past years.

He stressed that parents should talk with their children and be aware of where they are going and what they are up to.

Halloween Safety Tips Offered

Police Chief Brian Noonan provided the following safety tips established by the National Confectioners Association and the Chocolate Manufacturers Association to help make Halloween a safe and enjoyable day for trick-or-treaters:

- Wear light-colored clothing that's short enough to prevent tripping, and add reflective tape;
- Make sure children can see well through face masks, or use makeup;
- Adults should accompany young children;
- Go out in daylight and carry a flashlight in case of delay;
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes familiar to the children;
- Watch for traffic;
- Only give and accept wrapped or packaged candy;
- Examine all candy before allowing children to eat it;
- Keep costumed children away from pets, who may not recognize the child and become frightened;
- Avoid hard plastic or wooden props such as daggers and swords; substitute with foam rubber, which is soft and flexible.

Route 3A Enforcement Up

Due to the increasing number of accidents at intersections along Route 3A, police are stepping up enforcement of red light violations and improper turns, Police Sgt. Robert Jackson said.

"There is a high incident rate of people going right through red lights," Jackson said. "I recommend people look both ways to ensure that everyone has stopped (before proceeding at an intersection).

"Drive defensively," he said.

Police Report

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10:33 a.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.
10:46 a.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave.
11:07 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
11:07 a.m., MV stop, Church St.
11:21 a.m., Mv stop, Church St.
11:31 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
11:50 a.m., wires down, Nichols Rd.
1:08 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
2:11 p.m, MV stop, Church St.
2:33 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
3:04 p.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.
3:21 p.m., well being check, Arrowwood Rd.
5:29 p.m., wires down, Border St.
6:36 p.m., investigation, Beechwood St.
8:39 p.m., disturbance, King St.
8:52 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
9:30 p.m., suspicious person, Forest Ave.
9:51 p.m., disturbance, King St.

Saturday, Oct. 26

8:00 a.m., vandalism,. Pond St.
11:36 a.m., investigation, Brook St.
11:40 a.m., disturbance (family), Atlantic Ave.
3:06 p.m., notification, Atlantic Ave.
3:08 p.m., by-law violation, Atlantic Ave.
3:55 p.m., investigation, Ripley Rd.
6:14 p.m., officer wanted, King St.
6:52 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
7:15 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.
11:09 p.m., MV stop, Beach St.

Sunday, Oct. 27

12:09 a.m., general services, Bancroft Way.
2:08 a.m., assist other PD, Hull St.
7:30 a.m., assist other Pd, Gannett Rd.
9:54 a.m., vandalism, Square.
10:30 a.m., disturbance, Border St.
11:07 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
12:41 p.m., medical aid, Indian Wind Dr.
2:11 p.m., medical aid, Bancroft Rd.
3:42 p.m., animal complaint, Hobart Ln.
5:30 p.m., MV stop, Mendel Rd.
10:30 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

Public Notices

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NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P2440E1

Estate of ELEANOR V. SOULE late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that ELIZABETH ANN SOULE of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on November 27, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this seventeenth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
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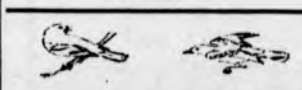

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Plans for Village Fair Underway

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THIS WEEK

Lighthouse Lens to Come Home

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

The Replica on Government Island is about to acquire another authentic piece of Minot's Ledge Lighthouse.

The Coast Guard will loan Cohasset, what is believed to be the second lens used at the 145-year-old lighthouse, but insists the town insure it.

This week selectmen authorized paying the estimated $800

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WATCHING TOWN HALL

No Decision on Village Station

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Indians Sink Skippers

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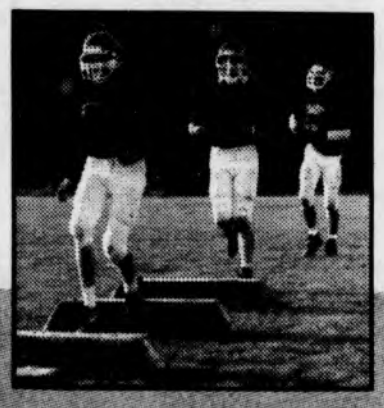

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80 Percent Head to Polls

Local Voters Support Weld for Senate

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

If Cohasset voters had their way then Bill Weld would be on his way to Washington.

The governor lost his state-wide bid to unseat incumbent Sen. John Kerry but won big in Cohasset with 2,332 votes — to Kerry's 1,700.

In fact Weld got more votes than President Bill Clinton and Vice President Al Gore who received 2,012 votes to Bob Dole's and Jack Kemp's 1,759.

Town Clerk Marion Douglas said voting was steady all day. She predicted an 87 percent turnout but Tuesday's election drew 4,292 or just over 80 percent of the town's 5,351 registered voters to the polls.

Incumbent state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, a Cohasset resident, was the biggest vote-getter in town with 3,278. Nancy Buckley of Hingham, an anti-rail activist, who launched a sticker campaign to unseat Murray, received 160 write in votes in Cohasset.

Robert Delahunt, Jr. of Weymouth lost his bid to take the Plymouth & Norfolk District state senate seat away from Sen. Robert Hedlund. Cohasset voters gave Hedlund a resounding endorsement with 2,618 votes to Delahunt's 1,445.

Democrat William Delahunt won the 10th Congressional District seat now held by retiring U.S. Congressman Gerry Studds. Cohasset voters helped him along to victory with 2,051 votes to 1,845 cast for Republican challenger Edward Teague.

Douglas said the punch-ballot voting machines worked well. There were minor problems with stickers for Nancy Buckley

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James McLean supports state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray outside the polls on Tuesday.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Turkey Hill Purchase Expands Green Belt

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

A year of work by two towns and three private conservation groups ended on a positive note last week, when Hingham and Cohasset learned they will receive almost $450,000 to purchase the 50 acres of undeveloped land at the top of Turkey Hill.

The Turkey Hill acquisition project began a year ago, when the Trustees of Reservations reached an agreement to buy the property from the heirs of Joseph Saponaro. The $810,000 price tag was estimated to be $100,000 less than the property's assessed valuation.

In April, Hingham's town meeting voted to spend $164,500 for the 30 acres of Turkey Hill on the Hingham side of the town line. Last week, Cohasset voters appropriated $125,000 for the 20 acres on its side of the town line, following through on its intention to do so, stated at its annual town meeting.

The Trustees of Reservations, the Hingham Land Conservation Trust, and the Cohasset Conservation Trust raised the balance of the purchase price, along with additional funds for "start-up costs" at the site.

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More Open Space to Come

While conservation groups in Hingham and Cohasset are celebrating the recent purchase of the 50-acre Turkey Hill property, another parcel, adjacent to it, will eventually further expand the green space that straddles the town lines of Hingham and Cohasset.

Trustees of Reservation spokesman Tom Foster confirmed this week that an additional 82 acres will be turned over to the land preservation group upon the death of the owner.

Foster said artist Polly Thayer Starr has provided in her will for the Trustees of Reservations to inherit the Weir River Farm off East Street, which will expand the green belt of the 50 acres at Turkey Hill, the 800 acres of Whitney and Thayer Woods, and Wompatuck State Park's 2,900 acres, to remain open space in perpetuity.

Mrs. Starr was born and raised in Boston, but has used the Weir River

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Cohasset's Week

Private Ways Board gets Charge

Selectmen agreed on a charge for the newly formed private ways committee this week.

The committee, whose next meeting is at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 13 at town hall, will review the inventory of non-accepted streets in town and determine the pros and cons of accepting streets as public ways.

The committee will also review the policy for maintaining and plowing streets and roads and recommend changes. It will also make a recommendation as to whether the condominium complexes, which request plowing, should be provided with this service and under what conditions. The committee will also meet with the sewer and water commissioners about installation of water and sewer mains on private ways.

The committee's first progress report is due Feb. 1.

Church Street Traffic a Concern

Martha C. Narten, 20 Church St., wrote to selectmen Oct. 29 to draw their attention to what she describes as "a dangerous situation that has arisen since the stop sign was installed on Doane Street at the intersection of Church."

She explained that drivers have figured out they can avoid the stop sign and pass slower moving vehicles heading down Doane by using Church Street.

"...if they go fast enough, they are able to beat the slower moving vehicle to the intersection and, in effect, pass them on the inside.

"Church Street, which in the past was used primarily by the residents, has turned into a mini-speedway," she wrote.

Marten said that one Sunday afternoon, she was involved in a collision while turning left into her own driveway when a driver attempted to pass her on the left.

"When I asked the other driver if he hadn't seen my directional light, he replied that he was watching the car on Doane Street."

She urged selectmen to put a stop sign on Church Street at the intersection with Doane.

Town Administrator Greg Doyon sent Mrs. Narten's letter to the police chief for his recommendations.

Salt Bid to be Awarded

Selectmen approved awarding the bid for salt to the Morton Salt Division of Morton International, which was the low bidder at $29.28 per town. Eastern Minerals, Inc., which bid $31.29 per ton will serve as back up.

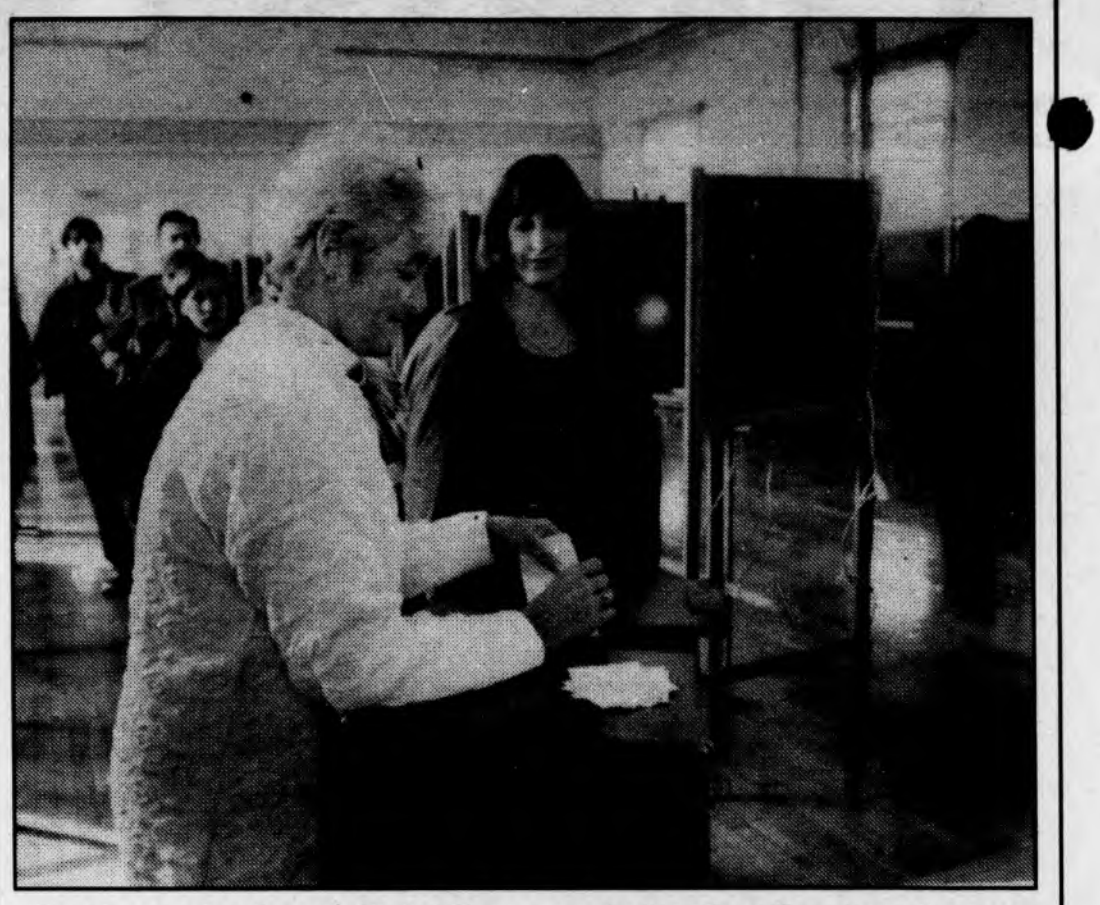
Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said the town will save more than $8 a ton over last year.

"Every year is different," he explained. "But maybe after a bad winter, there is more aggressive bidding."

Board Appointments are Made

Selectmen appointed Mary Goodwin, 196 Pond St., to the school facilities committee this week. They also appointed Barbara Dillon, 217 Jerusalem Rd., to the historical commission.

Selectmen are looking for volunteers to serve on the mosquito control committee and as an associate member of the conservation commission. Interested applicants should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.



Election worker Jeanne McAuliffe accepts ballots from long line of voters at town hall on Tuesday. The turnout was just over 80 percent.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

BOSTON TIDES

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Sat. 9	9:29	10.4	3:15	9:56	9.8	3:45
Sun. 10	10:09	10.7	3:57	10:39	10.0	4:28
Mon. 11	10:50	11.1	4:40	11:22	10.1	5:11
Tues. 12	11:32	11.3	5:23	——	——	5:55
Wed. 13	12:06	10.1	6:08	12:16	11.4	6:42
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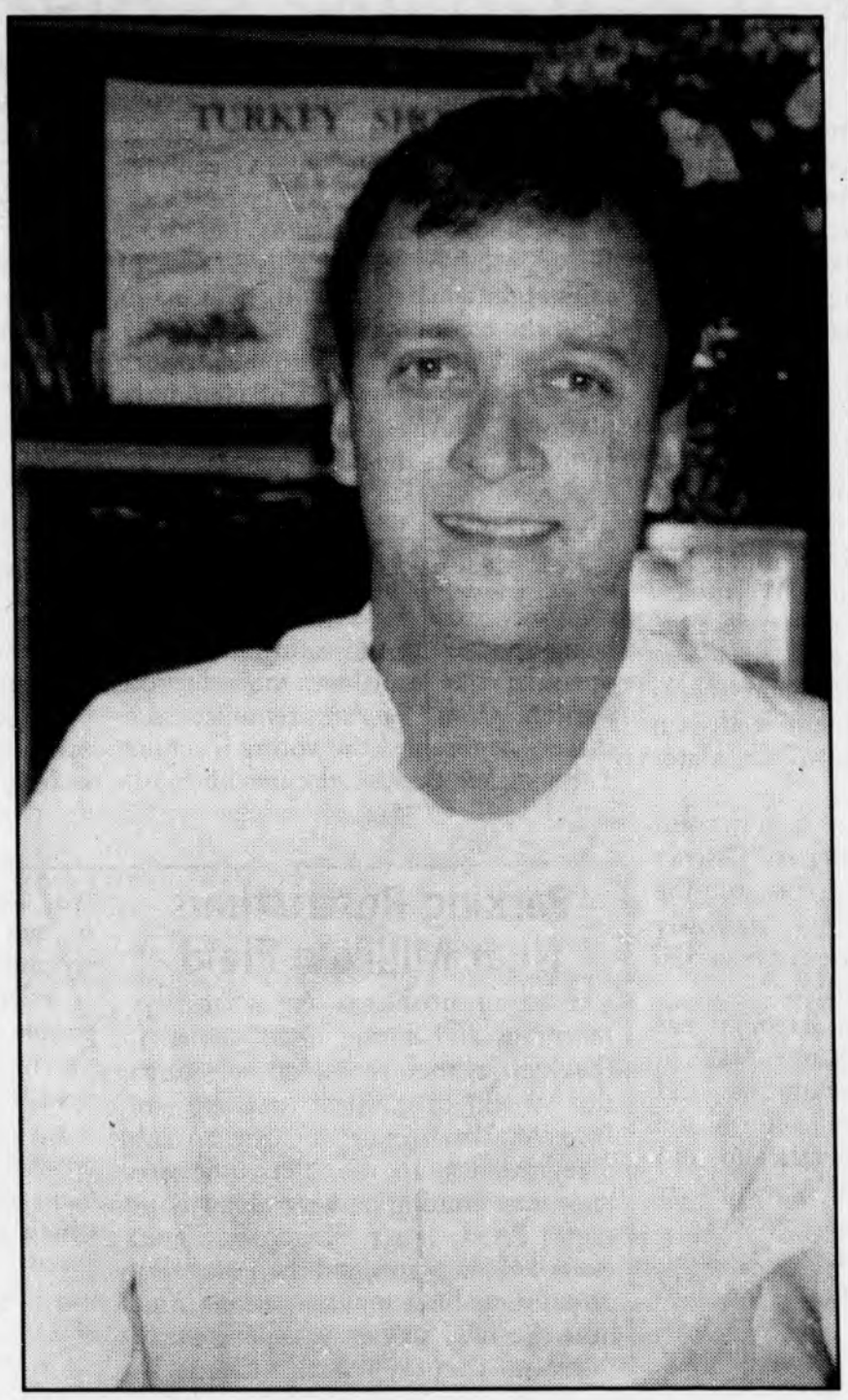

Name: Rich Piasecki

Occupation: New owner of the Log 'n Line.

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Best vacation: Marco Island, Florida.

Best day of your life: Sept. 19, 1982 — the day I met my wife.

Biggest worry: Over sleeping and not getting the muffins in the oven.

Favorite holiday: Fourth of July.

Favorite season: Autumn.

Favorite TV show: M*A*S*H.*

Favorite movie: "The Cowboys," with John Wayne.

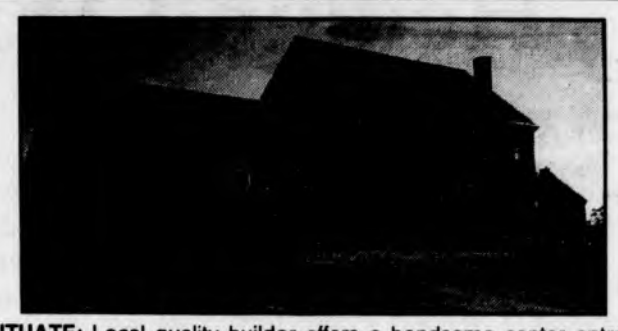
Favorite book: "The Great Shark Hunt," by Hunter S. Thompson.

Favorite junk food: Twizzlers.

Most embarrassing moment: The day I fell off the dock with all my clothes on.

Person you'd most like to meet: Elvis.

Pet peeve: People who drive slowly in the fast lane.



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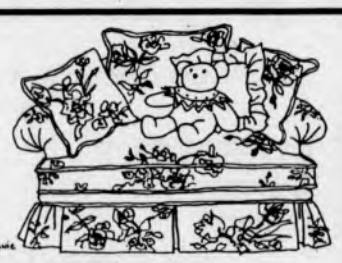

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Hedlund Wins Third Term As Senator

By Alice C. Coyle
COHASSET MARINER

Republican state Sen. Robert L. Hedlund soundly defeated Democratic challenger Robert Delahunt Jr. Tuesday night, winning a second consecutive term representing the Plymouth and Norfolk District and his third term overall.

Losing to Delahunt only in Braintree, Hedlund won by large margins in Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham and Scituate; edged out his opponent by 400 votes in Hull; and carried all but one precinct in his hometown, Weymouth. The unofficial results show Hedlund with 42,804 votes or 57 percent and Delahunt with 31,797 or 43 percent.

In a race between two Weymouth residents, Hedlund claimed the bipartisan support he received throughout the eight-town district helped him prevail despite a campaign he called difficult and negative.

"I received a great deal of bipartisan support from the people who recognized that I would never put partisan interests before the people I represent," Hedlund said. "It was nice to win in a presidential year with a big turnout, when a lot of Republicans were losing elsewhere. I am honored to have won, though I was hurt and frustrated by the process this year. This was the most frustrating campaign I have ever participated in."

Delahunt, who said he was proud of the support he received from women and younger voters, added that he was not sure whether he would run for office again.

"We had a good campaign and received a lot of support from the people on the South Shore," campaign manager Claire Hughes said of the Norfolk assistant district attorney, whose cousin, Bill Delahunt, captured the 10th District Congressional seat that evening. "You will see more of Bob Delahunt in the future."

In 1990, the 35-year old Hedlund won his first bid for the state senate district, which spans from Weymouth to Duxbury, defeating former state Rep. Robert Ambler of Weymouth.

But in 1992, Hedlund was toppled by Brian McDonald, a former Weymouth selectman, in a very close election. Tying McDonald's victory to president-elect Bill Clinton's, Hedlund maintained that his opponent rode on Democratic coattails into the statehouse.

Hedlund, who served as deputy commissioner for the Massachusetts District Commission in between terms, won the senate seat back in 1994, narrowly defeating McDonald by fewer than 500 votes in an election re-match.

In his most recent term, Hedlund has emphasized his "bipartisan appeal" in working with Democratic and Republican legislators to reform the state's tough Title V regulations and bring financial relief to homeowners facing costly septic system upgrades.

On other regional issues, Hedlund, who opposes restoration of the Old Colony's Greenbush line, has strived to expand and bring more state funding for commuter boat services.

In the term ahead Hedlund said he will continue to work to improve regional transportation while helping communities grapple with Greenbush rail restoration.

"We'll see what shakes out with Greenbush," he said. "There's a lot of mitigation work that has to be done in all of the communities."

Campaign finance reform continues to be another major part of Hedlund's platform. An abortion opponent, Hedlund favors the death penalty.

Hedlund said he intends to continue his support for campaign reform, changes in educational funding formulas for charter schools, and reforms to Title V septic system regulations.

The Plymouth and Norfolk District comprises the towns of Cohasset, Duxbury, Hingham, Hull, Marshfield, Scituate, Weymouth and Braintree precincts 6, 7 and 9.

Staff reporters Steve Adams and Jason Bouffard contributed to this report.

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being attached to the voting machines, she said. She explained that election warden Dom Baccari removed the stickers or disabled the voting machine if the sticker defaced the machine. All votes were counted by about 10 p.m. For complete results see page 12.

Police Sgt. Robert Jackson, who was on duty at the polls, said voters were orderly and patient all day.

Parking Restrictions Near Milliken Field

Parking problems on Saturday mornings and during night games at the high school prompted selectmen this week to restrict parking on Bancroft Way to one side of the road. They will also ask the safety officer to look into limiting parking along Bancroft Road (after Bancroft Lane) toward Pond Street and the possibility of painting lines on the parking area near the field so cars will park closer together. They will check with neighbors about the "striping" of the parking to see if they object on aesthetic grounds.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said people should be encouraged to park in the high school lot and walk to the field. But Selectman Michael Sullivan said children's soccer schedules are just too hectic. He said many parents run from one child's game to another's which is on a different field. Asking parents to park and walk would be fruitless. "It will never happen," he said.

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Murray Repels Challenge from Anti-rail Activist

By Alice C. Coyle
THE COHASSET MARINER

While Nancy Buckley's last-minute election bid fell short this week, she says her days of politicking are far from over.

"I feel the whole campaign was fantastic and I appreciated so much, all of the support I was given,"Buckley said. "I have to very seriously consider running in the future because people were so good to me."

A Hingham resident, a life-long Democrat and founder of the Coastal Coalition, a group opposing restoration of the Greenbush rail line, Buckley launched a sticker/write-in campaign in mid-October challenging long-time Republican state Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray. Buckley had done the same thing the night before September's primary to secure a place on the November election ballot but earned less than half of the 150 votes needed from voters in Hingham, Hull and Cohasset to do so.

Three weeks more campaigning for this election meant Buckley fared better at the polls on Tuesday, but not nearly well enough to unseat Murray.

Buckley earned 1,103 votes in Hingham, 138 in Hull and 160 in Cohasset for a total of 1,401. Murray racked up 8,136 votes in Hingham, 3,797 in Hull and 3,278 in Cohasset for a total of 15,211. Overall, 92 percent of the voters in the district chose Murray.

"I'm very pleased and very grateful to the people who came out and gave me their vote," Murray said.. "I appreciate the fact that my people know what I've been doing for the district."

Despite the loss, Buckley said running was a great experience and she hopes it has inspired others to get involved in politics.

Best known for her strong opposition to the Greenbush rail restoration project - an issue on which she and Murray see eye to eye — Buckley spoke out on several other issues during the campaign proving she does not have a one track mind. Buckley pointed to the differences between she and her opponent including their positions on the death penalty — Murray is in favor of it, Buckley opposes it; on assault weapons — Murray voted not to ban them, Buckley said she would, and on education reform — Murray voted against it, but Buckley said she supports the changes.

"I was amazed at the support and the reception I had from people when they learned my positions on issues other than the train," she said.

And while she may enter the political fray again, Buckley said she will never go the sticker/write-in route again.

Buckley called the election itself "an absolute logistics nightmare" and said various 'snafus' in the polling place likely cost her votes.

"I don't think the numbers reflect the support and the true voter intent," Buckley said.

In her home town of Hingham, Buckley said just three hours into the campaign she was asked to encourage her supporters to write in her name and to stop handing out stickers for voters to affix to their ballots because they were jamming the machines.

"Write ins always work better than stickers, due to the sensitivity of the optical scanner voting machines," said Assistant Town Clerk Lynn Baxter.

Despite the problems early in the day, Baxter said all of the ballots were counted correctly and the vote was not affected.

In Cohasset, where punch card ballots are used, Buckley said some voters put her stickers on top of Murray's name and by punching it registering votes for her opponent. But Cohasset Town Clerk Marion Douglas said the stickers were a minor problem and did not affect the vote count at all.

In Hull, which also uses punch card ballots, Buckley claimed voters were not provided with pencils in the voting booth to write in her name. After several voters leaving the polls told Buckley they would have voted for her but did not have a pencil in the booth, Buckley said she met with town clerk Janet Bennett to correct the situation. According to Buckley, Bennett said pencils were available to voters if they asked for them. After a phone call to the Secretary of State, Buckley said pencils were placed in each voting booth at 1:30.

"I lost six hours in the election in a town that returns the highest democratic vote in the state," said a frustrated Buckley.

But Bennett noted that not only were pencils available to the voters, but election crews cleaning up at the polls collected more than 150 Buckley stickers with the backing still on, indicating that some voters took the stickers into the booth but did not choose to vote for Buckley. Ballots on which stickers appeared, but Murray's name was punched were counted as blanks. The same applied when a voter affixed Buckley's sticker to the ballot envelope but punched Murray's name. Again, Bennett said she does not think the vote was affected.

Polling problems aside, Buckley said the spirit of the day itself was terrific.

"It was very exciting and I'm glad I did it," she said.

Taken aback by her last minute opposition, Murray said she took Buckley's challenge very seriously.

"I was concerned. You have to be concern when you have an opponent," said Murray, who had not faced opposition since 1988 when former Hull selectman John Silver launched a campaign challenge.

But even when she runs unopposed, Murray said she is amazed and humbled by the percentage of voters who come out and support her.

Making no predictions on whether or not she will run in 1998, Murray said one thing is clear —she loves her job.

"I thought I wasn't going to run four years ago. I thought I wasn't going to run two years ago. But I enjoy this. Helping my constituents is very important and very gratifying," she said.

New Intermittent Officer Possible

Pending approval from Hull, officer Christy Tarantino could be the town's new permanent intermittent police officer. Tarantino is an intermittent police officer in Hull and would need a lateral transfer to take the Cohasset position.

Police Chief Brian Noonan told selectmen Monday that an intermittent officer only works when there is an "allowable opening" such as filling in during situations such as vacations or academy attendance.

Noonan said Tarantino served as a seasonal police officer this summer and is "an excellent employee."

Selectman Peter Pratt praised Tarantino.

"Anytime I've asked his opinion, he has had a good pulse on youth problems. He'd be an asset to the force," Pratt said.

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Included in those costs is razing a derelict barn that was once used for the Saponaro riding stable, and site clean-up at a former Nike missile installation.

Noting the importance of "maintaining a presence in a rather isolated spot," Tom Foster, spokesman for the Trustees, said the Turkey Hill farmhouse will be rehabilitated to provide a caretaker's residence.

Ultimately, if sufficient funds are raised, an observation platform could be built at the top of the hill.

"There's a great view [from the top of the hill]," he said. "But 20 feet up, it's a spectacular view."

Turkey Hill is one of the last coastal drumlins—a hill created by receding glaciers—on the South Shore. If offers a commanding view of the Boston skyline, the Worlds End reservation, and the Boston Harbor Islands. In an historical context, local residents gathered on the hill to watch a naval battle that took place off the coast of Scituate during the War of 1812.

Turkey Hill will expand the existing "green belt" that now includes the 800-acre Whitney and Thayer Woods and 2,900-acre Wompatuck State Park, and eventually the Weir River Farm's 82 acres which will be given to the Trustees of Reservations. *[see related story.]*

The towns will own the property, and the Trustees will manage it.

Once it is conveyed, Foster said a committee will be formed, with representatives of the two towns, the private conservation trusts, and the Trustees of Reservations, to oversee the property.

State Secretary of Environmental Affairs Trudy Coxe visited Turkey Hill in person last Thursday, to announce the grant awards.

Hingham and Cohasset were two of 80 communities that applied for a share of the $8 million pot. In all, the 80 communities submitted requests totalling $22 million.

"The demand for limited grant dollars was immense this year," Coxe said. "We wish we could fund them all. Protecting open space and making our park system second to none are top goals both an Environmental Affairs and for the Weld/Cellucci administration."

Officials in Cohasset and Hingham used words like "thrilled" and "overjoyed" to describe their feelings when notified that the towns were awarded the grant.

They also heaped praise on each other, noting the cooperation that existed with two towns and three private groups working in unison towards one goal. Although the awards were not announced until Thursday, Coxe's visit to Hingham provided a tantalizing hint.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown accepts the state grant to help pay for Turkey Hill last Thursday. Joining Brown for the ceremony at Turkey Hill are state Secretary of Environmental Affairs Trudy Coxe, Tom Foster of the Trustees of Reservations, and state Sen. Robert Hedlund.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

"This partnership has been incredible," said Katherine Morrison president of the Hingham Land Conservation Trust. "There were several entities involved, but everyone was working towards one goal. This kind of partnership is the way to go."

Morrison said the Hingham group received 300 donations of varying amounts; Cohasset Conservation Trust raised $50,000, which was noteworthy for a smaller town, said Jack Hubbard of the Cohasset Conservation Trust.

Hubbard noted he was surprised by the unanimous vote at the special town meeting, to raise Cohasset's $125,000 share of the purchase price.

He noted that voters in that town have faced "money issues" for schools and sewers, which are projects that need regular repair and maintenance.

"But this is land, land, land," he said. "Once you've got it, it's there, and people know what fun and how valuable it is to have these resources."

Hubbard credited the Trustees of Reservations, which had the staff and the expertise to "take care of the details" which would have been difficult for volunteers in a small town.

"They're a well-respected group. They'll do a great job [managing the property]."

Cohasset faced the task of developing an open space plan, which was a requirement of the grant application.

Susan Cope, a member of the town's conservation commission and chairman of the open space committee, said the town's consultants were able to complete the project in a short amount of time and with a limited amount of money.

"This is the most fulfilling, rewarding, project I've ever worked on," she said.

She also noted that she saw a "ground swell of support" throughout Cohasset for the purchase of Turkey Hill. People who are usually very conservative in their views towards spending tax money embraced this project.

But without the state grant the project could not have gone through, she added. After a year of work, the grant ultimately turned on luck, when two other towns in contention for the funds dropped out, having found other sources for funds.

Morrison said no one realized until the last few days that the chances of the award to Cohasset and Hingham was "shaky."

"We never considered that we'd be turned down," she said.

Cope noted that she doubts that private donations could have been raised to make up the difference without the state grant, and it is unlikely the seller would have waited longer while more donations were solicited.

Morrison also said that wild turkeys have returned to Turkey Hill. A family of turkeys was recently spotted there, as if they know they can stay.

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Farm as a seasonal residence for many years.

Her works are included in the permanent collections at several museums in New England and the northeast, including the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston; The Fogg Art Museum; the Boston Athenaeum, Harvard University, Brown University, and Williams College.

Mrs. Starr's works are being exhibited through Nov. 23 at the Copley Society of Boston's gallery at 158 Newbury Street.

According to information supplied by the Copley Society, the drawings, which have never been shown before, "span seven decades, illustrating her talent as a leading portrait artist, her deft hand with nature in landscapes and flowers, and her facility in rendering streetscenes and roofscapes."

Weir River Farm will remain privately owned by Mrs. Starr and is not open to the public at this time, Foster explained. Through a 20-year arrangement with her, the Trustees are able to store some equipment there, and manage the property for her.

"That's why Turkey Hill is so important," Foster said. "It's the last piece of the puzzle."

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Lighthouse

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insurance premium on the Fresnel lens, valued at $175,000.

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said the insurance cost can be absorbed this year and will be put in the budget for future years.

The Cohasset Historical Commission, a town board, has spearheaded the effort to construct the Replica on Government Island and lobbied the Coast Guard for a used lens.

After contacting the Coast Guard, historical commission member Hamilton Tewksbury was referred to Gail Fuller, who said one of the lenses from Minot's Light was available.

In August 1995, Tewksbury first raised the issue to selectmen, who at that time approved the loan agreement with the Coast Guard under the condition that the value of the lens be placed at $1.

Tewksbury told selectmen this week that after letters and phone calls over the past year to persuade the Coast Guard otherwise "the hitch is they want it insured."

This week, selectmen changed their tune.

"We tried everything. If we want it, we're going to have to bite the bullet and pay each year," said Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown.

Tewksbury and his fellow historical commission member Noel Ripley explained that the 4 ft. 8 ins. tall lens,, which has a diameter of 39 ins. and weighs 1,000 pounds, is about 3/5 complete. They said the missing sections can be filled in with aluminum or fabricated metal braces.

"The display which will be partially open due to the missing pieces will be a definite benefit to the individuals viewing the lens since they'll be able to see inside the lens..." Tewksbury wrote in a memo to selectmen.

In answering Selectman Nan Roth's concerns about vandalism, Ripley said there has not been a problem with vandalism in the five years the Replica has been on Government Island.

Ripley said the lens would cost $1 million if made today.

At one time Fresnel lenses, named after the French physicist A.J. Fresnel, were used in every lighthouse in the country.

Plans are to extend electrical service to the Replica so the light can be turned on. Ripley said a small light would be used which would not be offensive to Government Island neighbors.

The Minot's lens was found on a Coast Guard ship in New Bedford and is now stored in several boxes in Forestville, Maryland.

Tewksbury said the lens should arrive in about two weeks. He said the policy of the Coast Guard is to loan items and not give them away. He noted the granite blocks, used to construct the Replica, are still the property of the Coast Guard.

Selectmen Want Traffic Study Before Ruling Out Village Station

A majority of selectmen say they are not ready to vote on whether the train station should be in the village or out on Route 3A. They say they need a traffic study irregardless of where the station goes.

Selectmen Michael Sullivan, Nan Roth and Ronnie McMorris all say they want to wait for more information. Selectmen Peter Pratt and Merle Brown said the board must decide soon.

Despite the results of the straw poll, which favorted the Route 3A site, last week at town meeting, selectmen haven't abandoned the village station. They also want to know how much it will cost to do a traffic study before they authorize one.

Roth asked residents to call her and let her know how they feel about the station sites.

Pratt said he didn't want to impose a station site on the town that is unpopular. And Sullivan said the decision "is too important to be made in a vacuum."

The MBTA says it needs a decision by Dec. 1 and selectmen may ask for an extension of that deadline.

Police get Federal Grant

Selectmen accepted a $27,750 federal grant on behalf of the police department this week. The money will go to upgrade the department's computer system which can do photo imaging. It will also help with compiling data on crime scenes, serious accidents and all bookings among other benefits, Police Chief Brian Noonan said.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

Marks and Leonards are Welcomed to Red Gate Lane

We are very lucky people on Red Gate Lane. We recently had two wonderful families move into the neighborhood! The **Marks** and **Leonards** are such a pleasant addition that **Mimi (Chatterton)** decided to give a tea in their honor and invite all the residents on the lane to attend. Well, let me tell you, it was a great way to have a chat and to get to know everyone better!

Mimi served dainty little tea sandwiches and platters of yummies. The whole thing was really a delight! As, may I add, were our two newest ladies. Hopefully I've given you a nice idea for new neighbors and/or all the dreary weather we have in store!

Oh, yes — a huge welcome to **Kathy Marks** and **Sharon Leonard!**

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Happy birthday greetings to go **Emily Coburn,** who turned three-years-old recently. Emily is **Ann** and **Roger's** granddaughter, **Tommy's** sister and **Jeannine** and **Tom's** daughter (Jeannine is Roger and Ann's daughter). Got all of that? She is also Mimi's great-granddaughter.

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Boy, does everybody miss **Carousel Antiques,** which has been closed since the flooding that took place during the recent heavy rainstorm. If only there was something we could do to help, Mandy and Tom, you know we'd all be there. At least take some small comfort in the fact that we all miss you and care.

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Speaking of antiques, **Beechwood Congregational Church** held their annual antique show at **Deer Hill School** last weekend and it was really nice. All of the dealers were helpful and knowledgeable. Tons of oldies but goodies were there, and a grant time was had by all!

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We give a standing ovation to **Craigie Zildjian,** who was appointed to the board of trustees of Berklee College of Music in Boston. Ms. Zildjian certainly knows lots about music. She is the general manager of the Avedis Zildjian Company, as well as vice chairman of the board of the company, which is a leader worldwide in the manufacture of percussion instruments. Ms. Zildjian's name is a big part of the business and musical world! Congratulations!

Four-year-old Gerard Mattaliano tries the doughnut eating contest at the Halloween Fair on the Common sponsored by the South Shore Community Center Nursery School last week.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

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As the cold weather sets in for the winter, it is time to thank all the fall teams for their efforts this fall. Everyone loved seeing them under the lights of the **Alumni Field,** and every team got a chance to play under them.

All that is left now is football. The others have completed their seasons. Although no winning records can be recorded, each and every player is a winner in our books — be proud of yourselves and pat yourself on the back for all your hard work. Then go and see the football team for their last few games, and cheer like mad for them!

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The **CHS Class of 1962** is planning their 35th reunion, and **Andrea (Murphy) Powning** was in town last week, list in hand (the list came from **Mary Jane Cotton** in New Mexico), trying to locate several fellow classmates.

Here are a few of the names. Hopefully someone can help us locate them: **Gail Carmody, Kathy Donovan, Mary Elizabeth Donovan, Ellen Galvin, Steve Gregg, Tim Porta** and **Nick Savage.** Those are some of the names — we do have more, but we're working on them! The tentative plan is for the July 4th weekend. Plans are many, but none are really firmed up yet.

If you know the whereabouts of any of these class members, or know someone who does, could you please give me a call at 383-0560?

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I've been asked to remind you that you don't have to spend lots of your precious time baking pies for Thanksgiving this year. The **Appalachia Service Project** will do the baking for you! ASP volunteers will bake apple, pecan and pumpkin pies, as well as date and cranberry nut breads. The price is $5 for a loaf of delicious bread, $8 for apple and pumpkin pies and $9 for pecan. Nov. 20 is the order deadline, and order forms may be found in local churches or by calling Second Congregational Church at 383-0345.

We ordered the pies and breads last year and they were yummy! And so pretty to look at! Such a worthy cause!

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That's the news for this week. Hopefully now that the weather is colder there will be more time to be indoors, thus more time for you to give me a call with all your latest news!

— Sallyann
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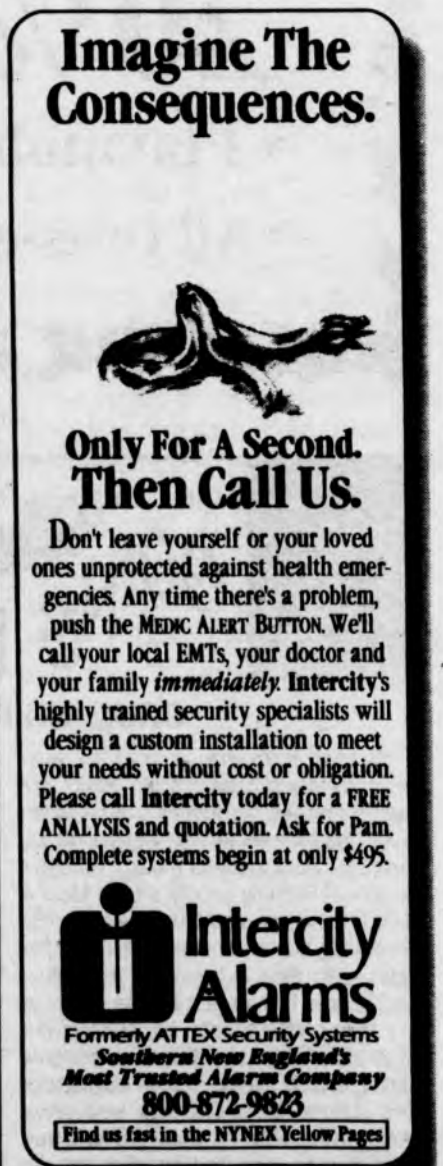

Weddings

Flaherty/Bowen

Mr. and Mrs. Scott F. Flaherty

Courtney Kathleen Bowen and Scott Francis Flaherty were married at Memorial Chapel, University of Maryland, in College Park, Maryland. She is the daughter of Mrs. Eileen Stone of Myersville, Maryland and the late Mr. Michael Bowen. Mrs. Flaherty is employed as property manager for Avalon Properties in Rockville, Maryland. The bridegroom is the son of William and Maureen Flaherty of Cohasset. He is a C.P.A. with the firm of Rubino and McGeehan in Bethesda, Maryland. Both the bride and groom graduated from Syracuse University. The couple will live in Germantown, Maryland, following a trip to Saint Lucia.

Bailey/Manchester

Sarah Gardner Manchester, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Manchester of Cohasset and Davidson, N.C., was married to Dr. Earle Duff Bailey, son of Mrs. Edward Clark Bailey of North Olmsted, Ohio, and the late Mr. Bailey. The Rev. Bruce Jenneker, an Episcopal minister, officiated at Trinity Church in Boston.

The bride graduated from Milton Academy and Dartmouth College and received a degree of doctor of law from Cornell Law School. She is an associate in corporate law at Ropes and Gray, Boston.

Her father is chief executive officer of Kewaunee Scientific Corporation, a manufacturer of equipment for scientific laboratories. Her mother is a gallery instructor in the education department of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston.

Dr. Bailey, who is known as Duff, graduated from University of Michigan and University of Michigan Medical School. He is a psychiatrist at Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, and has a private practice.

Social Service League Offers Help

Cohasset Social Service League, founded in 1912, wishes to remind residents and newcomers to town of the services it provides. Counseling and support groups are led by professional social worker Patricia Carleton, LICSW, whose confidential service include individual, family, geriatric, marital, teen and grief counseling, advocacy and referrals. Office and home visits are available.

Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver hot, nutritionally balanced meals provided by South Shore Elder Services at a reasonable price to qualified residents five days a week.

Nursing services are provided by Public Health Nurse Judy Fitzsimmons, RN, under the direction of Cohasset Board of Health. Services include lead screening, blood pressure monitoring, home visits, immunization clinics for flu and pneumonia, cancer screening clinics; and consultations on general health, diet and medication.

"Keep Well" clinics are held each month at Harborview senior housing on the first Friday of the month, from 10 a.m. to noon.

There is a senior luncheon on the second Tuesday at the Senior Center from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Walk-in nursing hours at SSL offices, 16 Highland Ave. (at St. Stephen's Church) are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.

Cohasset Consignment Shop at Shaw's Plaza is operated solely to benefit the SSL. New volunteer workers and consignors are welcome. Call 383-0687 for details.

The Social Service League also compiles a list of emergency telephone numbers, which may be found on page 157 of the Rotary Club Cohasset phone directory. For more information about the League and its services or to volunteer, call the SSL office at 383-0771 or 383-0821.

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

Appalling

In our book, this Halloween will go down as one of the most appalling in memory.

Cohasset police officers, who were out on patrol trying to do their jobs that night, were the target of hordes of local teenagers armed with dozens of eggs.

Chief Brian Noonan said more than $100 in police equipment was ruined.

The two officers on bicycle patrol got the worst of it. As they tried to control one group of masked, costume-glad youths – another herd would attack from a different direction.

The Chief said there were upwards of 100 teenagers from Cohasset Jr./Sr. High and area private schools in the Village. They roamed in packs of 20 to 30.

Early last week, police contacted local grocery and convenience store managers and asked them not to sell large quantities of eggs to youths. The stores tried to comply, but if the crafty teenagers were unsuccessful in Cohasset — they either went out of town or bought the eggs on the "black market" for $5 a dozen.

The Chief, who described the incident as "discouraging," said the situation was so out of control that arrests were impossible.

"What upset me so much is the lack of respect for the police officers," Chief Noonan said.

He showed the Mariner a photograph of bicycle patrol Officer Christy Tarantino, who had been pelted repeatedly and was covered from head to toe with broken eggs. Officer Rick Yocum, on bike patrol, was also attacked as were the three cruisers.

The Chief said the officers' nylon belts and pants were ruined and their weapons had to be stripped down and oiled.

Chief Noonan put on extra patrols both on bikes and in cruisers that night to make sure that property was protected, especially in Cohasset Village where there have been problems in the past.

He said police were successful in protecting the businesses, which took a beating last year.

At Monday's board meeting, while selectmen praised police for their efforts to protect property at Monday's board meeting — it's too bad they didn't express outrage over the "eggings."

We hope that someone out there in Cohasset is as bothered about this incident as the police are.

It is apparent to us that the teens involved have no regard for authority figures. It is also clear that their parents either don't know or don't care what their children are up to.

What happened here goes much deeper than Halloween pranks. And no simply apology will make up for the damage done.

"This is not a joke, it is not something we'll put up with," the chief said.

"It is a parental problem. Parents have to understand they must take responsibility for their kids and the things they do — whether they want to take responsibility or not."

So we ask you — did you know where your kids were on Halloween?

If they took part in the egg raid — then it's time you sat down with them and went over the basics. We suggest you start with the difference between right and wrong.

— Mary Ford
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Parents, Children Need to Discuss AIDS

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Mariner article entitled "Student Survey Concerns Parents, Educators" (June 20) is the basis for this letter. The data in that article dealt with percentages of students involved with alcohol, marijuana, thoughts of suicide, carrying of weapons and sexual intercourse.

The first four of these problems can probably be helped through reasoning, medical treatment, legal constraints, and supportive counseling. Sexual intercourse, however, especially when engaged in without protection, can have much more serious consequences. In those instances where the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) has been transmitted, the future is most uncertain, since there is as yet no known cure for Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS), and no preventive vaccine seems to be forthcoming in this century.

A recent one-page advertisement in the N.Y. Times Magazine (6/2/96) by the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation states in part, "Parents say what they want most is help talking with their children about AIDS prevention." It is this very point which I believe will be most effective in helping to avoid the tragedy of HIV infection. Young people, whether in grades 7 through 12 or slightly older, may not tolerate being "lectured to" about the dangers of AIDS, but they might be willing to discuss with their parents, relatives, or friends, basic biological information about HIV as it relates to AIDS.

The HIV-AIDS story is going to be with us for a long time. Remarkable advances in this field are currently being made on all fronts of knowledge concerning the viral agent, treatment, etc. It is both a story of great human experience and scientific accomplishments. Parents, regardless of their scientific background, who are informed about the "basics" are better prepared to gain the respect and attention of their children. Such information can be presented in a manner which permits understanding with a modicum of technical scientific terms. Our leading newspapers, magazines, and TV programs manage to do this quite regularly. Understanding some of the fundamental scientific facts would permit parents and grandparents not only to talk with young people about the HIV-AIDS situation, but also to follow the advances in this field as reported in the media.

Charles Gainor
168 Sohier Street

Thanks for Halloween Fair Support

To the Editor:

For nearly 20 years the Halloween Fair on the Common has been both a fall tradition and the major fund raising effort for the South Shore Community Center Nursery School. Since becoming the school's director I've delighted each year in seeing the children in their costumes parade around the Common behind our favorite friendly witch, and enjoyed watching their delight as they mastered the various games.

Each year's fair requires a small army of parents and nursery school supporters to plan and staff. And each year the fair has grown bigger, better and more successful. This year's fair has been our most successful one yet and I was overwhelmed by the support and generosity of this area's businesses, parents and students. Many, many thanks are due to Quickava, Kinnealey Meats, The Silver Spoon and The Village Greenery for their generous donations. Equally, I owe much to area residents who shared or donated materials for the various activities and to Cohasset's Osgood, Deer Hill and Junior and Senior High students who helped staff the fair.

And finally, thanks to our nursery school parent volunteers for their time and tireless energy on behalf of the school and to all the families who each year make the Halloween Fair on the Common a part of their Halloween celebration. The funds we raise annually do much to help in the raising our village's children.

Lynne Sheridan
Director, South Shore Community Center
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Reader Survey question for Nov. 7, 1996

A large mob of unruly youths pelted Cohasset Police bicycle patrol officers and cruisers with eggs in the village on Halloween.

How serious do you believe this behavior is?

Press 1 It's no big deal. It was just a Halloween prank. The Chief of Police is over-reacting.

Press 2 This is indicative of a large problem showing the breakdown of respect for authority and lack of parental discipline and supervision.

Press 3 While this was a Halloween prank, it could have gotten out of hand, resulting in vandalism and injuries. This behavior should not be taken lightly.

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday Nov. 12.

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

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Results of Reader Survey question for October 31, 1996

Cohasset High School peer counselors, who are juniors and seniors, disposed of marijuana that several 9th-graders brought to a school-sponsored camp last month. They did not immediately tell the teachers and will not reveal the names of the freshmen involved.

Did the peer counselors do the right thing?

Yes	26
No	17

Your comments:

I'm a parent in Cohasset school system. I feel that this is not an issue of trust as the ninth graders did not confide in the peer counselors. They were caught red-handed by the peer counselors, and so they had the obligation of telling on the kids. It's a matter of honor to tell on the kids. It should not be a code of silence. They were caught in the act of doing something illegal. They were not confided to.

I believe the peer counselors were given the impression of being supervisors or chaperones on the trip and parents have that expectation of them. However, given the fact that they're not doing that, but are friends of the ninth graders in question, I think the next time we will not count on the peer counselors or chaperones, but simply other kids on the trip.

I'm a parent of one of the peer counselors and we've had a lot of discussion about this issue. There are some things they could've done differently, and they now know this. But there are two points I want to make.

They were never trained for anything like this, and they should not be expected to be policing the ninth graders, and there should have enough adults along to do this for them. They were there to be counselors which is very different.

At this point, after many discussions with the schools, not one administrator has suggested what they should have done differently. I think that's very interesting. These same students in meetings have asked 'what should we have done,' there has been no answer.

Nor has anyone asked them who the students were. Statements are made over and over again that they won't tell. I think they said that at one point in time but no one has ever asked again.

I think the peer counselors did the right thing.

The whole field trip was about trust and I think the peer counselors did the right thing because kept the trust and they stuck with their promise.

It seems to me that the peer counselors need to be better trained. There should be over-riding situations where they need to report to adults. Trust is an important thing, but when there are over-riding health or physical issues that are dangerous, those need to be reported. I think drugs and alcohol are in that category. I think drugs and alcohol should be dealt with by adults not by other teenagers. Those rules should be clearly set out for the peer counselors and the other kids.

I also heard a rumor that they're canceling future trips because of this incident. I think that's throwing the baby out with the bathwater. The whole class shouldn't be punished for this and kids need to have opportunities to deal with these environments. You don't just restrict their access to field trips. You try to do it better next time. If they are canceling the trip, I think that's a terrible mistake.

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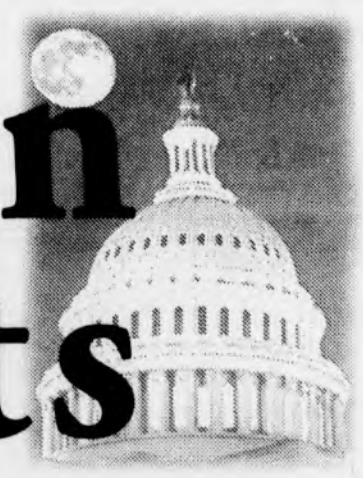
'96 Election Results



TOWN	President / Vice President: Clinton/ Gore	Dole/ Kemp	Perot/ Choate	Senator In Congress: Kerry (D)	Weld (R)
Abington	3655	2068	726	2940	3265
Braintree	9721	5401	1479	8310	7710
Canton	5743	3600	798	4836	4938
Cohasset	2012	1759	315	1700	2332
Duxbury	3583	3629	590	3066	4674
Hanover	3253	2415	572	2675	3449
Hingham	5522	4690	714	4880	5795
Holbrook	2951	1372	532	2452	2242
Kingston	2631	1673	497	2222	2456
Marshfield	6214	3890	1184	5242	5824
Norwell	2520	2224	430	2046	3065
Pembroke	4121	2267	836	3377	3659
Randolph	8640	2592	917	7550	4414
Rockland	4244	2112	840	3539	3336
Scituate	5134	3692	781	4536	4905
Stoughton	7828	3410	1048	6594	5515
Weymouth	13532	6902	2181	12223	10430
TOTALS *(✔ Denotes Winner)*	✔ **91304**	**53696**	**14440**	**78188**	**78009**

Survey

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Turning the kids in hasn't gotten us anywhere. It's time to take a new approach. The counselors did what they thought was in the best interest of the children involved. I do think that has a better impact on them than on turning them in.

I think the peer counselors are to be commended for their very understanding way of handling this situation. I'm very proud of them.

The students who are the peer counselors have to build the trust of the younger ones, which is what is going to make the peer counselors effective. They're almost right up there on privacy issues with social workers. This might be too much responsibility to put on a teenager, but a younger teen will listen to an older teen much sooner than they will listen to an adult. Whoever doesn't believe that is seriously deluded.

The only ones who bonded on the trip were the ninth grade pot-heads and the peer counselors. Good work, Cohasset High School.

I think the peer counselors did the right thing because the entire trip was based on trust and if the peer counselors had told the teachers they would've broken that trust and been complete hypocrites.

I think this whole thing is a bunch of crap, and it makes no sense because there's one person who brought the marijuana on the trip. It was only one person, and now it's bringing down our whole grade.

I think they did the right thing.

I think this is ridiculous because people are saying there were "several" kids, but it was only one kid, and it's bringing down the whole freshmen class.

I find it difficult to believe that the adults who trained the peer counselors did not even mention that the taking, selling, or distributing drugs is a criminal offense. If that's their excuse, there are the media. Do these peer counselors live in an information vacuum? Breaking the law and getting away with concerning an illegal substance today, tomorrow what law will be broken?

'96 10th Congressional District Results

TOWN	Representative In Congress		
	Delahunt (D)	Teague (R)	Laws (GP)
Abington	3568	2647	NA
Avon	1444	760	NA
Cohasset	2051	1845	130
Duxbury	3454	4006	223
Hanover	3227	2711	160
Hingham	5349	5080	296
Holbrook	2945	1676	NA
Hull	3081	1385	190
Kingston	2384	2139	NA
Marshfield	6178	4485	332
Norwell	2444	2493	144
Plymouth	9990	9023	568
Rockland	2470	1647	NA
Scituate	5006	4169	244
Weymouth	13205	8322	679
Whitman	3196	2424	NA
Brockton	6948	3555	369
Quincy	23845	10812	842
Cape & Islands	59598	54062	5702
TOTALS *(✔ Denotes Winner)*	✔ **160383**	**123781**	**10248**

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Local Election Results

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Total
President and Vice President			
Browne & Jorgensen	27	18	45
Clinton & Gore	1,010	1,002	2,012
Dole & Kemp	965	794	1,759
Hagelin & Tompkins	8	0	8
Moorehead & LaRiva	3	2	5
Perot & Choate	154	161	315
Write-ins:			
Nader	3	1	4
Phillip	1	-	1
Blanks	64	79	143
Senator In Congress			
John F. Kerry	830	870	1,700
William F. Weld	1,275	1,057	2,332
Susan C. Gallagher	69	66	135
Robert C. Stowe	4	4	8
Blanks	57	60	117
Representative In Congress			
William D. Delahunt	1,019	1,032	2,051
Edward B. Teague, III	1,016	829	1,845
A. Charles Laws	62	68	130
Write-ins:			
Philip Johnston	1	2	3
Blanks	137	126	263
Councillor			
Christopher A. Iannella Jr.	1,345	1,262	2,607
Blanks	890	795	1,635
Senator In General Court			
Robert J. Hedlund	1,378	1,240	2,618
Robert Delahunt Jr.	732	713	1,445
Blanks	125	104	229
Representative In General Court			
Mary Jeanette Murray	1,726	1,552	3,278
Write-ins:			
Nancy Buckley	76	84	160
Jane Goldecke	3	-	3
Peter Pratt	1	-	1
M. Sullivan	1	-	1
C. Langmaid	-	1	1
Blanks	44	413	457
Register of Probate			
Thomas Patrick Hughes	1,321	1,289	2,560
Blanks	914	818	1,732
County Treasurer			
Robert D. Hall Jr.	1,079	869	1,948
Timothy P. Cahill	776	852	1,628
Blanks	380	336	716
County Commissioner			
John Gillis	1,140	1,092	2,232
William P. O'Donnell	980	940	1,928
Blanks	2,350	2,074	4,424
Question 1			
Yes	1,320	1,275	2,595
No	655	567	1,222
Blanks	260	215	475

PERSONAL FINANCE

Scam target: retirement money

Do some detective work before you invest your hard-earned cash

By the editors of Worth Magazine

During his career as an insurance-marketing rep, John Keeler, 67, switched jobs so many times that he never had a chance to build up much in the way of retirement savings. So when he stumbled upon First Pension Corp., based in Irvine, Calif., he thought he'd found a great way to make up for lost time. Here was a company that offered to set him up in limited partnerships investing in pools of mortgages — and purported to earn between 13 and 28 percent a year. The company had splashy brochures and a 14-year track record. Keeler plunked down $6,000 in savings.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

On April 22, 1994, First Pension filed for bankruptcy. Three weeks later, the Securities and Exchange Commission sued the company, charging that its officers had defrauded investors out of some $124 million through an elaborate pyramid scheme. Instead of investing incoming funds in new mortgages, regulators alleged, company president William Cooper and his associates used at least some of the money to pay off old investors. The company operated a network of 218 partnerships, though it actually owned just 17 properties. Regulators also said Keeler and 9,000 other First Pension investors — some with more than $100,000 at stake — are now awaiting the outcome of bankruptcy and legal proceedings to learn if they'll be able to recoup any of their money.

The saga of First Pension underscores the importance of checking out the administrator of a retirement plan carefully before committing any funds. It also highlights the perils of "direct participation" programs, where the company administering a retirement account is also a company that sells investment products.

"This is a perfect area (in which) to commit fraud," says Lisa Gok, assistant regional administrator with the SEC in Los Angeles. The reason is that investors in retirement accounts plan on keeping their money in the same place for a long time; if con artists take it, the investors may not even realize it's gone.

Most retirement-plan administrators, of course, are legitimate, and their direct-participation programs pose minimal risks. Big mutual fund companies like Vanguard, Fidelity, and T. Rowe Price, and brokerages like Charles Schwab and Merrill Lynch regularly sell their own mutual funds and help clients set up retirement accounts. But even with these trusted companies, it's a good idea to check with local securities regulators for evidence of any problems.

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Lisa Gok, assistant regional administrator with the SEC

Investors who investigated closely would have turned up several danger signs at First Pension. One clear warning was interlocking ownership with other entities. The same people who owned First Pension also owned Vestcorp, the company that sold the partnerships. In 1992, the National Association of Securities Dealers fined Vestcorp $7,500 for, among other things, not disclosing its relationship with First Pension and improperly withdrawing funds from escrow. In addition, Cooper, a politically connected real estate developer, was president of three different firms that acted as general partner for some of the limited partnerships. Cooper also was affiliated with the custodian bank that acted as trustee for the funds.

More red flags: The investments were unregistered. By limiting the number of investors in each partnership to 35, the company was able to sidestep state disclosure requirements about the properties. These investments also failed the too-good-to-be-true test: With past returns of up to 28 percent, the partnerships were doing too well, considering that the real estate market in southern California was in the tank. "You've got to ask yourself if the performance makes sense," says the SEC's Gok. Regulators now believe that promoters were using incoming funds to make their numbers.

If someone wants to commit fraud, it's difficult to detect. But there are ways to protect yourself.

Read the prospectus and offering materials, particularly sections that discuss risk factors and conflicts of interest. If this information is not disclosed, as in the case of First Pension, ask for it. If you can't get answers that way, look for another place to put your money.

Offering materials should also provide detailed information on how your funds are being invested. When his documents didn't identify specific mortgages, Gordon Reiter, a retired aerospace engineer from Torrance, Calif, who had invested in excess of $100.000 in Vestcorp partnerships, contacted Cooper to ask if he could get more information about the properties in question. Cooper brushed him off, saying that he had to protect the property owners' confidentiality. "Looking back, I should have pressed him," Reiter says. Steven Gourley, a Los Angeles attorney who was a state regulator in the 1980s, recommends asking to see evidence of hard assets in a limited partnership — appraisals, who owns the properties, and what their payment record is, for example.

Check with regulators. You can often investigate operators of even unregistered securities if they're licensed with other agencies. For example, Vestcorp and First Pension dealt in real estate. California's Department of Corporations had no records of disciplinary action against Cooper or his companies, but the state Department of Real Estate revoked Cooper's license in early 1984 for misappropriating $577,000 in investor funds.

If you can't get your money out of an investment within a reasonable period of time, report it to the Department of Labor. The SEC has received letters from investors who tried to withdraw their funds from Vestcorp partnerships in 1984 and 1985, and were put off by First Pension. At the same time, the investors continued to receive phony statements showing that their principal was growing each year. The SEC believes this trick was designed to keep them from pulling out their funds. It should never take you more than a couple of months to transfer funds out of a pension plan.

This may seem like a lot of sleuthing, but as investors with First Pension have learned, the price of not doing your homework can be steep.

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School Notebook

John Emanuello, as Popeye, takes part in the Kindergarten Halloween Costume Parade at Deer Hill School.

Kindergartners Mix with Older DHS Students

This past summer, a decision was made to have kindergarten students attend school at Deer Hill School due to overcrowding at Joseph Osgood School. For many years, only students in grades 4, 5 and 6 attended Deer Hill.

How is it working out? Sixth-grader Shawn Sullivan said, "Last year all the students were noisy in the hallway, but this year the older kids are being more considerate so the kindergarten kids can learn."

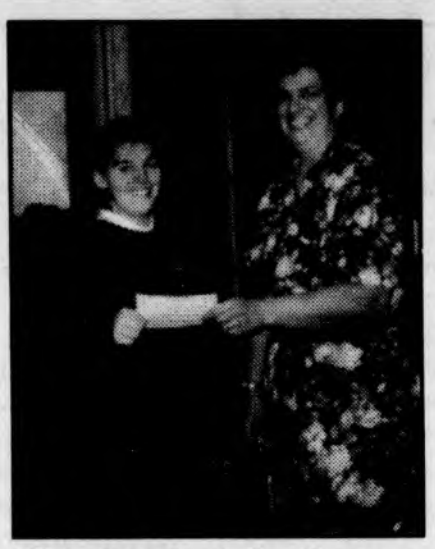
According to Malcolm Stansell, a fifth-grade student, "I like having the kindergarten here because you get to see the little kids walking down the hall."

Rachael Judge commented, "I am happy that the kindergarten students are here because I'm looking forward to reading to them."

When the new school is built, the kindergarten students will be going to that school. Until then, DHS's staff and students are enjoying their new residents.

Slynne Named Merit Scholarship Semi-finalist

Moira Slynne of Weymouth, who attends Notre Dame Academy, Hingham, has been named a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program. Only one-half of one percent of each state's graduating seniors become semi-finalists. Slynne enters the completion for a spot as one of the 14,000 finalists in the nation and then will compete to become a National Merit Scholar.



NDA Principal Sr. Barbara Barry, SND, presents senior Julie Catalano of Cohasset with a certificate for being named Commended Student in the 1997 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Julie Catalano of Cohasset was named Commended Student in program. She is among 35,000 Commended Students throughout the nation being honored for exceptional academic promise.

Buy Wreaths to Support METCO

The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.

PSO Annual Fall Fund-raiser

An evening event not is miss occurs on Friday, Nov. 22 when the Cohasset PSO will host its annual fall fund-raiser. The highlight of the evening is a fabulous selection of auction items, such as, a Nantucket cottage, holiday gifts, children's computers, many restaurant coupons, sports tickets, a tennis party and more. Music will be provided by well-known musician and D.J. David Becker. The event will take place from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. and will feature hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. The Cohasset PSO encourages all to come and have fun while raising money for our schools.

DRUG FACT

"The United States, according to a report issued by the United States Select Committee on Narcotics Abuse and Control, is now the most pervasive drug abusing nation in history, and marijuana is our most pervasive drug of abuse."

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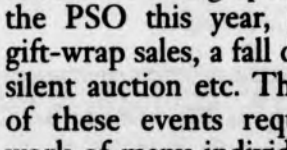

PSO Help Sought

Many different fund-raising events are being sponsored by the PSO this year, including gift-wrap sales, a fall dance and silent auction etc. The success of these events requires the work of many individuals with many different talents. If you would like to join a committee for one of these events or help out in any manner, please call Tomi Bukowski at 383-6771, Lesley Faber at 383-2071, Patty Smith at 383-2773 or Jane Wasel at 383-0121.

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Dear Cohasset Resident:

In accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the March 30, 1996 Special Town Meeting, the Cohasset Sewer Commission has been directed to implement the design and construction of the North Cohasset Sewer System including its interconnection to the Town of Hull. Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. has been retained by the Sewer Commission to facilitate the acquisition of required easements. In order to adequately construct the wastewater collection system and individual service connections, Tutela Engineering will be visiting property owners of the proposed North Cohasset Sewer System over the next several weeks to confirm an acceptable location for individual service connections and to prepare and execute all permanent easements required for construction. To aid the homeowner in the execution of the required easements, a Notary Public will accompany Tutela Engineering representatives to properly notarize the signature(s) of the appropriate homeowner for the permanent sewer easements.

Your cooperation with these efforts would be greatly appreciated. The easements are required to provide the homeowner with sewer service. **State funding will not be available to sites without properly executed easements.**

If you have any questions relative to this matter or you wish to schedule a site visit, please contact Mr. Daniel Coughlin, P.E., of Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. at (508) 658-7493.

Thank you for your cooperation
Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

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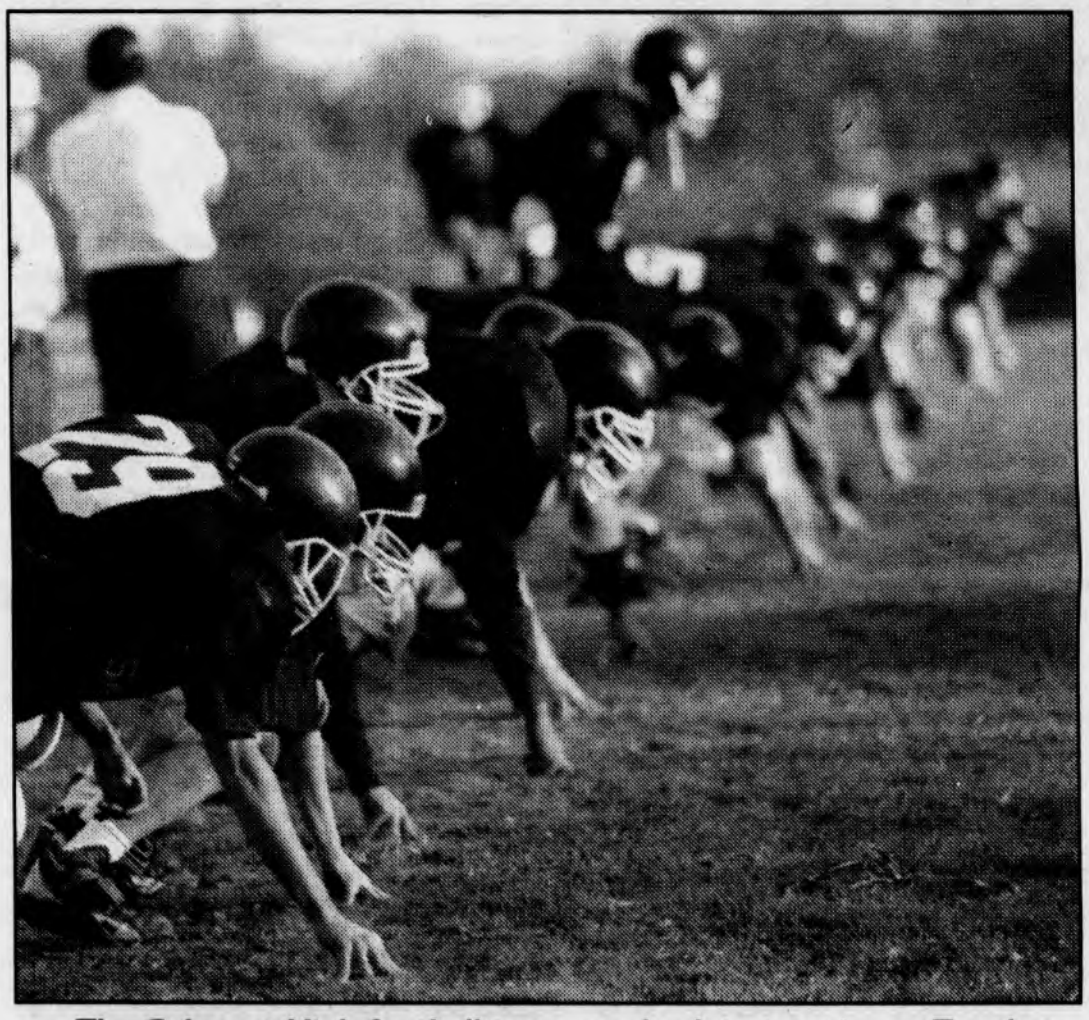
Indians Drop Struggling Skippers

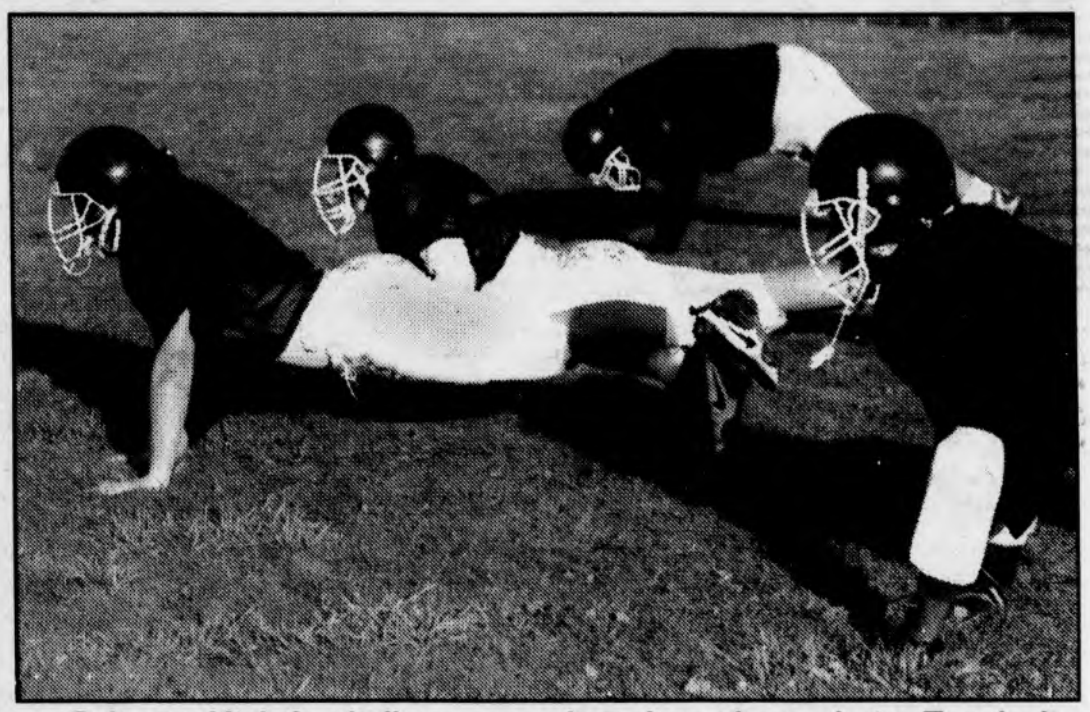
By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

The Hanover Indians romped over the Cohasset Skippers last week, dispatching them 47-0. However, the Skippers outclassed their hosts, playing with heart and style. On the other hand, the home team exhibited an obnoxious personality, running up the score and calling unneeded passing plays and two-point conversions throughout the game.

Justin Golden was a highlight for the Skippers, particularly as outside linebacker, and he started the game by running the kick back to the 27-yard line. The offense couldn't move, however, and was forced to punt. Doug Cameron made a tackle and Golden stripped a Hanover ballcarrier, falling on the ball, only to have possession rewarded to the Indians in a very questionable call. Chris Magoun scooted for the first down before being brought down by Jerry Cogill and Sean Parkinson.



The Cohasset High football team was back to practice on Tuesday after a tough, 47-0 loss to a big Hanover High squad last Friday night.
Staff photo/David Lane



Cohasset High football team members do push-ups during Tuesday's afternoon practice.
Staff photo/David Lane

Matt Belson wrestled Mike Kenny to the ground, but Kenny scored on the next play from nine yards out. The Indian extra point made it 7-0.

Jamie DeMichele carried the kickoff to the 30 and Belson took the first down carry for three yards, then to the 41 for a first on the next play. Quarterback Pat Hurley fired a strike to Jamie Buick for a first down at the Hanover 35-yard line. Golden sprinted a reverse around end for a five-yard gain, but, despite keepers by Hurley, the Skippers could not gain a first and turned over on downs.

Magoun took a handoff for 60 yards to the CHS 22, where he was taken down by Mike Rossi and Adam Sasso. Rossi made another tackle and a holding call pushed the Indians further back. Belson burst through the line to make a sack, driving Hanover back to the Cohasset 35. But, Magoun took a pass

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Albanese is Lone Cohasset Entrant in Race

Thirty-five-year-old Jeannie Albanese ran a 34 minute 7 second 5-mile time in last Sunday's 13th Annual Rafferty's Road Race. Albanese finished a strong 71st in the 371-runner field and second in her age group.

The runners had perfect conditions to race, with temperatures in the 40s and a slight breeze over the out-and-back course.

EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

'Soccer Moms' Could Have it Worse

With the "Soccer Moms" and their always-on-the-go lifestyles grabbing the headlines these days, you just have to feel for the moms and dads out there whose children are involved in other sports. Some more than they care to be.

Take the gymnastics moms who drive their daughters to a private gym, only to sit and cringe while watching their beloved kids try to perfect a new move on the balance beam, over and over again. If that isn't anguish enough, sitting through an actual competition is all the more nerve-racking. Hoping your daughter does well is one thing. Praying to God she doesn't sustain an injury in any one of 100 different ways is another.

Hockey moms have a tough go of it as well. The degree of difficulty in being a hockey mom, however, is in direct correlation to a number of factors. Time is probably the biggest.

When it comes to getting ice time at a rink during the winter, coaches at every level aren't picky. The tales are many of high school players rising at 4 a.m. to get their practices, work out for an hour and then be in homeroom at 7:15. These Eric Lindros' of tomorrow need to get to the rink somehow. That's where hockey mom comes in. She's up with the roosters as well.

And just hope your son, or daughter for that matter, doesn't decide to become a goalie. If you think pads, helmets and gloves are expensive, wait until you check out the price tag on the goalie gear. You'll be kicking yourself for not signing him up for youth basketball when you had the chance.

Maybe that's why some parents of hockey players absolutely lose their minds when the coach doesn't put the kids out on every shift. Not only do the parents invest a lot of time into the sport, driving their kids from rink to rink and washing hockey equipment, but they've invested a good deal of legal tender into the sport as well. They want to see their kids on the ice, skating their little brains out.

How about the parent of a kid, who through some cranial malfunction, gets involved in the world of horse shows. I really shouldn't pick on equestrians, but I had a bad experience interviewing a high school girl dedicated to the sport.

Everything was fine as far as the interview was concerned. The girl was friendly and personable and her parents were among the nicest I have ever met on the job.

She showed me around the barn and I must admit, the horses were groomed meticulously. The only problem was I don't get along with horse cologne, hay and the inside of barns in general. I sneezed and dripped my way through the entire interview. The kicker, however, was when I walked outside and my entire face blew up like a parade float. Tears were streaming through the slits where my eyes used to be and cursed out every horse from Mr. Ed to Cigar.

Still, I rather have an allergic reaction to horses than have to shell out the bucks to be involved in the sport. First, you have to buy a horse. Then comes the insurance...that's right, insurance for a horse. What's that all about? And of course, you have to empty the wallet for a — now get this — $3,000 saddle! Do you have any idea how many bottles of eye drops you can buy with that kind of cake?

So let's not pity the soccer moms folks. There's a big, wacky world of sports out there full of skates that need sharpening, uniforms that need washing, and don't forget, horses that have better insurance benefits than middle-class America.

Someone please pass the eye drops.

Scituate/Cohasset Sharks Clinch Playoffs

By Jennifer Silvia
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

Sunday afternoon in Marshfield, the Scituate/Cohasset Mite (ages 8 to 10) football Sharks defeated the Marshfield Eagles to clinch a spot in the league playoffs. The score of 20-0 came on touchdowns from Cohasset's own Jake Previtte (half back, cornerback) and D. J. Silvia (wing back, cornerback), as well as Shane Kilcoyne (tight end) of Scituate. The Sharks ended the regular season with a 3 and 1 record in the large school division, winning four games overall.

Other Cohasset standouts for this season's Sharks include Casey Coleman (offensive tackle), Joey Durkin/defensive back, Brian Healy (offensive guard, center), Mark Lewis (nose tackle, offensive tackle), Will Maich (defensive back, kick returns), Willy McCarthy (defensive end, offensive tackle), John Roth (defensive back). These young gridiron warriors will continue their quest to the Mite division super bowl this Sunday, playing against the Barnstable Silver Bullets, at 11 a.m. at Bridgewater's Legion Field. We all wish the guys the best and hope they can continue their winning ways.

In other Sharks news, the Sharks midget (ages 12-13) team will also enter the playoffs under the lights in Middleboro this Saturday night. Their efforts will be bolstered by Cohasset players Craig Davis, Paul Previtte and Craig Sheerin.

Cohasset High soccer player Mike Equi moves the ball upfield as netminder Justin Buckley guards the goal.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Cohasset Recreation Department Offers Ski Lessons at Blue Hills

The Cohasset Recreation Department will conduct Blue Hill Ski Lesson Registration Thursday, Nov. 14, at the Recreation Office, Cohasset Town Hall, between the hours of 3 and 4 p.m. and again in the evening, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian for participation in this five-week program. Beginner through advanced level instruction is available for children and youth, ages 7 and older. Lessons are scheduled to begin Thursday, Jan. 2, 1997, and meet for five consecutive weeks, through Thursday, Jan. 30. The bus will leave each week from Town Hall parking lot at 3:20 p.m. and return from Blue Hills at about 6:45 p.m.

The fee for the ski lessons and transportation for the five weeks is $100, and checks should be made payable to Town of Cohasset. Those participants who require equipment rentals may rent at Blue Hills and the cost for the five-week rental package is $45 per person. The rental fee can be included in the check for program fee, i.e. $145. This is the 20th year that ski lessons at Blue Hills have been offered through the Cohasset Recreation Department and over the years hundreds of youngsters have had the opportunity to learn how to ski or improve their technique.

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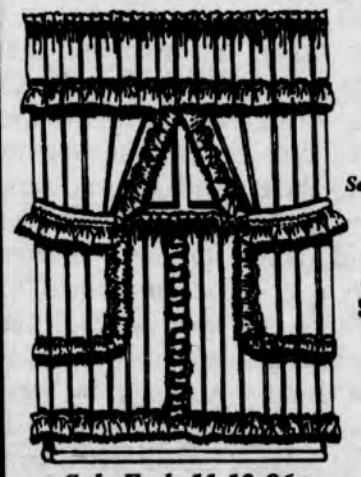

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Indians

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to the 10 and Kenny picked up a fumble and scampered in for the touchdown. The extra kick attempt was stifled when Golden fought his way through the line and plowed over the holder.

Golden took the kickoff and handed to Belson, who rumbled to the 31-yard line. He then rushed to the 36, but the Skippers couldn't gain a first and lined up in punt formation. Belson took the snap and battled to the CHS 47 for a first down. However, it was for naught; when the Indians picked off a pass and the Skipper defense came back on the field.

Golden and Buick joined to make a tackle and good pass coverage by Rossi and DeMichele and a strong pass rush from Cogill, Parkinson and Cameron forced a Hanover punt. The Skipper defense came on the field again, though, after Cohasset couldn't get a first down. Magoun's punt return was stopped at the Hanover 35. DeMichele and Duffy combined to make a tackle and Emde crashed in on the next play to drop Magoun for a two-yard loss. However, the speedy back would not be stopped and broke free for a run all the way to the CHS 3-yard line. Kenny stumbled three yards for the score and, up 20-0, the Indians connected for the two-point conversion.

The Skipper offense once again couldn't gain a first and Rossi's punt sailed to the Hanover 36. From there Kenny rambled 64 yards for the TD. The extra point attempt made it 28-0. DeMichele sprinted the kickoff back to the 38, but Magoun intercepted a pass and ran it back for 35 yards. Leading 28-0, John Sullivan, head coach of the Indians, felt it necessary to call a time-out with 13 seconds left in the first half, so they could gain yet another touchdown. Magoun carried eight yards for the score and the extra point tacked on made it 35-0.

Cohasset kicked off to start the second half, with an onsides kick, which Belson fell on for the recovery. Once again, however, the Skipper offense stalled and turned over on downs. This time, though, the Hanover offense was stopped by Belson and sophomore John-Paul Laugelle, who both made tackles. Laugelle pounced on a Hanover fumble and Cohasset got the ball back, but failed to gain a first and turned over on downs. The Indians' Dave Kemp topped off the scoring with a 22-yard TD run, despite tackles earlier in the series by Luke Caldwell and Ben Roine.

It should be noted that Sullivan left his starters in until 3:15 of the third quarter. At that point, the game was clearly over, with Hanover ahead 41-0. This type of play showed a lack of consideration for all involved. The Hanover reserves were cheated of their rightful playing time, just as the Skippers were intentionally humiliated. The fans were left to watch a dull game. Furthermore, Hanover's starters remaining in the game could have led to injury, as most injuries occur when athletes are tired. All of this could have been avoided had Sullivan replaced his starters with the reserves. This type of sportsmanship has no place in sports at any level, particularly high school.

The Skippers host South Boston this Friday on Cohasset's Alumni Field.

Center Girls' Night Out

The South Shore Community Center is offering Gymnastics Girls' Night Out, for girls ages 8 to 12, Friday, Nov. 8, from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. The girls will enjoy making their pizza, participating in gymnastics, obstacle courses, bowling, contest and prizes. Space is limited.

Gymnastics Session II begins Dec. 3, 4, 5 and 6 and classes run for 11 weeks. The cost is $74.25 for members and $84.25 for non-members. Monday classes start Dec. 9 and run for nine weeks. The cost is $60.75 for members, $70.25 for non-members. Gymnastics is on-going throughout the year.

There are still a few openings in the Gymnastics Session I, Tuesday, 3:15 p.m., Beginner Girls' Class, ages 5-7; and the Wednesday, 6 p.m., Beginner/Intermediate Girls' Class, Age 9-11. Please call Ruthann Ardizzoni at 383-0088 for more information.

Figure Skating Lessons

Professionally-staffed group figure skating lessons are available for all ability levels and ages at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Drive, Hingham. Participants receive a 45-minute lesson plus a practice hour each week. All classes are taught in a step by step planned progression. Absences maybe made up during the 11-week semester. Cost is $110. Call Michele Kelley at 617-749-6660 for more information.

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The Appalachia Service Project, comprised of community student volunteers engaged in a home repair/home building ministry serving central Appalachia, will again be baking homemade pies and breads for its Thanksgiving fund raiser.

ASP volunteers will bake apple, pumpkin and pecan pies as well as cranberry and date nut breads. The price is $5 per loaf and $8 for apple and pumpkin pies and $9 for pecan pie.

Order forms will be available at local churches or by calling Second Congregational Church at 383-0345. Order deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 20. Pies and breads will be available for pick-up on Sunday, Nov. 24, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Second Congregational Church or can be delivered that afternoon. ASP members appreciate the support of the community in their annual fund-raising endeavor and offer the following:

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Cynthia White and her niece Olivia White share a moment on the town common during the annual Halloween parade and fair sponsored by the South Shore Community Center Nursery School last week.

Staff photo/Bill Wadsworth

All Paws Rescue Events Listed

The next members meeting of All Paws Rescue is set for Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 7:30 p.m. at Days Inn, Rockland. Members and friends are invited to attend.

A painting valued at $1,000 will be the grand prize in the group's fourth annual benefit drawing Tuesday, Dec. 10. A 16-inch by 20-inch unframed portrait, oil on masonite, of a favorite pet will be painted by award-winning artist Laurie M. Borden of Artist's Son Gallery, Cohasset, for the grand-prize winner.

Nearly 50 prizes donated to All Paws will be awarded at the drawing, held at Chili's, Queen Anne's Corner, Hingham, starting at 7 p.m. Coupons are $1 or 16 for $15. Winners need not be present to win. Call All Paws at 749-0968 for benefit drawing coupons.

Music Theater to Present 'Oliver'

Hingham Civic Music Theatre will present "Oliver" Nov. 9, 15 and 16 at 8 p.m., and Nov. 10 and 17 at 2 p.m. at Hingham Junior High School, 1103 Main St., Hingham. Advance tickets are $10, $12 at the door for adults and $10 for children 12 and under.

Tickets are available at Nobles Camera Shop, Hingham Public Library and Olden's Pharmacy in South Weymouth Square.

To order tickets by mail, send a SASE for the return of tickets to: HCMT Tickets, c/o Faye O'Brien, 12 Camelot Dr., Hingham 02043. Payment should be enclosed. For group sales, call 749-0857.

Young Adult Authors Signing

Young adult authors Maureen Crane Wartski and John Neufeld will discuss and sign their books on Thursday, Nov. 7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham. Both write powerfully about contemporary issues of racial harmony, mental illness, censorship and relationships among friends.

Admission is free, but reservations are requested for seating. Refreshments will be served. The event is recommended for grade 6 and up. Call 749-2665 to reserve a place.

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John P. Lyon

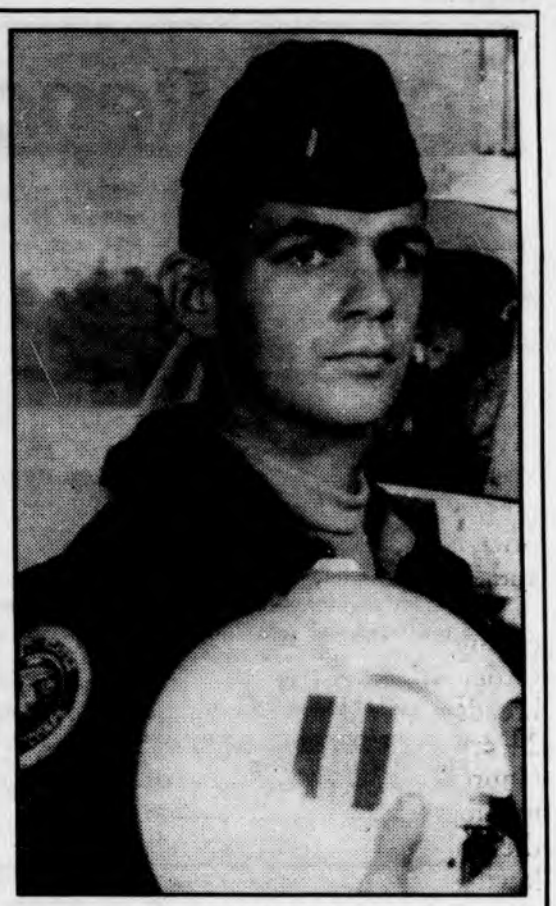
Captain Lyon, United States Army, left Cohasset in the service of his country on Sept. 24, 1966 and died April 18, 1969 while serving in the Republic of Vietnam with U.S. forces.

Peter J. Albiani, Jr.

Sergeant Albiani, U.S. Air Force, left Cohasset in service of his country May 31, 1967 and died on Feb. 7, 1970 while serving in the USAF Security Service.

Peter Cogill

Private 1st Class Cogill, U.S. Army, left Cohasset in the service of his country on July 26, 1966 and died on Feb. 25, 1967 while serving in Vietnam with U.S. Forces.



Dennis J. Reardon

1st Lt. Reardon, U.S. Marines, left Cohasset in the service of his country on Dec. 8, 1967 and died while serving in Vietnam on Nov. 29, 1969.

Craig M. Simeone

Pvt. 1st Class Simeone, U.S. Army AUS, left Cohasset in the service of his country on March 22, 1968 and died on May 30, 1969 while serving in Vietnam.

Allen F. Keating

SP4 Keating, U.S. Army, left Cohasset in the service of his country on July 23, 1968 and died on Oct. 19, 1969 while serving in Vietnam.

Richard E. Maree

BT3, Maree, U.S. Navy, left Cohasset in the service of his country on Sept. 16, 1965 and died on July 11, 1969. He served two tours in the Republic of Vietnam with U.S. forces.

William C. Laidlaw, Jr.

Corporal Laidlaw, U.S. Marines, left Cohasset in the service of his country in June, 1961. Billy died on Aug. 18, 1965 while serving in the Republic of Vietnam with U.S. forces.

Memorial Squares to be Dedicated on Sunday

The men from Cohasset who gave their lives in the Korean Conflict and the Vietnam War will be honored on Sunday, Nov. 10, with the dedication of town squares in their memory. The 1995 Town Meeting approved a citizens' petition to name nine squares, one for each man who died. In 1923, the town dedicated squares to the men who made the supreme sacrifice in World War I, and again in 1946 for those brave men who died in World War II. Town Meeting also specified that the next narrative history of the town which was written be dedicated to these men, and also tell their story for future generations to learn.

The dedication committee has planned a full afternoon to dedicate the squares, which have been located as close as possible to the neighborhoods which the men and their families lived in prior to their service tour. The dedications will begin at noon at the intersection of Doane and Church streets, which will be renamed and dedicated as Peter Cogill Square. Immediately thereafter, the intersection of Beechwood Street and Todd Road, named in memory of Lt. Norman M. Todd, a Cohasset serviceman who died of complications of exposure to radiation in the final days of WWII, will be dedicated as William C. Laidlaw Square.

Cohasset's only Navy casualty, R. Edward Maree, will be remembered by the dedication of the Parker Avenue boat ramp as R. Edward Maree Landing. The square at the intersection of Black Horse Lane and Summer Street will be dedicated and renamed Allen F. Keating Square. Another Army soldier, Craig M. Simeone, will have the intersection of Pond Street and Lantern Lane renamed in his honor.

Dedication ceremonies will then move to the center of town for the dedication of squares to two Army officers who died in Vietnam at the height of the war. The park at the intersection of Elm Street and Highland Avenue Ext. will be dedicated as Dennis J. Reardon Square. Renaming of the square at the junction of Joy Place and North Main Street will be in memory of John P. Lyon.

The dedications will conclude with a ceremony at the intersection of Gammons and Jerusalem roads, which will be dedicated to Peter J. Albani Jr. The green at Jerusalem Road and Red Gate Lane will be renamed and dedicated as C. David Strout Square. David was the only Cohasset man to die in the Korean fighting.

Immediately following the ceremonies at about 4 p.m., a reception will be held at the Senior Center, 3 North Main St., in Cohasset Village. The public is invited to join the families, veterans and others who gathered to remember these brave men.

Police Report

Sunday, Oct. 27

12:09 a.m., general services, Bancroft Way.

2:08 a.m., assist other police department, Hull St.

7:40 a.m., assist other police department, Gannett Rd.

9:54 a.m., vandalism, Square.

10:30 a.m., disturbance, Border St.

11:07 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

12:41 p.m., medical aid, Indian Wind Dr.

2:11 p.m., medical aid, Bancroft Rd.

3:42 p.m., animal complaint, Hobart Ln.

5:30 p.m., MV stop, Mendel Rd.

10:30 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

Monday, Oct. 28

6:21 a.m., officer wanted, Church St.

7:28 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:29 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:37 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:48 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

9:52 a.m., assist other agency, Cushing Rd.

10:06 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

10:55 a.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.

12:35 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

1:18 p.m., general disturbance, CJC Hwy.

1:54 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:26 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

3:32 p.m., electrical fire, Jerusalem Rd.

3:53 p.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.

4:32 p.m., MV accident, S. Main St.

6:41 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St. by S. Main St.

10:49 p.m., investigation, Elm St.

Tuesday, Oct. 29

6:31 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:48 a.m., arrest, Elm St., Charles Medici, 18 Kathy's Path, Scituate, WMS warrant, lic. revoked, red light violation.

10:32 a.m., MV stop, CJC Way by Mendel Rd.

1:14 p.m., assist other agency, Whitehead Beach.

1:34 p.m., investigation, Forest Ave.

2:10 p.m., well being check, Hull St.

4:16 p.m., assist citizen, Wheelwright Farm.

5:13 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:31 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

6:11 p.m., officer wanted, Fairoaks Ln.

6:26 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:37 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:51 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:06 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:15 p.m., suspicious auto, Nichols Rd.

7:24 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:52 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF FIDUCIARY'S ACCOUNT NORFOLK DIVISION

Docket No. 95P0470E1

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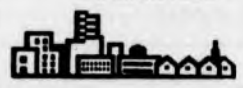

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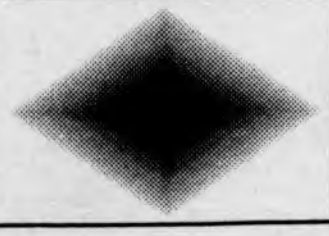

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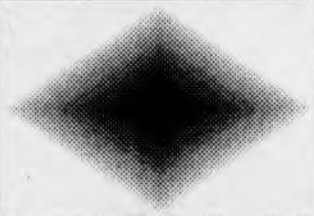

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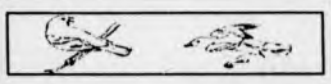

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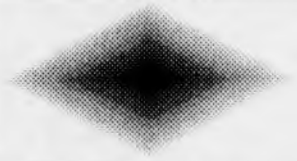

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Business Notes

Stephen Lucitt

Lucitt is Vice President of Business Banking

Stephen Lucitt of Cohasset has been named vice president of business banking at Abington Savings Bank. He will be responsible for the bank's small businesses lending programs and managing commercial real estate financing and refinancing.

Prior to joining Abington Savings Bank, Lucitt worked in the commercial lending divisions of Bank of Braintree and Shawmut Bank.

He holds a bachelor's degree from the University of Southern California and a master's degree in business administration from Suffolk University. He attended law school at New York University.

Lucitt is a member of Braintree Rotary Club, Braintree Historical Society, South Shore Chamber of Commerce and Habitat for Humanity — South Shore.

Silver Spoon Cafe hosts First Pumpkin Painting Contest

The Silver Spoon Cafe on South Main Street in the village hosted the first annual Cohasset Pumpkin Decorating Contest on Halloween for ages five to 12.

The Silver Spoon supplied the pumpkins and the kids supplied the talent.

Winners were: Logan Berslow, age 4; Logan Chase, 5; Stephen Harmon, 6; Austin Berslow, 7; Chelsea Grossman, 8; Lisa Sprito, 9; Amyra O'Connell-Chase, 10; and Heather Harmon, 11.

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Mary Dennehy of Summer Street judges the first Cohasset Pumpkin Decorating Contest at The Silver Spoon Cafe last Thursday.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Chamber to Host Auction

Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will host their annual benefit auction Saturday, Nov. 16, at South Shore Community Center. There will be a preview from 5 to 7 p.m., followed by a free Italian dinner at 6 p.m. and the auction from 7 to 10 p.m.

Auction items were donated by the Cohasset business community, and the VFW has joined the auction this year. They will be in charge of the dinner.

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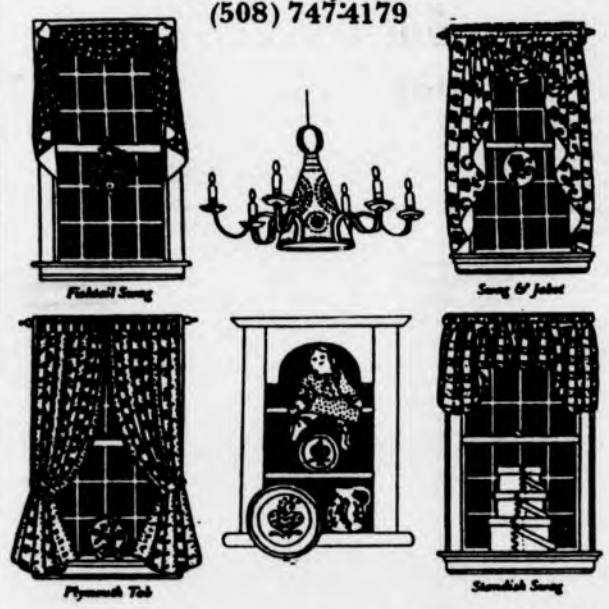

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THIS WEEK

Selectmen Endorse 3A Train Station

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Selectmen unanimously endorsed the Oct. 28 special town meeting "straw poll" that advised that the Cohasset commuter rail station should be on Route 3A.

The MBTA had originally planned for the station at the former Cohasset Winter Gardens skating rink, on the directive of selectmen years ago, but in recent months, support has grown for a station in Cohasset Village.

Tuesday, planning board chairman Al Moore, and members of the town's mitigation commit-

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Fallen Soldiers are Remembered

Squares Named for Cohasset Men

By Tom De Santes
COHASSET MARINER

A son. A brother. A friend. A neighbor. To the more than 100 people attending Cohasset's Veterans Day dedications on Sunday, the nine soldiers were just that. Cohasset's finest: Peter Cogill, William C. Laidlaw, R. Edward Maree, C. David Strout,

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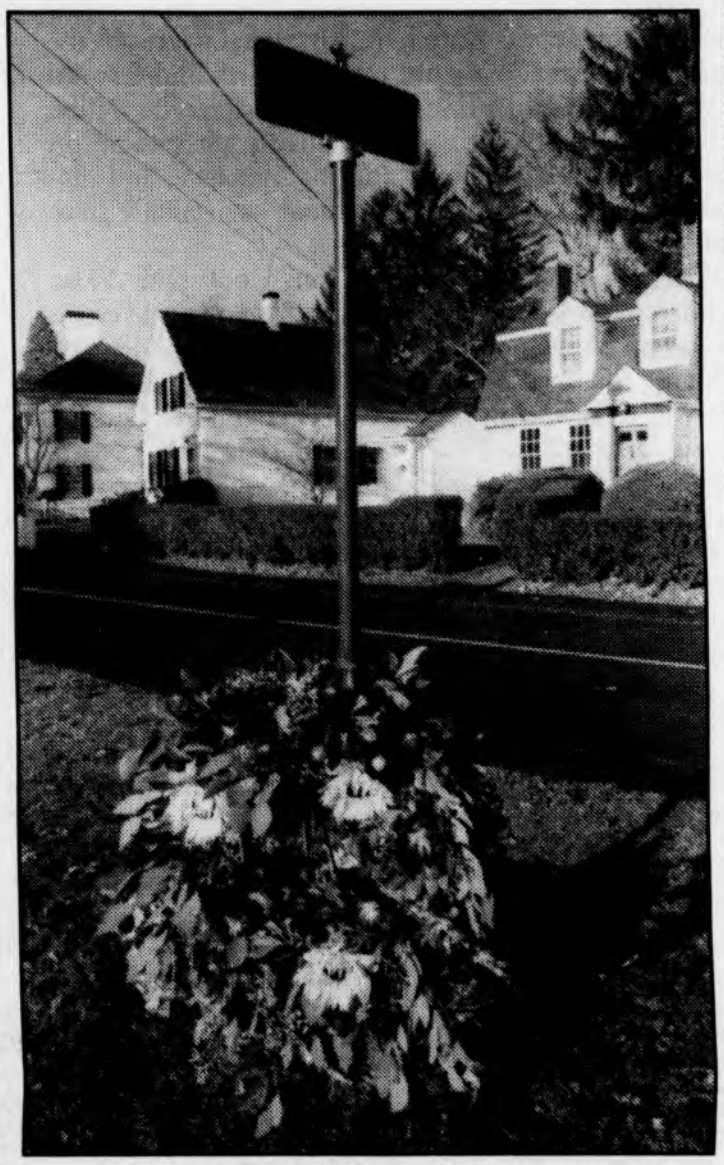
Glenn Pratt presents an American flag to the family of Peter J. Albiani, Jr.
Greg Calkins photo



The Allen F. Keating Square at the corner of Summer Street and Blackhorse Lane.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Hedlund's Victory is Stunning

Teague Was Too Far Right, Parties Say

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Local party officials are looking back, a week after the ballots have been counted, to analyze what they did right, what they should change, and where they should be headed two years from now.

Officials on both sides of the political aisle say their parties need to moderate their positions on issues in order to hold on the voters they have and to attract new ones.

And, regardless of political persuasion, they are all impressed by the stunning victory of State Sen. Robert Hedlund,R-Weymouth, who was re-elected last week by carrying the town of Hull and all but one precinct in Weymouth.

"This is astonishing, considering the Democratic tide running the way it was," said Hingham's Republican Town Committee chairman Carl Harris, who noted this was the first time a Republican has accomplished this feat in 45 years.

Hedlund's success last week came through substantial support from democratic voters who crossed the party line, particularly in Weymouth and Hull.

'Hedlund picked his issues and he did it well.'

— Polly Logan.

"You never, ever, lose Weymouth, and you never, ever, lose Hull," said Democratic Town Committee member Peter Pratt of Cohasset, who was one of the senior campaign managers for Hedlund's predecessor Brian MacDonald. Hedlund unseated MacDonald in an election cliff-hanger two years ago, to regain the seat he won by defeating Robert Ambler in 1990.

Pratt said Hedlund's positions "far

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Towns Eye Sharing Sewer Pump Station

By Alice C. Coyle
COHASSET MARINER

As Cohasset sewer commissioners gear up to put the north Cohasset Sewer project out to bid, they are considering joining forces with Hingham to save both towns money.

Both towns have been working unilaterally with Hull to sewer town trouble spots by hooking into Hull's wastewater treatment facility.

In Hingham it is in the Bonnie Brier Neighborhood that town officials hope to offer relief to homeowners hardest hit by tough Title V laws and clear up pollution problems in Weir River and surrounding watershed — an Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC).

Hingham voters unanimously supported a $2.7 million project to tie

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Cohasset's Week

Meeting Slated to Discuss Septic Systems

Cohasset Board of Health will hold the first of five meetings to discuss the development of a plan to deal with septic systems (On-Site Wastewater Management Plan) Tuesday, Nov. 19, at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall auditorium. The public's input is needed in order to develop the plan.

The initial meeting will include an overview of the objectives of the plan; review of the state funding sources for septic system repairs; an update of the Sewer Commission's work on the North and Central Sewer districts; identification of parameters to define priority districts for system repairs; discussion on approaches to inspections and maintenance; and discussion of options for management of available state funds.

Board of Health Chairman Tom Cook said, "The public's input is very important in this process because we want to achieve a plan that is equitable and achieves financial parity with residents being asked to connect to sewers in North Cohasset and the Central Sewer District."

He said Cohasset is mandated by the state to have an on-site management plan as part of the Sewer Commission's Town-wide Management Plan, as set forth in the town's Agreement for Judgement negotiated by the Sewer Commission in 1994 and approved by Special Town Meeting in 1994.

Seal on Web on Hold

Selectmen want to consult with town counsel before they allow use of the town seal on a Cohasset internet page.

Wayne Sawchuk and Robert Martin explained to the board Tuesday that they are working on an informational World Wide Web site for Cohasset and would like to use the town seal on it.

Sawchuk said the web site would not be used for commercial purposes, but would only provide information about the town.

The web site will have six "links" for additional information: to the Chamber of Commerce; local businesses; a series of photographs of the town for a "photo tour"; listings of community events to be regularly updated; town government information of boards, as well as opportunities for volunteers; and Cohasset statistics, such as population, tax rate, and demographic data.

Selectman Peter Pratt sees many opportunities to use the internet to disseminate information about the town, such as making the zoning by-laws available at Cohasset web site, as well as the town report, and town meeting warrants. However he believes the town seal should be used only a municipal web site, rather than by any private parties.

Selectman Nan Roth said some government information should be kept separate from community information.

Town administrator Greg Doyon said a formal policy on use of the town seal was supposedly adopted 20 years ago, but he has been unable to locate the selectmen's vote.

Single Tax Rate Approved

Cohasset will continue to have a single tax rate for all residential, commercial, industrial, and personal property.

The rate is $15.05 per $1,000 of assessed valuation.

Assistant assessor Cheryl Pooler said a split tax rate should not be considered unless the combined total of personal property, industrial, and commercial property does not equal 25 per cent of the total taxable valuation in town.

In Cohasset, residential property makes up 92.6 per cent of the total taxable valuation.

To split the tax rate, Pooler said, would have an adverse impact on local businesses.

Fire Department gets Grant

The fire department has been awarded a $1,500 state grant from the Executive Office of Public Safety for its Students Awareness Fire Education (S.A.F.E.) program.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said the SAFE program is a joint effort with Supt. of Schools Stephen Hart and Health Agent Joseph Godzik and will include fire prevention and smoking education.

Lincoln explained the program was new in the state last year. Applications are put before a committee which determines who gets what, he said.

This will be Cohasset's first year in the program.

"This (grant) will give us an opportunity to develop a program on health and fire prevention in the schools," he said. Lincoln said in the past, fire prevention programs have been "sporadic" due to budgetary and time constraints.

"It's nice to get the money for this purpose," he said.

Liquor Stores Open on Sundays

Selectmen have exercised the town's option under state law by giving local package stores the go ahead to open on the Sundays during the holiday season.

Andy Hailer, manager of Curtis Liquors, asked selectmen to approve the Sunday openings from noon until 6 p.m., which the board agreed to last week.

But this week Linda Berthold, manager of Cohasset Plaza Liquors, wrote to the board asking them to allow stores to be open until 8 p.m.

"The bulk of our retail sales are between the hours of 4 and 8 p.m. The majority of residents do food shopping, take-out pizza or subs, and pick up movies between these hours. In turn, they patronize our store at this time. Closing at 6 p.m., I believe, would cause an inconvenience to our residents," she said.

Selectmen agreed to move the closing hour to 8 p.m.

At last week's meeting, Hailer said the approval allows Curtis to compete with neighboring towns that allow Sunday openings during the holiday season.

DPW Lists October Activity

During the month of October, the Department of Public Works accomplished the following according to Supt. Harold W. Litchfield: prepared and resurfaced a section of Surry Drive, Deep Run, Reservoir Road, Bancroft Way, Cedar Street and Gammons Road;

Resurfaced sidewalks on Summer Street; using a bulldozer, graded Elms Meadow so it can be used for skating this winter;installed Otis Avenue sign;

Installed four, 15 MPH signs on Lamberts Lane; cleaned parts of James Brook throughout the town during the October rainstorm, including the Tidal Gates;

Dug a trench on Sohier Street at the railroad bed to release excess water into James Brook; cut,excavated and dug a trench at the Paul Pratt Library for a new electrical conduit and water pit, patched and reseeded area; widened the corners of the entrance road at the RTF in anticipation of being made a two-way road for RTF traffic when construction of the new DPW garage begins;

Cut brush back at the Cohasset Golf Course end of Lamberts Lane; removed debris from Spring Street Brook; patched holes at various locations throughout town;

Unloaded new bleachers at the high school for alumni field; removed and repaired engine in Tree & Park #5 truck; and mowed, trimmed and raked all parks, cemeteries, schools and town common area.

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Subdivision Proposal Hearings Stuck in Traffic

Jerusalem Road Estates Hearing Resumes Dec. 4

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

Progress for the Jerusalem Road Estates is as slow-moving as a rush-hour commute.

The latest in a series of public hearings concerning the proposed subdivision, held Nov. 6, took a long look at traffic issues related to the project, but yielded little in the way of solid results.

During the hearing, Traffic Consultant Michael Abend of Abend Associates informed the Planning Board about the results of a traffic study done in the Jerusalem Road area. Abend stated the proposed 28-lot development would add, on average, 28 more vehicles to neighboring roads each morning during peak traffic hours. Evening traffic would increase by an additional 34 vehicles.

Abend explained that since current traffic volumes during rush hour fall in the 200 vehicles per hour range, a 28 to 34 vehicle increase would not produce a notable difference.

The study also showed that the subdivision exit would not be dangerous in terms of the visibility of oncoming traffic for those exiting the development. A 300-foot sight distance for exiting vehicles would provide a safe scenario for drivers, according to Abend. The sight distance would give drivers approaching Jerusalem Road Estates an adequate amount of time to react to exiting vehicles.

"This stretch is filled with what I would call blind drives, driveways that come out from behind rocks, behind hedges, behind houses," said Attorney Charles Humphreys, who represents the developer, Steve Corey. "We're creating one of the few that is not a blind drive."

Abend noted that about 80 to 90 percent of accidents occurring on Jerusalem Road are single-car mishaps —, vehicles skidding off the road due to slick conditions or to the windy nature of the roadway. He concluded that the additional traffic would not increase the problem.

But board member Robert Sturdy, along with some residents in attendance, disagreed with Abend's assessments.

"The probability of cars hitting cars instead of sliding into a snowbank is higher if you add more cars," Sturdy said. He also said the area is already the worst in town for safe driving.

Although the study made no formal recommendations for improving the safety of Jerusalem Road, Abend suggested that yellow traffic lines, speed limit postings and clear sidewalks could make for safer driving conditions.

Although some drainage and design changes were discussed, a final definitive plan has yet to be completed.

"I hope we can resolve the conceptual changes so that we can go on to a definitive plan," said Humphreys.

But Planning Board Chairman Al Moore hopes the proceedings can begin to move faster and that the board can see some complete information.

"We've got to pick up the pace. We have to start seeing some hard numbers and calculations," he said.

The hearing will resume Dec. 4.

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Sun. 17	3:35	9.9	9:39	3:51	10.5	10:15
Mon. 18	4:35	9.9	10:42	4:55	10.2	11:15
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ATTENTION COHASSET RESIDENTS IN THE STRAITS POND AREA

Dear Cohasset Resident:

In accordance with Articles 4 and 5 of the March 30, 1996 Special Town Meeting, the Cohasset Sewer Commission has been directed to implement the design and construction of the North Cohasset Sewer System including its interconnection to the Town of Hull. Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. has been retained by the Sewer Commission to facilitate the acquisition of required easements. In order to adequately construct the wastewater collection system and individual service connections, Tutela Engineering will be visiting property owners of the proposed North Cohasset Sewer System over the next several weeks to confirm an acceptable location for individual service connections and to prepare and execute all permanent easements required for construction. To aid the homeowner in the execution of the required easements, a Notary Public will accompany Tutela Engineering representatives to properly notarize the signature(s) of the appropriate homeowner for the permanent sewer easements.

Your cooperation with these efforts would be greatly appreciated. The easements are required to provide the homeowner with sewer service. **State funding will not be available to sites without properly executed easements.**

If you have any questions relative to this matter or you wish to schedule a site visit, please contact Mr. Daniel Coughlin, P.E., of Tutela Engineering Associates, Inc. at (508) 658-7493.

Thank you for your cooperation
Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

Sewer Pump

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135 homes to sewer pipes leading to Hull's sewer plant. The cost of the project will be split between the town and the homeowners receiving sewer connections. The project involves laying sewer pipes, the construction of a pump station, the installation of force mains to carry the wastewater to the Hull facility and providing connections for homeowners.

More than twice the size of the Hingham project, the north Cohasset sewer line will tie 320 homes into the Hull treatment facility, again helping homeowners grappling with failed or failing septic systems and protecting environmental resources such as Straits Pond, another ACEC. Cohasset voters supported a $6.3 million appropriation for the project which will be paid off through betterments charged to residents receiving sewer connections. Like the Hingham project, it will require pipe laying, building a pump station, installing force mains and homeowner connections.

Originally planned as a tri-town project, Cohasset and Hingham have for the last several months been planning separate projects, with separate sewer mains and separate pump stations.

Currently both towns are planning to build their pump stations in West Corner, which Hingham Sewer Commissioner John Brandt said would be literally across the street from each other.

Both Brandt and Cohasset Sewer Commission Chairman Ted Guild acknowledge that substantial cost savings could be realized by both Hingham and Cohasset if the the two towns share some of the construction work including the pump station. Sharing a sewer main on Hull Street which bisects both towns is another economy, Brandt noted.

After bids for Hingham's project came in nearly $1 million higher than expected, the sewer commission sent a letter to Guild last week proposing project consolidation with Cohasset as a way to cut work and costs for both towns.

Guild said the idea of working together to save both communities money is very attractive.

Hingham has invited Cohasset to buy into its pump station which engineers estimate will cost about half as much as the Cohasset station which is planned for the former North Cohasset Fire Station. Guild said one reason the Cohasset pump station would be more costly than Hingham's is that it would require the construction of a large storage area for use during peak flow hours, due to the smaller pressure pipes that must be used. In Hingham, Guild said much larger pipes will serve as a storage area for the station. In joining with Hingham, Cohasset would pay more of the construction costs on the station because it will require more flow and has purchased more capacity from the Hull treatment facility — but it will still pay less than half the costs of building its own station.

While he agreed there are cost savings to be had in building one pump station, Guild has concerns that sharing the Hull Street Main could raise some complex legal issues.

"Some of the street is entirely in Hingham and some of it is entirely in Cohasset. This could involve easement taking," Guild said. But he noted that if sharing the main is feasible from both an engineering and legal standpoint, it would represent even more cost savings.

"Our engineers are talking to their engineers," said Guild who expects the Cohasset commission to make a decision on the proposal this week.

"Everything looks favorable," Guild said. "It's 95 percent probable that we'll go in with Hingham."

Ambulance Billing

In October, the fire department billed for 30 ambulance transports for a total of $12.355.76 and collected $10,197.79.

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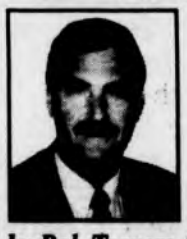

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No Easy Answers for North Cohasset Water Users

Tying into Town System is Problematical

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

An eminent domain taking of the Massachusetts-American Water Company's pipes in north Cohasset isn't a simple proposition.

Water commissioner Fred Koed said the section of the pipe on Hull Street serves Hingham customers on one side of the street, Cohasset customers on the other, and then goes on to provide water service to Hull.

Cohasset cannot take the pipes that serve the other towns, Koed explained.

Last month, Selectman Peter Pratt, in response to angry Mass-American customers in north Cohasset, said the town should consider an eminent domain taking that would unite all Cohasset residents with the municipal water system. This would spare the present Mass-American customers in north Cohasset the higher water bills they have received to pay for the Mass-American water treatment plant in Hingham.

North Cohasset residents have complained to Mass-American officials about the high rates for poor water quality. Since the higher bills began arriving last month, residents have brought stained and discolored laundry to selectmen's meetings, and organized a protest at the Statehouse in Boston, asking the state Dept. of Public Utilities to reconsider the rate increase it allowed Mass-American to pay for the treatment plant.

Installing water pipes in north Cohasset would cost approximately $1.2 million, with that figure doubled for individual service connections, Koed said.

Water department engineering consultant Domenic Tutela said the existing water system can support the extension to north Cohasset

North Cohasset's water problems are a "political question" that must be considered apart from the existing system improvement projects, Koed said. The Cohasset water department's projects to upgrade its system, should take priority before the system is expanded. Those projects are estimated to cost $5.7 million.

Koed said Tuesday, "We're just barely getting off our knees."

Responding to Selectman Nan Roth, Tutela said water project priorities are determined by what will do the most good for the entire water system.

Water commissioner Dan Kasemeyer said the existing Cohasset system is 100 years old and it must be improved. With the Mass-American and Cohasset water systems at different pressures, North Cohasset residents could have a different set of problems than they now have with Mass-American.

Selectman Michael Sullivan said that if the present system has capacity to serve north Cohasset residents it would make more sense to lay new pipes there and not embark on an eminent domain taking of the Mass-American pipes.

"I don't know why we'd want those 100 year old pipes," Roth said, noting that the Mass-American pipes in north Cohasset are as old as Cohasset Water Dept. pipes that are now being replaced.

There is also a question of whether the Mass-American customers could be "shielded" from paying for the water treatment plant even if they are connected to the Cohasset municipal water supply, said Selectman Peter Pratt.

Tuesday Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown asked for figures to show how a North Cohasset water project would affect the water bills there, and said a joint meeting of the water commissioners and selectmen should be held to discuss the on-going water improvements as well as the north Cohasset extension.

3A Train Station *Continued from page 1*

tee pitched the village station site again, despite the town meeting straw poll results.

Moore said the Route 3A location gives the village all of the disruptions and none of the benefits of commuter rail, because the train will run through the area regardless of the station site. Noting that the station site has divided the community, and that he sympathizes with those who live nearest to the tracks, Moore said the village location is supported by a "silent majority." He questioned whether the straw vote at the special town meeting should be the basis for the selectmen's directive to the MBTA, saying it shouldn't be "a popularity contest."

"It makes little sense to have the train coming through the village without stopping," he said.

Planning board member Robert Sturdy, who is also a member of the mitigation committee, concurred, saying that Route 3A is already overburdened with traffic.

He called the town meeting straw poll an "orchestrated move" by train opponents. The MBTA will be more receptive to Cohasset's mitigation requests if there is a village station.

"I'm amazed for a government agency to be so cooperative," he said.

Sturdy said the planning board unanimously supports the station and sees it as a benefit to businesses there.

But Cassandra Rioux of James Lane said she has visited several other communities, including Needham, Manchester-By-The-Sea, and Salem, which have commuter rail service and found that it does not help businesses.

Merchants in Salem told her recently that commuters do not become their customers, and they are pleased that the station was moved outside of the business area, she said.

At a real estate office in Needham, she was told that the station is not an asset. A coffee shop that opened there specifically to cater to commuters does not attract customers from the train station.

Pleasant Street resident Martin Corry said it is ironic that Rioux, who is not a member of the mitigation committee, had investigated the impact of the train on businesses, while the committee had not done so.

Corry also said that the 32 traffic lights on Route 3A between Cohasset and Boston are a minor inconvenience compared with traffic impact on Cohasset Village if the station is located there.

Chamber of Commerce vice president Dean Rizzo, who is also a member of the mitigation committee, said the Cohasset Village station has not been investigated thoroughly. Separate parking areas could be designed for commuters and shoppers, and the town can request an independent traffic study. While the MBTA has said it would like a decision by Dec. 1 on the station site, Rizzo said the deadline could be extended and the state officials "aren't pressuring us yet."

"We owe it to the town to explore these further," he said.

But Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown is skeptical of the MBTA. He noted that promises were made in the past to other communities when transportation projects were planned and the MBTA ultimately reneged.

"The T promised them the world, and then they did what they wanted," Brown said, adding that the MBTA could decide to put the station in the village regardless of the town's preferences.

Brown said the board asked for the straw poll at the Oct. 28 special town meeting, and should honor the expressed wishes of the voters.

Voters cast their ballots after signing in on the first night of the special town meeting. The vote was 311 in favor of the Route 3A station, with 112 for the station in Cohasset Village. Of the 423 who took part in the straw poll, 177 arrived only to vote on it and did not stay for the special town meeting.

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Fallen Soldiers

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Peter J. Albiani, John Paul Lyon, Craig M. Simeone, Allen F. Keating, and Dennis J. Reardon.

On Nov. 10, the town of Cohasset paid tribute to these nine men with ceremonies naming "town squares" in honor of each of them.

At each of eight grassy sites around town and a boat ramp, people gathered under a sunny autumn sky for the emotional unveiling services which included honor guard from local veterans' posts and music by the Brockton Cosmos Legion volunteer band.

Many teary-eyed classmates, neighbors, friends and family members recalled the young lives lost almost 30 years ago. Bystanders in the crowd reminisced about the proms they had attended, the football games they had played in and the fishing trips on which they embarked. People embraced and shared their memories of the men being honored.

According to Glenn Pratt, organizer of the ceremonies, the dedications were two years in planning. As was done for fallen soldiers after World War I in 1923 and World War II in 1946, squares were chosen close to the men's homes. The October 1995 Special Town Meeting appropriated money to buy the plaques and approved re-naming the locations. Money to put on Sunday's event was raised from veterans organizations and private donations.

Each dedication highlighted the men's honors as soldiers. The Bronze Stars of Craig Simeone, John Paul Lyon's Purple Hearts and the Silver Star earned by Allen Keating, were just a few of the many awards listed in recognition of their military accomplishments. But even more remarkable were the stories of the boys, who grew up in town, and as young men, found themselves far off in Southeast Asia.

Six of the eight Vietnam soldiers honored were killed in combat; the two others were killed in military-related accidents during the Vietnam era. David Strout was the only Cohasset man to die in the Korean War.

"Man has no greater love than to lay down his life for another," cited Robert Jackson in speaking of Craig Simeone, yet applicable to all the soldiers who fell in the fight for freedom. During battle, Simeone selflessly volunteered to reach the men from his troop wounded during an ambush. Dennis Reardon was assigned to evacuate combat casualties in his helicopter. John Paul Lyon entered an enemy mind field. Peter Cogill was attempting to defuse a land mine. William Laidlaw was killed by a mortar round. Each dedication was a story of heroics and sacrifice.

But equally compelling were the stories about the boys' years in Cohasset; stories about John Lyon being voted "most talented" and "most noted for his smile" at Cohasset High School. Stories found in his brother's memories of them playing on the spot named for John overlooking the harbor.

James Lyon remembers his brother, John, at Sunday's dedication ceremonies. Greg Calkins photo

"He was my best friend," recalled Jim Lyon through tears.

There was the love story of Allen Keating and his high school sweetheart Ann Noonan getting married in Hawaii on Allen's leave just prior to his death. Then there were memories among classmates of the Cohasset High Class of 1965. They recalled the Thanksgiving Day Football game against unbeaten Hull when Allen led his team to victory. His proud younger brother Tom recalled tagging along with his older brother and always looking up to him. He recalled for the crowd that Allen had said if his service meant his younger brothers didn't have to do the tour,he didn't mind being in Vietnam.

Growing up as football players, baseball players, boy scouts, altar boys, these soldiers were the heart of Cohasset. They could be seen sailing or fishing in the harbor or swimming at Sandy Beach. For many in the crowd, it seemed like yesterday that they saw Dennis Reardon on his motorcycle or Allen Keating coaching his Little League team.

Thematic of each ceremony, Tom Keating said of his brother Allen, "I don't think my brother would have wanted to be remembered as a war hero or a soldier but as a happy, healthy kids who found magic in this town he loved."

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Ed Hamilton is Now a U.S. Marine!

Joe and **Jane Hamilton** are really proud parents, and here is the reason why — their son, **Ed,** just graduated from training at Parris Island, S.C. Yes, he's the same Ed who is a 1996 CHS grad. This time he was part of a class of 450, all of whom are PFCs in the USMC!

Joe and Jane went to Ed's graduation, then he came home with them for his 10-day leave. He left Monday for Camp LeJeune, N.C. We'll keep you informed on his career as it progresses. In the meantime, we surely wish you the best, Ed.

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If you are wondering why you haven't seen **Harry Rose** "around town" lately, here is the reason. He broke his hip a few weeks ago (he walked around on it for a week after he broke it, not realizing it was broken!) Harry is now in Colonial Rehab in Weymouth. He will be there for six weeks, so keep him in your thoughts and send him a card when you get a chance! Six weeks is a long time! Get well really fast, Mr. Rose. Surprise everyone and be out in five!

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Please give a giant welcome to **Patrick James Holway,** the brand-new son of **Jeanne** and **Dick Holway.** Patrick was born Oct. 1 at South Shore Hospital and weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces. Patrick will certainly get plenty of attention — he has an older sister, **Mackenzie,** who is nine-years-old, and a brother, **Coner,** 7.

Ashley Mihos, Meghan O'Sullivan, and Kristen O'Connell are new students at Noble and Greenough School in Dedham. The girls are all members of the Class of '00.

His maternal grandmother, who lives in Hyde Park, is **Ruth Walsh.** His paternal grandparents are **Rita** and **Fred Holway** of Cotuit. Congratulations to you all!

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Deidre K. Wilson, a student at Essex Community College, makes the news this week. She is featured in the 19th annual edition of the National Dean's List. The list was just published by Educational Communications Inc., and students are selected for this honor by their college deans, registrars or honor society advisers and must be in the upper 10 percent of their class.

The listed students are eligible to compete for scholarship awards and may also use a referral service for future employment opportunities.

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Chloe J. Chittick, a first-year student at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, began college with a camping and hiking trip on the Moxie and Bald Mountain section of the Appalachian Trail in Maine's north woods.

Chloe shared the Colby Outdoor Orientation Trip Sept. 2-5 with about a dozen other students, including two returning students who were trip leaders. She was one of 472 first-year and transfer students participating in the COOT program. Chloe is the daughter of **Stanley** and **Jo Anne Chittick.**

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I chatted briefly with **Tom Wigmore** the other night, and he had news to share. The Sons of the American Legion are holding their turkey raffle again this year. The drawing will be held Nov. 22 at the **George H. Mealy Post.** Raffle tickets will be $1 each, or six tickets for $5. The funds raised will be put toward the scholarship programs.

And there is more good news. The men at the Legion are going to hold their **Thanksgiving breakfast** again this year. It's planned for Thanksgiving morning, from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m., at the Legion. The cost is $4, and it's all you can eat! What a great way to start the day, plus get far away from the cook preparing the Thanksgiving feast at your hours. Then go watch our CHS football team face the Hull Pirates at the new Alumni Field. Have fun, eat lots and holler loudly for the Skippers!

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Congratulations go to **Richard Harrington** of Cedarledge Village, Cohasset, who is a junior at Roxbury Latin School. Richard has been elected a co-captain of the cross-country team. Hopefully he will let us know how the team does!

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That's the news for this week. Surely you have something newsworthy you would like to share with all of us! Just give me a call!

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Marlette Installed as 100th Master of Masonic lodge

George L. Marlette of Cohasset was installed Sept. 28 as the 100th Master of Old Colony Lodge A.F. and A.M., Masonic lodge, Hingham, which was founded in 1792. Marlette, a practicing attorney in Brockton, is Cohasset Town Moderator.

Installing Master was Frederick M. Shaw Jr. of Hingham. A special charge to officers and personal message was delivered by past Master The Honorable Charles E. Black, presiding Justice of the District Court Department, Quincy Division, and the regional administrative Justice.

A reception, which was attended by more than 100 guests, followed at Congregation Sha'aray Shalom, Hingham.

Plans for Village Fair Underway

The Cohasset Village Fair is coming Dec. 7. The book sale committee of St. Stephen's Church is already working on the annual feature of the fair. They welcome contributions of hardcover and paperback books in good condition, CDs, tapes and videos. Current textbooks and cooking, craft and gardening books are especially needed.

Materials may be left on the stage at Walton Rodgers Hall or inside the Parish Hall door marked "Church offices" Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 11 a.m. and 2 to 4 p.m. For further information, call 383-6840.

Obituaries

Anthony C. Laugelle

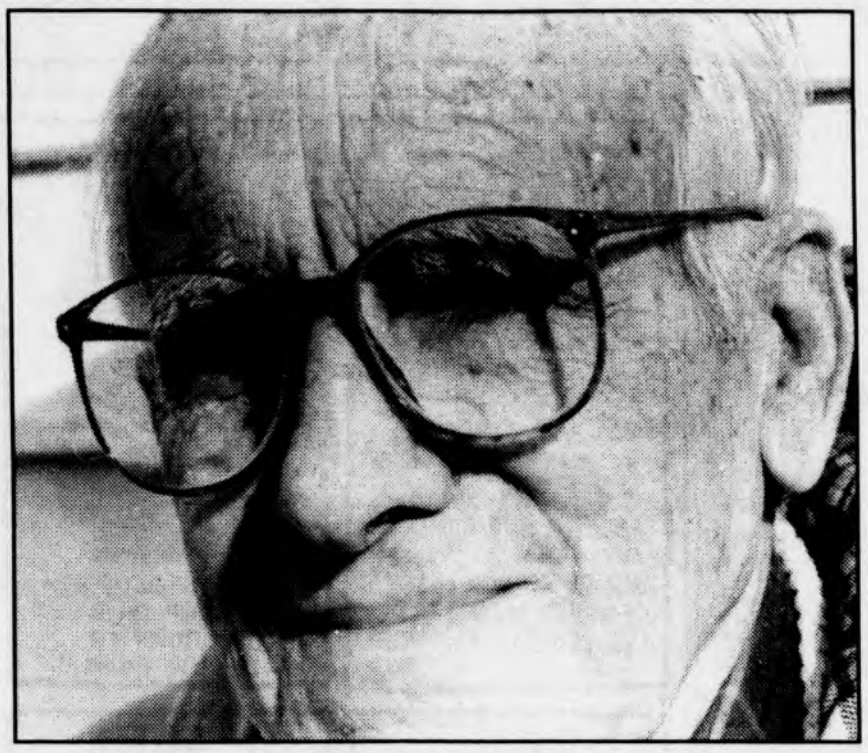
Anthony C. Laugelle, 80, of Cohasset, formerly of Quincy, died Nov. 9 at home.

Born in Cohasset, he lived in Quincy for 50 years before moving back to Cohasset.

He was named for his grandfather, Antonio Modente, one of the first Italians to settle in Cohasset.

Mr. Laugelle was a former project manager for noted architect Royal Barry Wills as well as a founder of the Alco Oil Co. He began his career at Fore River Shipyard in Quincy during World War II, where he was a "boss rigger." He worked for Wills after the war, serving as project manager for several Cohasset developments, including Deep Run, Windy Hill, Fernway, Surrey Drive and Lamberts Lane. Wills referred to Mr. Laugelle as his "most indispensable man."

Their projects were featured in New York Life, The Saturday Evening Post and Better Homes and Gardens. Mr. Laugelle also worked for Charles Wills, a major North Shore developer, managing developments in Boxford, Reading, Topsfield, Lynnfield and Winchester. He also supervised the construction of many homes on the South Shore. He was with the Wills organization for nearly 50 years.



Anthony C. Laugelle

Mr. Laugelle was the husband of the late Mary E. (Sandonato) Laugelle and leaves two daughters, Joann Lennon of Cohasset and Barbara Aveni of Braintree; three brothers, Rocco F. Laugelle, Joseph S. Laugelle and Peter G. Laugelle, all of Cohasset; three sisters, Lucy Spognardi of Roslindale, Pauline Litchfield of Scituate and Ann Blackman of Needham; four grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Nov. 12 in St. Anthony's Church.

Donations in his memory may be made to Hospice of the South Shore, 100 Bay State Dr., Braintree 02185-9060.

Arrangements were by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home, Cohasset.

Holiday Bereavement Support Group

The Hingham Visiting Nurse will offer a special five-week Bereavement Support Group on Monday afternoons from 4:30 to 6 p.m. beginning Dec. 2. The group will focus on helping people cope with grief and loss during the holiday season, and is open to anyone who has suffered the death of a family member or friend within the past year.

Grace Lettis, LICSW, HVNA coordinator of bereavement services, will facilitate the weekly meetings which will be held at the Hingham Visiting Nurse office at 10 Downer Ave., Hingham. "The grieving process can be lonely and depressing," said Lettis, "especially during the holiday season, when heaviness of heart contrasts with the festive atmosphere. There are no easy answers, but the support group can help participants deal with their loss."

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

Thanking Our Veterans

In the course of American history, millions of men and women have fought and died in defense and honor of this country. They have given themselves in the name of liberty and justice. They have performed heroic acts on battlefields around the world uttering credos of "Duty, Honor, Country" or "Semper Fi."

They have done these things not for medals, glory, or even freedom. They have gone to war because we have asked them to.

Veterans Day is a brief moment when we take time out of our lives to thank veterans for their sacrifices and hardships they endured under fire in defense of our liberties.

On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918 the guns in Europe and around the world fell silent. World War I — the "war to end all wars" — was over. November 11 was forever set aside as Armistice Day, to serve as a reminder of the atrocities of this great conflict and how they should not be repeated.

While World War I did not end all wars, soldiers fought in them and stood vigilant in support of those in combat and as a reminder that war should be the last resort. As the years go by, the ranks of these former soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen are becoming thinner. With each year their numbers dwindle. To, too, do the memories of their heroics, exploits, tragedies and suffering.

Prussian General Karl Von Clausewitz wrote that war is the ultimate extension of diplomacy. If this is true, then the political gains and losses are measured in blood, sweat and tears of the men and women who fight and die. While some picture military figures as war mongers, the reality is they are the last ones who want to resort to violence. While our leaders make speeches about liberty and freedom, our citizen soldiers have sprawled in mud and puddles of blood, hoping to live long enough to see their homes again.

The men and women of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Disabled American Veterans and other veterans groups carry the memories of the horrors of warfare. There are few World War I veterans remaining and the number of World War II veterans grows smaller every day. Even Korean War veterans are spread thinly. And without a major conflict since Vietnam, the number of veterans left to warn us away from war continues to decline.

In the 20 years since the Vietnam War, an entire generation of Americans has grown without knowing the true tragedies of a major, lengthy war involving U.S. troops. While spared the horrors, this time of relative peace has given rise to revisionist thinking, as some intellectuals try to second guess the decisions of our leaders a half-century ago — claiming there was no need to drop the atomic bomb on Japan or that the United States allowed the bombing of Pearl Harbor to happen.

Even worse, there are some extremists who are trying to rewrite history and erase the atrocities of the century's major conflicts. Some have even suggested the Holocaust never happened.

Documentation, facts and statistics can always be manipulated, but the living memories held by our veterans is indisputable and irreplaceable.

Regardless of how we feel about war or military conflict, the men and women who have donned an American uniform deserve our respect and admiration. They have done more for our country than most of us will ever do in a lifetime. We must keep their memory alive, as a tribute to them and so we never forget the terrors of war.

Cohasset took a big step toward that effort this week by dedicating town squares to those soldiers who lost their lives in Vietnam and Korea. We thank all those who worked so tirelessly to make Sunday's event such a moving one.

More CHL Testing Should be Required

To the Editor:

Recent environmental testing at Boulder Lane in Whitney Woods (monitoring wells 8 and 8A) downhill from the Cohasset Heights Ltd. (CHL) landfill, has found detectable levels of hazardous volatile organic chemicals (VOC's) which have migrated about 1500 feet south from the landfill in the direction of Lily Pond, our source of public drinking water. The VOC's detected were acetone and carbon disulfide.

This is an alarming finding, which may indicate that hazardous VOC's may have already migrated even further south and even closer to Lily Pond. However, since CHL has never been required either by the state or the town to test groundwater and surface water south of Boulder Lane, we have no way of knowing at this time whether the landfill is in imminent danger of polluting Lily Pond.

CHL must be required — soon — to test for VOC's in groundwater and surface water between Boulder Lane and Lily Pond, including Brass Kettle Brook, and must be required to remove any contamination that is found, if we are to have any chance of protecting our public drinking water supply from contamination from CHL.

John K. McNabb, Jr.
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COUNCIL CORNER/Kathie O'Neil

Comment Boxes Placed in All Schools

The Cohasset School Councils have begun their meetings for the school year. In order to facilitate communications in the community, the school committee had placed "comment boxes" in each school.

The Jr./Sr. High School Council met Sept. 11 and Oct. 9. As part of ongoing maintenance, this summer, renovations were completed on the front hall administration offices.

There will be three meetings this year with representatives from the New England League of Middle Schools to continue developing the Middle School concept at CHS. Nov. 1, an in-service, led by Barbara Dane, was held for the Middle School faculty.

Parents of grades five, six, seven and eight will meet on Nov. 14 with Dr. Robert Spear to discuss the Middle School concept. Meetings will follow Jan. 14 and Mar. 26. All meetings will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the HS cafeteria.

The next council meeting will be held Nov. 13 at 7 p.m. in the A/V studio.

The Deer Hill School Council met Oct. 8. After an address by Maureen Jerz of the School Committee and election of officers, the focus of the meeting turned to the '96-'97 Deer Hill School Improvement Plan. The four major goals of this plan are as follows: 1. Increase Parental Involvement. 2. Improve School Climate. 3. Improve Communication. 4. Assist the New Principal. All of these goals were incorporated in Mr. Callahan's "Make a Difference Day" at Deer Hill Oct. 26. Parents, teachers, staff and students were invited to spend some portion of the day helping to spruce up the appearance of the building and grounds. Refreshments were provided by the PSO. It is hoped that this spirit of cooperation will continue throughout the year as various projects are completed.

Further discussions included implementing the Code of Conduct, addressing the Deer Hill School Survey, and the "Principal's Coffee Hours" which are slated to continue this year. The next meeting will be held Nov. 12 at 4 p.m.

The Osgood School Council met Sept. 30 and Oct. 22. Discussions included effective ways to disseminate information to the school community in a timely fashion.

Budget concerns were discussed with council members voicing a strong need for staffing including additional reading support, special education, and a one-half time health aide. Equipment priorities focused on an additional copier for the school as well as increased computers and printers to be used in classrooms.

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Readers Respond to Halloween Egging Incident

Results of Reader Survey question for Nov. 7, 1996

A large mob of unruly youth pelted Cohasset Police bicycle patrol officers and police cruisers with eggs in the village on Halloween

How serious do you believe this behavior is?

14 It's no big deal. It was just a Halloween prank. The Chief of Police is over-reacting

49 This is indicative of a large problem showing the breakdown of respect for authority and lack of parental discipline and supervision.

8 While this was just a Halloween prank, it could have gotten out of hand, resulting in vandalism and injuries. This behavior should not be taken lightly.

Your comments:

Since the officer's clothing was ruined, what the teenagers did was vandalism. Why weren't they arrested as vandals should be and charged with assault? When objects are thrown at a motor vehicle, the distraction could cause a serious accident. Officer Tarantino should have arrested the guilty kids. Why do we let Cohasset kids get away with wrong-doing so often? If one kid was arrested and written in the police report, maybe the others would think twice.

I think it's really disgusting. I tell my kids they can't even use the word "cop" for police officer. Friends I know and respect allow their kids—who were seniors in high school—out there to throw eggs at the bicycle patrol I think it's incredibly disrespectful and irresponsible.

Hopefully the comment in the editorial from the police department about not being able to arrest people because the situation was way out of line, is a mistake. Otherwise we have a big problem with the police department if they find egg-throwing too tough to handle.

I'm calling to say that I, too, am outraged with the actions of these teenagers. The responsibility lies solely on the parents. There is a lack of respect for authority because there is no authority with these parents. If they're foolish to think groups of teenagers go out on Halloween and just walk around pleasantly, they really have short memories.

I think it was unfair of the Mariner to say that all kids are responsible for this. Because the way the editorial described teenagers today made us all sound rebellious. What happened on Halloween was a small percentage of kids, and they're not all from Cohasset. Not all teenagers are like that, and all teenagers aren't rebellious and not all should take the blame for this. It's not fair to judge all kids this way.

It's unfair to label all teenagers because of one incident. Not all are like that.

I don't think this is a big deal at all. It's just Halloween. You don't see kids throwing eggs any other day of the year. It's not only the Police Chief that's over-reacting, there's one cop, Richard Yocum who over-reacted. He's did a terrible job of handling the situation that night. He yelled at people who were wrongly accused of doing things. He should be spoken to about it.

I think this is terrible. The parents probably don't know what they're up to, which shows they're not communicating with them. Efforts should be made to track these kids down and make them held responsible and their parents. We're going to end up with is a curfew on Halloween. This is totally unacceptable behavior.

A week before Halloween, we had a group of teenagers go through our neighborhood (Linden Drive) and destroyed pumpkins, fences, mailboxes—anything they could get their hands on. The police were finally alerted after they had done hundreds of dollars in damage. It was finally traced back to a party, and it turned out it was most of the football team that participated in this behavior. Only one of the individuals was held responsible. He never apologized. The police simply had one individual who had the party held responsible, and he's supposed to pay for the damage. This doesn't teach the kids in town a lesson: to have one person held responsible, monetarily, when in the end it's the parents who end up paying. All those kids should have come door-to-door and apologized, and then put to work to fix those items. We can't teach responsibility if we just accept checks from parents. The police need to take a harder line.

These children should realize that the only reason that the only reason they are able to sleep safely is because of the protection of the police. The police are very important members of the community, and we should respect them, and be grateful for what they do for use.

I think Cohasset has a very serious problem with the lack of parental discipline and supervision. What do the parents think the kids are doing on Halloween—which happens to be a school night—when they're not at home? They're up to no good, and I think the parents should be fully responsible, and should back up the police, who are trying to do their job. I'm outraged after I read the editorial.

I find it appalling that the only mention of the incident is in the editorial. This is the first I've heard of it. I'm surprised we haven't seen more about this. As a parent in the community, we should want that.

I was driving home from work around 9 o'clock on Halloween, and it was absolutely unbelievable: the children—they're not children, they're young adults—in the roadway, in dark clothes, screaming and screeching. I think it was a poor, poor showing.

I would not make light that this incident occurred. The police should make note that they often bully the kids and don't show them any respect. This doesn't warrant the behavior by the youths on Halloween, however, I think it's time that the police have some understanding and some respect, and remember that the kids are part of the town, too. I've seen kids walk into Tedeschi's to buy a soda and stop outside to remove the cap, and be yelled at to "move along" or "what are you doing here" and treated rudely. I don't think the kids should have free reign, but they are citizens and should be shown respect. I stood in the high school and heard Officer Laugelle greet the graduating seniors with the words, "Don't worry the summer isn't over yet. I can still arrest you." Come on. Tell me he isn't asking to be pelted with an egg.

No children past 6th grade should be out on Halloween. This night is for young children and it's no place for junior high or older children. This age group put tremendous pressure on their parents to be allowed out at night, and parents must be firm in not allowing junior high or high school kids out at night. These kids are looking for excitement, and parents are providing an opportunity for that to happen. Parents, learn to say no to your kids.

I'd like to thank Mary Ford for her excellent editorial. I think too many of our children have no respect for authority and take no responsibility for their actions. Recently we've seen two illegal actions by the upper grade children and nothing was done about them. I feel that the responsibility should have been taken concerning the marijuana and this egging of the police officers, and I'm asking the superintendent of schools, the school committee, and the selectmen, as well as the parents, to please take some action.

I moved to Cohasset a year ago, and I thought it was a good town to raise my children. This is certainly not what I expected. I can't believe the kids would do this, to the police, no less. I'd like to see the kids who did it punished somehow.

I think this shows an alarming breakdown in civility and community, and individual accountability and responsibility. Next year, if something like this happens, there should be a larger police force, and these people should be arrested. This is assault on a police officer, and people can be seriously injured if this isn't put under control.

I believe this is just a prank, kids will be kids. The Cohasset Police probably deserved it.

It was stupid Halloween prank. The police are over-reacting and don't know how to deal with it.

It's stupid with the police over-reacting. It's going to happen every years, so deal with it.

As a police officer, I believe this is indicative of a larger problem, showing the breakdown for respect for authority and the lack of parental supervision. There's no doubt in my mind that the kids knew exactly what they're doing and had every intention of wreaking havoc across town. It's become an annual thing now. There's zero respect for the police. The problem comes from the parents who believe it's not their kids, it's somebody else's. Someone could've gotten hurt. The lack of respect comes from the parents, not teaching them to respect authority figures, police and teachers. The chief of police is not over-reacting.

The Cohasset Mariner will have a new survey question next week.

Upcoming Meetings Noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Health, 7 p.m., Nov. 19 & 26.
- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 21.
- Planning Board, 8 p.m., Nov. 20.
- Sewer Commission, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 26 & 7:30 p.m., Dec. 16.
- Greenbush Mitigation Committee, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Historical Commission, &;30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Recreation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 14 & 18.
- School Committee, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 21.
- Water Resources Protection Committee, 8 p.m., Nov. 20 & Dec. 4.

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

Water Company Clarifies Bills

Massachusetts-American Water Company will mail inserts with its bills to customers in response to comments from many who requested clarification regarding portions of their water bills. The explanation insert will include a key for each line item on the bill, which clarifies each date, quantity and cost breakdown.

"We hope this information will help our customers better understand all the information we provide on our bills," said Keith Bossung, vice president of MAWC. The company is providing specific, clear explanations for each line item to support the current bill structure, which was approved by the Mass. Department of Public Utilities.

The inserts will be included in bills mailed by the company over the next three months. Customers are encouraged to call the company to request that bill clarification sheets be mailed to them prior to the receipt of their next water bill. Copies will also be available at Hingham Public Library, Hull Town Hall and the water company at 75 Wm. Terry Dr., Hingham.

The water company has requested approval from Mass. DPU to bill customers on a monthly basis.

Hedlund

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to the right" on issues such as gun control and abortion rights are less important to voters on the local level.

"He does his homework," Pratt said.

Republican State Committee member Polly Logan, of Cohasset, said she supports Hedlund in spite of those conservative positions because she in convinced that seniority in the state Senate is more important for the district.

Hingham's Democratic Town Committee chairman Tim White agreed that conservative Republican positions were not immediately identified with Hedlund. He also sees the need for moderation on both sides, if the Republicans are to remain viable and if Democrats want to maintain and expand the success of this election.

Logan said Hedlund has built a coalition, focusing on important local issues, such as the future use of the South Weymouth Naval Air Station and the impact of the Title V regulations on his constituents on the South Shore.

"He picked his issues and he did it well," Logan said.

Logan said the Republican party must moderate its positions, and attract qualified women to bridge the "gender gap" that has turned women to vote for Democratic candidates with liberal positions on social issues.

She noted good government cannot be too far to the right or to the left. It was Republican Congressional candidate Edward Teague's position on gun control, gay rights, and abortion that cost him the race that now sends Norfolk County District Attorney William Delahunt to Washington.

Pratt agreed, saying, "A moderate Republican could have won the Congressional seat."

Delahunt's victory now provides an opportunity for Gov. William Weld to name a Republican as new Norfolk County district attorney, as he did last year when William O'Malley died in office and Michael Sullivan, former Republican state representative from Abington, was appointed as Plymouth County's district attorney.

Similarly, in 1994, following the resignation of Plymouth County Sheriff Peter Flynn, Weld named former House Republican "Whip" Peter Forman.

Both Sullivan and Forman were elected to their respective posts last week.

White also believes that the challenge, albeit a late one, to State Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray is a sign that the longtime Cohasset Republican may be vulnerable. While Murray is respected as a good representative for her constituents in the Third Plymouth District, she has not faced a challenge in a several years.

If Buckley had organized sooner, she would not have needed a sticker campaign, White said. If Buckley had come to the Democratic Town Committee two weeks before the September primary, "we could've gotten her the 150 votes she needed [to get her name on the November ballot]."

With the name recognition that she has already achieved as co-founder of the Coastal Coalition, with her opposition to restoration of commuter rail, Buckley would have been a more serious challenger to Murray, White said.

While Harris acknowledges the difficulties the Republicans face throughout the state and nationally, he sees a positive situation on the South Shore. Not the least of which is Hedlund's 57 per cent of the vote last week.

He said Hedlund appeals to a broad range of voters because "he's not a country club Republican."

"I'm sort of a person who looks on the sunny side, at least here in Hingham," Harris said. "We have a Republican governor, lieutenant governor, State Senator, State Representative, and two county officers elected sheriff and district attorney. Things are not that grim. At least in this area, we weren't wiped out."

Tina Danielson tows her son Derick toward town hall to vote on Nov. 5

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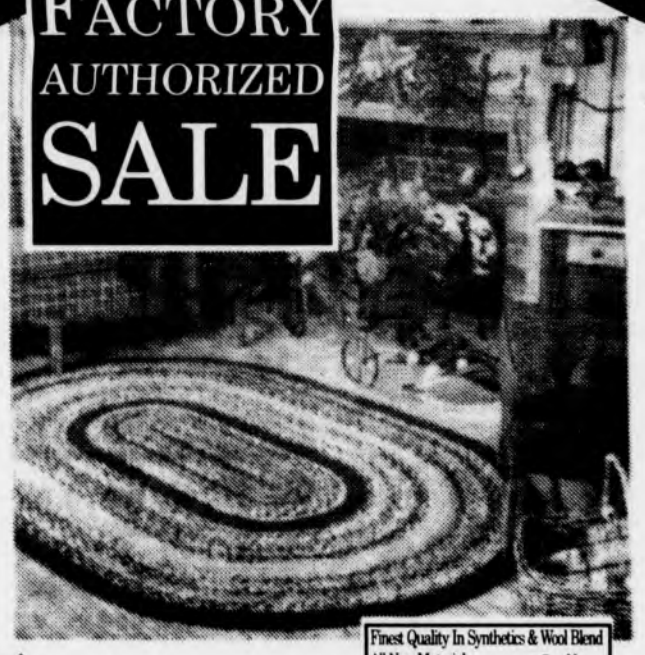

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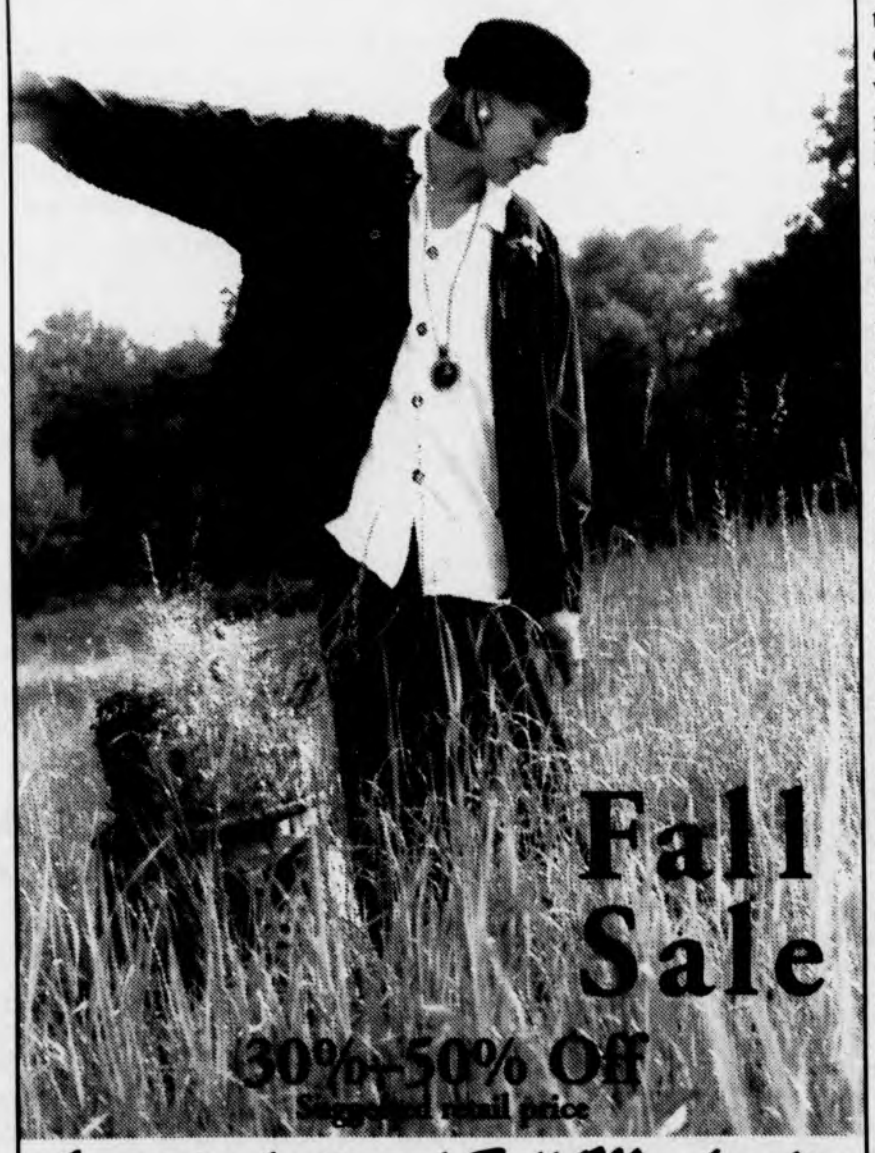

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By the editors of Worth Magazine

To maximize long-term performance, an investment portfolio must be globally diversified, with at least 20 percent foreign exposure. We've said this many times in Worth Magazine, and our reason for doing so is pretty basic: Over the long haul, the world economy is simply going to grow faster than that of the United States. The only way to take advantage is to participate.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

One way to do this, of course, is to own foreign stocks — buying them either directly or through mutual funds. This is decidedly not a risk-free strategy, as recent events in Mexico and some Asian markets have underscored.

An altogether different approach is to acquire stocks in U.S. companies that do business either in foreign lands or with foreign partners. This option has been eclipsed amid the global-investing craze of the last several years. To this day, in fact, most asset-allocation models, including those at private banks, count all U.S. stocks as 100 percent domestic investments, regardless of the amount of revenue or assets from foreign operations.

Nevertheless, more than 200 companies among the Standard & Poor's 500 get at least 20 percent of their revenues from exports or overseas operations. By buying the right ones, an investor can build a portfolio that, for all practical purposes, is as global as that of an investor who owns a mix of international stocks.

Such an all-domestic "global" portfolio also has a number of advantages, including minimum exposure to foreign stock market risk, reduced currency risk, accounting under U.S. standards, and, in some cases, lower taxes.

Several money managers — like Edward Bousa, a manager in Putnam's basic-value equity-fund group — are putting new emphasis on the concept of investing globally through U.S. stocks. Bousa believes the strategy has become more attractive because so many U.S. companies are now in a position to compete effectively worldwide, having raised quality standards and lowered costs in recent years. He also notes that U.S. companies continue to be superb marketers and technological leaders.

Adds Madhav Dhar, head of emerging markets at Morgan Stanley: "The (global economic) revolution is a consumer one, not a producer one. Don't underestimate an emerging market's consumers and overestimate its producers." In other words: Buying shares of companies in foreign markets may not always be the best way to play.

By their nature, multinational companies also offer their investors certain buffers against market gyrations through things like currency-risk management and international tax planning. A multinational can react quickly to global opportunities and can shift investment levels if business conditions deteriorate. "If you're Colgate and you're having a problem in Mexico, you can take your assets and put them into Taiwan in a heartbeat," says Bousa. "A Mexican toothpaste producer just has to stay put" — with its investors presumably suffering the consequences.

We asked Bousa — whose funds include Putnam Managed Income, George Putnam Fund of Boston, and Putnam Equity Income — to put together a sample portfolio of seven U.S. stocks that would give an investor a substantial degree of global diversification. They include:

•AT&T: The world leader in long-distance and telephone equipment, which will be buoyed along by new Chinese and Saudi contracts.

•Avon: The global and U.S. leader in direct cosmetics sales, with 1.7 million sales representatives worldwide.

•Colgate: The leading toothpaste manufacturer globally. Overseas sales are currently growing 15 percent annually.

•Emerson: The top U.S. maker of electronic products and systems for appliances, appealing because of its low cost, high tech approach.

•J.P. Morgan: This top commercial banker in Europe and Asia, with 68 percent of its lending overseas, poses a big threat to Japanese banks.

•TRW: The company has made a successful transition from government to commercial work, but still has big federal contracts — the IRS's computer modernization effort, to name one.

•Warner-Lambert: This number three over-the-counter drug maker has joint ventures with Glaxo, Wellcome to boost its international presence.

As a group, the stocks in Bousa's portfolio get 47 percent of their revenue from overseas sales and operations. They also represent a combination of what Bousa describes as "the safety of your home market as well as a once-in-a-generation opportunity for U.S. companies to grow overseas." All seven are also among the leaders in their fields, a home and abroad. For instance Colgate is the second-ranked selle of toothpaste in the United State (behind Procter & Gamble), an number one in toothpaste overseas and has overall annual growth of 1 percent abroad.

Bousa also believes each of th seven stocks are attractively value now. "If you buy 100 shares of each you can get the entire portfolio fo less than $40,000," he says. "Th companies provide good growt rates, respectable dividend yields and good market positions in th U.S. and overseas."

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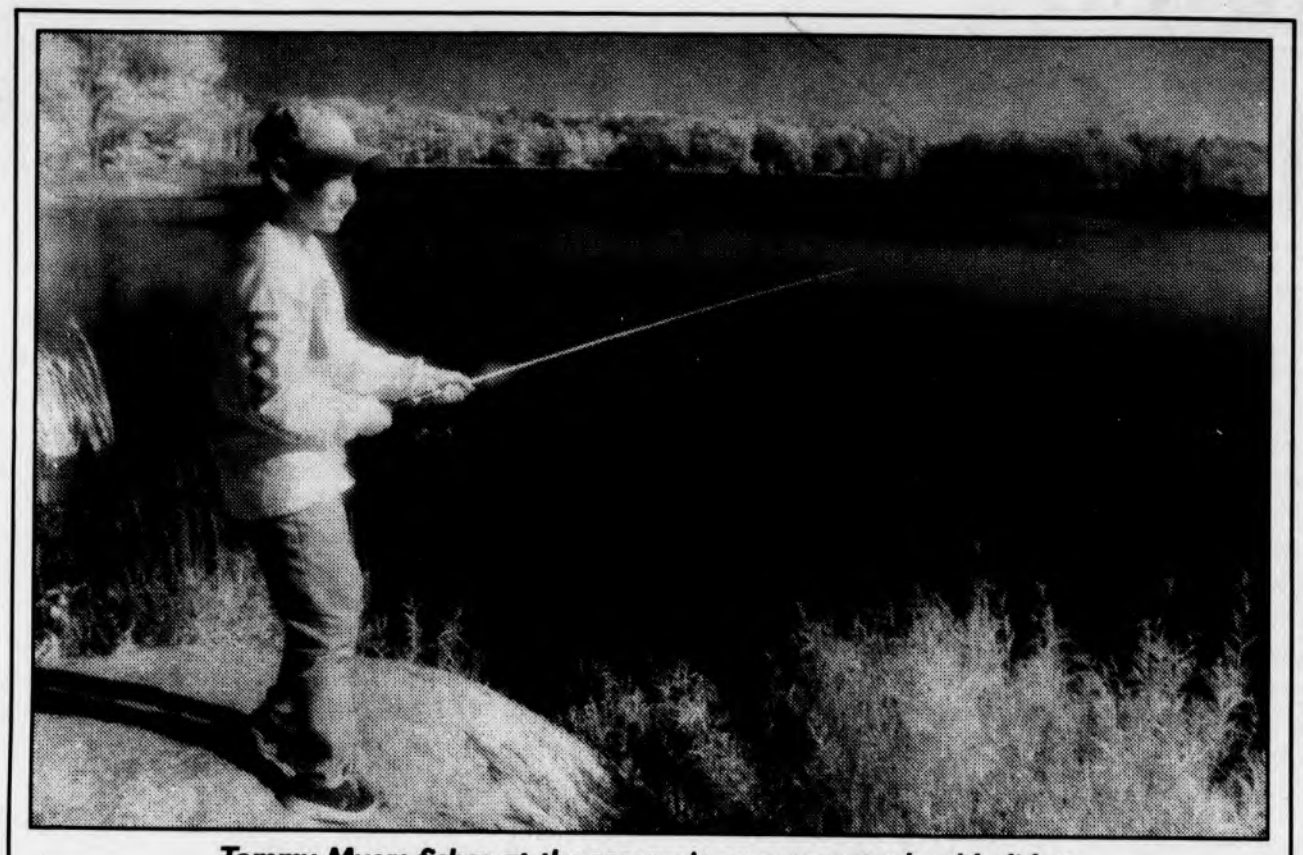

Tommy Myers fishes at the reservoir on a recent school holiday.
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Chamber to Host Auction

Cohasset Chamber of Commerce will host their annual benefit auction Saturday, Nov. 16, at South Shore Community Center. There will be a preview from 5 to 7 p.m., followed by a free Italian dinner at 6 p.m. and the auction from 7 to 10 p.m.

Auction items were donated by the Cohasset business community, and the VFW has joined the auction this year. They will be in charge of the dinner.

Proceeds will be split equally among the Appalachian groups, VFW and Chamber of Commerce and Harborfest.

Fox Accepts Position at Hair Salon

Steffanie Fox of Cohasset, a graduate of Mansfield Beauty School, has accepted a position at Finely Diane's Salon in Weymouth.

Fox attended Mass. College of Art for several years and finds her creative background an asset in her career in hairdressing.

Finely Diane's is a full-service salon located at 99 Pleasant St, Columbian Square.

Local Citizens Arrested for Good Cause

On Nov. 13, Carole Proodian and William A. Brown of Cohasset were "arrested" for a good cause, as willing participants in "Boston's Most Wanted," a premier event to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy association. MDA's Keystone Cops will issue warrants to both residents at their respective Boston offices and charge them with having a big heart.

Proodian and Brown will be escorted by limousine, provided by Customer Transportation Service of Braintree, to the International Restaurant & Pub, 184 High St., Boston, which is the official jail site for the event.

Celebrity judges, including several WCVB-TV5 personalities, will sentence Proodian and Brown, along with more than 600 other Boston business professionals participating in the event. They will serve one hour raising bail by collecting pledges from colleagues, friends and family on telephones provided by Cellular One and NYNEX Mobile Communications. All jailbirds raising more than $1,000 will be eligible for a prize drawing of two tickets to Paris, courtesy of American Airlines.

In lieu of the standard fare of bread and water, detainees will be treated to a buffet provided by the restaurant before being released for good behavior.

Funds raised will support MDA's local programs, which include an MDA summer camp, research and support groups for families and diagnostic and clinical services.

Proodian is an executive secretary at the Boston Athenaeum. Brown is a Boston attorney.

Greenbush Meeting is Slated

Representatives from the MBTA, which plans to restore the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad through Cohasset, will attend the train mitigation meeting at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18 at Cohasset Town Hall.

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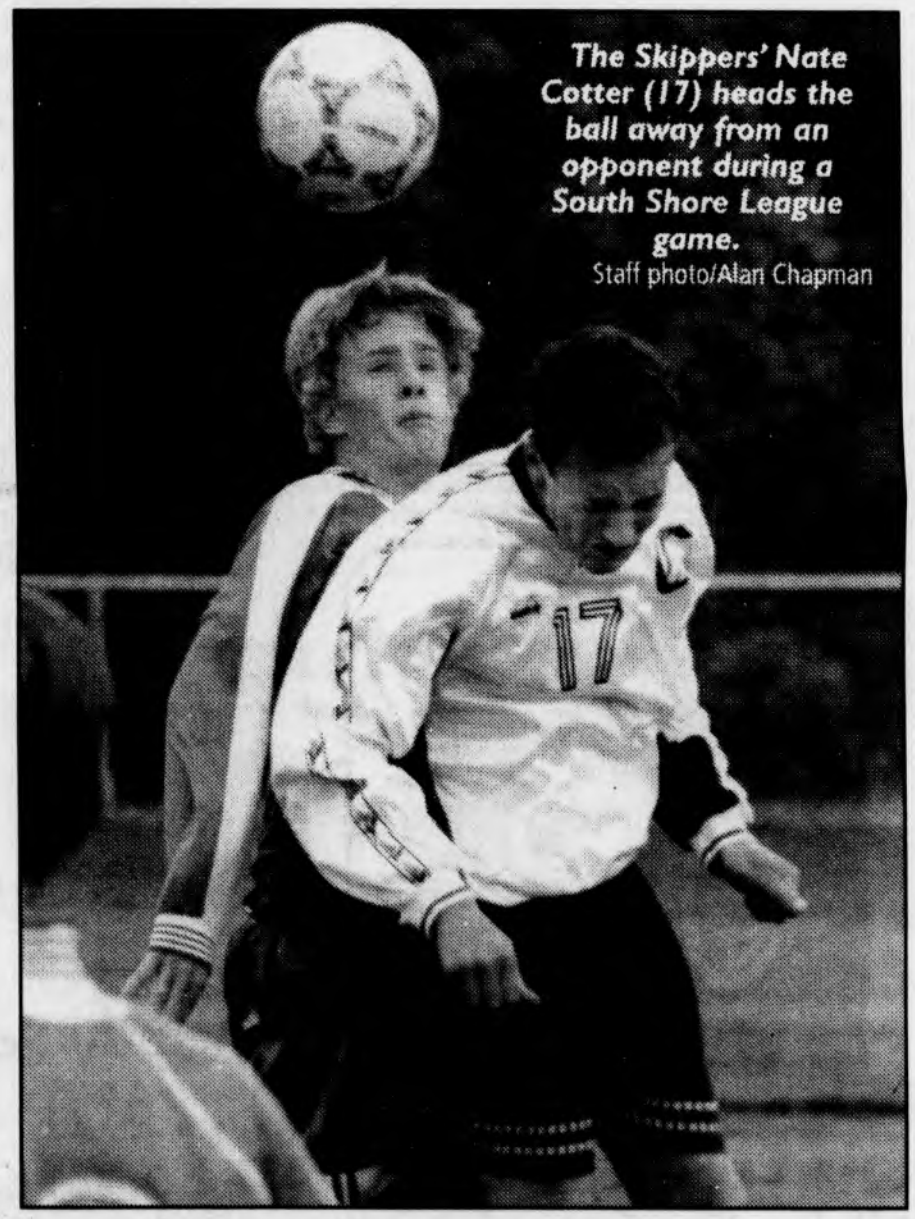
Skippers Lose Tough

South Boston Clips Football Squad

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

The Cohasset Skippers lost a hard-fought game to the visiting South Boston Knights last Friday in non-league action. Although they bowed 8-6, Cohasset showed excellent improvement on defense, holding the Knights scoreless for the final three quarters. The Skippers were helped with excellent defense from Jerry Cogill and Mike Rossi, and a good running game from Raheem Shepard.

Matt Belson kicked off to start the game with a blast, all the way to the one-yard line, but the ball was returned to the 22, where senior co-captain Grant Emde made the tackle. Jerry Cogill and Kevin Duffy combined for a tackle and John Kasameyer and Duffy joined for the next one. Defensive end Sean Parkinson and defensive back Jamie DeMichele dragged down a ball carrier, and the Skippers forced a Southie punt. An errant snap flew over the kicker's head and Belson, Jamie Buick and Justin Golden charged in to apply pressure, giving the home team possession at the 32.



The Skippers' Nate Cotter (17) heads the ball away from an opponent during a South Shore League game.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Unfortunately, the Southie defense wouldn't budge, and Rossi came on to punt. A good boot went for naught as it was answered with a long return for Southie. An Alex Russell tackle could not prevent a touchdown on the next play, as a 19-yard pass tallied six points for the Knights. The two-point conversion made it 8-0.

Southie's kickoff sailed to the 17, where Cohasset took over. Emde sprinted for four yards and Shepard bolted for eight and a first down, ending the first quarter. Cohasset began the second with a punt, which drove the visitors back to the 36. Southie then took to the air, marching down the field with a series of short, effective pass plays. However, the Skipper defense held fast, forcing the Knights to throw on fourth down. Parkinson, Buick and Adam Sasso crashed through the line and made the sack, Sasso supplying the clinching hit.

The home team's offense just couldn't get into gear, though, and Rossi again came on. Southie's offense, in what would be the story for the rest of the night, could not move the solid Blue Line and turned over on downs, after Rossi made an excellent open field tackle. Shepard ate up eight yards for the Skippers, then two runs, for seven yards and five yards, respectively. Quarterback Pat Hurley fired to Buick for a seven-yard gain, but a CHS fumble was recovered by Southie just before the half and the Skipper threat went unfulfilled.

Shepard started the second half with a 23-yard jaunt and then rumbled for two more. Belson's two runs netted him nine yards, and set up Shepard's 17-yard sprint to the 3. Belson topped the drive, controlled by the sturdy CHS offensive line, with a three-yard TD carry. In a key play, though, the conversion failed, making the score 8-6.

Emde and sophomore Luke Caldwell combined to make the tackle on the kickoff, and Sasso and Duffy joined to make a tackle up the middle. Sasso again came charging up the middle on the next play, dropping the Knights for a loss. A Southie punt did no good for the Skippers and this was how the game went for the rest of the night, the squads exchanging punts and unsuccessful drives. In the final minutes, Cohasset mounted what could have been the winning drive. Gutsy runs by Hurley and a fake punt keeper by Belson added drama to the game, but the Skippers fell short, ending the game at 8-6.

Also in the closing drives, the Skippers lost lineman John-Paul Laugelle to a knee injury. Laugelle's wound only adds to the already extensive injury list. Co-captain Andy Hamilton emerged after a six-week hiatus to get in for a few plays last Friday, even making a second-half tackle, and Jordan Fiore, hampered by a neck problem, suited up but did not play. Senior Chad Whitman remains inactive, and Laugelle appears questionable for this week's contest, which will be in Norwell at 1 p.m. Saturday.

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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Just One More Betting Spree

I've never been a betting man. That's to say I've never been good at winning bets. This year for example I picked the Atlanta Braves to win the world series, Mike Tyson to beat Evander Holyfield and Roger Clemens to win 20 games. They all looked like sure winners..Okay...maybe not Clemens, but you know what I mean.

So now that we've learned that Boston College has had as much wagering going on as at Suffolk Downs, I realized just how serious a matter betting and gambling is in the eyes of the law. I buy a scratch ticket and keep one eye scanning the area when I rub off the numbers of the, what else, losing card.

But I have one more series of bets to make before I retire completely. Hopefully, the district attorney won't somehow come across this column and build a case against me with my past history of bad bets as incriminating evidence. But for the good of the Cohasset sports community, I'm making some bets. There won't be any wagering behind them, so I should be alright.

Reardon

I bet the Cohasset-Hull Thanksgiving day game will be another bone-chilling affair: Forget the fact that the game is being played on Cohasset's Alumni Field. It doesn't matter. I covered the Cohasset-Hull game before Jim O'Sullivan took over the football beat and it was murder just about every year.

The fall teams will mount a comeback next year and qualify for the tournament: The field hockey team just missed qualifying for the Division 2 South Sectionals, despite playing Hull and Hanover tough in each outing. The squad should be even stronger next year.

Both the boys and girls soccer teams were hurt by graduation, but they'll have stronger squads in the future. The .500 mark shouldn't be much of a struggle to reach.

There are better days ahead for the football team: Thanks to Torin Sweeney's freshman program, the Skippers will have a farm system of sorts to develop future players. Look for Cohasset a resurgance in Skipper football, but be patient. This change isn't going to happen over night.

Alumni Field will become Cohasset's new FleetCenter: No, that doesn't mean Eddie Money and The Oak Ridge Boys will be playing stadium gigs, remember, the Music Circus is still in town. But the field and track will be alive and kicking with athletes year-round. It shouldn't be long before we see the South Shore League meet in track being held there on a regular basis. The track is the best in the league and ripe for good times.

Jade Forest Kids Take Top Honors at Tourney

Several members of Jade Forest Kung Fu of Cohasset represented the school recently at the South Shore Martial Arts for Kids Championships. Jeff Ciulla of Scituate won 1st Place in Boys age 11/12 Advanced Fighting. Erica Dieselman of Scituate won 1st Place in Girls age 11/12 Advanced Fighting. Colin May of Marshfield won 4th Place in boys age 13/14 Advanced Form and 2nd Place in age 13/14 Weapons. Rachel Ives of Hull won 1st Place in Girls age 11/12 Advanced Fighting. David Higbee of Hingham won 2nd Place in Boys age 7/8 Intermediate Form. Ketan Gajria of Hingham won 1st Place in Boys age 9/10 Advanced Fighting. Gordon Brown of Hingham won 1st Place in Boys age 13/14 Advanced Form and 3rd Place in Boys age 13/14 Advanced Fighting. Jeremy Williams of Cohasset won 1st Place in age 15/17 Weapons and 2nd Place in age 15/17 Advanced Form. For further information please on classes in Kung Fu for children or adults or Tai Chi classes for adults please call Jade Forest at 383-6822. Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi/Internal Arts is located on Route 3A in Cohasset.

Rachel Ives, Jeremy Williams, SIFU John Loupos, Gordon Gron and Ketan Gajria show the awards they won. Also picking up awards were (Seated) Jeff Ciulla and David Higbee. Missing from photo are Erica Dieselman and Colin May.

Youth Hoop Evaluations

It is important that your son/daughter attends a 45-minute evaluation session so that balanced teams can be drafted. Please note the date, time and place from the schedule below:

Saturday, Nov. 23

Grade 1 boys and girls, 9 a.m., Deer Hill School.

Grade 2 boys and girls, 10:30 a.m., Deer Hill School.

Grade 3 boys and girls, 12:30 p.m., Deer Hill School.

Grade 4 boys, 9 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 5 boys, 10 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 6 boys, 11 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 7 boys, noon CHS gym.

Grade 8 boys, 1 p.m. CHS gym.

Grade 4-6 girls, 2 p.m. CHS gym.

Grade 7-8 girls, 3 p.m. CHS gym.

Coaches will draft immediately following these evaluations and call you shortly thereafter regarding team status.

Including playoffs, finals and consolations, a total of at least eight games will be played by all participants. League rules provide for an equal division of playing time, emphasize the team concept of play and encourage sportsmanship, rather than just winning. Team rosters, schedules and rules will be provided at the first game.

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Recreation Report

SKI LESSONS AT BLUE HILLS

The Cohasset Recreation Department will conduct Blue Hill Ski Lesson registration Thursday, Nov. 14, at the recreation office, Cohasset Town Hall, between 3 and 4 p.m. and again in the evening, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Registration forms must be signed by a parent or guardian for participation in this five-week program. Beginner through advanced level instruction is available for children and youth, seven years old and older. Lessons are scheduled to begin Thursday, Jan. 2, and meet for five consecutive weeks, through Thursday, Jan. 30.

The bus will leave each week from the town hall parking lot at 3:20 p.m. and return from Blue Hills at about 6:45 p.m.

The fee for the ski lessons and transportation for the five-weeks is $100 and checks should be made payable to Town of Cohasset. Those participants who require equipment rentals may rent at Blue Hills and the cost for the five-week rental package is $45 per person. The rental fee can be included in the check for the program fee, i.e. $145.

This is the 20th year that ski lessons at Blue Hills have been offered through the Cohasset Recreation Department.

Over the years hundreds of youngsters have had the opportunity to learn how to ski or improve their techniques.

Remember, registration date is Thursday, Nov. 14.

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The Cohasset Recreation Commission extends their most sincere gratitude to Paul Laugelle, Anthony Sestito and Harold Litchfield for their very kind donation of machines, effort and time cutting and cleaning out growth at the Elm's Meadow skating area at Spring Street and Cushing Road.

Each year it is necessary to cut and remove the considerable vegetation growth from the meadow in order to place boards in the Spring Street dam to collect water for freezing for ice skating.

Elm's Meadow is a lighted, shallow depth skating area available for winter ice skating to all residents.

Mr. Laugelle, Mr. Sestito and Mr. Litchfield, DPW Superintendent, are thanked for their day-long efforts Saturday, Oct. 19.

Cohasset High field hockey coach Deb Bostwick and her daughter Jenna (Center) pose with this year's All-Stars Lauren Dooley, Jo Hurley and Emily Collins. The All-Star game between the Atlantic Coast League and the South Shore League ended in a 1-1 tie.

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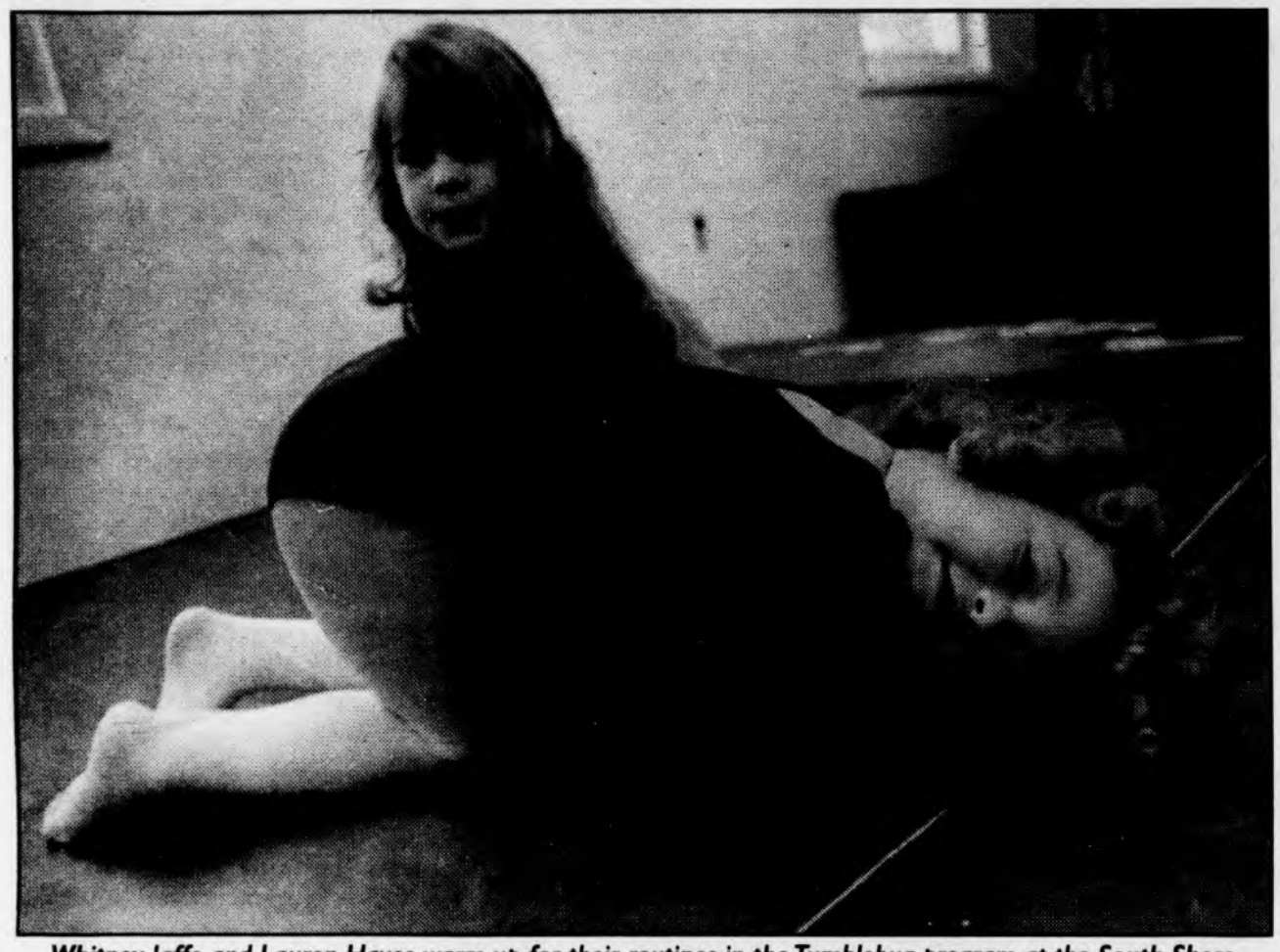
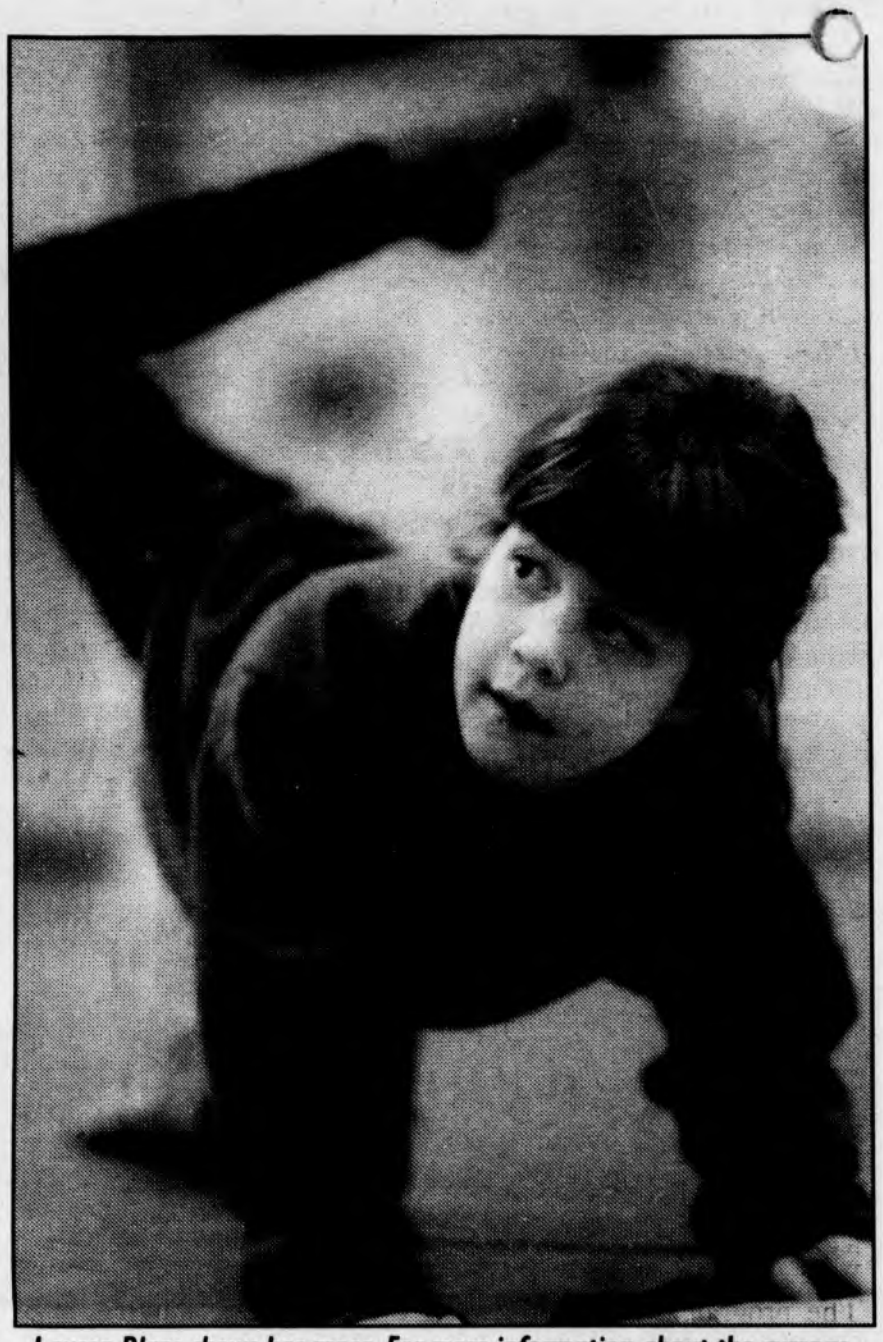
Tumblebugs Flip Over Gymnastics



Whitney Jaffe and Lauren Hayes warm up for their routines in the Tumblebug program at the South Shore Community Center, 3 N. Main St.



Lauren Blaze shows her grace. For more information about the gymnastics program, call 383-0088.

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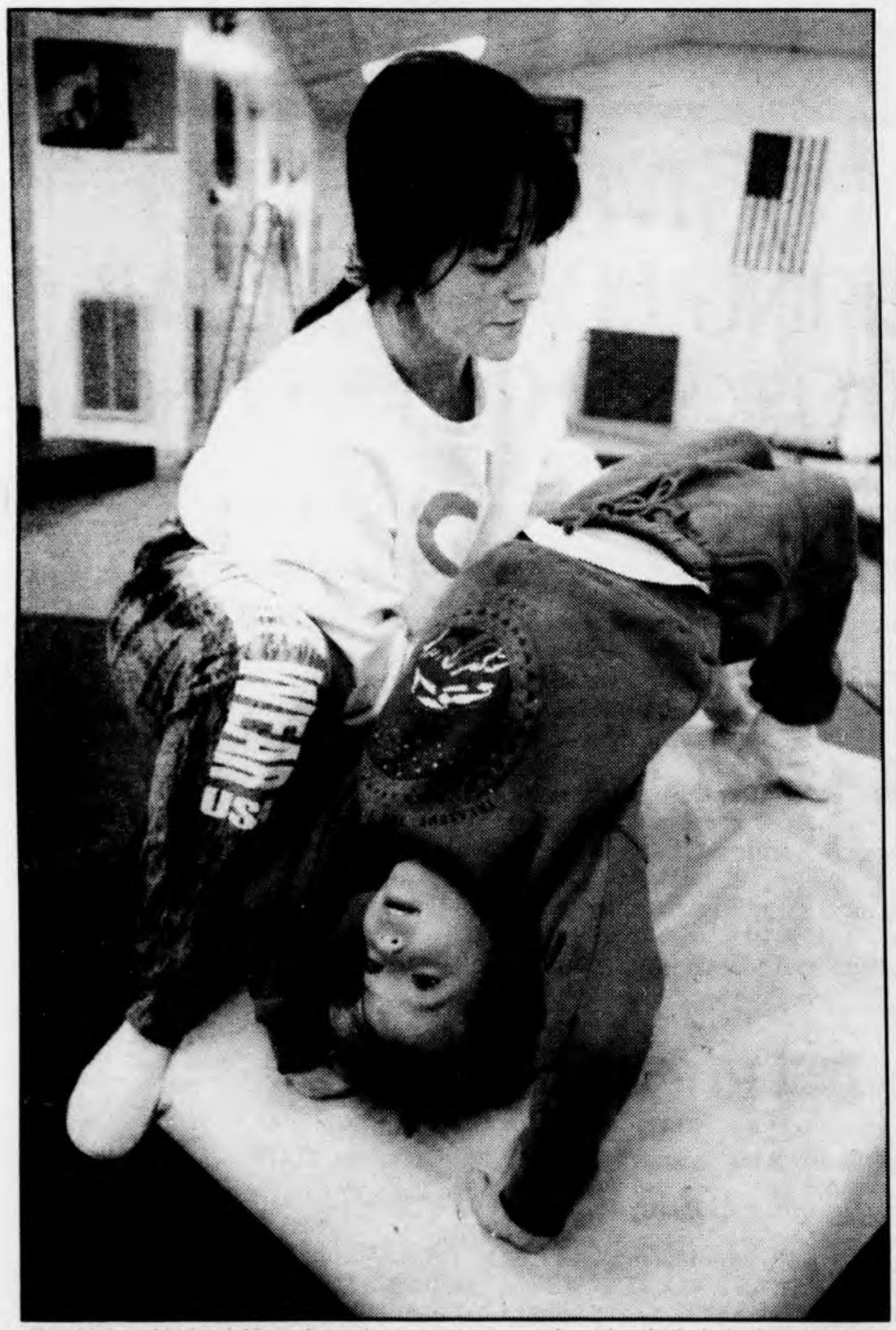
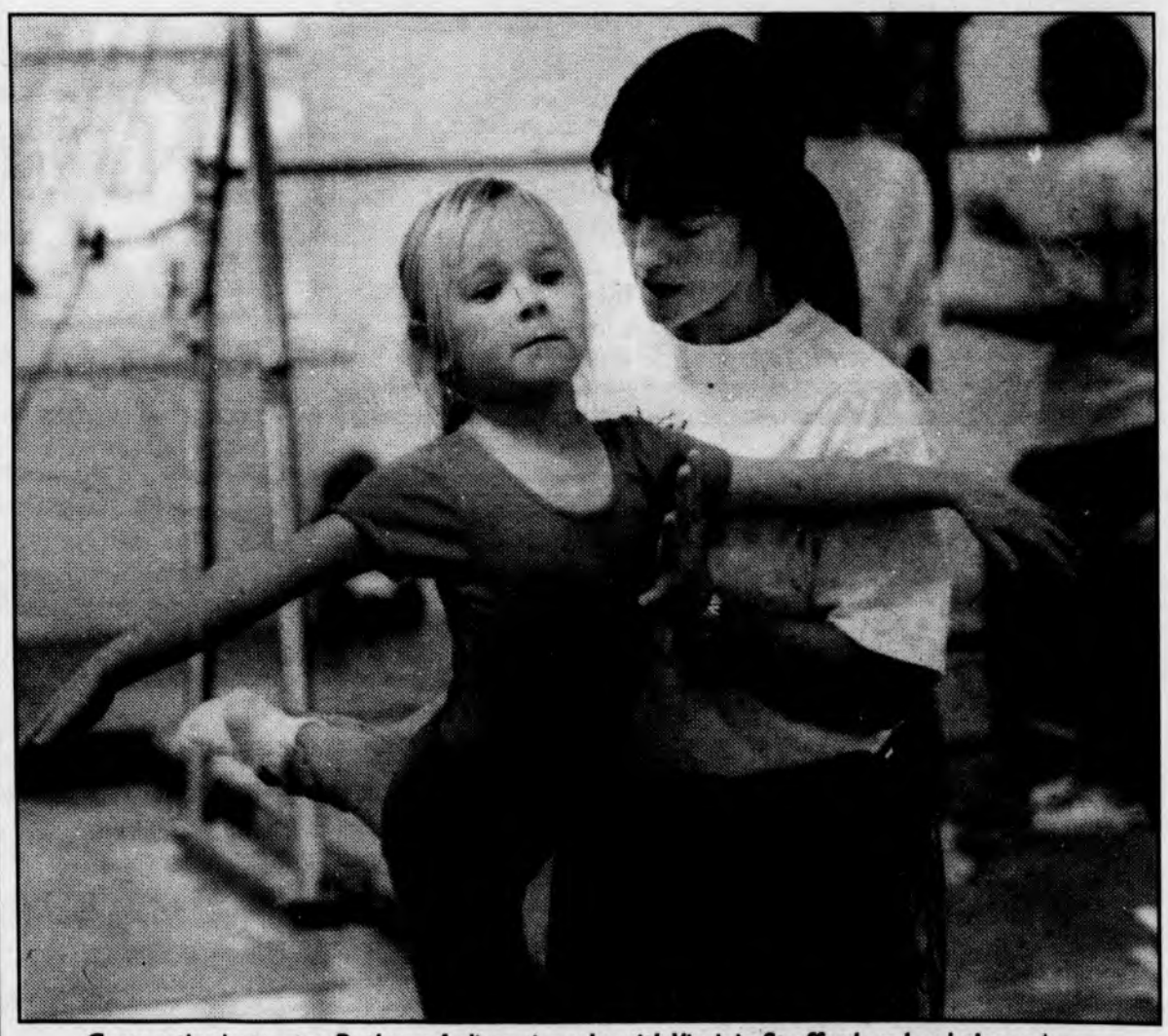
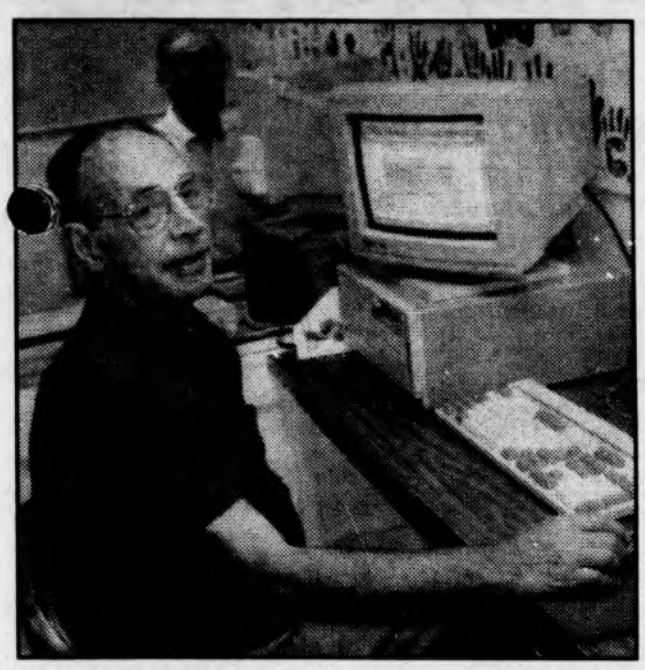


Tumblebug Michael Mattaliano learns to somersault with a little help from instructor Ruthann Ardizzoni.



Gymnastics instructor Ruthann Ardizzoni works with Virginia Spofford on her balance beam technique.

Senior Scene



Lou Simeone finishes up a recent computer class for senior citizens offered by the Council on Elder Affairs. Call 383-9112 for more information about what's offered for local seniors.

Pops Trip Planned for Seniors

Cohasset Elder Affairs is sponsoring a trip to see the Christmas Pops at Symphony Hall Dec. 21 at 11 a.m. Tickets, which include bus transportation, are $40, and there are a limited amount available. The bus departs from Appleseed's at 9:30 a.m. Call 383-9112 for further info. Payment must be received by Dec. 1.

Alzheimer's Care is Topic

The Affiliated Community Visiting Nurse Association will recognize Alzheimer's Awareness Month this November with a program on legal issues in Alzheimer's Care by Attorney Brian E. Barreira of Plymouth and Hingham. The program will be offered at the Cohasset Council on Elder Affairs, 3 North Main St., Cohasset from 7:30 to 9 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 21. Please call for reservations at 383-9112.

Activities Planned for Seniors

The Council on Elder Affairs offers many activities and programs for seniors.

A Caregivers Group meets the second Friday of each month at 10 a.m.

Sign-ups for the SHARE program are Nov. 4-8. Distribution day is Nov. 23.

A Jingle Bell Walk is scheduled for Friday, Nov. 29, at 1:30 p.m.

A Christmas Pops trip is planned for the Saturday, Dec. 21, matinee performance. The cost is $45, which includes the performance and bus transportation.

Tickets are available for the South Shore Men of Harmony performance Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. Call 383-9112 for tickets, which must be ordered in advance.

Several day trips are scheduled, including the following:

Nov. 20, Pilgrim Day and lunch in Plymouth. A trip to Sandwich is also planned in November. Call the COA for more information about day trips.

The COA is offering the following classes: step aerobics, low-impact exercise, yoga, easy exercise, chi gong, computers, bridge, wood working at Cohasset High School, chess for men, knitting, 55 Alive Driving, gourmet cooking and Classes Without Walls (major religions, Nov. 20).

Senior writing programs include "Reflections" with Karen Flood, Dec. 11.

Guest speakers are featured Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

Flu clinics are offered on the second Tuesday of the month at 11 a.m. (call 383-0771), and foot care clinics take place at 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on the second Wednesday ($18). Blood pressure screenings are slated for the second Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m.

Showstoppers Dinner Theater at the Golden Rooster Restaurant, Scituate, is offering Wednesday and Thursday senior matinees.

The Vista newsletter for seniors, which includes programs, classes and trips offered by the Senior Center, is mailed monthly. Call the center to request a place on the mailing list.

Luncheons for seniors are held Tuesdays and Thursdays at noon.

For fuel assistance information, call the COA.

For details about programs offered for seniors, call 383-9112.

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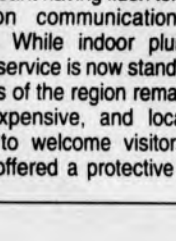

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It's Happening

Order Pies for Thanksgiving

The Appalachia Service Project, comprised of community student volunteers engaged in a home repair/home building ministry serving central Appalachia, will again be baking homemade pies and breads for its Thanksgiving fund raiser.

ASP volunteers will bake apple, pumpkin and pecan pies as well as cranberry and date nut breads. The price is $5 per loaf and $8 for apple and pumpkin pies and $9 for pecan pie.

Order forms will be available at local churches or by calling Second Congregational Church at 383-0345. Order deadline is Wednesday, Nov. 20. Pies and breads will be available for pick-up on Sunday, Nov. 24, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Second Congregational Church or can be delivered that afternoon. ASP members appreciate the support of the community in their annual fund-raising endeavor and offer the following:

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Restoring 'Old Ironsides' is Topic

Cohasset Historical Society will host an illustrated presentation by Patrick Otton of the Naval Historical Center, Charlestown Navy Yard, Sunday, Nov. 24, at Kimballs By The Sea, 124 Elm St. The talk is entitled "Restoring 'Old Ironsides.'" He will discuss research findings underlying restoration of the USS Constitution to its original condition as a fighting sh of 1812.

There will be a cash bar at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m., followed by the talk. Tickets are $16 for members, $20 for non-members and may be reserved by sending a check payable to Cohasset Historical Society to the society at 14 Summer St., Cohasset 02025. Reservations should be made by Nov. 18.

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CHS to Present 'The Mikado'

Cohasset High School will present "The Mikado," a tale of love, loss and reconciliation, Dec. 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 15 at 2 p.m.

During the performance, the gentlemen of Japan, chorus of schoolgirls, nobles and guards will help Nanki-Poo avoid the executioner's axe and find his beloved Yum-Yum.

The event will provide a lively, colorful evening of song and dance.

Buttonwood Celebrates National Children's Book Week

Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset and Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham will celebrate National Children's Book Week Nov. 18-24 with activities throughout the week.

Storytimes will be held Monday and Wednesday for ages 4-8 in both stores, featuring Franklin the turtle and Lilly of the purple plastic purse, with activities and crafts. The best in new children' books for holiday gifts will be displayed for parents and grandparents Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Cohasset and Thursday at 7 p.m. in Hingham.

Children ages 7-10 will create their own adventure stories in both stores Thursday at 3:30 p.m. Older children will learn how to design a story hour for babysitting or drama class with local librarians at 3 p.m. Friday at both stores.

Hingham children's author Molly Manley will conduct a limerick-writing workshop for children ages 7 and older Saturday at 2 p.m. in Hingham, while Marshfield children's author L.A. Murphy will join children in the Cohasset store at 3 p.m. for a poetry-writing workshop and to sign copies of her book, "Heavensbee."

A cable TV personality will cap off the week on Sunday with a storytime for children ages 5 and older at 2 p.m. in Hingham and 4 p.m. in Cohasset.

Call Buttonwood Books and Toys at 383-2665 or Buttonwood for Kids at 749-2665 for more information or to sign up for activities.

Holiday Treasures at Consignment Shop

With Christmas only six weeks away, shoppers will want to visit the newly enlarged Cohasset Consignment Shop, located on Route 3A in Cushing Plaza. There is a new collection of Austrian Geiger jackets and authentic tartan kilts from Scotland; Burberry jackets and men's winter coats; cashmere jackets and sweaters; and designer party dresses, including a stunning white wool cape.

Collectors will want to view the Royal Copenhagen Christmas plates first issued in 1908, and English Lilliput and David Winter collections.

There is also an array of children's and adult velvet attire, along with Irish and hand-knit sweaters and gloves. Don't miss the sailor doll by Pauline, wood antique cradle and a varied display of stuffed animals.

Shop Manager Andy Merrill said the shop is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The shop is staffed by volunteers, and she encourages both men and women to register for three-hour shifts.

Proceeds benefit the Social Service League, which provides confidential services, including family, geriatric, marital and teen counseling and advocacy and referrals for Hingham, Hull, Scituate, Norwell and Cohasset residents.

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School Notebook

PSO Auction Event Nears

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Here is a sampling of the auction items: a baseball clinic with Mo Vaughn, a Maine vacation home, hors d'oeuvres for a party, two children's sports clinics (baseball and swimming), watercolor instruction by a local artist, lobsters and more. Music will be provided by well-known musician and disc jockey David Becker. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar. For tickets call, Patty 383-2773.

Middle School Conversion Talk

In preparation for the fall of 1997 conversion of our current junior high school to a middle school, Dr. Robert Spear, executive director of the New England League of Middle Schools, will speak at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 13 in the Cohasset High School cafeteria. Dr. Spear will speak on the philosophy of middle schools and the process of implementing the changeover from the existing junior high to a middle school.

DRUG FACT

Marijuana contains over 400 known chemicals, and 61 of those are known as cannabinoids which affect the central nervous system. The primary psychoactive or mind-altering ingredient is called delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC.

(From an article entitled "MARIJUANA: It's a Serious Health Problem," written by Pharmacists Against Drug Abuse and printed as a public service by McNeil Pharmaceutical.)

Teen Center is Selling Entertainment '97 Books

The Cohasset Teen Center will be selling Entertainment '97 books as a fund raiser for programs at the center. The coupons contained in the book and the accompanying card provide the buy with opportunities to enjoy two-for-one dinners at many South Shore and Boston restaurants, including Kimballs By The Sea, Whiton House, Inn for All Seasons, The Red Parrot and Michael's Waterfront.

There are also discounts for fast-food restaurants, movie theaters, dry cleaning establishments and airline tickets.

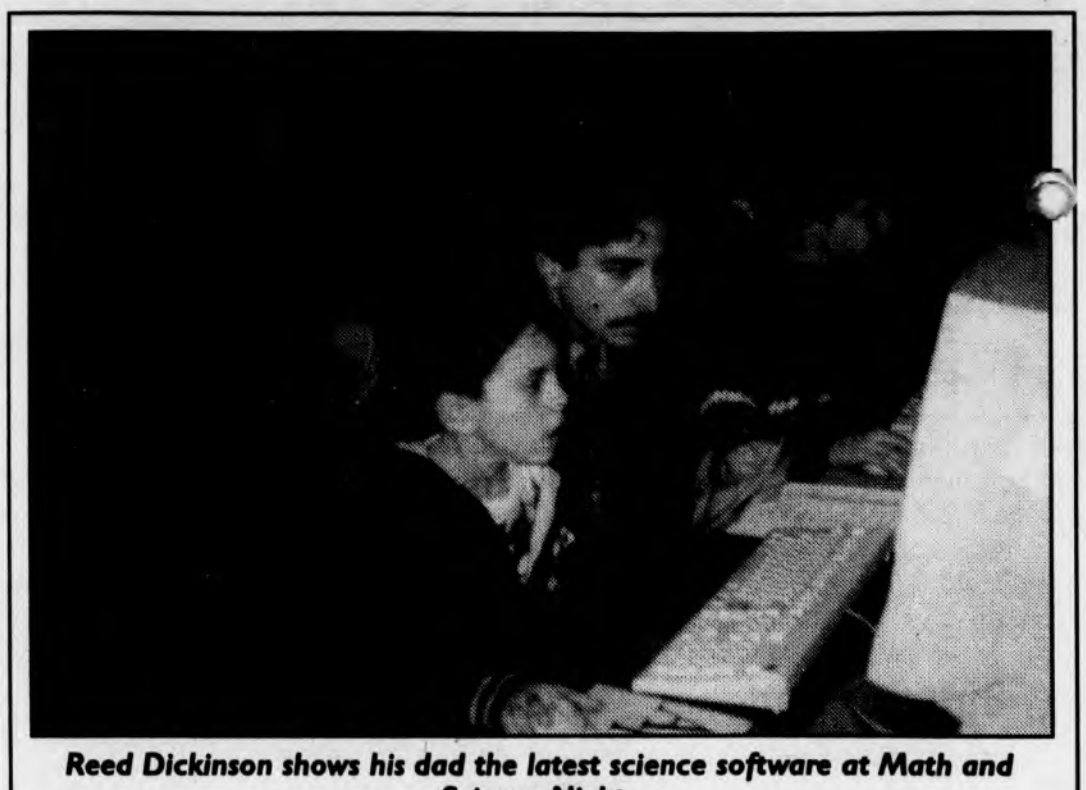
Anyone interested in purchasing an Entertainment '97 book to support the Teen Center is asked to contact Betsy Connolly at 383-1248.

Buy Wreaths to Support METCO

The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.



Reed Dickinson shows his dad the latest science software at Math and Science Night.

Family Math and Science Night

The Osgood gym, library and computer room were alive with fun and learning as more then 30 second-and third-graders and their parents participated in Family Math and Science night. The Family Math and Science program provides an opportunity for families to work together to explore math and science concepts using common household items in a "hands-on," non-threatening approach.

In the science room, the pupils made predictions, tried experiments, and made observations based on the results. Balloons, plastic containers and cars were used to explore gravity. A bottle and tubing became a submarine in a tub of water. Children used markers and coffee filters to do chromatography. Parents watched in amazement as their children molded clay and straws in to three-dimensional cubes and hexahedrons.

The math room offered a variety of problem-solving activities. Children worked with ratios making three-bean salads, logic in maneuvering trains around a track, and spatial relationships in creating puzzles for their parents to solve.

Children took the upper hand as they demonstrated their computer knowledge by showing their parents some of their favorite math and science software.

Ending the evening was difficult as children and their parents found "one more" activity to try. Program developers, Osgood parents Mary Ernst and Linda Nash, are already planning an evening in February for kindergartners and first-graders.

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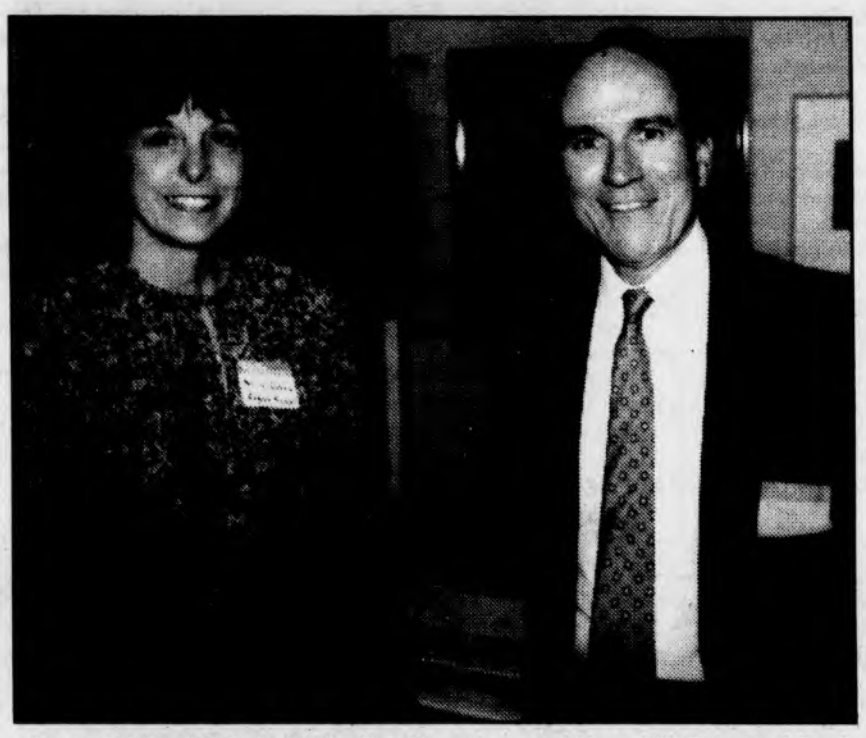
School Notebook

CEF's 'Evening for Education' was a Hit

Monday, Oct. 6, the Cohasset Education Foundation (CEF) hosted a successful "Evening for Education" fund-raiser at the South Shore Art Center. The occasion was hosted by the CEF as a kickoff for the new school year with the focus on the goal of underwriting of new equipment for the high school language laboratory. The evening also served as a showcase for CEF funded projects both completed and under development. Nearly 150 persons took the opportunity to support the CEF program and hear more on plans for the future.

The afternoon social also offered an opportunity for the attendees to meet with the system's two new principals, Paul Callahan, the new Deer Hill principal, and Marilee Cantelmo, the Osgood principal, discussed their mandates for the schools.

The gathering was entertained by members of the High School orchestra providing background music for the party. Jean Hansen, the Osgood computer instructor had several of her students demonstrating their proficiency with the technology that the CEF computer lab has provided elementary students. Another exhibit focused on the Naturalist in Residence Program and the recently completed Nature Trail other CEF-funded projects.



Osgood School Principal Marilee Cantelmo and Deer Hill Principal Paul Callahan were on hand to meet those who attended the education foundation's fund-raiser.

Representatives from a local distributor of Sony Corporation's language training equipment provided a working module of the system under consideration and demonstrated its features and flexibility. "A system's durability and adaptability will be important features in our selection. We need to ensure of a long service life, after all the existing lab was opened when I first joined the Cohasset system over 25 years ago," noted Paul Narkiewicz, the Language Department Chairman.

In keeping with the international theme of the event, celebrants were treated with pastries and dishes from a variety of ethnic origins prepared by members of the PSO Diversity Committee. Mike Hurley, CEF President, introduced and thanked the organizer for the event, Pam Speed. Mike also thanked the members of the community who graciously donated their time and fiscal support to the event and the foundation.

The CEF is an independent non-profit organization focused on developing new and non-traditional sources of support for the Cohasset Public School System. People interested in learning more about the mission of the CEF and its activities are encouraged to call 383-2833 or to write to the Cohasset Education Foundation, P.O. Box 224, Cohasset, 02025, for a copy of our brochure and additional information on our programs. As a registered non-profit organization, all donations to our project fund are completely tax-deductible and dedicated to enhancing the educational environment for Cohasset public school students.

CHS Students Named AP Scholars

Seven students at Cohasset High School have been named AP scholars by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college-level Advanced Placement Examinations. Approximately 54 percent of America's graduating seniors have taken one or more AP Examinations. Only about 12 percent of the more than 537,000 student who took AP Examinations in May performed at a sufficiently high level to merit such recognition.

The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of year-long courses and exams (or their equivalent semester-long courses and exams).

Megan McNamara qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning grades of 3 or above on five or more AP Examinations, with an average exam grade of at least 3.5.

Ryan Sawchuck qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning grades of 3 or above on four or more AP Examinations, with an average exam grade of at least 3.25.

Five students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Examinations, with grades of 3 or higher. The AP scholars are Erin Devine, Tafana Fiore, Conor Mangan, Kathryn Ross and John Whitehouse.

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Police Report

Tuesday, Oct. 29

8:08 p.m., arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with Edward M. Rubbo, DOB: 9/11/64, 110 Hill St., Hingham. Charged with oper. M/V no license (revoked).

10:30 p.m., MV stop, 3A at the Scituate Line.

10:45 p.m., assist motorist, Pond St.

11:15 p.m., assist other agency, Hingham Line on 3A.

11:31 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

Wednesday, Oct. 30

8:53 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

10:27 a.m., MV stop, Sohier St.

11:00 a.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln.

11:32 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.

12:29 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.

3:23 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St.

4:14 p.m., annoying phone calls, Jerusalem Rd.

4:48 p.m., MV stop, N. Main by Common.

5:32 p.m., Mv stop, N. Main by Cedar.

6:26 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

6:33 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

7:16 p.m., MV stop, N. Main by Ballfield.

7:22 p.m., suspicious auto, Bailey Rd.

7:34 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave. by Forest Notch.

7:55 p.m., MV stop, Hull by Cedar St.

8:10 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave. by Jerusalem Rd.

8:17 p.m., arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with Steven Pimentel, DOB: 9/12/77, 216 Park St., Stoughton, arrested on WMS warrant.

8:30 p.m., suspicious person, S. Main St.

9:48 p.m., MV accident, CJC Way by 600.

10:18 p.m., arrest, Elm St., Sgt. Cogill in with Gregory L Vogel, 113 Arborway, Scituate, MA arrested for OUI (Liquor) and marked lanes violation.

Thursday, Oct. 31

6:38 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:50 a.m., MV vehicle stop, 3A/Stop & Shop.

7:17 a.m., medical aid, police station.

1:03 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

4:26 p.m., MV violations, Doane St.

6:06 p.m., disturbance, CJC Hwy.

6:19 p.m., suspicious (other), Bow St.

7:20 p.m., officer wanted, Linden Cir.

7:30 p.m., disturbance, Beechwood St.

7:36 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave.

7:46 p.m., disturbance, Depot Ct.

7:54 p.m., disturbance, Rustic Dr.

8:02 p.m., disturbance, Highland Ave.

8:05 p.m., disturbance, Parkingway.

8:34 p.m., disturbance, Square.

8:41 p.m., disturbance, Parkingway.

8:46 p.m., disturbance, Parkingway.

8:53 p.m., disturbance, Square.

8:55 p.m, animal complaint, Elm St.

9:00 p.m., disturbance, Square.

9:25 p.m., MV accident, Hull St.

9:26 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

9:34 p.m., disturbance, Square.

9: 41 p.m., officer wanted, Square.

9:53 p.m., suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.

10:14 p.m., suspicious person, Elm St.

11:40 p.m., suspicious auto, Jerusalem Rd.

11:41 p.m., officer wanted, Pleasant St.

Friday, Nov. 1

12:05 a.m., property damage, Linden Dr.

9:37 a.m., parking violation, Town Parking Lot.

9:38 a.m., vandalism, Surry Dr.

10:27 a.m., vandalism, Pond St.

10:57 a.m., investigation, King St.

11:22 a.m., vandalism, King St.

11:44 a.m., MV stop, CJC at Sohier St.

12:29 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

2:02 p.m., suspicious auto, Elm St.

2:07 p.m., arrest, Elm St. Sgt. Jackson in with Timothy M. Farren, DOB: 8/9/67, 33 Page Ave., Kingston, arrested on WMS warrant.

2:53 p.m., assist citizen, Noble's Parking Lot.

3:12 p.m., vandalism, Surry Dr.

3:21 p.m., investigation, Windy Hill Rd.,

3:23 p.m., assist citizen, Atlantic Ave.

5:35 p.m., MV accident, N. Main St.

7:06 p.m., well being check, Atlantic Ave.

8:40 p.m., suspicious (other), Beechwood St.

9:46 p.m., suspicious auto, Howard Gleason Rd.

9:59 p.m., well being check, Forest Ave.

11:03 p.m., assist citizen, CJC

Saturday, Nov. 2

12:47 a.m., suspicious person, Hull St.

6:45 a.m., MV violations, Parker Ave.

6:59 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

7:40 a.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

9:03 a.m., general services, Church St.

9:43 a.m., MV violations, Jerusalem Rd.

11:48 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

1:49 p.m., officer wanted, Doane St.

2:23 p.m., MV violations, Beechwood St.

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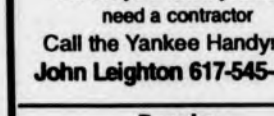

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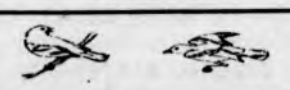

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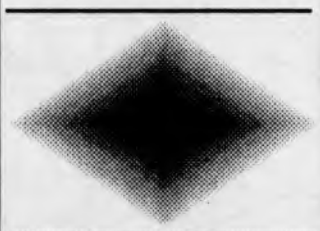

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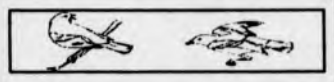

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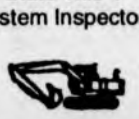

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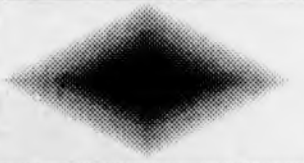

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New Technology Behind Shaw's Septic System

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Construction is well underway at the new Shaw's Supermarket at Cushing Plaza, with the recent installation of the septic system that should relieve many of the drainage and septic problems that plagued the shopping center in the past.

Cohasset health officer Dr. Joseph Godzik said the system has been designed to "contend with the high water table" and the ledge in the area.

In addition, the system is making use of new technology that includes pre-treatment of the waste water, installed at the request of the board of health.

With a larger commercial use, the septic system needs to address the higher BOD (biological oxygen demand) of organics going into the system, Godzik said.

John McGrath, an engineer for Tedeschi Construction which is building the new supermarket, said the system provides secondary treatment of the effluent.

The waste water goes through units that recirculates it through filters, purifying the effluent before it reaches the leaching field, but takes up no more space than a conventional septic system. It has the advantage of prolonging the life of the leaching field. That, in turn, benefits the businesses at the shopping center and their customers, because it decreases the likelihood that the parking lot will be periodically torn up to make repairs.

Godzik agreed, saying that with proper maintenance, the system could last indefinitely, but the key to that longevity is the education of the supermarket staff, for proper disposal procedures.

He also explained that supermarkets are no longer simply stores where customers buy groceries with meal preparation at home. Supermarkets now offer more prepared foods "to go" which is the reason for the health board's requirement for the pre-treatment component of the septic system.

Shaw's spokesman Bernie Rogan called the septic system a "smart business decision" that addresses the major drainage problems of the site. With the amount of paved surface, storm water sheets across the parking lot, across Route 3A and eventually through to Cohasset Harbor. If this situation is ignored, he said, "we could end up with one big sink hole," with the soils collapsing under the asphalt.

The technology, which Rogan called a "premier system," is a series of three leaching areas, Godzik said. Each area is designed to hold one day's worth of waste water, allowing a three-day rotation. A large commercial development "needs to build in a fair amount of redundancy" into the septic system.

Rogan said construction of the new supermarket remains ahead of schedule. The store is supposed to open in the spring of 1997.

Construction of Shaw's Plaza is well underway at the former Cushing Plaza site off Route 3A.

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Coffee House to Present Sampou and McCormick

The Coffee House off the Square will present prize-winning blues/folk-oriented singer-songwriter Les Sampou and the masterful "modern minstrel," John McCormick Saturday, Nov. 16, at 8 p.m. The event will take place in Old Ship Church's Parish House, 105 Main St., Hingham Square.

Sampou's crystalline folk music combines with stomping blues, while McCormick's rich, deep voice, disarming humor and virtuoso guitar consists of a repertoire of contemporary and traditional songs.

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Tax Breaks for Elderly, Disabled Vets are on Table

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

Disabled veterans, qualified elderly and other low-come citizens who meet certain criteria have had the same real estate tax abatement for 50 years, selectmen learned Monday.

Windy Hill Road resident Joseph McElroy, speaking for the veterans groups in town, asked that the annual town meeting in the spring be allowed to consider increasing the abatements which would help take the burden off some needy homeowners, he said.

Under state law, towns can opt to increase abatements but must pick up the tab.

"Frankly, I think it's long overdue," McElroy said. "Especially in light of the rise in real estate taxes."

He noted that when the abatements were enacted in the 1930s and 1940s, the average house in town cost

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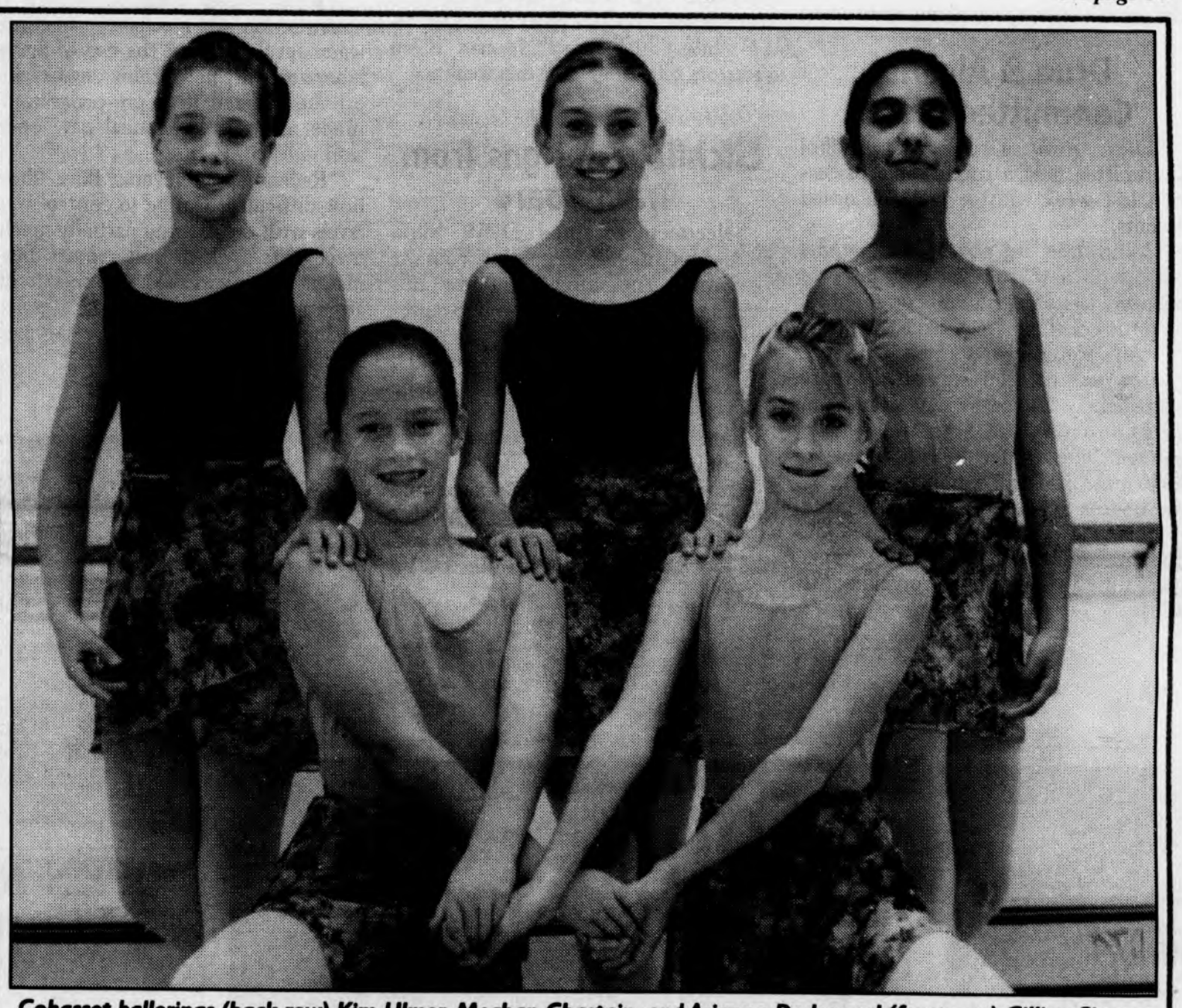

Cohasset ballerinas (back row) Kim Ulmer, Meghan Chastain, and Arianna Dedes and (front row) Gillian Simons and Delia Regan prepare for their performances in Boston Ballet's "The Nutcracker" on stage at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts, Nov. 29-Jan. 5. For story and more photos, see page 6.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

THIS WEEK

School Board Meetings Go Live

Tonight's (Nov. 21) meeting of the Cohasset School Committee will be televised on Cable Channel 52, beginning at 7:30 p.m. This broadcast is the first of a trial series of televised meetings which will last until early next year.

"We've agreed to try televising our meetings to see if it helps more residents keep in touch with what's going on in the schools," said School Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder. "This is an idea which we've considered several times in the past. As part of our communications effort, several citizens have also recently suggested that we go 'live' with our meetings."

The school committee voted at its Oct. 17 meeting to undertake a

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Recycling Still Adds Up

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Harbor Park Progress Stalled

Abutter Wants More Action

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

Parker Avenue resident Russ Bonetti implored selectmen this week to do something about the town-owned Hagerty property.

Displaying photographs of dilapidated buildings at the harbor-front site, Bonetti said, "It looks awful down there."

Bonetti, who sits on the Hagerty study committee, said the group hadn't had a substantive meeting in months.

Town meeting authorized buying the property four years ago with the understanding it would be developed into a harbor park for all citizens.

Color renderings depicting walkways and picnic areas were displayed at an open house at the former Cohasset Colonials Showroom on the property shortly after the town bought the two-plus acre site.

Engineering studies are underway, selectmen say, but there has been no

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'Citizen' Nominations Open

Nominations are now being accepted for the Cohasset Mariner's annual Citizen of the Year Award. This is a continuation of the award begun in 1993 to recognize an individual for outstanding service to the community or for a special achievement. Last year, Cohasset Mariner readers honored Dr. Robert T. Sceery, for his more than 40 years of dedicated service as a pediatrician in

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Cohasset's Week

Pay Raises are Approved

Last week selectmen approved pay raises for David Weeks, a civilian dispatcher, whose hourly rate went from $11.82 to $13.09 effective Nov. 4 and for police officer William Quigley, whose annual salary will go from $32,607 to $33,333 effective Dec. 2.

Bills to be Paid

This week selectmen authorized payment of two bills for $567.87 and $2,000 from Gaffney Architects for work on the planned D.P.W. garage at the town landfill.

The board also approved payment of $1,065 to Hyla Ecological Services for wildlife habitat analysis which is part of the town's open space planning process.

Drug & Alcohol Committee Meets

The town Drug & Alcohol Committee held a round-table discussion last week with several concerned parents.

Committee members and parents discussed their role as educators as opposed to enforcers and sought ways to re-direct their focus from kids who do drugs to those who aren't. One suggestion was to offer support to those who make a choice to stay away from drugs, thereby making them feel stronger about their decision not to participate in illegal conduct.

Another suggestion was to ask the schools to always follow the rules in the student handbooks and notify parents every time a child is caught breaking the rules.

One resident suggested trying to obtain funding from alcohol and tobacco companies for drug education and hiring motivational speakers, such as famous sports figures, to speak to kids about substance abuse.

One parent pointed out that children are ridiculed for doing the right thing and another said that children get the message from parents who condone their behavior that what they are doing is acceptable.

The next meeting of the Drug & Alcohol Committee is at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 26 at town hall. All are welcome.

Pomarico to be Acting Chief

In accordance with the police union contract, Sgt. David Pomarico will serve as acting police chief from Dec. 9-14 while Chief Brian Noonan is on vacation, selectmen said this week.

Litchfield Resigns from Train Board

Selectmen accepted DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield's resignation from the Greenbush Mitigation Committee this week but will ask him to send a representative to meetings.

Calling Litchfield "an essential member," Selectman Nan Roth said she was not comfortable with his resigning without someone with his viewpoint on the committee.

Litchfield said he does not have time to attend the meetings because he also sits on the private ways committee and is involved in planning the DPW garage.

Volunteers Sought to Serve on Boards

Selectmen are looking for volunteers to serve on the Drug & Alcohol Committee and the Mosquito Control Committee. Interested citizens should contact the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

Tidal Grant Application Okay'ed

Selectmen authorized a grant application which would provide $10,000 for a joint program with Hull to automate the tide gates at Straits Pond. Each town would provide a $5,000 match, Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said.

Funds will be spent for design and construction of a mechanism to control water levels without the use of manual labor and for a new timing device which can be utilized in a pre-programmed mode to control the tidal gate operation.

"Recent storm events have shown how difficult it can be to control water levels with the existing partially mechanized gates, which still require heavy manual labor and the constant watchful attentions of an experienced attendant to monitor the operation," the grant application sates.

Shared Pump Station Promising

Town Administrator Gregory Doyon said "it looks good" that Cohasset will be able to join with Hingham in building a joint sewer pumping station in West Corner. Both towns are hooking homeowners in the West Corner area via a sewer main to the Hull treatment plant.

The former North Cohasset Fire Station was to be the site of the Cohasset pump station. It now appears that that building will not be needed, selectmen said.

Parking Change is Requested

Ronald H. Goldenson, M.D. wrote to selectmen Nov. 8 to ask that the handicap space be moved from its present location in front of the rug shop at the corner of South Main Street and Depot Court to next to Stagecoach Way where handicapped patients can easily walk to the office.

"Since the other end of Stagecoach Way has three steps, handicapped people must access the office from Main Street," Goldenson said.

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Sun. 24	10:08	11.3	3:51	10:42	10.1	4:28
Mon. 25	10:52	11.2	4:38	11:28	10.0	5:13
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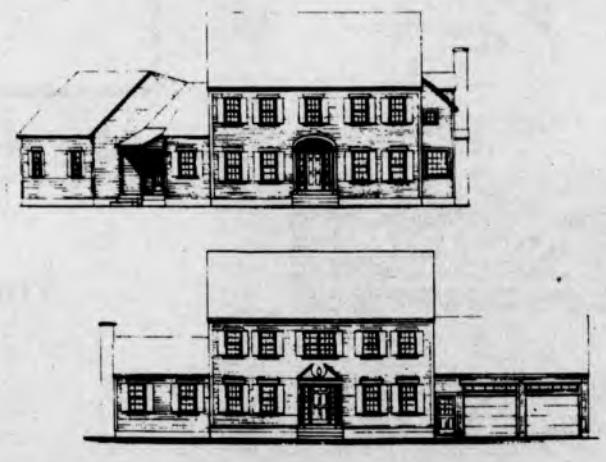

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Private Ways Board Okays Condo Plowing

Starts to Look at Street Acceptances

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

The road is paved for Cohasset's Private Ways Committee to begin making recommendations about the future of the town's roadways.

Last Wednesday, under the direction of newly-elected chairman Ross Rosano, who was assisted by co-clerks David Wadsworth and Henry Rattenbury, the committee wasted no time in voting unanimously to recommend approval of plowing and sanding services for the town's condominium complexes.

Selectmen will have the final say on the matter.

Committee members discussed the recommendation at great length and added several conditions which they feel must be met before condominium complexes start receiving the town services.

Terms of the agreement include the condition that complexes are serviced only at times when other town roads are serviced, that parking bans are adhered to when applicable, and that corners and fire hydrants are staked out so plow operators are aware of their location.

Other terms include that the town is not liable for damages, that roads with speed bumps will not be plowed, and that the town reserves the right to terminate the agreement if it sees fit.

Department of Public Works Supt. Harold Litchfield, who sits on the committee, said that the DPW has enough equipment so that the added services would not impose "an intolerable burden" on the department.

"We'll only plow the main loop of the developments," Litchfield said. Common driveways will not receive service, he said.

The recommendation comes in response to requests for services from several condominium residents. Committee members noted that most other towns do not offer plowing and sanding services to condominium complexes and that such services are normally paid for by the condo fee.

The recommendation will be reviewed by selectmen before receiving consideration from town council.

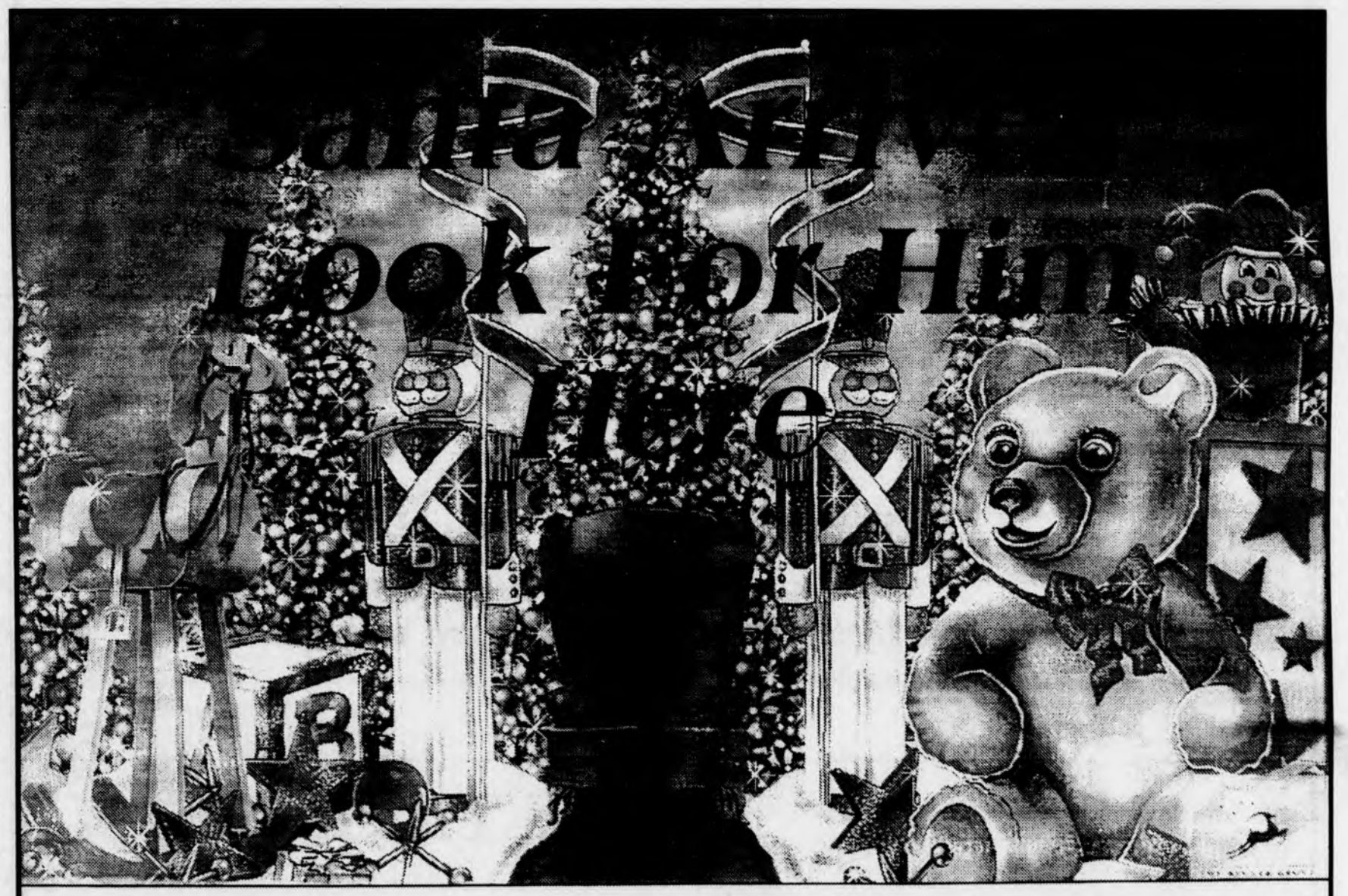
"I think what we have here is enough to send the selectmen and to town counsel to let them chew on it," said committee member Ben Curley.

During the meeting, the committee also began drafting a list of private ways which will be considered for acceptance by the town. Due to the number of roads to be reviewed, the list was not completed. However, the committee has already made a considerable dent in its "to-do" list.

The formal charge, recently set forth by selectmen, states that the Private Ways Committee will review the inventory of non-accepted streets in town and determine the pros and cons of accepting streets as public ways. The committee will also review policies for maintaining and plowing private ways and recommend changes. The committee will also meet with the sewer and water commissioners to discuss the installation of water and sewer mains on private roads. Committee members also agreed that they must understand the ramifications of reclassifying private ways as accepted town roads, namely, that such decision may open the door to developers. It was also noted that the committee should be mindful of potential road maintenance costs imposed on the town for newly-accepted roads.

The committee's next meeting is 7:30 p.m., Dec. 4 at town hall.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.



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'Citizen' Nominations

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town.

Once again, the Cohasset Mariner invites our readers to take this opportunity to nominate a person who has made a significant contribution to our community. This is a community award: The Mariner is the means by which we are able to recognize, thank and honor those around us who make the quiet, generous contributions that make Cohasset a wonderful place to call our home.

The deadline for nominations for the 1996 Citizen of the Year is 5 p.m., Dec. 31. Please see nomination form on page 4.

Following the close of nominations, a selection panel will review the names submitted and select the 1996 Citizen of the Year, who will be named in January, 1997.

Nominees may be someone in elected office, a member of an appointed town committee, teacher or school administrator, clergy member, firefighter, police officer, or other municipal worker, a person in the business community, sports figure or an "unsung"neighbor or friend who has given freely of his or her time and energy to a worthy Cohasset project or cause.

This year's recipient will be the fourth person honored as Citizen of the Year, joining past recipients:

1993: T. Gerard Keating, "Mr. Cohasset," for his more than half-century of contributions to his community, including chairman of the Council on Aging, chairman of the school committee, president of the hockey boosters club, vice president of the Cohasset Historical Society, director of veterans services, and lector, eucharistic minister, usher at St. Anthony's church and more.

1994: Joseph D. Buckley, for his work behind the scenes helping seniors understand the complexities of the health-care system and to access health benefits through SHINE (Serving Health Information Needs of Elders), his service on the Council on Aging, and volunteer work over the years with the Boy Scouts, Little League, Sunday School and more.

1995: Dr. Robert T. Sceery, for his more than 40 years of dedicated service as a pediatrician in town and school doctor. He also served on the board of health and led the fight back in the 1970s to get the town sewered. He is also a familiar figure at town meetings where he speaks his mind on important issues.

School Board

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trail of four-to-six meetings televised from the AV studio at the high school. To allow these to be broadcast directly to Cohasset homes without having to depend on extra staff, the meetings will air on educational channel 52 instead of channel 3. Continental Cablevison is providing this access for the citizens of Cohasset free of charge.

"We hope this won't keep interested parents and other citizens from attending the meetings in person," cautioned committee member JoAnne Chittick. "Ideally, the broadcasts will help more people find out what issues are coming before the committee. We'll be looking at this trial early next year to see if it's a net plus for community awareness and involvement."

Sidewalks on Cedar Street Wanted

Melvin Waldfogel wrote to selectmen asking that the sidewalk committee add the part of Cedar Street, from the junction of Cedar and Main to the new town garage, to its list of recommendations.

"That section of the street on which Cedarledge Village is situated, which runs from Main Street to the RTF, carries a surprisingly high volume of traffic," Waldfogel said.

He pointed out that traffic will probably get worse with the completion of the DPW garage which will house town vehicles at the RTF.

Waldfogel said there are now young couples with children at Cedarledge Village.

"We worry about their safety when we see the children walking from the condominium to Cedar street. Even under the best of circumstances, when traffic is light, Cedar Street is a dangerous place to walk because of the layout of the street which is narrow, extremely curvy and hilly."

Early Deadlines Next Week

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Cohasset Mariner will go to press a day early next week. All editorial copy for the Nov. 28 edition must be submitted by noon on Monday, Nov. 25. Items may be dropped off at Cohasset News on Brook Street in the village or mailed to PO Box 71, Cohasset 02025.

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PICTURE THIS/Nancy St. John, Martha Cook and Ellen Sanchez

Names: Nancy St. John, Martha Cook, & Ellen Sanchez.

Occupation: Owners of the Children's Exchange, 64 S. Main St.

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Best vacation: Any time I'm on Nantucket (Nancy), London last April (Martha); Family vacations on the Cape (Ellen).

Best day of your life: The days our children were born.

Biggest worry: The health and safety of our children.

Favorite holiday: Valentine's Day (Nancy), July 4th (Martha); Thanksgiving (Ellen).

Favorite season: Autumn.

Favorite TV show: 'Law & Order' (Nancy), 'E.R.' (Martha & Ellen).

Favorite movie: 'Steel Magnolias' (Nancy), 'Out of Africa' (Martha), 'Terms of Endearment' (Ellen).

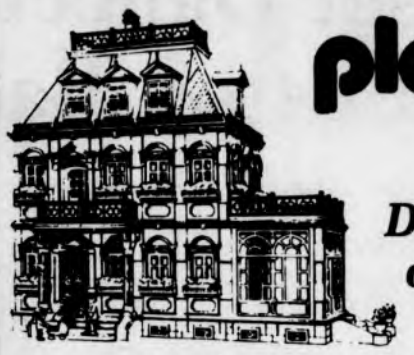
Favorite book: 'Elizabeth and her German Garden' (Nancy), 'M is for Malice,' by Sue Grafton (Martha), 'Eye of the Needle,' by Ken Follett (Ellen).

Favorite junk food: 'Mike & Ikes' (Nancy), Chocolate (Martha), Nachos (Ellen).

Most embarrassing moment: Speaking before we think!

Person you'd most like to meet: Katharine Hepburn (Nancy), Bill Clinton (Martha), Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis (Ellen).

Pet peeve: Litter (Nancy), People who park illegally (Martha), People who don't use directionals (Ellen).



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Cohasset Dancers to Perform This Season with Boston Ballet in 'The Nutcracker'

More than 450 young dancers, including 14 from Cohasset, will perform as toy soldiers, angels, cherubs, dolls, baby mice, reindeer, lambs, polichinelles, and party children in Boston Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts, Nov. 29-Jan. 5.

Traditionally, children have been a vital part of celebrating the holiday season in New England with the magic of "The Nutcracker." Featuring the familiar Tchaikovsky score, fairy tale scenery and stunning costumes, "The Nutcracker" is yuletide entertainment for the whole family.

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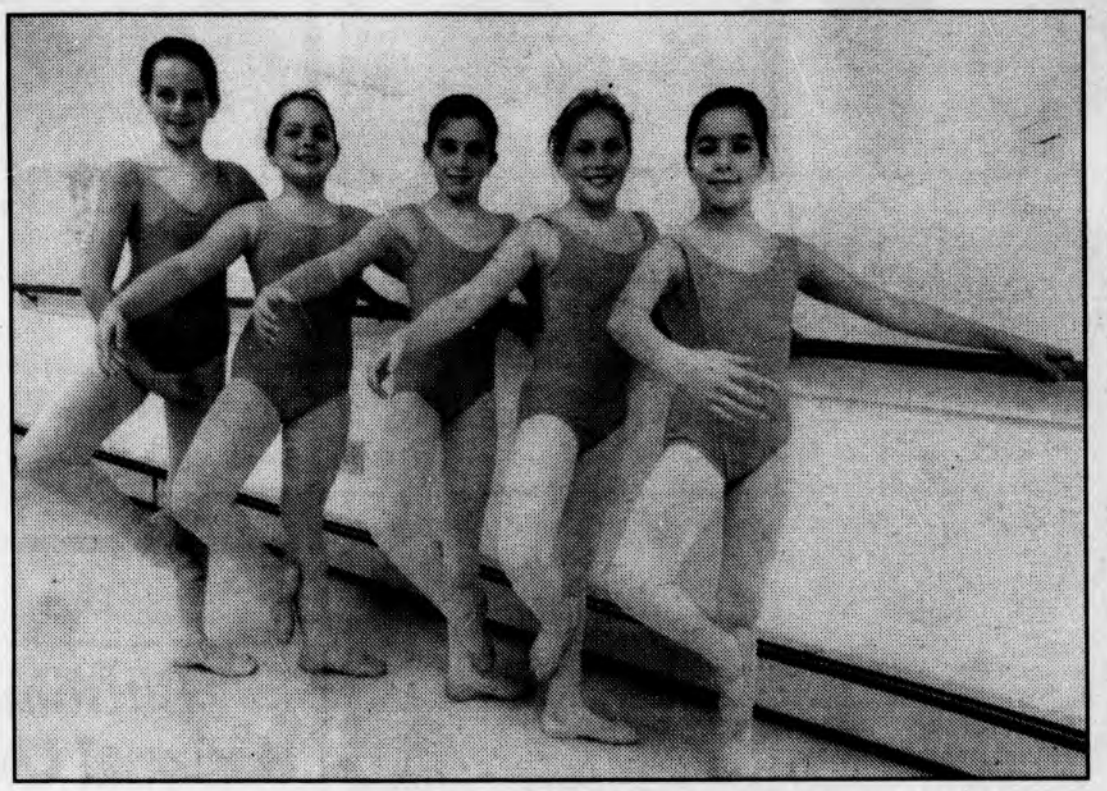
This year, Cohasset ballerinas have been preparing and rehearsing since September for their roles in this holiday favorite. The soldiers are: Caroline Henderson, Mia Lieb-Lappen and Kimberly Ulmer. Caroline was the Gingerbread Boy last year, Mia was a doll, and Kimberly was a cherub for the last two years. Kate Schroeder is calvary; she has been a soldier and a candy cane in the past. The lambs are: Susan Curry and Laura Friedman. Laura was a doll last year. Amanda Faulker is a polichinelle; she was a doll last year. Megan Chastain is a party child; she was a cherub the last two years.



At the bar are ballerinas Kate Englander, Caroline Henderson, Mia Lieb-Lappen, Amanda Faulkner, and Laura Friedman. Not shown is Kate Schroeder.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

The attendants are: Arianna Dedes, Kate Englander, Delia Regan, and Gillian Simons, Delia and Gillian were soldiers last year. Adrina DeVitre and Corey Sullivan are dancing "Tea." Both of them have been Clara in the past as well.

Tickets for "The Nutcracker" are available by calling Ticketmaster at 931-ARTS, or in person at The Wang Center Box Office, 270 Tremont St., Boston, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Ticket prices range from $12 to $59.

Susan Curry (standing) and Adrina DeVitre will be on stage in "The Nutcracker" at the Wang Center.

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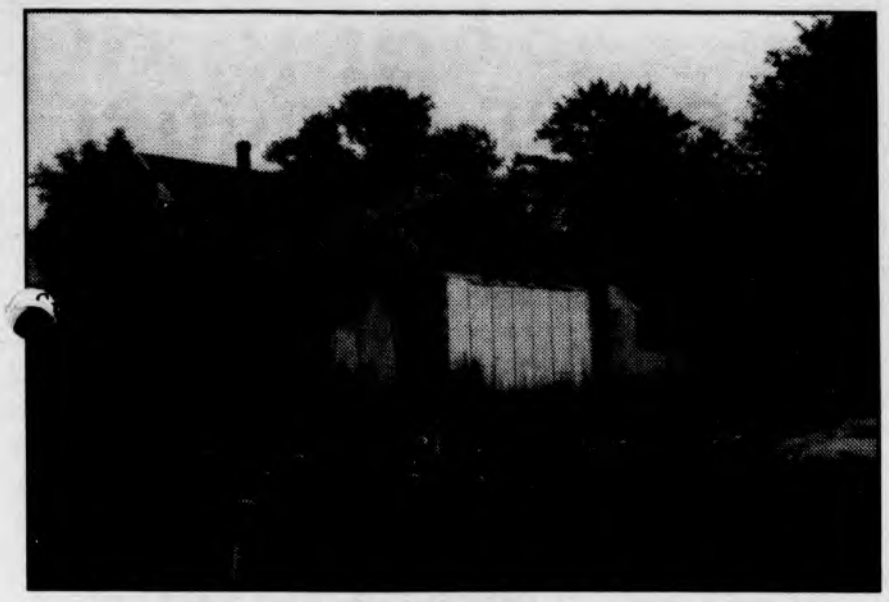

A view of the cutting room which is still standing on the Hagerty property.

Harbor Park *Continued from page 1*

visible progress at turning the site into a recreational area since a couple of factory buildings were demolished and removed several years ago.

This fall, selectmen allowed the yacht club to store its floats at the site, an action that enraged Bonetti who questioned the policy.

Bonetti also questioned selectmen's authority in allowing storage of any kind at the site. He maintained storage qualified as a "change of use" and would need town meeting approval. The former cutting room is being used as a town garage.

Selectman Peter Pratt pointed out that selectmen have custodial authority over all town property and asked Bonetti what he thought was the "outstanding issue here."

Bonetti said the Hagerty project "needs more urgency." He pointed out that the antique boat house is being renovated by the Cohasset Maritime Institute, a non-profit school group.

"Their efforts are starting to show. I'd like to see the town catch up," he said.

Selectmen said they would ask Al Moore, chairman of the Hagerty committee, to come in to provide an update on progress at the site.

Buy Christmas Trees at First Parish

First Parish in Cohasset is selling Christmas trees. On sale will be fresh-cut Vermont balsam trees, ranging from five to nine feet tall, with widths of thin, wide or full. Any size tree is $35.

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1997 Co-Captains Named at Soccer Banquet

We'll start off with a news flash for all of you CHS soccer fans — there was a break-up dinner last Sunday night, held at the Chart House. More than 170 players and their parents attended the pasta feast and said it was yummy!

Anyway, co-captains were announced, and here they are: co-captains for the girls soccer team will be **Hannah Beggan** and **Alison Kinchla;** co-captains for next year's boys soccer team will be **Nate Cotter** and **Leigh Atherton.**

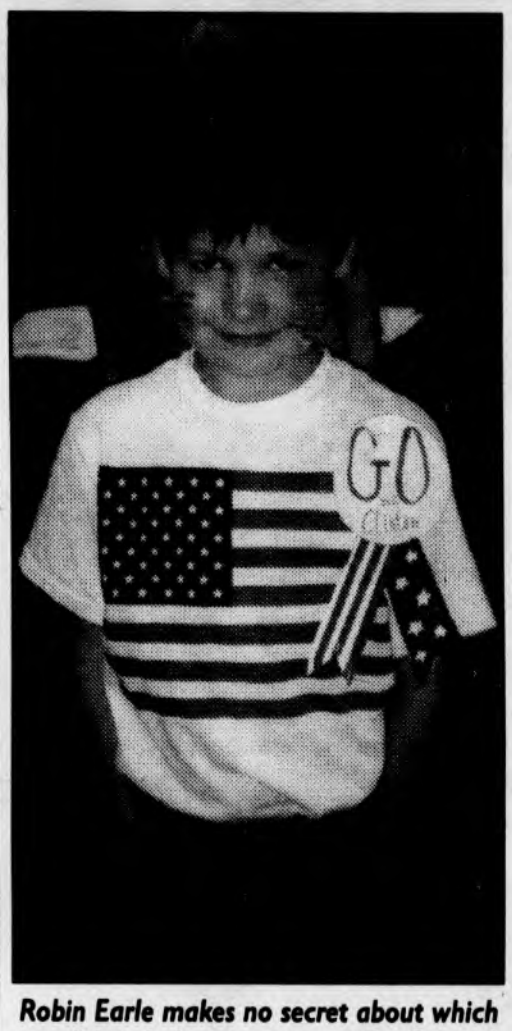
It's easy to see that next year's new captains will help tremendously in their bid for the state title! By the way, thanks goes to this year's team. They certainly played as hard as they could and provided us with lots to cheer for! Plus, in years to come, they can always say they were members of the first teams to play on the brand-new Alumni Field.

❑

Received news from Suffolk University recently. They welcomed **Lauren A. Smith** of Cohasset as she began her freshman year there, and we wish her a great semester and a great year at Suffolk!

❑

A reminder — be sure you purchase your ticket for the **turkey raffle** at the Legion; the raffle will benefit the Sons of the American Legion, who support many scholarships and programs for youth. They are $1 each or six for $5. You can get them from Tom Wigmore or any member of the Legion. Good luck!



Robin Earle makes no secret about which candidate he's supporting at the Osgood all-school "mock" presidential election on Nov. 5. Robin is in Ms. Wyre's second grade class.

❑

Bryant College, located in Smithfield, R.I., sends us word that **Erin E. Devine** is attending their college as a freshman accounting major. Erin is a member of the Class of 2000!

❑

We heard that **Justine** and **Victor Vanderlugtf** are celebrating like crazy the birth of their daughter, **Grace Olivia,** born Oct. 26. Congrats go out to you, and of course to Grace's grandparents, too. Hopefully we will be seeing Grace around town before the snowdrifts get too high to take the stroller out for a spin!

❑

I must remind everyone once again to be sure to remember **Cohasset Food Pantry.** Their supplies have been dwindling, and they're in need of canned goods, including fruits, vegetables and tuna fish — jellies, jams, peanut butter, soups, laundry detergent, toothpaste and any non-perishables are welcome. At the moment, 30 Cohasset families are using the Pantry. That gives you an idea of how much food is needed!

❑

Congratulations go to **Steffanie Fox,** graduate of Mansfield Beauty School, who is now a hairdresser at Finely Diane's Salon in Weymouth.

❑

Hope you are all watching the school menus so you can see the order forms for **wreaths** (22-inch double-faced balsam) to support **Cohasset METCO Committee.** The wreaths cost $8 and will be ready for pick-up Saturday, Dec. 7. Call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order or to find out more details.

❑

Hope by now everyone has been in to see our newest market, **CERES,** located in the heart of downtown Cohasset! It is great, and such an addition to our village! If you want premium veggies and fruits, assorted cheeses, pates and all sorts of gourmet goodies (did you see the lovely bunches of flowers decorating the sidewalk last Sunday, just waiting to go on someone's dinner table?) Hopefully we have sparked your interest to go into CERES, then stroll through each and every shop to get ideas for the holidays!

❑

During this season in which we are all thankful, it's time to thank **Glenn Pratt** for all he did in organizing the tribute to the veterans squares dedications! We all felt the loss of those soldiers honored; they touched many of our lives (in one way or another). Glenn made sure they were recognized, and it took him two years of planning to make it happen. We thank you!

❑

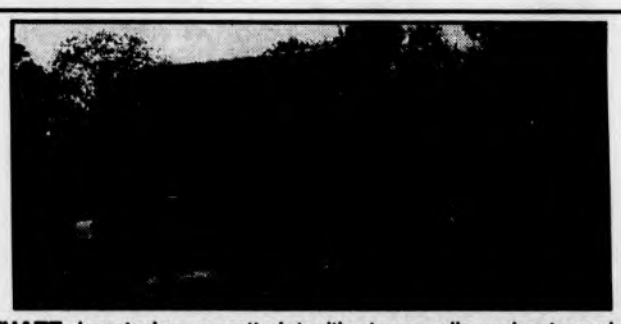
This is a great week for news. Everyone has someone coming home or is going to visit someone. Call me and tell me where, what, when or how!

— Sallyann
383-0560

Community Gardeners to Meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Community Garden Club of Cohasset will be held Tuesday, Nov. 26. Coffee will be served at 9 a.m., and the meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m.

The club's own Frances Ford O'Toole will demonstrate how to create simple, elegant arrangements with a holiday flair. She studied Ikebana, the art of arranging flowers in the Japanese manner, and many of her arrangements will have an Oriental influence.



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Obituaries

Sumner Smith Jr.

Sumner Smith Jr., 76, of Cohasset, retired president of Abington Inc. and a former member of the Cohasset School Committee for 12 years, died at home Nov. 13, after a long illness.

Mr. Smith served on Cohasset's School Facilities Committee and represented Cohasset on the South Shore Vocational Technical High School Committee.

He also served as a trustee of South Shore Hospital in Weymouth.

He enjoyed outdoor activities and played hockey with the Cohasset Executive League and more recently with the Senior League in Quincy. He participated in the Senior Olympics in March.

After his retirement, he was a volunteer driver for FISH and the South Shore Cancer Society. He was active in Little League and was a member of the First Parish Church and the Council of Elder Affairs.

He served as a weather observer with the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Mr. Smith was born and raised in Lincoln. He was a 1938 graduate of Phillips Academy in Andover and a 1942 graduate of Yale.

He moved to Cohasset in 1949.

Mr. Smith leaves his wife, Martha (Hunt) Smith; two sons, Sumner Merrill Smith of Walpole and Lincoln Smith of Cali, Colombia; three daughters, Deborah S. Harrison of Dedham, Sarah Smith of Weymouth and Laura S. Fisher of Boulder, Colo.; a brother, Charles W. Smith of Ossipee, N.H.; two sisters, Elizabeth Bagby of Sarasota, Fla., and Alice Cornish of Brookline; eight grandchildren, and 10 nieces and nephews.

A memorial service was conducted Nov. 19 at the First Parish Church by the Rev. Jenny Rankin, pastor. Burial will be in New Lincoln Cemetery, Lincoln.

Arrangements were made by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Donations may be made to First Parish in Cohasset, 23 N. Main St., Cohasset 02025 or the Council of Elder Affairs, 3 N. Main St., Cohasset.

Holiday Bereavement Support Group

The Hingham Visiting Nurse will offer a special five-week Bereavement Support Group on Monday afternoons from 4:30 to 6 p.m. beginning Dec. 2. The group will focus on helping people cope with grief and loss during the holiday season, and is open to anyone who has suffered the death of a family member or friend within the past year.

Grace Lettis, LICSW, HVNA coordinator of bereavement services, will facilitate the weekly meetings which will be held at the Hingham Visiting Nurse office at 10 Downer Ave., Hingham. "The grieving process can be lonely and depressing," said Lettis, "especially during the holiday season, when heaviness of heart contrasts with the festive atmosphere. There are no easy answers, but the support group can help participants deal with their loss."

There is no charge for the series, but pre-registration is required due to space limitations. For more information or to register, call the Hingham Visiting Nurse at (617) 749-1160.

Engagements

Stone/Keleher

Mr. and Mrs. William Stone of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Chantal M. Stone, to Paul F. Keleher of Quincy.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Cohasset High School and holds a BA in English from the University of Massachusetts in Boston. She is employed as a marketing coordinator for Tishman Construction Corporation in Boston.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Quincy High School and is employed by Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

A June wedding is planned.

Volunteer Musicians are Sought

New North Church, 1 Lincoln St., Hingham, is looking for singers and instrumentalists who would like to participate in the traditional candlelight service at the church Sunday, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.

New North, a community church, invites everyone to participate in the service, which has been a Hingham tradition for more than 80 years. A Wassail reception by the fireside follows the service in the newly renovated parlor at the rear of the church.

There will be three evening rehearsals at New North in the weeks preceding the service. Choir singing experience is helpful, but not necessary, for vocalists.

Instrumentalists are encouraged to respond, with an eye towards forming an ensemble.

For further information, call Director of Music Sue Krueger at 545-2798 or following Sunday morning church services, which take place from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., led by the Rev. Thomas Kepler. All are welcome to attend church services.

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

Lights, Camera, Action!

There's a new addition to the Thursday night TV line-up of 'Seinfeld' and 'E.R.'.

Starting at 7:30 p.m. tonight, school committee meetings will go live on cable channel 52.

The school committee has decided to try televised meetings on a trial basis through January.

We applaud this effort to bring more of the schools' business into Cohasset homes. Selectmen's meetings have been televised for years with great success. On many occasions, viewers have decided to come down to the meeting in person when the topic of discussion gets them fired up.

Communication in any medium is a two-way street. Citizens must tune in and find out what the school committee is all about or this pilot program won't work.

We think televising the meetings is a great way to reach more people. And the school committee can't go wrong with Thursday night when many people, armed with the clicker, are searching for something to watch until 'Seinfeld' comes on at 9 p.m.

Russ is Right

We agree with Parker Avenue resident Russ Bonetti. It's time some progress was shown at the Hagerty site. It doesn't appear that citizens have gotten much for their money. The town-owned two-acre harbor front parcel with its hodgepodge of dilapidated buildings has become an eyesore.

As Mr. Bonetti says, "It looks awful down there."

The Hagerty Committee, which once numbered an unwieldy 15 strong, hasn't had a substantive meeting in months.

Selectman Peter Pratt pointed out that selectmen are custodians of all town property. So we think it's time they took responsibility for the Hagerty parcel and got things moving down there. They could start by paring the Hagerty study committee down to a workable number of interested citizens and give them clear direction on what they expect to be accomplished.

— Mary Ford
Editor

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Train Decision Was Too Hasty

To the Editor:

I was amazed as well as disappointed by the Cohasset Selectmen's abrupt decision to bypass a downtown Cohasset site for the railway station. I was even more disappointed with the selectmen's reasons for their action.

For the town's executive body to rely on a straw vote for authorization in deciding a question involving millions of dollars and that will seriously affect the town's future seems to me a dereliction.

For starters, a straw vote by definition is unofficial, never intended to be binding, and therefore has no standing. With the exception of those personally affected by the downtown site or were just plain anti-train, I doubt if many people gave the straw vote any heed. NIMBY (not in my back yard) perhaps?

Unless they were looking to place the responsibility elsewhere, why would the selectmen suddenly credit a straw vote with determining "the expressed wishes of the voters." With some 5,000 voters in town 311 voted for the 3A site and 112 for downtown. One hundred seventy-seven didn't even stay for the Town Meeting (that made the straw vote possible in the first place). Six and one quarter percent of the town's electorate favored the 3A site — hardly a mandate. Even if it had the standing of a referendum, that 6-1/4 percent would have been worrisome.

The five selectmen are the people to whom we have entrusted the power of appointment, enforcement of our bylaws, and the conduct of our town's day-to-day operations. We look to these people to accept the responsibility for carefully deliberated decisions. However, they seem to have ignored not only the unanimous recommendation of the Planning Board whose concern is with planning for the future of the whole town, and the request for further information from the Mitigation Committee which the selectmen themselves had appointed. On it were representatives of the Conservation Commission, Planning Board, Fire, Police and Public Works Departments, and the Chamber of Commerce. Sitting with them was the town administrator. One might think that the selectmen have an implied obligation to at least pay attention to and work with its own appointees.

Instead, they effectively washed their hands of the whole affair and called off the investigation nearly three weeks ahead of time, using the flimsiest of rationales, a straw vote, suggesting hasty judgment, if not prejudgment rather than careful deliberation.

The return of the railroad is no temporary expedient, a thing to be lightly dismissed. We can help make it a success for our people or we can just let it became a second-rate enterprise. The selectmen have the responsibility to make a well thought-out recommendation to the MBTA rather than dismiss it as a hopeless cause. I very much hope that the selectmen will reconsider and find ways to work with the railway for the benefit of our whole town.

— Daniel C. Cotton
27 King St.

Recycling Still Adds Up to Savings for Town

But It's No Longer a Money Maker

By Alice C. Coyle
COHASSET MARINER

The cardboard bottom has fallen out of the recycling market, but Selectman Merle Brown, who is also a member of the town's recycling committee, says separating out recyclable materials still has value for Cohasset.

About a year ago, Cohasset earned $85 for every ton of corrugated cardboard it recycled, this year it pays $20 per ton to have it removed.

Recycling newspapers is also costing the town money, Brown said.

Last year a ton of Boston Globes, Patriot Ledgers and Cohasset Mariners brought in $60, now Cohasset pays $20 per ton to have the papers hauled out of town.

"When the economy is good, the recycling market slows down. When the economy slows down, recyclables go up," Brown said.

Recycling is nothing new to Cohasset, it's been going on since just after the second World War, Brown notes.

The variety and amount of recycling has increased over the years as has the community's participation.

"We recycle just about everything there is to recycle," he said.

According to Brown, about 95 percent of Cohasset's population does a good job of recycling at the town's Recycling Transfer Facility (RTF) off Cedar Street.

From car and boat batteries and used oil to metals, cardboard, plastic and glass bottles— whatever goes into the recycling bins does not have to be transferred out of town with the rest of the trash at a cost of $75 per ton.

By separating out recyclables, Cohasseters are lightening their trash load, said Brown, who considers recycling not as a revenue generator but a cost avoidance for the town.

And despite a less-than-favorable recycling market, Cohasset is still earning high marks from the state Department of Environmental Protection's Division of Solid waste.

State Recycling Director Robin Ingenthron said Cohasset has earned an "A" on its recycling report card for the last few years and is currently recycling at a rate of 38 percent, above the state's average of 32 percent.

Still, Ingenthron says the grade and the percentage can be deceiving because some Cohasset residents and businesses use private hauling companies. Those companies are not required to report recycling percentages and may not provide access to recycling by giving users separate receptacles for glass and plastic containers.

By offering grants, now available to municipalities, which provide funding, recycling collection containers and consumer education to private haulers and by giving them recycling report cards, the state can encourage more recycling and edge closer to its goal of a 46 percent recycling rate by the year 2000, Ingenthron said.

Currently 70 percent of the state's population has both curb-side recycling and trash collection. Another 10 percent has curb-side rubbish collection but drop-off recycling and 3 percent of Massachusetts towns are known as "washed hands" communities, meaning they have closed their landfills and 100 percent of their residents have their trash removed by private haulers.

Cohasset is one of the 17 percent of Massachusetts communities with both drop-off rubbish and recycling, as well as some private hauling, Ingenthron said.

When the state set its goal in 1990, Ingenthron said state-wide recycling rates were below 10 percent. By making recycling as convenient as throwing trash away, the state is 2/3 of the way toward its goal, he said.

To improve recycling rates in Cohasset, Brown said the recycling committee is looking into implementing a per bag trash fee - a "pay as you throw" plan.

Currently residents pay a flat annual rate for a transfer station sticker — $65 per family and $33 for an individual. Those fees pay for about one half of the RTF's annual budget.

Under the per bag plan residents would buy special bags at cost of $1 per bag or $10 for a package of 10 bags. The bags could be clear or yellow with the town seal, Brown said. The idea behind the plan is that if residents have to pay for each bag of trash they bring to the RTF they will recycle more. And that adds up to less trash tonnage shipped out of town, Brown noted. It's also a fairer system for individuals and senior citizens who have less trash but now pay as much as those who generate more.

"We hope to go up from our 38 percent rate, but better yet, we are looking to bring the percentage down on what's hauled away," Brown said.

The plan, which requires the approval of the selectmen, could begin as early as next April, Brown said.

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Reader Survey Question of November 21, 1996

To help residents keep in touch with the schools, the school committee is starting a pilot program in which meetings will be televised live on cable TV starting tonight, November 21. However, members are concerned that televised meetings will keep people at home. Which statement most closely expresses your feelings on this subject?

Press 1 Televising school committee meetings is a great idea and will actually encourage interested citizens to go to the meetings in person.

Press 2 Interested citizens will now watch the meetings at home, and won't attend in person.

Press 3 I don't plan to watch or attend any meetings.

Please note our early deadline, due to the Thanksgiving holiday: all responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock noon on **Monday, November 25.**

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cohasset Rail Station Prematurely Ends

To the Editor:

Nov. 12, the MBTA Greenbush Mitigation Committee asked the selectmen for additional time to collect further information before they decided upon the most suitable location for the MBTA Commuter Rail Station in Cohasset. The two choices were the former Winter Garden Site on Route 3A or beside the municipal parking lot in Cohasset Village. The design alternatives being considered by the MBTA regarding the village lot and the additional information requested by the committee on traffic and diesel impacts would address concerns brought forward by both the committee and the Oct.. 23 public forum. Because there are problems and benefits associated with each station site under consideration, this information we were requesting is absolutely essential to enable the committee to make an educated recommendation to the selectmen.

Instead the selectmen voted 5-0 to stop consideration of the village site and to locate the rail station on Route 3A, thereby prematurely ending a vital part of the mitigation process. What was the rush to make a decision nearly three weeks prior to the Dec. 1 deadline? If the mitigation committee as still unsure about the best location, how could our selectmen have felt so sure? The location of the station has far too many long-term impacts on the entire essence of the town to make an uneducated decision and end this important part of the mitigation process.

I personally do not yet know which would be the best station location. I planned to formulate my decision once I received all of the relevant information which I assumed would be the same way our elected officials would proceed. Mistakenly, I felt confident that we were working toward this common goal. It is ironic that there seems to be such mistrust of the MBTA when it seems we should perhaps be more worried about our own elected officials pulling the rug out from under our feet. Although we inevitably will be influenced by our emotions and those of our neighbors, I believe the best long-term decisions are made with careful scrutiny of all the angles and issues involved.

It appears that because a vocal group of village residents made such an uproar, the selectmen became intimidated to even consider a potentially unpopular village rail station. Al Moore, chairman of the elected planning board, which is unanimously in favor of a village station, said at the recent meeting that he felt the straw vote of 423 residents, (out of a possible 5,351 registered voters) was not an accurate reflection of the "silent majority" who he feels supports a village station as the best location for the town as a whole.

I suggest that if a silent majority does exist it is time to be silent no more. Your voice is important and is critical in keeping this process alive. As we have seen thus far, the loudest voice has won the selectmen's uninformed approval.

So, if you would like to make a decision based on facts, as I would, rather than on yet to be addressed fears, please let the selectmen know you would like the fact finding to go forward because you do not want consideration of a village station to be abandoned as of yet.

This is a personal view from Dean Rizzo, chairman of the mitigation committee.

Dean Rizzo
56 Spring St.

Louis and June Simeone say 'Thanks to All'

To the citizens of Cohasset:

We extend a very large-size thank you to all who were responsible for the dedications of the Cohasset Veterans Squares on Nov. 10.

We are aware of the many hours in planning and execution that were expended to make this most memorable day.

A special thank you to Glenn Pratt, the shaker and mover and to our own personal liaison, Bob Jackson, who took such superb care of us.

We appreciate the collective hug given to us by the citizens of Cohasset.

Louis and June Simeone
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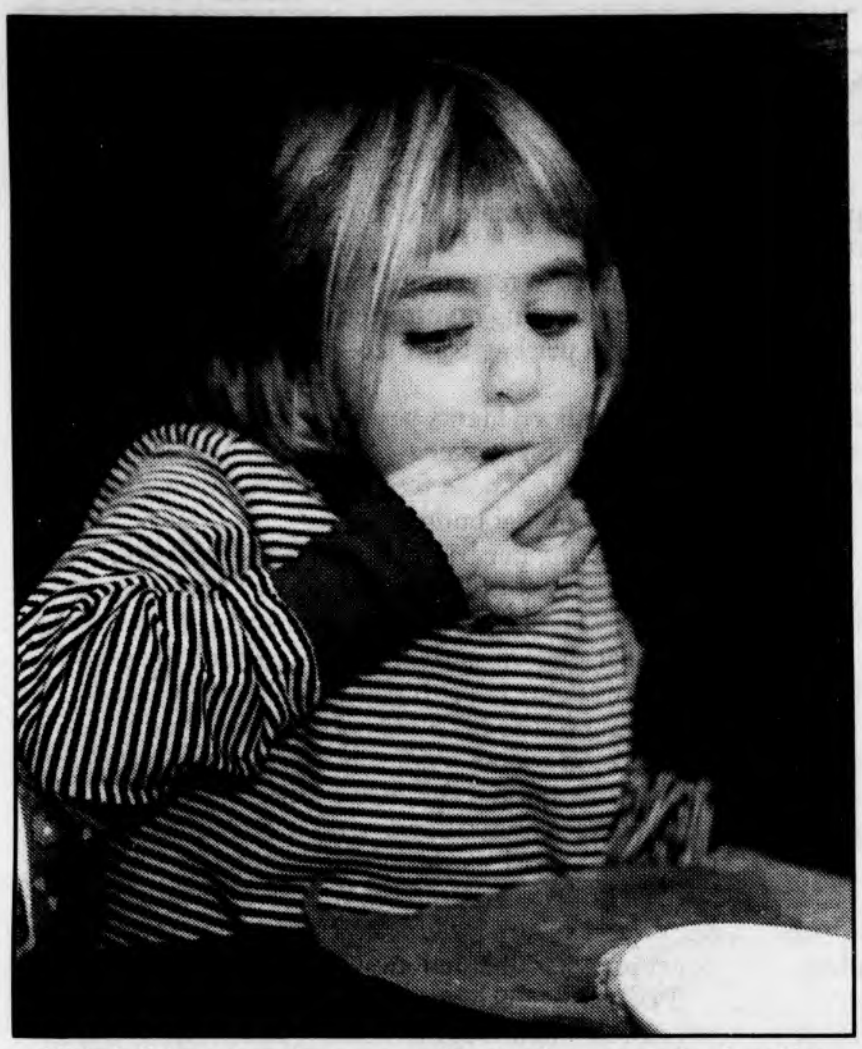
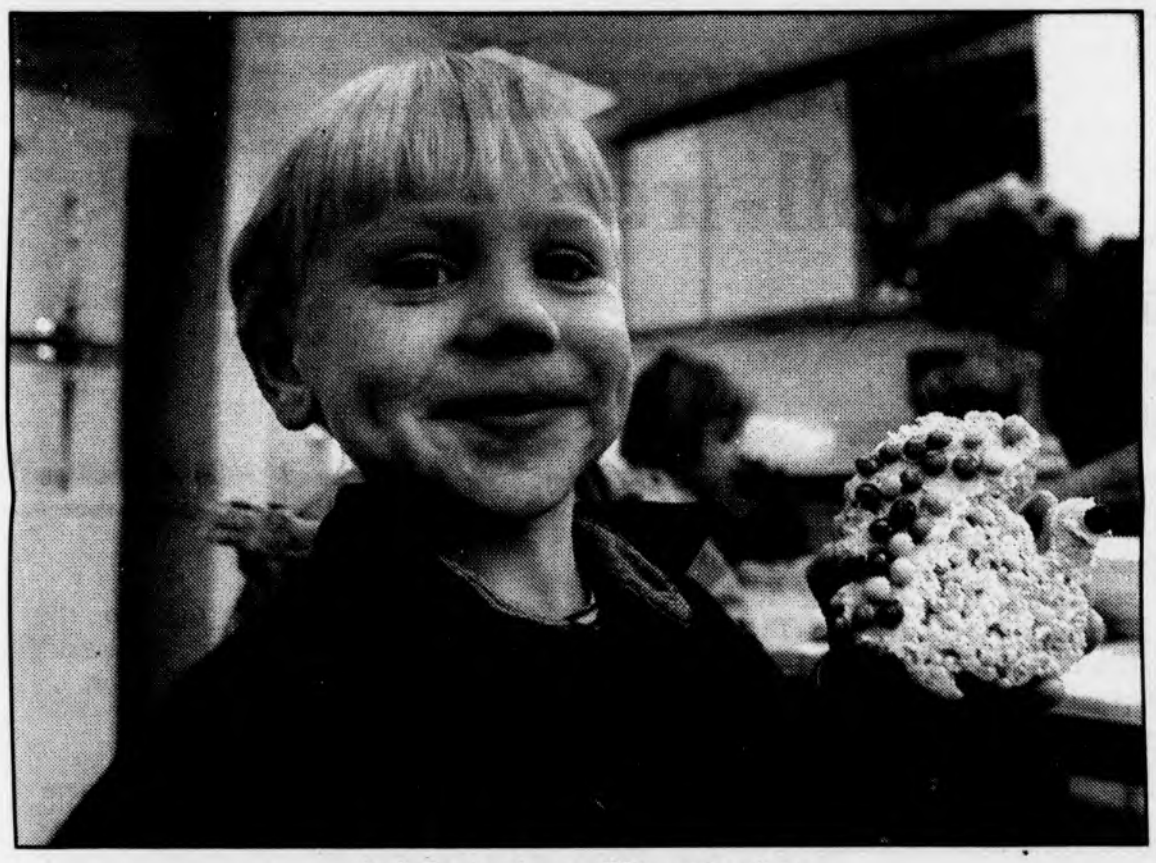


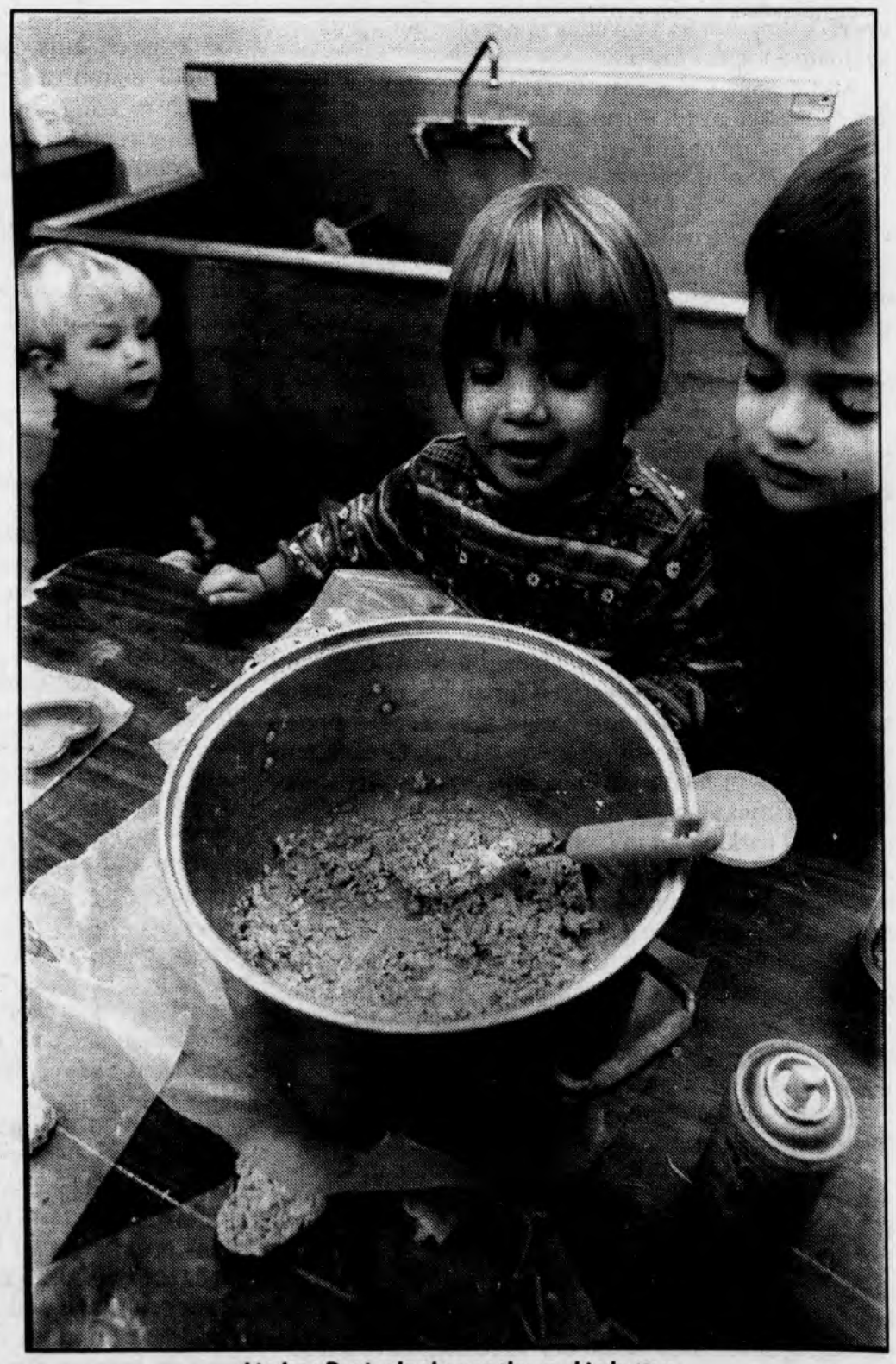
Michela Valante samples some cookie dough at a preschool cooking class at the South Shore Community Center.

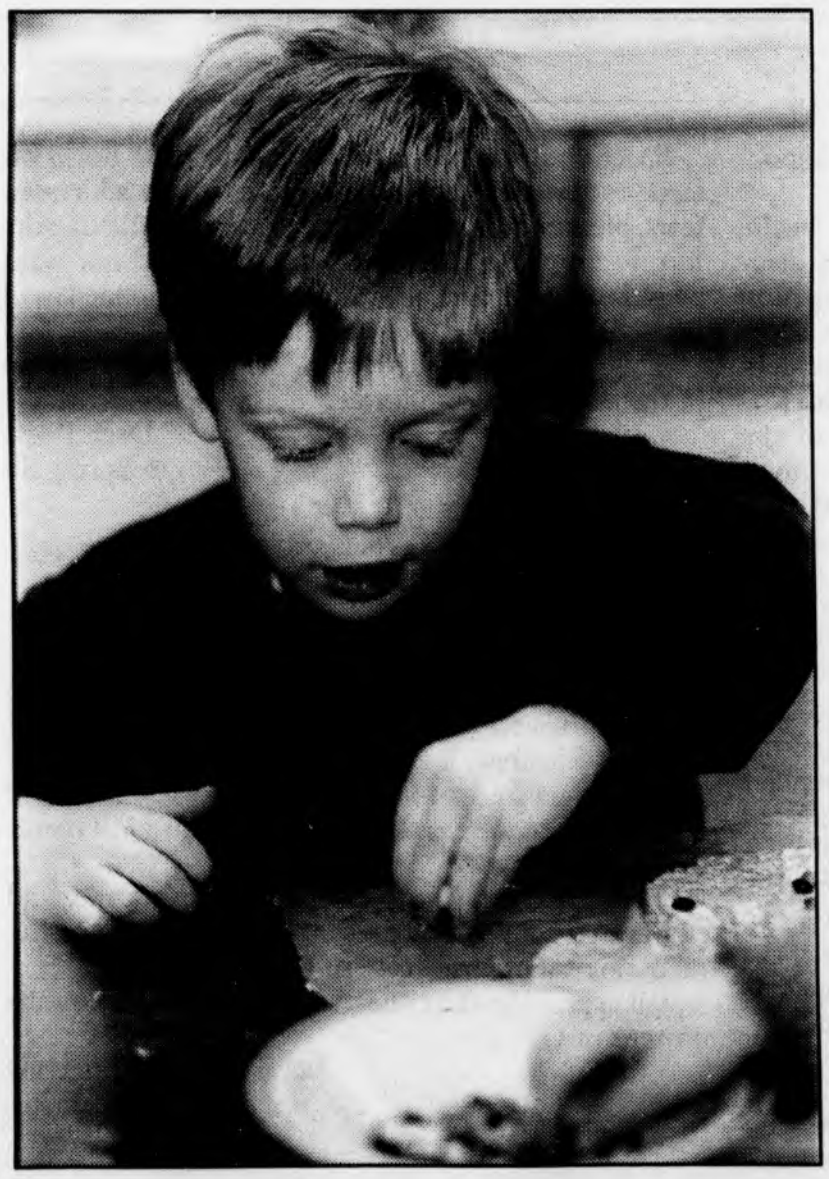
Instructor Mary Brennock teaches preschool youngsters how to cook at the South Shore Community Center.

Preschoolers Put Creativity into Cookies



Jack Carrier shows off his masterpiece.





Matt Duran concentrates as he decorates his creation.

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Lindsay Davis checks out the cookie batter.

PERSONAL FINANCE

Rights offerings: Should you buy in?

By the editors of Worth Magazine

It sounds like an offer you can't refuse: The closed-end investment company whose shares you own offers you rights to buy one additional share for each four you own — and at a price 20 percent below market value. Has the fabled free lunch finally appeared on your table?

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

No; it's just Wall Street raising money again. Rights offerings are by no means gifts; they cost you whether you buy into them or not.

If you don't subscribe to the rights offering, the value of your existing shares get diluted by those issued to honor the exercise of the rights. And if you do, further dilution can occur if some of the fresh cash you pony up feeds the brokerage industry's fee mill. The best course to take if you want to remain a shareholder and minimize potential for loss is to sell the amount of shares you hold the rights to and then exercise those rights. That way you will come close to breaking even. The worst option is to do nothing. They're no free lunch, but ignore them at your peril.

In recent years, the markets have been awash in rights offerings by closed-end funds, whose shares are traded in securities markets rather than sold and redeemed by mutual fund organizations. From Jan. 1992 through April 1994, 59 closed-end funds raised $3.3 billion through rights offerings, according to Chicago-based fund watcher Morningstar. Many closed-end funds have enlisted brokerage firms to promote their offerings, normally paying them between 3 and 3.75 percent of the proceeds.

Closed-end fund managers like such deals because, unlike managers of open-ended funds, they see none of the cash that changes hands when investors buy and sell shares every day. To raise fresh cash for investment, closed-end funds sell new shares. Distributing rights to existing shareholders is the best way to make sure an offering succeeds.

Fund managers may argue that the more money there is under management, the better off shareholders are. Neither portfolio theory nor investment experience validates this view. It is, however, undeniably true that the more money that management manages, the better off management is.

If you plan to exercise your rights, wait until the latter part of the subscription period, when any uncertainties about the offering would have surfaced.

Why do shareholders barely break even — if that — in a rights offering? Let's say you own 100 shares of a closed-end fund with a market value of $10 a share. You and other shareholders exercise your rights to increase your holdings by 25 percent, one new share for each four shares held, at a price of only $8 a share.

You started with 100 shares worth $1,000, and you've just paid $200 for 25 new shares. If all that new cash goes to the company, your 125 shares should now be worth $1,200, or $9.60 a share; you have just about broken even. If you'd done nothing and let the rights expire, your 100 shares would be worth only $960, a 4 percent decline.

Never again wonder why the market value of closed-end fund shares shrinks after a rights offering is announced. If you plan to exercise your rights, wait until the latter part of the subscription period, when any uncertainties about the offering would have surfaced. Shareholders who don't want new shares can offset or minimize dilution of their existing shares several ways, depending on the deal's terms. Rights have an intrinsic value: the difference between the cost of exercising them and the value of the shares acquired. So you may be able to sell your rights when they start trading.

Non-transferable rights — those you can't sell — are a bit different. These, too, have value. If you don't want to add money but want to preserve your holdings, sell as many shares as you hold rights to, then exercise them.

You'll have to time this carefully. Typically, it takes two to three weeks from the time the offering is announced until the day the rights become shares, called the record date. However, you cannot sell your original shares until the ex-rights date, four trading days prior to the record date, if you want to receive your rights.

Suppose you own 300 shares of a closed-end fund with non-transferable rights to buy 100 additional shares at 80 percent of their $10 market price. On the ex-rights date, the shares will trade down to $9.50 each; your 300 shares are worth $2,850. Sell 100 of them for $950 using the proceeds to exercise your right to buy 100 new shares at $8 each, or a total of $800.

You keep the $150 in cash, minus transaction fees, plus 300 shares that, after dilution, are worth $2,850. Total: $3,000, just what you started with. Had you done nothing, you would have lost the $150, less transaction costs.

How to protect your Social Security benefits and other valuable tax tips

Many business owners and executives continue to work after they "retire." Some, however, fail to protect their Social Security benefits. If you retire between age 62 and 64 and earn more than $8,160 a year, the government will begin taking a bite out of your retirement checks. When your annual earnings surpass $24,480, Social Security checks will effectively vanish. The comparable annual figures in the 65 to 69 age bracket are: more than $11,280 — benefits reduced; more than $45,129 — benefits denied.

Because no penalties are assessed on earnings after you turn 70, the tax-wise move is to defer a portion of your earnings until you reach that age. For instance, if you're between 62 and 64, reduce your salary to $8,160 and defer the remainder. In your mid-to-late 60s, defer any earnings above the $11,280 ceiling.

Obviously, you may choose to earn more and experience some reduction in your Social Security benefits. When you continue to work after retirement, the key is to plan ahead so you don't need such high earnings from your company that it cancels retirement benefits altogether.

Wisdom for estate executors

If you're the executor of an estate that's unable to meet its tax obligations, the IRS will turn to you for payment. But if you maintain "good faith" contact with the agency, you can ultimately get off the estate-tax hook.

When the estate experiences tax problems, write a letter immediately to the IRS requesting a "discharge from personal liability pursuant to IRC Section 2204." Under this provision, the IRS must take you off its immediate target list and give the estate more time to meet the tax obligations.

You're not completely home free, though, until the estate pays up. The IRS, of course, will monitor the situation closely.

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No Shallow Solutions for James Brook Flooding

By JASON BOUFFARD
COHASSET MARINER

A recent workshop held to discuss the flooding of James Brook proved that town decision-makers must wade through a series of options before determining a viable solution.

Town engineer Domenic Tutela told members of the James Brook task force last week that a major part of the problem is an inadequate culvert. He said that the two, 48-inch pipes which carry water into the culvert are only half as large as they should be to allow all the water that fell during the recent storm to drain. Seven inches of rainfall caused the Oct. 20 flooding conditions in the post office area.

The system, which was started in the 1920s, was never adequate, according to Tutela. He predicts frequent flooding if recent rainfall predictions continue.

Tutela said that flooding could be minimized by creating detention areas for water to collect and seep into the ground. Many residents in attendance complained that the town has not taken enough action to ensure that detention areas remain clear.

Some residents reported seeing neighbors illegally filling areas where flood waters have safely collected in the past, and expressed concern that such actions have worsened flooding conditions. They also complained about getting a limited response when reporting illegal filling to authorities.

Concern was also expressed regarding the amount of debris which has collected in James Brook. Branches and other obstructions have led residents to believe that the brook is due for a cleaning. One resident said that flooding has gotten worse as debris in the brook has mounted up.

Conservation Commissioner Jeff Waal invited residents to help remove the debris from the brook where possible and expressed interest in coordinating with DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield in order to address these issues.

However, Litchfield was concerned that limited DPW resources may put a damper on an extensive clean-up project.

Tutela also said that any added density in the environment such as a concrete train platform for the Greenbush line, would displace runoff water and have a detrimental impact on the flooding condition.

But clearing James Brook and opening up detention areas would only begin to alleviate the flooding. Selectman Peter Pratt said that a 250 percent improvement from the village area to Jacob's Meadow would be needed to solve the drainage problem.

In addition to limited detention areas, Tutela pointed out the tidal gates are beginning to allow water to seep through. He recommended that the gates be replaced in the near future.

"I think it's going to be a combination of answers that will make this thing work," said Conservation Commissioner Waal, who also cautioned that while storm water should drain quickly, enough water should be retained in order to preserve the town's wetlands.

"The eventual solution will require a sizeable injection of funds, hopefully not from Cohasset taxpayers," said Pratt.

He estimates that $25,000 to $30,000 will be needed to get "to the next level of engineering." He and Town Administrator Gregory Doyon will document the town's needs for federal funding available following the flood because Norfolk County was declared a disaster area. Doyon emphasized the need for residents to report all damages sustained from the flood, so that a higher level of federal funding can be attained.

A budget must be completed by Dec. 20.

Earlier in the meeting, Doyon explained that disaster assistance is available by calling, 1-800-462-9029.

"The town has been here before," Pratt said. "It's probably time for us to move on and find some solutions."

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Tax Breaks

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about $5,000. Today the typical Cohasset house is valued upwards of $230,000.

Selectmen agreed to appoint McElroy to the ad hoc committee, which recently studied and rejected the "volunteer work for tax break proposal" for administrative and fairness reasons for elderly taxpayers but agreed to examine other options for tax relief.

In a telephone interview Tuesday, McElroy said veterans in town truly believe that Cohasset is "going the way of the western affluent suburbs" and will eventually have no economic diversity. McElroy, who is a disabled veteran, said the issue is a matter of principle to him and pointed out that he will not take the increased abatement if it is approved.

McElroy suggested the exemptions be doubled. Disabled veterans may currently qualify for $175 and needy elderly for $500 in annual exemptions.

Assessor Jim Lagrotteria said 128 Cohasset citizens currently qualify for the abatements. He told selectmen he was not in favor of increasing them because of the administrative load it would create at the busiest time of year in the assessors' office. Under state law, those who qualify for the increase would not be able to pay less than they did in the prior year. Increasing the exemption may put some qualified citizens into that category creating an administrative nightmare and tying up the office's time with explaining the law, Lagrotteria said.

"We'd be spending a hell of a lot of effort to grant additional monies to 128 people. It's not worth the effort at this point an time," he said.

Lagrotteria also said it also is unfair to ask the balance of the homeowners to pay more.

"We'd be asking 2,300 homeowners to assist 128," he said. "This is poor timing with what we face in town with additional tax burden."

Currently the town grants $31,864 in annual abatements. Of that amount the state picks up about $13,000. Doubling the abatements would cost the town an additional $22,000 a year.

Town treasurer/collector Joe Buckley said he felt the property tax deferments currently in place are the best solution for elderly citizens who have trouble paying their tax bill.

McElroy said it was important to look at the intention of the laws which is to help needy people.

Buckley said while it's good to have higher exemptions, many young couples are holding three jobs to make ends meet.

He explained that with tax deferrals, the town recoups the money plus interest when the house is sold. Last year the town granted $55,000 in deferrals and collected $53,000. He said 15 homeowners are currently deferring all or part of their taxes.

McElroy, who said while deferrals are an option, the equity in a home is all some have to pass on. He stressed that the issue of increased exemptions should be put on town meeting floor for a fair airing.

Advisory board chairman Roger Whitley said he agreed that it should be discussed at town meeting.

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Jones' Star is Still Rising

Former Cohasset High star Ray Jones breaks a tackle for a big gain during a Trinity College game. Jones had a huge season for Trinity, setting a number of rushing records along the way.

Former Cohasset Athlete Excels on Trinity Team

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Sometimes great athletes with a bevy of accomplishments have somewhat inauspicious starts in their sports careers.

Trinity College's Ray Jones, a former Cohasset High student, is one of those fierce competitors who pushed the disappointment of being cut from one sport behind, and put his best step forward in another.

Jones was cut from the JV basketball team during his sophomore year, but before you could say "Half-Nelson" the wrestling coach recruited him for the high school grappling squad.

"(Wrestling coach) Torin Sweeney picked him right up and he never missed a beat," said Cohasset High Athletic Director Clark Chatterton. "That's kind of a Michael Jordan story. He didn't make his high school team as a sophomore either."

Like Jordan, Jones has been successful in his athletic endeavors. Once on the wrestling mats, Jones took a liking to the sport and proceeded to earn a state championship. He continued to improve and earned All-American honors by finishing seventh in the 167-pound weight class. On the track, where he was also a state long-jump champion in high school, Jones broke the Trinity record in the event.

But it has been on the football field where Jones has put up career numbers that have been nothing short of eye-popping.

Jones, a running back and kick returner, became just Trinity's third player ever to rush for 1,000 yards in a season, scrambling for 1,270 this fall. He was the leading rusher in the New England Small College Athletic Conference and scored 13 touchdowns, also a conference best.

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Clippers Shut Down Cohasset

Football Team Drops 20-0 Decision

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

In their first Saturday game of the year, the Cohasset Skippers lost 20-0, to a Norwell Clippers squad which relied on a powerful running game and a greedy defensive secondary. The Skippers were led by Jamie DeMichele, John Kasameyer and Mike Kearney, all of whom played quite well on defense. Hurt by penalties, the Skipper offense never found its groove, and could not reach the Clipper end zone.

In the first quarter, Jarred Batts and Luke Caldwell provided the pass protection that allowed quarterback Pat Hurley to connect with Jamie Buick on a fake punt. However, the Skippers gave up an interception, and the Norwell offense took the field. A sturdy CHS defense, led by Kearney's superb pass coverage, forced a punt, which Justin Golden carried back to the 44-yard line of Cohasset before he was collared. Hurley punted away. Tackles by Andy Hamilton, Kevin Duffy, DeMichele, and Kasameyer all only delayed Brian Fabrizio's 18-yard touchdown run at the start of the second quarter. Golden, DeMichele and Matt Belson stuffed the two point conversion.

Hurley started off the Skipper drive with a completed pass to a diving Buick. Penalties forced the Skippers to punt, and Hurley, in his first game as a punter, uncorked a long line drive which bounced all the way to the Norwell 25-yard line, for a total of 61 yards. But, the Clipper offense got going again. Belson, Jerry Cogill, DeMichele, Grant Emde, Hamilton, Alex Russell all assisted on tackles. The Clippers looked as if they would score, however, until DeMichele came from his safety position to make an interception.

However, the speedy Norwell secondary answered this with a pick of their own. The game grew sloppy at this point, as the Clippers returned the ball to the Skippers when Belson ripped it loose and Buick pounced on it. The Skippers were able to squeeze off a few plays before tossing an interception. This led to a Matt Lewis 13-yard touchdown catch from QB Brian Doherty. DeMichele and Kasameyer stopped the conversion and the score stood at 12-0. Just before halftime, Golden fell on the kickoff, and the Skippers ran out the clock before the break.

The second half started with a Norwell drive, despite tackles by Cogill, DeMichele, Golden and defensive end Sean Parkinson. Belson knocked Fabrizio out at the goal line but the back answered with a touchdown run and then the conversion, making the score 20-0, where it would stand for the remainder of the game.

Emde's rushes couldn't gain a first down and the Skippers punted again. Hurley's punt was caught, but Parkinson forced the returner out of bounds. Russell and Duffy crashed through the line to register a sack. A Fabrizio TD was called back because of an illegal block, and Buick, Duffy and Hamilton held up the Clipper offense. The Clippers threatened, though, and appeared to have a touchdown pass, when Kearney made the hit, jarring the ball loose and saving another Norwell tally. Russell forced a fumble and Rossi jumped on it, but the Skipper offense couldn't gain any momentum.

The game ended this way, with the CHS offense failing to get started, and the defense playing well enough to stop the home team. Caldwell and Cogill both made tackles in the final few minutes, but the game was already out of reach.

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Jones is ranked 11th in the nation in Division 3 with a 143.1 average per game.

It's safe to say that as Jones went, so did Trinity. In the nine times he rushed for over 100 yards in his career, Trinity was a perfect 9-0.

But by far, the statistic that makes you shake your head in utter amazement is the 303 yards Jones rushed for on Nov. 9 in Trinity's 35-28 win over Wesleyan. The phenomenal chunk of yardage Jones ate up shattered the school's 16-year-old record of 269 yards.

Jones finished the first half with a modest 51 yards, but offensive changes brought his running game to another level, enabling Jones to run rampant for 252 second-half yards. He had touchdown runs of 90 and 35 yards.

"We threw in some new plays we hadn't used all year and the linemen really opened up the holes," Jones said. "It was great."

Probably the person most surprised by the performance, is, well, Jones himself. "Even with the big run I thought I didn't have that many (yards). It's hard for it to sink it. I haven't seen the game film, but I still can't believe it."

The career game earned Jones the prestigious Coca Cola New England Sport Writers Division 2-3 "Gold Helmet" Award. Add that to the four NESCAC Offensive Player of the Week awards he garnered and Division Honor Roll title and Jones had his best season, moving on to the next level of national recognition.

Still, Jones considers what the team as a whole did this season to be the most satisfying accomplishment. Trinity wasn't expected to do much on the playing field because so many players graduated. However, the squad gelled quickly and wound up with a fine 7-1 record, and was ranked as high as No. 9 in the ECAC Weekly Division 3 New England Football Poll.

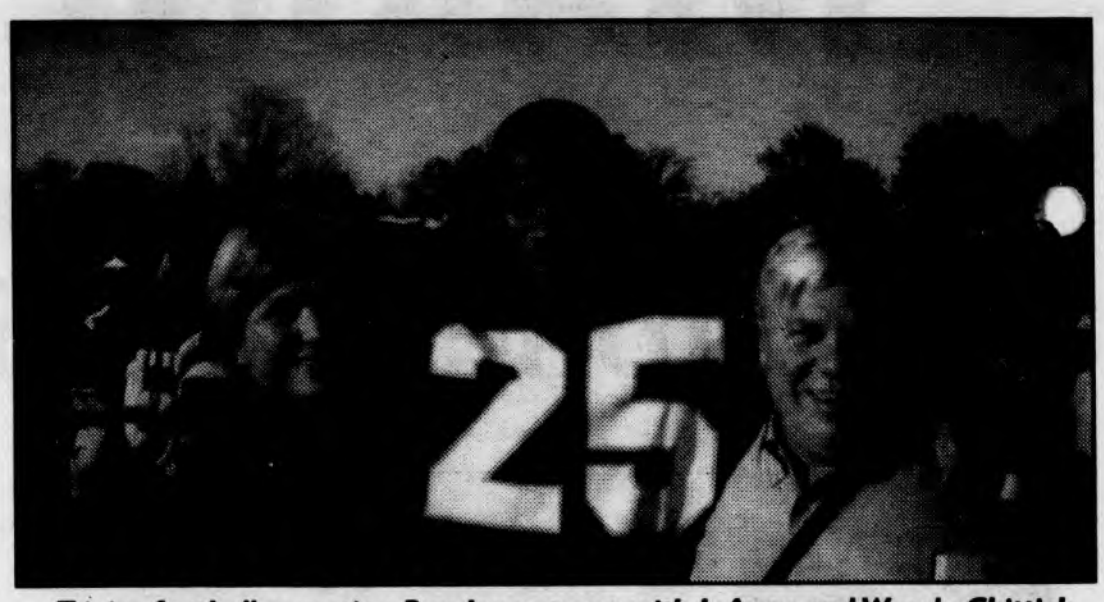
"I thought this season itself was a huge accomplishment," Jones said. "We weren't expected to do that well."

Jones hasn't been a one-dimensional entity at Trinity, concentrating on sports and nothing else. He works hard in his classes and has been a member of the school's oldest acappella group, "The Pipes," since his freshman year.

"It has been a great experience," he said of singing with the group. "Some of my best friends are in the group and we've been able to travel and tour."

Jones hasn't forgotten his ties to Cohasset, particularly the Chittick family, who served as his METCO host family since Jones was in sixth grade. He plans to visit them over the Thanksgiving holiday and again at Christmas.

Jones became friends with Ben Chittick in the first grade when they found out they shared the same Feb. 1 birthday.



Trinity football sensation Ray Jones poses with JoAnne and Woody Chittick following a college game.

"They've been buddies ever since," said JoAnne Chittick, Ben's mother.

Ben, who attends Dartmouth, keeps in touch with Jones through E-mail, as does Chloe Chittick, Ben's sister and a student at Colby.

JoAnne Chittick said having Jones around the house was a great experience and he fit in like one of the family.

"He was like another son," said JoAnne. "Ray was always agreeable. He did his own laundry and did his own chores without making a big deal about it.

"Trinity has been a great place for him. The academics are stressed and he has had the opportunity to excel."

Jones is looking forward to attending the Hull/Cohasset Thanksgiving day game and the word is Chatterton is trying to get Jones to sing the National Anthem with a couple of other singers.

Jones hasn't talked with Chatterton yet, but he did say he loves the new Alumni Field.

"I'm definitely jealous," he said.

Jealousy, however, can work both ways.

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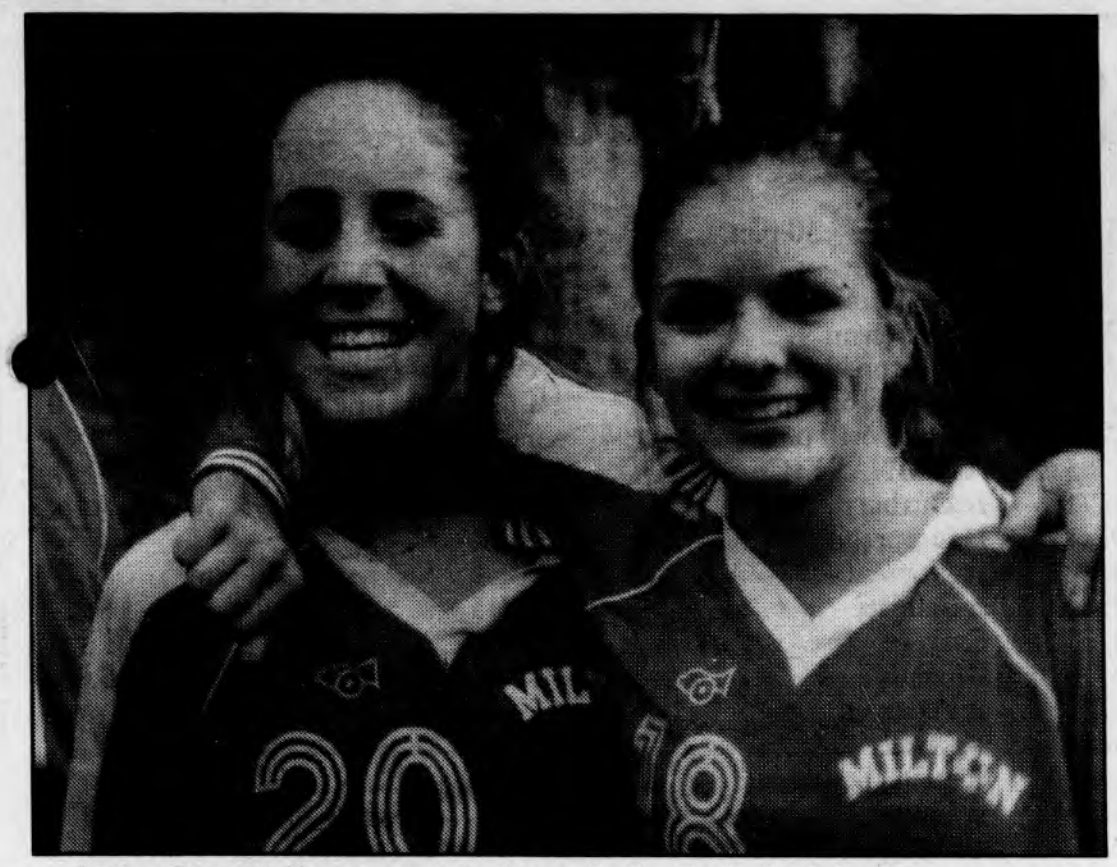

Junior Cara McKenney and freshman Lydia Crafts both had strong seasons for the 15-1 Milton Academy girls varsity soccer team.

Head coach Maureen O'Day-Clark presented the team awards to the Cohasset High varsity soccer team at Sunday's awards banquet at the Chart House. Receiving awards were Ali Kinchla for Best Defensive Player, Kathleen Fitzsimmons for Best Offensive Player, Emily Henderson for Best Defensive Player, and team MVP Catie Campbell.

Staff Photo/Bill Wadsworth

Cohasset Booters Lead Milton Squad

Cohasset's Cara McKenney and Lydia Crafts, varsity soccer players for Milton Academy, celebrate the end of their 15-1 season. This was the most successful girls' soccer team in Milton Academy history. The team placed second among the 16 schools in the Independent School League, one of the most competitive high school leagues in the East. The team qualified for the New Englands and lost to Phillips Andover in the quarterfinals.

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Grade 4 boys, 9 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 5 boys, 10 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 6 boys, 11 a.m. CHS gym.

Grade 7 boys, noon CHS gym.

Grade 8 boys, 1 p.m. CHS gym.

Grade 4-6 girls, 2 p.m. CHS gym.

Grade 7-8 girls, 3 p.m. CHS gym.

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12/18 E. Bridgewater
12/20 Norton
1/3 Scituate
1/6 at Abington
1/8 at Hanover
1/10 Hull
1/15 at Harwich (4:30/6 p.m.)
1/17 Carver
1/21 Norwell
1/24 at E. Bridgewater
1/27 at Norton
1/29 at Scituate
1/31 Abington
2/4 Hanover
2/7 at Hull
2/10 Harwich (4:30/6 p.m.)
2/12 at Carver
2/16 Hall of Fame Classic at Massasoit
2/17 Hall of Fame Classic
12/27 Converse Classic Rockland 8 p.m.
12/30 Catholic Memorial/Weston-TBA
All games will be played at 3:30 (Fr), 5 p.m. (JV), (Varsity) unless otherwise noted.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
JV. VARSITY

12/16 Norwell (3:30/5 p.m.)
12/18 at E. Bridgewater
12/20 at Norton
1/3 at Scituate
1/6 Abington
1/8 Hanover
1/10 at Hull
1/14 BYE
1/17 at Carver
1/21 at Norwell (3:30/5 p.m.)
1/24 E. Bridgewater
1/27 Norton (Varsity 3:30 p.m.)
1/29 Scituate
1/31 at Abington
2/4 at Hanover
2/7 Hull
2/10 BYE
2/12 Carver
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**12/30 Scituate/Hingham TBA

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12/18 at Abington
12/19 S. Boston, 3:30 p.m.
1/4 Scituate, 7:40 p.m.
1/6 Hull, 6:30 p.m.
1/8 at Latin Academy
1/11 at Hanover
1/15 at Norwell
1/18 Norwell, 5:20 p.m.
1/20 at E. Boston
1/25 Wareham
1/29 Abington, 3:50 p.m.
2/1 at Scituate
2/3 at S. Boston, 3:30 p.m.
2/7 at Wareham
2/8 E. Boston, 2:40 p.m.
2/10 Hanover, 6:10 p.m.
2/12 at Hull, 6:10 p.m.

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12/16 at Duxbury
12/19 Hanover
1/6 at Norwell
1/8 at Scituate
1/13 Carver
1/16 Duxbury
1/21 at Hanover
1/24 Norwell
1/27 Scituate, 3:30 p.m.
1/30 at Carver
2/5 All League, TBA
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12/18 BC High, 5:30 p.m.
12/21 at Lynnfield, 10 a.m.
12/26 at Carver/JH Tourn., 9 a.m.
12/27/28 at Marshfield Holiday Tournament, 11 a.m.
1/3 at Norwell vs. Canton, Somset. Shp. Hill, 3:30 p.m.
1/8 Norwell (League), 7 p.m.
1/11 at Whitman-Hanson Tournament, 10 a.m.
1/15 at Scituate (League), 7 p.m.
1/18 Cohasset Tournament, 10 a.m.
1/21 at Hanover, 7 p.m.
1/24 Marshfield vs. N. Quincy, Braintree, 3:30 p.m.
1/29 at Carver, 7 p.m.
2/1 at Hingham and Sharon, 3:30 p.m.
2/5 at Foxboro, 5 p.m.
2/8 at Rockland vs. Middleboro, 10 a.m.
2/10 Duxbury, 3:30 p.m.
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1/16 at Duxbury
1/23 at North Quincy
1/27 at Sandwich
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A five-mile Thanksgiving road race on Thursday, Nov. 28 will benefit the John C. Venable Memorial Football Scholarship.

The race will begin near the Marshfield High School track at 8 a.m. and finish at the track. Runners may enter in the following categories: male and female junior (18 and under), male and female open (19-39), male and female masters (40-49), male and female seniors (50-59), male and female grand seniors (60-69) and male and female super seniors (70 and older). The entrance fee is $10; the first 150 entrants will receive commemorative mugs.

The course has been accurately wheel-measured, and accurate split times will be provided. The finish line and race results will be provided by the Marshfield Road Runners. Two water stops and post-race refreshments will be available.

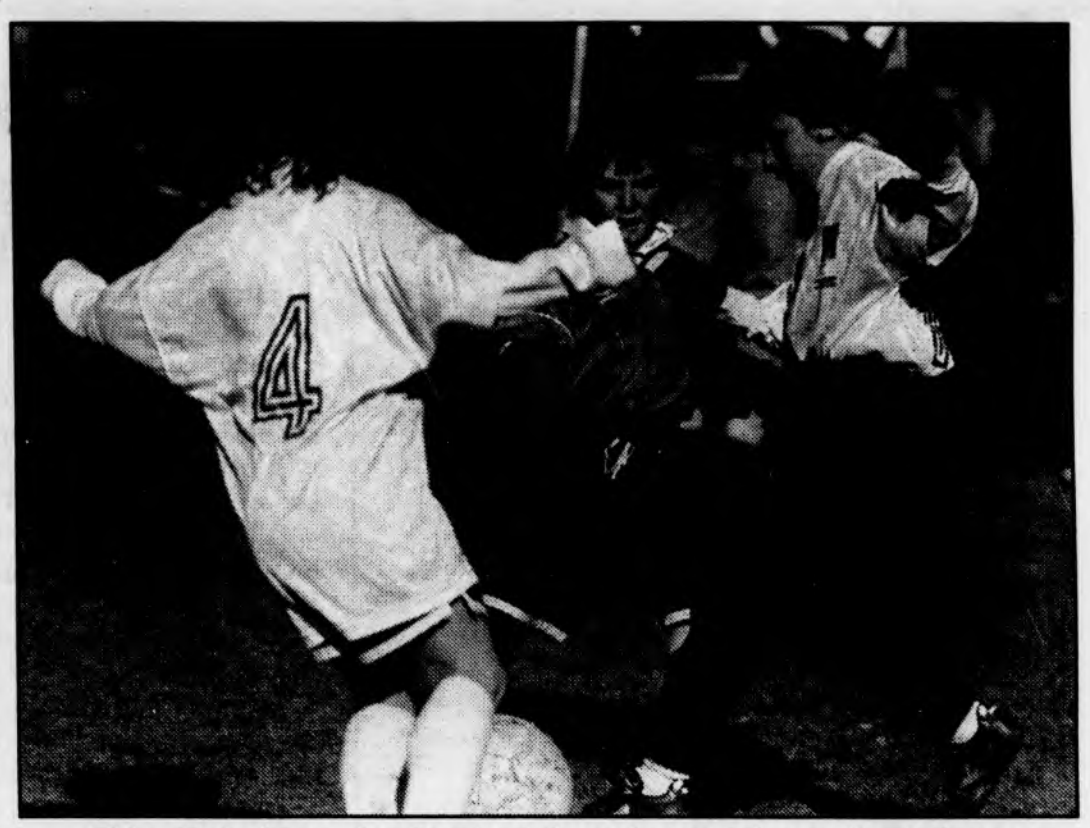
Last year's male winner, Gregory Ward, finished with a time of 26:20. The female winner, Lauren Kelly, finished at 34:12.

All proceeds will benefit the John C. Venable Memorial Football Scholarship, awarded annually to a Marshfield High School Graduating Senior. Steve Cummings, the 1996 recipient of the scholarship's "Unsung Hero Award," is now attending Framingham State College.

To reach the Marshfield High School track, take Route 139 in Marshfield to Forest Street, to the Martinson Middle School. The race will begin near the track located behind the school.

For more information, write to: Venable Road Race, P.O. Box 465, Green Harbor, MA 02041, or call (617) 585-9113.

The Cohasset High varsity soccer team had a tough season in the South Shore League after qualifying for last year's Division 3 South Sectional tourney, but is looking to get back into tourney contention in '97.



Chloe Kittle (Center) splits the defense during Cohasset Youth Soccer action.

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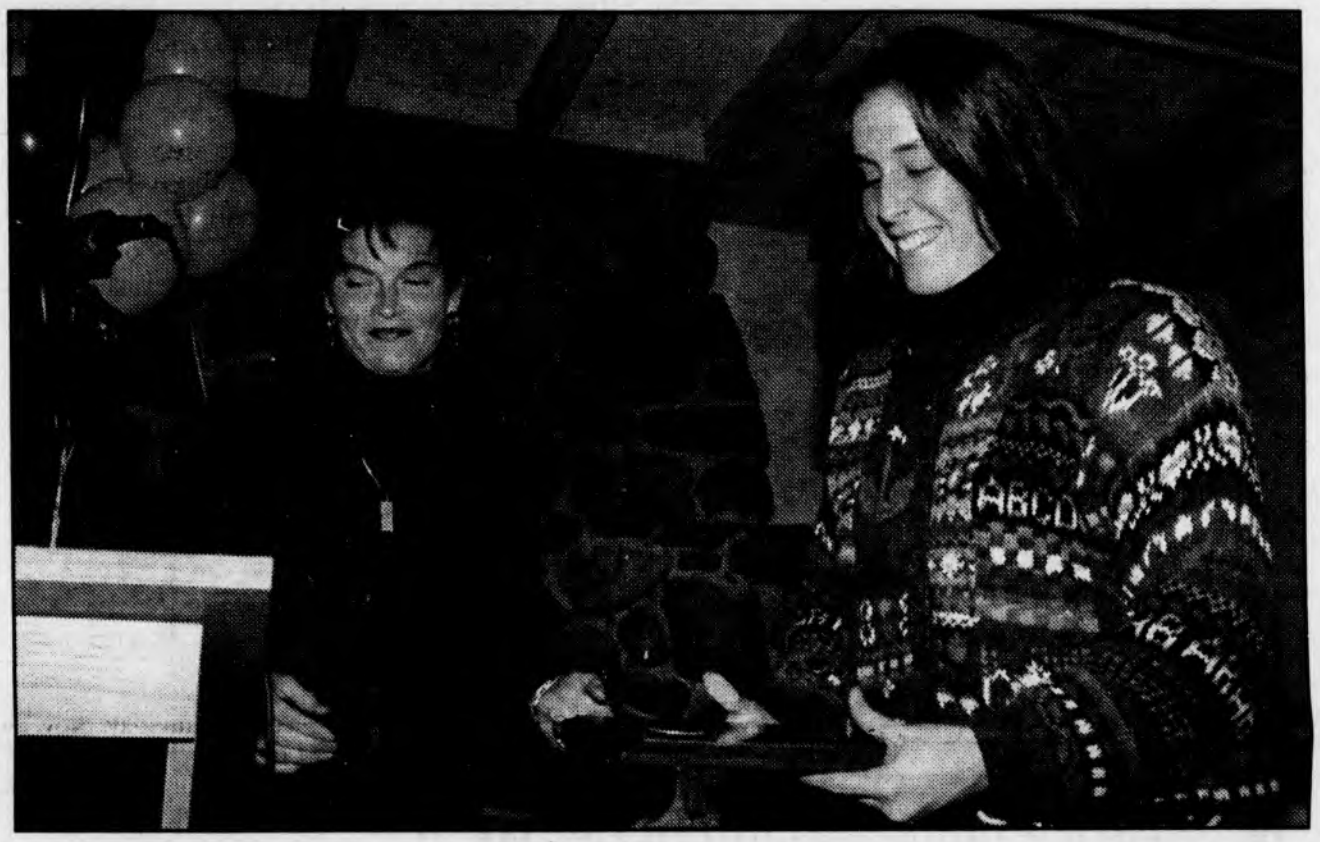

Maureen O'Day-Clark presents the MVP award to Catie Campbell at the Cohasset High soccer awards banquet.

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Thanksgiving Tickets on Sale Wednesday

Thanksgiving Day tickets for the game between Cohasset and Hull will go on sale Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Powder Puff game. Tickets will cost $5 on game day for all spectators. Athletic Director Clark Chatterton said spectators should park at Milliken Field because of what Chatterton expects to be a crowd nearing 1,500.

CHS Varsity Gymnastic Team Meeting

All students in seventh through twelfth grades interested in trying out for the varsity gymnastics team, please meet in the cafeteria, Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 2:15 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to go over practice schedule, meets etc. At this time, you may ask any questions relating to the varsity team.

Tryouts will be Monday, Dec. 2, at the South Shore Community Center, from 7 to 9 p.m.

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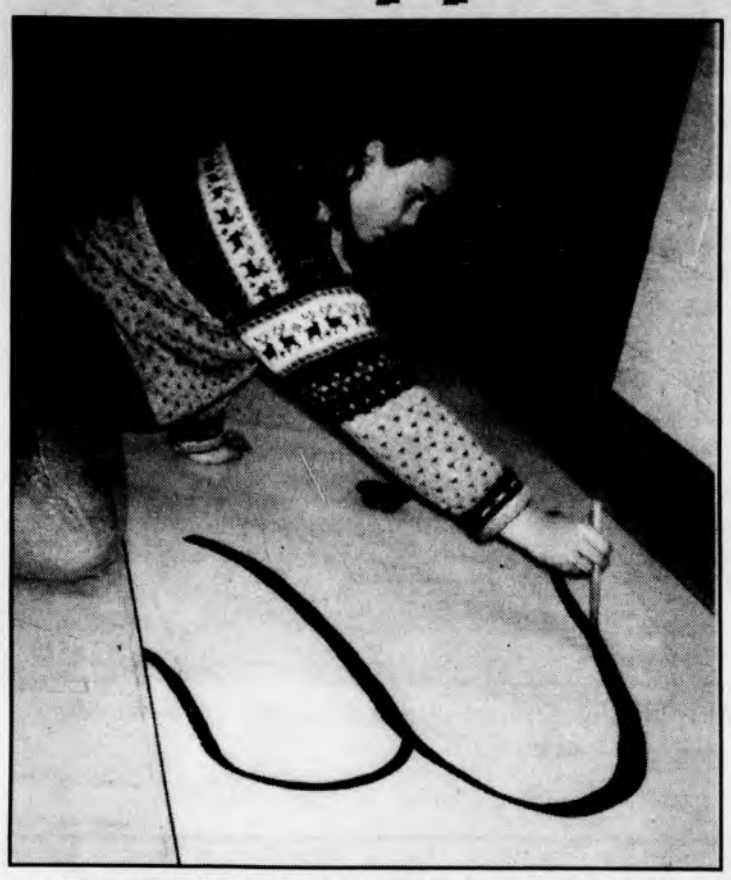

Courtney Anton paints a banner for Cohasset High's production of "The Mikado."

CHS to Present 'The Mikado'

Cohasset High School will present "The Mikado," a tale of love, loss and reconciliation, Dec. 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 15 at 2 p.m.

During the performance, the gentlemen of Japan, chorus of schoolgirls, nobles and guards will help Nanki-Poo avoid the executioner's axe and find his beloved Yum-Yum.

The event will provide a lively, colorful evening of song and dance.

Thanksgiving Event for World Hunger

Saturday, Nov. 23, Cohasset Community Church will host a family Thanksgiving celebration at Cohasset Town Hall, 41 Highland Ave., from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Activities planned are songs, crafts and a puppet show. A youth group from Calvary Bible Church of Derry, New Hampshire, will present the puppet show. Refreshments will be served.

All proceeds for the event will go to fight world hunger. A suggested donation of $3 per individual or $10 per family is requested. All donations will go to the World Hunger Fund of the Foreign Mission Board, SBC.

Cohasset Community Church is a new evangelical church in Cohasset. Rev. Robert Hurlbut is the pastor. For more information, call the church at 383-7054.

Newcomers' Holiday Open House

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomers' Club will hold its annual Holiday Open House on Dec. 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the home of a member. All members are invited and asked to bring an hors d'oeuvres and a check for the holiday charity donation. Anyone interested in more information about the party can please call 544-3479.

Anyone interested in membership information can please call 383-6963 or 545-4937. The club is always open to new members, and invites all residents of Scituate and Cohasset to join.

Community Thanksgiving Eve Service

The Cohasset Community Thanksgiving Eve service including all eight of the town congregations will be held Wednesday, Nov. 27, at 8 p.m. at Saint Stephen's Church, 16 Highland Ave. Saint Stephen's Church is marking its centennial this year. The music with organ and trumpet will include two town-wide choirs. The children will sing: "God of Great and God of Small," by Natalie Sleeth. The combined adult choirs will sing Gerre Hancock's "Judge Eternal." The congregation will sing hymns such as "Rejoice, O Pilgrim throng!" and "We plow the fields, and scatter."

The Rev. John Mulvehill from Saint Anthony's Church will issue the call to worship. The invocation will be led by The Rev. Shuma Chakravarty of the Vedanta Centre. The lessons will be read by The Revs. Gary Ritts of the Second Congregational Church and Robert Hurlbutt of the Cohasset Community Church. The Rev. John Maheras of the Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church will sing a fervent Litany of Thanksgiving. Ms. Barbara Bliss of First Parish will offer a prayer of thanksgiving for diversity of races and cultures, while The Rev. Bert White from the Beechwood Congregational Church will offer a thanksgiving for the beauty of the earth and give the benediction. The Rev. E. Clifford Cutler will tell a children's story and issue a welcome to all.

The altar will be arrayed with harvest fruits and vegetables which then will be donated to the Mary Martha Learning Center in Hingham. The offering at the service will go in part to Oxfam America and its efforts to combat world hunger. In addition, locally, the offering will support Wellspring in Hull which provides a variety of needed services. Small loaves of bread will be blessed and given to each person who comes. All are invited to attend this Cohasset Thanksgiving Eve celebration.

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Legal Issues of Alzheimer's Care

The Affiliated Community Visiting Nurse Association will recognize Alzheimer's Awareness Month this November with a program on legal issues in Alzheimer's care, presented by Attorney Brian E. Barreira of Plymouth and Hingham.

The program will be offered at Rockland Public Library, 20 Belmont St., Tuesday, Nov. 19, from 2:30 to 4 p.m., and Thursday, Nov. 21, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at Cohasset Council on Aging, 3 North Main St., Cohasset.

Barreira, who is past president of the Mass. Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, will discuss financial planning and elder law issues with a particular focus on the Kennedy-Kassebaum federal legislation and its immediate consequences on long-term care planning.

Newcomers' Club Donations Noted

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomers' Club is pleased to announce donations to three area organizations. The club presented checks to the Scituate Youth Center, the Friends of the Paragon Carousel in Hull, and the Cohasset Light House Keepers Association totaling $800.

Part of the money donated to the Light House Keepers Association was raised at the Newcomers' Club first annual Light House Keepers Ball silent auction. The Ball was held at beautiful Bancroft Hall overlooking Cohasset Harbor. The black tie event was in celebration of a wonderful year of Newcomers activities and included dancing, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres and elegant desserts all catered by the Borrowed Butler. The Ball was one of the most glamorous events of the Newcomers season, and attracted an impressive crowd of 80 guests.

The following members helped make the event a success: Laurie Sheehan, Ginny Callahan, Michelle Frederick, Kathleen Knight and Laura Lee McQuade.

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomers' Club is always open to new members, and invites all residents of Scituate and Cohasset to join. Anyone interested in more information can please call 383-6963 or 545-4937.

Winterfest '96 Planned

Winterfest '96, Hingham Historical Society's fifth annual exhibition and sale of traditional American folk art and crafts, will be held Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Hingham Middle School, 1103 Main St., Route 228, Hingham.

This year's show will host 50 professional artisans, many of whom have been featured in national magazines such as Country Home, Country Living and Colonial Homes. More than half the exhibitors have been selected by Early American Homes for their Directory of Fine Craftsmen.

The range of arts and crafts offered at the event is wide and diverse, ranging from miniature quilts, period tinware, theorems and carvings to primitive paintings, pewter, redware and 18th- and 19th-century reproduction country furniture.

Winterfest '96 provides an opportunity to view and purchase unique, museum-quality pieces from some of the best craftspeople in the country.

Admission is $3 for adults and $1 for children under 12, with proceeds supporting Hingham Historical Society. Luncheon and refreshments will be available.

The program is free and open to the public. For more information, call 749-1160.

Jingle Bell Walk is Nov. 29

The South Shore Community Center invites families and friends to join in the holiday spirit at the Jingle Bell Walk, a Cohasset tradition offered by the S.S.C.C., which begins at 1:30 p.m., Nov. 29, when Santa Claus arrives by boat with his elves at Cohasset Harbor (Border St.). After Santa distributes jingle bells to the children, he will ride the fire truck and the walk continues along the sidewalks of Elm to Main Street in Cohasset. At 2 p.m., the South Shore Community Center welcomes you to partake in cookies, a beverage and a holiday sing-a-long. Holiday music and carols will also be sung by choruses from local schools and churches.

The holiday workshop at the nursery school will be open for young shoppers to purchase small gifts, and Santa will be upstairs in the center to pose for pictures with you and your children. Merchants participate by offering complimentary treats or discounts to shoppers. Please stroll through the village to share in the local shops' holiday ambiance.

Listen to the Bells of St. Stephen's playing from 2 to 4 p.m., while enjoying a hayride around the Commons. Hayrides will be available 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The festivities culminate on the Cohasset Common at 4 p.m. with the lighting of the tree.

The rain date is Nov. 30.

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School Notebook

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The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.

Auction Item Count Hits 100-plus!

Local response to the PSO auction has been tremendous. Organizers report that they have more than 100 items to be sold Friday evening at the PSO party. A wide variety of items should ensure something to interest anyone. Past auctions suggest that there will be some incredible bargains. The following is a brief sampling: four orchestra tickets for Andrew Lloyd Weber's 'Music of the Night;' Boufier photo sittings; hotels: Boston Harbor, Sheraton (Boston & Hyannis); horseback riding packages (lessons for all ages); painted furniture by a Hingham artist; a tennis party; vacation homes (Nantucket & Maine); restaurant certificates; children's computers; holiday goods: Christmas tree, flowers, signed Jan Brett gift sets (inc. posters, puppets, etc.), wine & cheese baskets, frozen hors d'oeuvres, and more. For tickets, call Patty at 383-2773.

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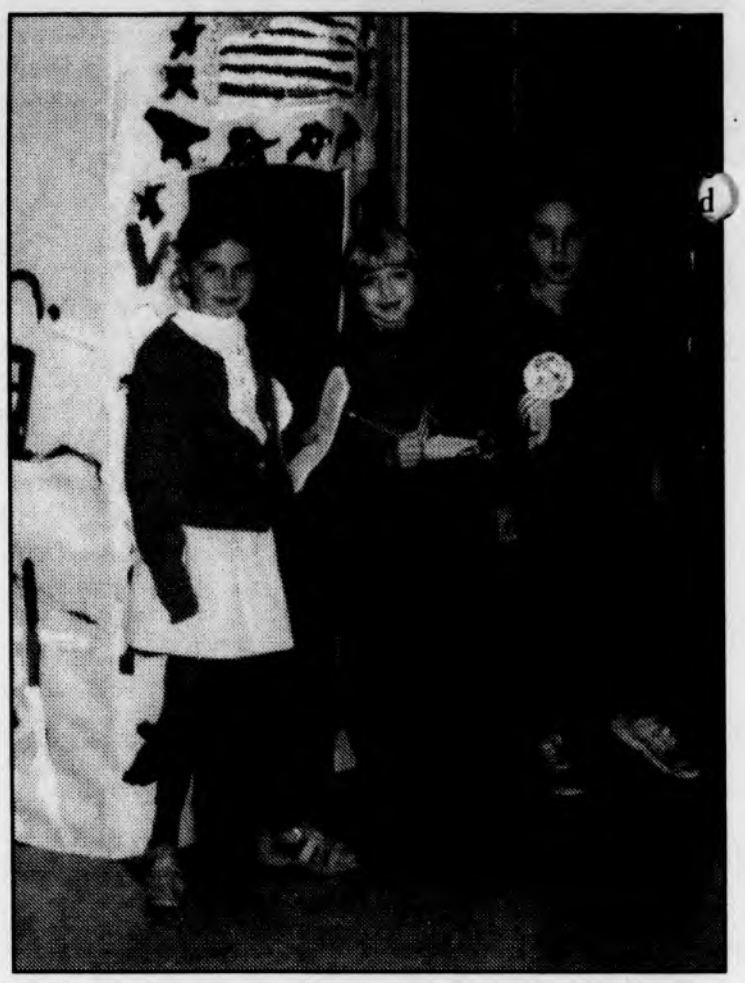
— From a talk given to students at Cohasset High School in the late 1980s by David Toma, the former Newark undercover detective who inspired the television series "Baretta."



Lauren Strazzula, Ryan Ingram, and Jared Dick cast their votes during the Osgood 'mock' presidential election on Nov. 5.

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Visitors to Bancroft Hall, operated by the non-profit Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation on Government Island, will be pleased that the unsatisfactory acoustics were corrected this week. The contractor, Snaptex East, has applied two inches of high-density acoustical fiber glass to the ceiling, over which is stretched a heavy white fabric.

Other than the poor acoustics, the renovation of the decrepit lightkeepers house into an attractive and popular function room has been a real success story. The magnificent view of the harbor is complemented by the quality and taste of the renovations, and further enhanced by landscaping donated and maintained by the garden clubs of Cohasset. The amazing improvement in the acoustics adds to the success of the project.

The generosity of many people and organizations, and the efforts of approximately three dozen public-spirited volunteers led by Joe McElroy, accomplished the ambitious reconstruction of the building over a four-year period. The acoustic improvement was conceived by the current president, R. Murray Campbell.

The Bancroft Hall function room is available at no charge to non-profit groups. The operating costs are provided for by rental income from two second-floor apartments and by function room fees for private gatherings. About half the bookings are free of charge.

Erich Georg installs a special acoustic ceiling at the Lightkeeper's Residence on Government Island.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Ford Joins Chokachi on Bay Watch Set

Cohasset resident Candy Ford, director and founder of Ford Model Management, visited David Chokachi on the beachside set of Bay Watch. She made a special detour to personally review Chokachi's latest photographs with him for the 1997 Ford book, which will be in color, a first for the New England modeling agency industry. The book debuts this month.

Chokachi has remained a Ford model, where he started his career in the early 1990s. Ford said when the Plymouth native came to her about five years ago, she knew there was something special about him. Within a week of signing with the agency, he was getting bookings for runway, print and TV assignments.

On the Bay Watch set are Cohasset's Curt Smalzel, Bay Watch star David Chokachi, Candy Ford who is director of Ford Model Management, and Candy's and Kurt's daughter Colby.

Police Report

Saturday, Nov. 2

3:18 p.m., serve restraining order, Norfolk Rd.

5:24 p.m.., serve restraining order, Norfolk Rd.

5:29 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:42 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:53 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:06 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

7:36 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

9:53 p.m., suspicious person, Jerusalem Rd.

Sunday, Nov. 3

12:25 a.m., general services, N. Main St.

12:36 a.m., vandalism, Beach St.

3:44 a.m., general services, Margin St.

5:12 a.m., general services, Margin St.

8:16 a.m., disturbance family, Windsor Rd.

10:52 a.m., officer wanted, Elm St.

12:11 p.m., assist other agency, Nichols Rd.

12:18 p.m., MV stop, Jerusalem Rd.

2:06 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.

4:36 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

4:46 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:00 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:58 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

6:16 p.m., Transport, Hull St.

9:11 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

10:05 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

10:57 p.m., structure fire, Atlantic Ave.

Monday, Nov. 4

12:39 a.m., suspicious person, CJC Hwy.

2:55 a.m., fire (misc), CJC Hwy.

3:00 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

6:52 a.m., officer wanted, Forest Ave.

10:56 a.m., property (lost), Tedeschi Plaza.

11:06 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

12:24 p.m., medical aid, Nichols Rd.

1:15 p.m., investigation, by 85 Hull St.

2:02 p.m., property (found), CJC Hwy.

4:08 p.m., officer wanted, N. Main St.

4:36 p.m., MV stop, Cushing Plaza.

4:45 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.

4:59 p.m., MV accident, possibly Kimball's Pk. Lot.

5:18 p.m., medical aid, Forest Ave.

7:33 p.m., annoying phone calls, King St.

7:39 p.m., arrest, N. Main St., Ptl. Treanor in with Dennis J. Halloran, DOB: 6/3/66, 10 Weston St., Hull, default warrants.

10:55 p.m., serve restraining order, Beechwood St.

Tuesday, Nov. 5

12:57 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

2:34 a.m., general services, CJC Hwy.

5:32 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

12:50 p.m., suspicious (other), CJC Hwy.

2:27 p.m., suspicious auto, Linden Dr.

3:11 p.m., assist motorist, N. Main St.

4:28 p.m., MV stop, 3A & Pond St.

5:13 p.m., MV stop, 3A @ Pond St.

5:22 p.m., MV stop, 3A @ Beechwood St.

5:52 p.m., investigation, Highland Ave.

7:50 p.m., info, general, Square.

8:01 p.m., investigation, CJC Hwy.

8:30 p.m., assist citizen, Hull St.

9:06 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave. by Rocky Beach.

9:18 p.m., runaway, N. Main St.

11:35 p.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A/Stop & Shop.

Wednesday, Nov. 6

7:36 a.m., MV stop, N. Main/Hingham line.

11:03 a.m., annoying phone calls, Stevens Ln.

11:13 a.m., medical aid, Joy Pl.

2:14 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

2:19 p.m., medical aid, Ledgewood Dr.

4:05 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

4:21 p.m., medical aid, Cushing Rd.

8:31 p.m., MV violations, CJC Hwy.

10:12 p.m., transport, S. Main St.

Thursday, Nov. 7

1:51 a.m., transport, Rte. 3A/Hingham Line.

2:21 a.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

5:49 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A No. or Beechwood.

6:29 a.m., animal complaint, Old Pasture Rd.

7:14 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A North.

7:59 a.m., medical aid, Atlantic Ave.

10:35 a.m., threats (bodily harm), Government Island.

12:29 p.m., larceny, Jerusalem Rd.

5:21 p.m., medical aid, HQ.

8:00 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

8:28 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

8:55 p.m., parking violation, N. Main St.

9:53 p.m., disturbance, Pond St.

10:09 p.m., disturbance, Pond St.

Friday, Nov. 8

4:42 a.m., medical aid, Buttonwood Ln.

6:19 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

7:15 a.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.

7:28 a.m., MV vehicle stop, Summer St.

7:38 a.m., MV stop, Square.

11:14 a.m., suspicious auto, Border St.

11:33 a.m., assist other agency, CJC Hwy.

12:00 p.m., sex offenses, Norfolk Rd.

1:21 p.m., assist motorist, Jonathan Livingston Sq.

1:28 p.m., serve restraining order, Mill Ln.

1:47 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.

3:18 p.m., serve restraining order, Beechwood St.

3:36 p.m., officer wanted, Border St.

3:59 p.m., wires down, Jerusalem Rd.

5:18 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:19 p.m., suspicious auto, N. Main St.

5:29 p.m., medical aid, Central Fire.

5:36 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

9:46 p.m., serve restraining order, Beechwood St.

Saturday, Nov. 9

12:48 a.m., MV stop, King St.

1:00 a.m., arrest, Elm St., Matthew Shanley, 758 Jerusalem Rd, WMS warrant.

2:44 a.m., noise complaint, Church St.

3:35 a.m., suspicious person, Doane St.

5:35 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

5:50 a.m., MV stop, Cushing Plaza.

6:15 a.m., summons service, Christine Rd.

7:08 a.m., general services, Pond St.

7:16 a.m., tree down, Milliken Field.

7:25 a.m., assist other police dept., CJC Hwy.

8:14 a.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln.

8:19 a.m., officer wanted, Cedar St.

8:21 a.m., officer wanted, Atlantic Ave.

10:05 a.m., fire (electrical), Hull St.

10:06 a.m., fire (misc), Margin St.

11:16 a.m., assist motorist, Doane St.

11:50 a.m., disturbance, Atlantic Ave.

5:18 p.m., MV stop, Hull St.

5:42 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

5:57 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.

6:12 p.m., Mv stop, Jerusalem Rd.

6:26 p.m., Mv stop, N. Main St.

6:38 p.m., notification, Pond St.

7:15 p.m., MV stop, Cedar St.

10:01 p.m., suspicious (other), Deep Run.

10:11 p.m., disturbance, Doane St.

10:12 p.m., assist other police dept., Hull St.

10:21 p.m., disturbance, Pleasant St.

Sunday, Nov. 10

12:47 a.m., general services, Wheelwright Farm.

2:26 a.m., vandalism, Forest Ave.

10:40 a.m., vandalism, Doane St.

11:41 a.m., property (found), Highland Ave.

12:25 p.m., violation restraining order, Hingham.

12:57 p.m., burglary/breaking & entering, Hammond Ave.

1:47 p.m., disturbance, Stockbridge St.

2:22 p.m., burglary, breaking & entering, King St.

5:29 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

5:42 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

6:18 p.m., Mv stop, CJC Hwy.

7:53 p.m., medical aid, Church St.

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Fifteen Arrests in October

In his monthly status report to selectmen, Police Chief Brian W. Noonan said the department made 15 arrests including one for assault with intent to murder; two for operating under the influence of liquor; and four for operating a motor vehicle with a revoked license. Three people were arrested on outstanding warrants, one for using a motor vehicle without authority, two for being minors transporting alcohol, and two individuals were taken under protective custody.

Noonan said there were two breaking and enterings reported last month, one at a residence and one at a business.

"Our dispatch center received a total of 152, 9-1-1 calls during October," Noonan said.

He said police department personnel are currently fulfilling their yearly in-service training requirements during which each officer attends one week of training at the Mass. Criminal Justice Training Center in Plymouth. Courses of study include domestic violence, legal update, motor vehicle law, edged weapons as well as recertification in First Reponder and C.P.R.

Golf Clubs Stolen in Break In

Police Sgt. Robert Jackson said 15 expensive drivers were stolen from a storage area at the Cohasset Golf Club either late Friday night (Nov. 15) or early Saturday morning (Nov. 16).

The theft was reported at 8:39 a.m., Saturday.

Jackson said the matter is under investigation. He said it was the second burglary of this type at the country club.

"It had the same 'M.O.'," he said.

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9:54 p.m., fire (misc), Forest Ave.
9:57 p.m., suspicious person, Nichols Rd.
10:16 p.m., MV stop, Nichols Rd.

Monday, Nov. 11

2:53 a.m., animal complaint, Beechwood St.
7:28 am., MV stop, N. Main St.
10:25 a.m., info, openings, CJC Hwy.
10:35 a.m., info, general, HQ.
1:40 p.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.
2:42 p.m., property damage, HQ.
4:53 p.m., MV stop, 3A by Stop & Shop.
5:10 p.m., MV stop, 3A by Cohasset Imports.
8:16 p.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.
10:59 p.m., MV stop, 3A at Pond St.

Tuesday, Nov. 12

7:50 a.m. disabled auto, Front of 223 Pond St.
9:45 a.m., vandalism, Government Island.
10:41 a.m., escort, St. Anthony's to Woodside Cemetery.
11:16 a.m., investigation, Pond St.
11:51 a.m., animal complaint, S. Main St.
3:08 p.m., MV violations, Ripley Rd. by Post Office.
4:19 p.m., well-being check, N. Main St.
6:22 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

Wednesday, Nov. 13

7:10 a.m., MV stop, Rte. 3A.
7:26 a.m., MV stop, Rt. 3A Beechwood St.
8:22 a.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.
8:30 a.m., disturbance, Sohier St.
9:33 a.m., suspicious person, Sohier St.
10:03 a.m., medical aid, N. Main St.
10:37 a.m., investigation, CJC Hwy.
2:10 p.m., officer wanted, Ripley Rd.
2:51 p.m., fire, structure, Nantasket Ave.
5:32 p.m., MV accident, 3A by Kilby St.
9:08 p.m., warrant of apprehension, Forest Notch.

Thursday, Nov. 14

6:59 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:54 a.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
9:49 a.m., disturbance family, Forest Notch.
10:09 a.m., warrant of apprehension, Forest Notch.
4:07 p.m., general services, out of town UNK.
4:26 p.m., medical aid, Joy Pl.
5:00 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:47 p.m., assist citizen, Doane St.

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NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that JOAN A. ROBERTS-COLEMAN of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on December 18, 1996.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this thirteenth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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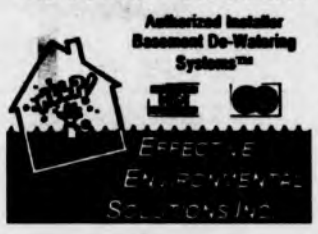

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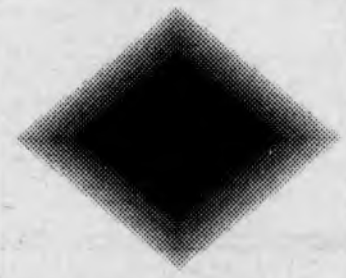

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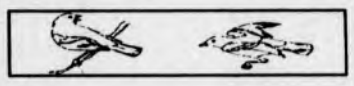

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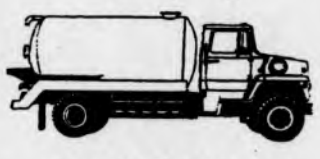

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Three hundred turkeys, 12-15 lbs.; 100 chickens, 6 to 8 lbs.; fresh potatoes; yams, fresh or canned; vegetables, fresh or canned; stuffing mix; gravy, canned; pie filling; pie crust.

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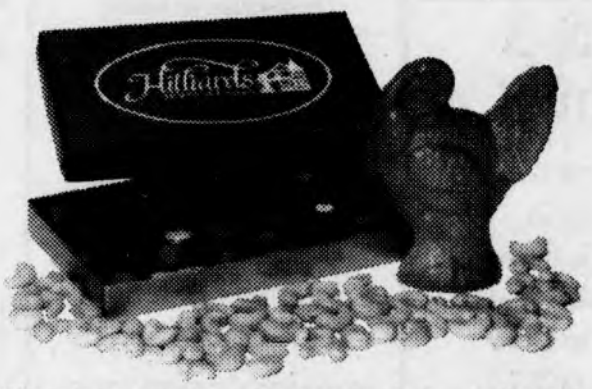

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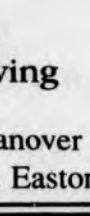
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Lightkeepers Offer to Renovate Structure

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

The fate of the showroom on the Hagerty property has again been bounced by the selectmen back to the Hagerty property committee, this time for the committee's comments on a plan to use the site for a marine biology research center.

Local oceanographer Kevin Ulmer made a pitch more than a year ago to use the Victorian house on the site for the research center, leasing it from the town for $1 a year, and making all necessary improvements himself, with money raised through corporate and private foundation grants.

But at that time selectmen suggested the Hagerty Committee hold an open forum on the fate of the former Cohasset Colonials showroom. Paul Trendowicz, owner of the Marina across the street, had also offered to buy the house to use for offices and a ship's chandlery. The committee held two public forums late last year to dis-

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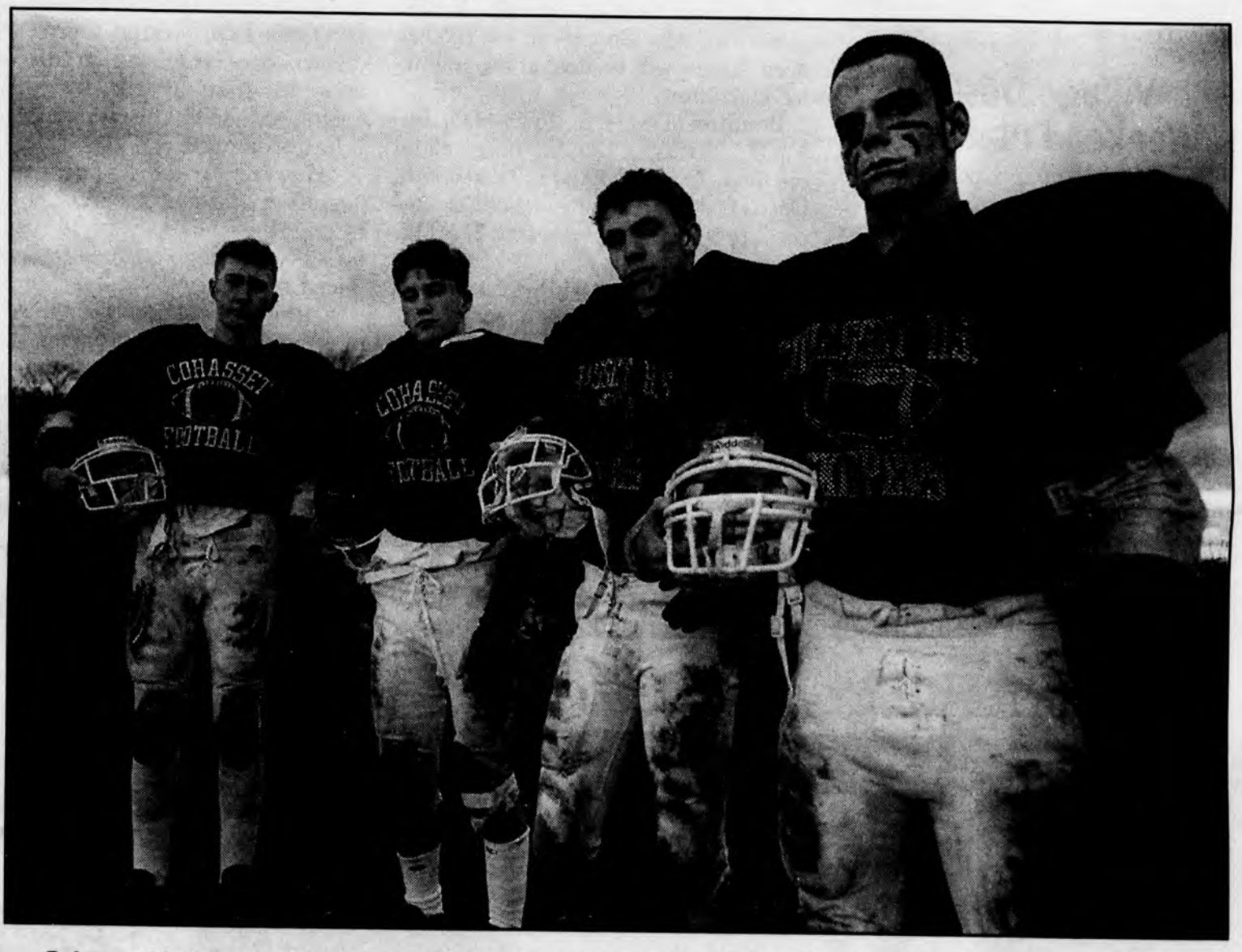
Skippers at the Helm



Cohasset High football captains (left to right) Pat Hurley, Andy Hamilton, Kevin Duffy and Grant Emde are ready to give Hull High a strong game in the annual Thanksgiving Day game at Alumni Field, beginning at 10 a.m. The game will be the first on Cohasset's new field. For more on the game, see pg. 17.

Staff Photo/Alan Chapman

THIS WEEK

Pantry Provides Help for Thanksgiving

By Alice C. Coyle
COHASSET MARINER

Area food pantries have been gearing up to provide needy families a "turkey day" feast with all the fixin's for Thanksgiving.

Cohasset's Food Pantry at the Second Congregational Church is no exception, says director Margie Steele, who along with the pantry's more than 30 volunteers was busy this week shopping, stocking the shelves and getting ready for the big day.

In general, Steele says the pantry is busiest and fortunately

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Wellspring Seeks Help for Food Baskets

Wellspring's annual holiday food basket program fed 255 families, a total of 658 people in 1995, and at least that many are expected for each of the two upcoming holiday seasons.

The community as well as local groups are invited to experience the joy of holiday giving in a most practical way by contributing food to Wellspring. For Thanksgiving baskets, non-perishable items may be dropped off in advance Monday or Wednesday, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., at the center, 814 Nantasket Ave., in Hull, or other times by prior arrangements. Call 925-3211. Perishable items (frozen poultry and fresh vegetables) and complete holiday meal baskets will be gratefully accepted Monday, Nov. 25, between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Christmas basket hours will be similar, and published later in this paper. Here's a list of what's needed:

Three hundred turkeys, 12-15 lbs.; 100 chickens, 6 to 8 lbs.; fresh potatoes; yams, fresh or canned; vegetables, fresh or canned; stuffing mix; gravy, canned; pie filling; pie crust.

Calls ahead with promised donations will help Wellspring shop, organize and distribute more efficiently. Those who can volunteer to help package ar distribute can call Food Pantry coordinator Vi Haukom at Wellspring, 925-3211.

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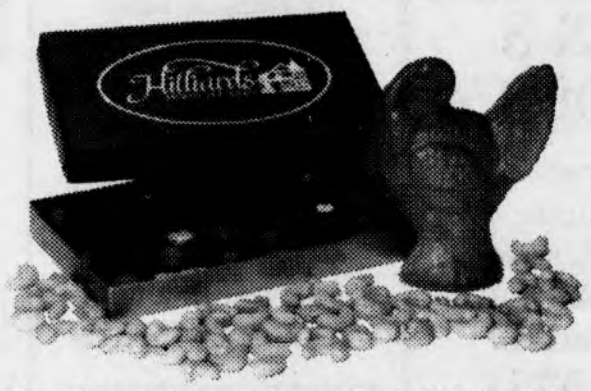

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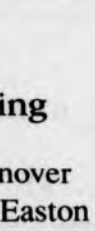

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Lab Floated for Hagerty House

Lightkeepers Offer to Renovate Structure

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The fate of the showroom on the Hagerty property has again been bounced by the selectmen back to the Hagerty property committee, this time for the committee's comments on a plan to use the site for a marine biology research center.

Local oceanographer Kevin Ulmer made a pitch more than a year ago to use the Victorian house on the site for the research center, leasing it from the town for $1 a year, and making all necessary improvements himself, with money raised through corporate and private foundation grants.

But at that time selectmen suggested the Hagerty Committee hold an open forum on the fate of the former Cohasset Colonials showroom. Paul Trendowicz, owner of the Marina across the street, had also offered to buy the house to use for offices and a ship's chandlery. The committee held two public forums late last year to dis-

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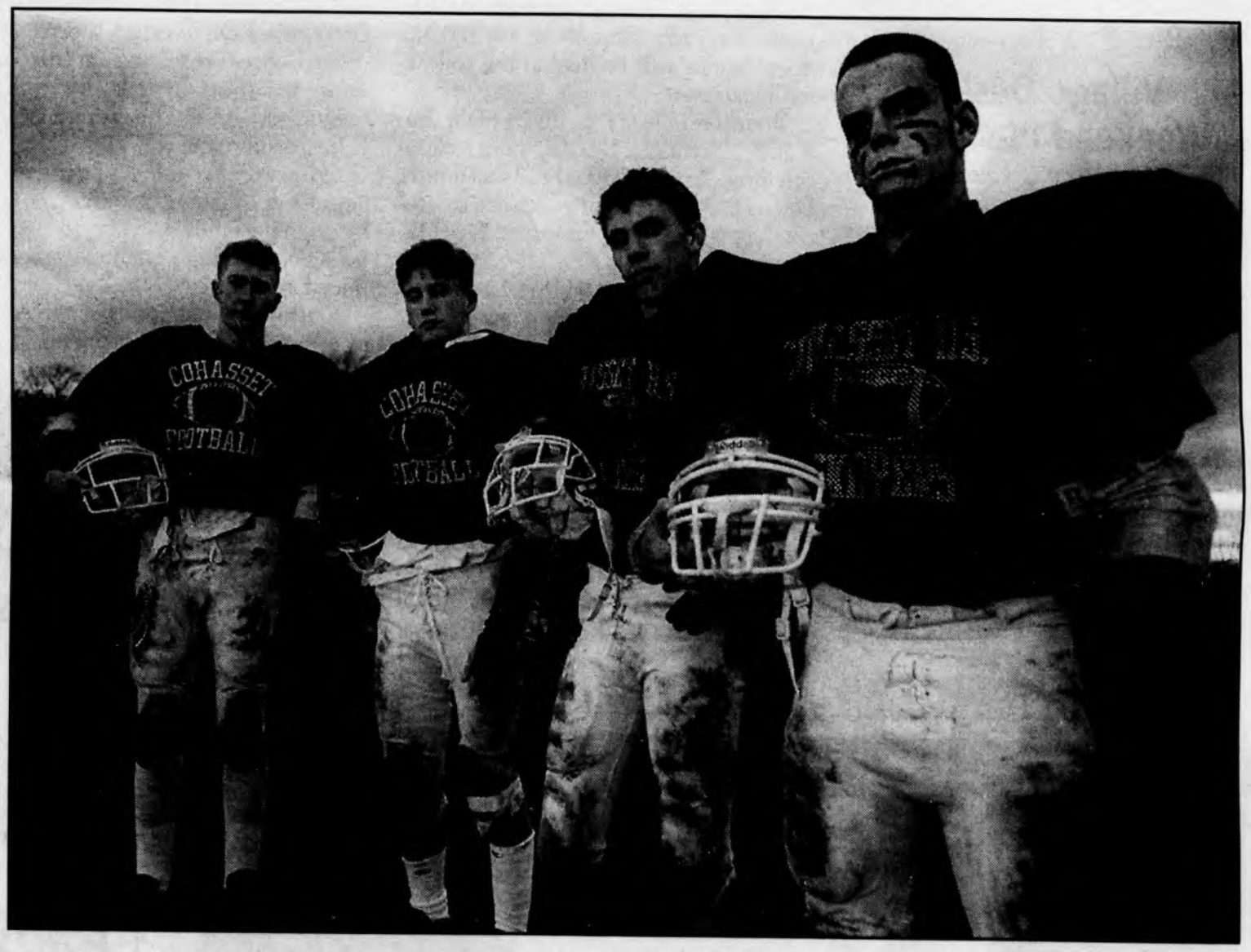

Cohasset High football captains (left to right) Pat Hurley, Andy Hamilton, Kevin Duffy and Grant Emde are ready to give Hull High a strong game in the annual Thanksgiving Day game at Alumni Field, beginning at 10 a.m. The game will be the first on Cohasset's new field. For more on the game, see pg. 17.

Staff Photo/Alan Chapman

THIS WEEK

Pantry Provides Help for Thanksgiving

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Area food pantries have been gearing up to provide needy families a "turkey day" feast with all the fixin's for Thanksgiving.

Cohasset's Food Pantry at the Second Congregational Church is no exception, says director Margie Steele, who along with the pantry's more than 30 volunteers was busy this week shopping, stocking the shelves and getting ready for the big day.

In general, Steele says the pantry is busiest and fortunately

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Cohasset's Week

Local Issues is Topic

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Jerz and McMorris are planning a series of coffees for the purpose of providing residents with an opportunity to talk with them about their concerns, ideas and suggestions.

The forums are open to all interested residents, and discussion on a variety of issues is encouraged.

Both McMorris and Jerz believe that keeping in touch with the community is an essential part of serving on a town board.

Those seeking further information, or residents who would like to host a future coffee in their home, may call Maureen Jerz at 383-6592 or Ronnie McMorris at 383-1219.

Village Design Weekend Planned

Join Cohasset Chamber of Commerce, town officials, town boards and committees and fellow neighbors Saturday, Dec. 7, and Sunday, Dec. 8, at South Shore Community Center for a design weekend addressing the many concerns brought forward by the Revitalization Committee concerning Cohasset Village.

Residents will help design concepts to improve areas of concern, such as sidewalks, lighting, parking, traffic flow, plantings and benches during the Village Design Charrette.

The plan will help the Town of Cohasset apply for various state and federal grant programs which are available.

The schedule is as follows:

Dec. 7 — 9 to 11 a.m. — Open Design Forum and comment period; 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. — Roundtable Design groups.

Dec. 8 — noon to 5 p.m. — review drawings for master plan.

Residents who would like to be part of one of the design groups are asked to call Dean Rizzo at 383-1994 or 383-2284.

The architectural firm of Carr, Lynch and Sandell, Inc. of Cambridge is also involved in the plan.

Sponsors of Charrette are Cohasset Chamber of Commerce and Cohasset Rotary Club.

Open Houses Set to Review Greenbush Plans

The MBTA will hold four open houses for review of Greenbush Line plans for each Greenbush town. The open houses will be held at the following locations:

Braintree, Dec. 3, at Town Hall, 7 to 9 p.m.; Scituate, Dec. 4, high school cafeteria, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.; Weymouth, Dec. 11, Abigail Adams School cafeteria, 7 to 9 p.m.' and Cohasset, Dec. 12, Town Hall, 7 to 9 p.m.

The open houses will give residents an opportunity to review plans regarding the restoration of passenger service on the Greenbush Line.

Project staff will be in attendance to answer questions about the environmental components of the project. The staff will be seeking comments and input on the basic layout and design of the project, in order for the MBTA to be aware of community concerns when designing the mitigation plan, which will be presented to town mitigation officials in January.

Anyone with questions about any of the public meetings may contact Andrew Brennan, MBTA manager of environmental affairs, at (617) 222-3126.

Water Company: Flushing has Ended for Year

Massachusetts-American Water Company has announced that flushing operations in the towns of Hingham, Hull and Cohasset are now complete for the year. Due to impending cold weather, it has become necessary for the company to case flushing because of safety concerns. Flushing operations will resume in the spring.

The company has expressed appreciation to the towns and their residents for their cooperation and patience during flushing program.

"We understand the flushing operation may have created several system disturbances resulting in discolored water for short periods, for which we apologize," said Operations Manager Eileen Commane.

"However, we are confident that this aggressive flushing program is critical in assuring the delivery to our customers of the high quality of water produced by the new plant," she said.

Customers will be advised in advance of the spring flushing program.

Renovations at Legion Post

Selectmen are considering further renovation plans for the American Legion Post 118.

The post has added a wheelchair ramp to make the building at 98 Summer St. handicapped accessible.

Duncan McCormack said that by eliminating a hallway on the first floor, the restrooms can be enlarged to also make them handicapped accessible.

The Legion officials want to add a wheelchair lift at the end of the ramp. This will provide access to the second floor through a new door that will replace an existing window.

On the recommendation of Town Administrator Greg Doyon, the Legion's plans will be referred to the town's design review committee.

Condos Could be Plowed

The town may be able to plow snow on private ways at two condominium complexes.

Town administrator Greg Doyon said the plowing will require two stipulations: indemnification for the town, and insurance coverage in the event that private property is damaged.

Last week, the private ways study committee voted to recommend condominium complexes be plowed.

Selectmen have referred this matter to town counsel.

Happy Thanksgiving!

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Sat. 30	2:24	9.1	8:21	2:31	9.7	8:53
Sun. 1	3:11	8.9	9:10	3:21	9.3	9:41
Mon. 2	4:00	8.8	10:01	4:13	9.0	10:30
Tues. 3	4:51	8.8	10:55	5:06	8.8	1120
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DPW Sprinklers Discussed Behind Closed Doors

Discussion of the latest cost over-run for the new public works garage was conducted behind closed doors Monday, while selectmen attempted to determine who is to blame.

Selectman chairman Merle Brown convened the executive session, explaining that the board wanted to determine who is responsible for the lack of a sprinkler system for the garage.

Brown also said the project now does not have a building permit.

The DPW garage was originally set at $700,000, but is now likely to exceed $1 million. Voters have approved an additional $290,000 at the October special town meeting due the unexpected additional cost to blast ledge for connection of the garage to the town's water system.

The sprinkler system could add another $50,000 to that.

Gaffney & Associates, the architects on the project, told selectmen last week that the garage does not need a sprinkler system. They advised seeking a waiver from the building code requirement for sprinkler systems in all public buildings larger than 7,500 square feet. The DPW garage is more than 13,000 square feet.

Building inspector Robert Egan and Fire Chief Roger Lincoln joined the selectmen in the executive session.

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better stocked in the fall and winter months.

"The support in town has been terrific, really wonderful," Steele said, noting the constant support the pantry receives from local churches and through food drives recently held by two nursery schools. An annual collection by Cohasset postal workers in May helps load up the shelves for the summer months when supplies and donations dwindle, she noted.

With the help of dedicated volunteers like Bob Thompson, Steele said the pantry which opened three years is able to serve about 30 Cohasset families.

While generally considered an affluent town, Thompson said there is a very definite need for a food pantry in Cohasset.

The only requirements to receive food from the pantry is that families reside in Cohasset and receive some form of government assistance, Thompson said. Families can pick up food at the Pantry every other Tuesday from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. and from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and donations are accepted Monday through Friday at the church office which is open from 9 a.m. to noon. Cash donations are also welcome and are used by pantry volunteers to purchase food and other supplies at the Boston Food Bank, BJ's and other local stores, he said.

Frozen meats and fresh produce are also available year round at the pantry, said Steele who noted that local gardeners bring vegetables to the pantry fresh from their gardens in the summer. Milk and eggs are made available to families by voucher at the Tedeschis in Cohasset, Steele said.

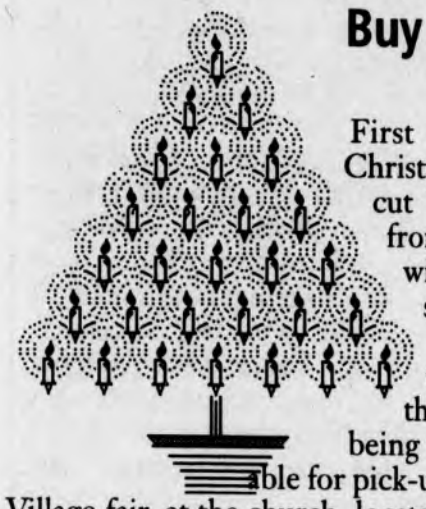
In addition to donations of canned fruits and vegetables, soups and white sugar, Thompson said personal items like toothpaste and bar soap are always appreciated at the pantry. Juice boxes for children's lunches are also a welcome item, but Thompson said they're "in good shape, pasta-wise."

For more information on the Cohasset Food Pantry call 383-0345.

Ten Minutes for Walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.



Buy Christmas Trees at First Parish

First Parish in Cohasset is selling Christmas trees. On sale will be fresh-cut Vermont balsam trees, ranging from five to nine feet tall, with widths of thin, wide or full. Any size tree is $35.

Extra trees are being ordered to enable individuals to choose their own trees. Pre-orders are being accepted, and trees will be available for pick-up Saturday, Dec. 7, the day of the Village fair, at the church, located at 23 North Main St.

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'Bag Ladies'

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Halifax now recycles 46 per cent of its trash, already reaching the state guidelines for recycling for the year 2000.

A family of five in Halifax generates one bag of trash per week, when it sorts out the glass, cans, newspaper, and plastic that can be recycled. Residents have learned to flatten items so they take up less space in the bags.

The town began the program when it faced paying for trash collection, Bereika explained. As a host community for a Browning Ferris Industries (BFI) landfill, residents in Halifax enjoyed free trash collection. But when the landfill closed, they confronted paying for the service.

The community was able to implement the program after three months' development, during which time they held public hearings, and addressed many residents' objections.

For example, to test the strength of the bags, Bereika said the members of her committee dropped the bags from second floor windows on cold days.

"We did our homework and we were prepared," Bereika said.

Bereika said the trash bags are sold in four local stores at a cost of $1 each for the large bags and 50 cents for the smaller ones. An employee fills orders at the stores twice each week. The stores sell the bags at cost, providing a service to the community. Each package of trash bags includes an information sheet.

For residents with trash compactors, each large bag will hold one bag of compacted trash. Two compacted bags are too heavy, and the bags will split, Bereika noted.

State department of environmental protection recycling coordinator Joe Lambert said the bags are 1.5 millimeters thick, which is not "flimsy." The bags can hold a substantial amount of trash, but will split if residents try to fill them beyond capacity.

Proceeds of the bag sales completely pay for curbside trash collection, said committee member Beverly Smith. The department maintains an enterprise account whereby monies collected go into the account, and expenses come out of it.

Lambert noted that the majority of communities with "pay as you throw" programs do not have curbside trash collection. Residents take their trash to the recycling and transfer facilities, as is the case in Cohasset.

Some towns do keep a portion of their trash disposal costs in the town budget which allows residents to benefit from the property tax deduction on their income taxes.

The DEP has grant money available to towns that start their "pay as you throw" programs, to provide informational mailings to residents, and for the initial purchase of the trash bags, which are made in Massachusetts.

Selectmen chairman Merle Brown, who is also a member of Cohasset's recycling committee, told the Mariner in a recent artilce on recycling that the charge-per-bag program is a fairer system than the present, when everyone pays the same amount regardless of the amount of trash they generate. Cohasset now recycles 38 per cent of its trash, which is above the state average of 32 per cent.

While most towns are not, at this time, being paid for their recyclable trash, the Halifax representatives agreed with Brown that these programs are still successful because reducing the amount of trash avoids an expense.

Smith also said that residents in Halifax are more aware of buying items that cannot be recycled, and therefore must go into the trash bag. This, in time, will complete the cycle: creating more demand from manufacturers who want to buy recycled trash to produce materials that come back again for remanufacture.

The selectmen have said they have the authority to implement a "pay as you throw" program, which could begin as early as next spring.

Upcoming Meetings Noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Assessors, 6:30 p.m., Dec. 5.
- Board of Health, 7 p.m., Dec. 10
- Cemetery Study Committee, 7 p.m., Dec. 3.
- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 5.
- Planning Board, 8 p.m., Dec. 4.
- Greenbush Mitigation Committee, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Historical Commission, &;30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Private Ways Committee, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 4.
- Recreation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 18.
- Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 2.
- Sewer Commission, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 16.
- School Committee, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 5, AV room at the high school.
- Water Resources Protection Committee, 8 p.m., Dec. 4 & 8.
- Zoning Board of Appeals, 8 p.m., Dec. 11.

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

Compost Bins Available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, composting containers are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. Prices range from $20 to $30.

The new containers are on sale at from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday and Wednesday through Saturday at Aquarius Sunrooms on Depot Court. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

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Lobster Lab

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cuss progress on the harborfront park but the issue of the showroom was not resolved.

This week, Ulmer returned to the selectmen, accompanied by a representative of the Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation. R. M. Campbell said the CLC would lease the property from the town, and rent space to Ulmer for his project which would include a "lobster lab" where students could conduct hands-on research. The Hagerty Committee and CLC are tentatively scheduled to meet at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 12 at the Lightkeeper's to discuss the proposal.

Campbell said the CLC was very impressed with the plan, and overwhelmingly in favor of it, adding that it would cost the town no money. Ulmer intends to pay rent for the second floor space that he would use for his office. Ulmer would also donate his library of research material and his computers for students' use, as well as his internet connection.

Ulmer said he will keep his private research business separate from the lab facilities on the first floor which will be dedicated for students' use.

But selectmen Nan Roth and Michael Sullivan questioned the proposal, particularly noting the lack of its integration with the public school curriculum, and the lack of a formal business plan covering the maintenance and financial aspects of the property.

Ulmer said that if the center is not successful, the selectmen could tear down the building at a later date, but the program would have "no permanent negative side effects" on the building.

He noted that town has many programs for some children, and recently made improvements to the town's athletic fields. There are also private dance lessons and art lessons at the Cohasset Community Center and the South Shore Art Center.

"What do we offer the nerds?" Ulmer asked the board.

There are local students who are interested in science who have no opportunities to explore this area.

Campbell added that the head of the science department at Cohasset High School is very enthusiastic about Ulmer's proposal.

Sullivan also said the Lightkeepers Corporation has generated criticism from some people who have complained to him that it charges more than necessary for rentals of the function facilities at the Lightkeepers House.

Campbell said he has heard no comments—either in writing or verbal—of this nature. The only reason some people choose not to rent the Lightkeepers House is because the capacity is too small for some functions, he added.

The rent charged is the amount necessary to operate the building because the rent from the two apartments is not adequate to cover all the expenses. Half of the bookings are free-of-charge, Campbell said. In addition, the Lightkeepers Corporation is trying to build up a reserve, which will be tapped for future maintenance and major repairs.

The fate of the Hagerty house, which used to house the offices and showroom of Cohasset Colonials (the cutting room is at right) is still up in the air.

Some of the money, approximately $10,000, now accumulated in the reserve account could be invested to make some renovations in the Hagerty house for the lobster lab.

But Sullivan said that would be an inappropriate investment for the Lightkeepers: the lobster lab does not succeed, the Lightkeepers would lose their investment.

He also said that the lobster lab focuses heavily on Ulmer's involvement, without sufficient involvement from the school department.

"You're the only one who has a clue about this, Kevin," he said.

But Ulmer said others will follow as the program develops, but he needs the use of the building before anything more can be done.

School committee chairman Ralph Kidder was very supportive of Ulmer's plan. He told selectmen that he had been watching their meeting on television at home, and decided to attend in person to participate in this discussion.

"This is real science," Kidder said, adding that the school department will work with Ulmer, but does not need to be involved with the program at this point.

Ulmer said he expects to have equipment donated to the center, and will apply for corporate grants. The lobster lab component is likely to attract the most interest from businesses.

In response to questions from selectman Nan Roth, Ulmer said he needs access to seawater, and cannot afford to buy another property. Using the Hagerty property preserves a town asset.

Sullivan also said the Lightkeepers House has more of a general community use as a meeting place and function room. The Hagerty property, under Ulmer's proposal, would be used by only a small segment of the community.

But Campbell responded that the educational component of lobster lab makes it a more valuable community resource.

"It's better than fixing up a function room," he said, adding that the Lightkeepers House was not eligible for any grants.

Hagerty committee member Veneta Roebuck said the group voted on Ulmer's original request this year, and said at that time it wanted more involvement by the school committee. The committee did not support it as presented.

Selectman Peter Pratt said the Hagerty committee should consider the proposal again, "now that the proposal is firming up."

Roebuck said an engineering survey of the site is proceeding but it is unlikely to be completed before the spring. Wetlands have been flagged, and the outside boundaries of the property have been surveyed.

The town bought the Hagerty Property nearly four years ago with the understanding it would be turned into a passive recreational area available for all town citizens to use. The town later removed and demolished some of the factory buildings at the site but left the showroom, cutting room and antique boat house. The boat house is being renovated by Cohasset Maritime Institute, a school-based organization, for use as a rowing center. The cutting room is being used for town storage and the parking lot is being used to store Yacht Club floats for the winter.

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Recycling Forum Slated for Dec. 5

An informative meeting on how South Shore towns will handle their recyclable paper in the future will be held at the Hingham Public Library Thursday, Dec. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Whiton Room. The forum is sponsored by The Hingham League of Women Voters.

Several towns are part of the South Shore Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board (SSRRDP), which seeks solutions to regional refuse management issues they are all facing.

With the recent closing of the North Shore Fibers facility in Libbey Park, Weymouth, which had handled 80 percent of the South Shore's waste paper, the SSRRDP is seeking an interim lease for this purpose at Hanger Two in the South Weymouth Naval Air Base.

Waste paper prices in the last two years have seen dramatic fluctuations—from $40 to $200 per ton. If a transfer station were created at the air station, waste materials could be stored there until prices were more realistic, according to Carol Swete, Solid Waste Planner at the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, which is co-sponsoring the forum.

The shift from Libbey Industrial Park to the Naval Air Station, three miles away, would not result in increased truck traffic which was ten 95-cubic yard trucks weekly, according to Swete.

Plans for the Navy-operated South Weymouth Air Station, due for closure next year, include a park, or various mixed-use development options. The airport option was excluded recently by the Naval Air Station Planning Committee.

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Social Service League Welcomes New Volunteers

Let's start off with some news from Pullman, Wash. **Stuart Tolman,** a senior studying food science at Washington State University, was awarded a $2,000 Northwest Food Processors Scholarship and a $500 Frank P. Feenan Memorial Scholarship for the 1996-'97 school year.

Stuart is a member of the Food Science Club, Golden Key Honor Society and Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society. Stuart, a 1979 graduate of Norfolk County Agriculture High School, is the son of **Peter** and **Constance Tolman,** Black Horse Lane.

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Cohasset Social Service League, founded in 1912 to serve the towns of Hingham, Hull, Scituate, Norwell and Cohasset, derives the majority of its funds for its services (immunization clinics for flu and pneumonia, cancer screening, counseling and support groups, including geriatric, marital, teen and grief counseling, and Meals on Wheels) from their Cohasset Consignment Shop, located on Route 3A in Cushing Plaza.

The shop has welcomed the following new South Shore women volunteers: **Ann Fitzpatrick, Frances Gale, Susan Adams, Joan Timpany, Maxine Carter, Rachel Priestman** and **Edith L'Heureux** of Scituate; **Deborah Donofrio** and **Lorraine Lincoln** of Hingham; and **Ruth White** of Cohasset.

Andrew Fontaine is all dressed up for the Halloween party last month at Sandcastles Childcare Center off Route 3A in Cohasset.

Manager **Andy Merrill** said the shop is staffed solely by volunteers, and is open year-round, Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Both men and women are urged to register for three-hour shifts. She commended the new volunteers for helping to make the continuation of the league's programs possible. For more information about SSL, call 383-0771. To volunteer, call Andy at 383-0687.

If you don't have the time to volunteer, but are an astute, wise shopper, "hear ye, hear ye!" Head for the shop for designer clothes, sweaters, tuxedos, new lamb jackets, American folk art, ski jackets, music boxes, antiques and designer jewelry—oh-so-many wonderful treasures!

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Congratulations go to **Jen Cellucci** this week! Jen, a senior at Notre Dame Academy, is the recipient of the 1996 coaches award for varsity field hockey. An honor indeed, and from what we have heard, a well-deserved one!

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Belated happy anniversary wishes go to **Lynn** and **Joe McVay,** married for 34 years! The next time you go into Zinnia's for your favorite tidbit, be sure to wish them the best!

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Another anniversary that will be celebrated in Cohasset will be for the **DAR** Dec. 8! The Cohasset chapter is celebrating its 100th anniversary. Those interested in DAR activities, or who qualify to be a member or have questions, are asked to call DAR president **Nancy O'Toole** at 383-1547.

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Babson College in Wellesley conferred a bachelor of science degree on **Michael S. Burns,** son of **Dr. and Mrs. John M. Burns,** Jerusalem Road. Michael's major was finance/investments.

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We hear that tickets for Boston Ballet's **"Nutcracker"** are going fast. Be sure to get yours! What a thrill it will be to see all the Cohasset Ballerinas on stage! Let us know how you like it!

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South Shore Community Center invites families and friends to join in the holiday spirit at the **Jingle Bell Walk,** a Cohasset tradition that begins at 1:30 p.m. Nov. 29. Santa Claus will arrive by boat at that time with his elves at Cohasset Harbor. Santa and his helpers will give bells to all the children, then ride in the fire truck down Elm Street to Main Street, with all the kiddos and their adult friends walking with him.

After the walk, the center welcomes you to partake in cookies, beverages and a holiday sing-along. Seasonal music and carols will be sung by choruses from local schools and churches. There will be a holiday workshop for young shoppers at the nursery school to purchase small gifts. Santa will be upstairs at the center to pose for pix with you and your children.

Merchants will participate by offering complimentary treats or discounts to shoppers. Stroll through the village and share in the ambiance of the holiday shops and listen to the bells of St. Stephen's play from 2 to 4 p.m. while enjoying a hay ride around the

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Obituaries

Charles O'Malley

Charles O'Malley, 58, of Cohasset, died unexpectedly Nov. 21 at South Shore Hospital, Weymouth.

Mr. O'Malley was a partner in the Boston law firm of O'Malley and Harvey and a member of the Massachusetts and California bars.

Born in Cohasset, he was raised in Cohasset and West Newton. He was a 1956 graduate of Boston College High School, where he was a champion debater as well as a member of the football team. After graduating magna cum laude from Boston College in 1960, he graduated from Notre Dame Law School in 1964, where he was chief editor of the Notre Dame Lawyer. He received an LL.M. from Boston University in tax law in 1965. He had been an adjunct faculty member of Boston University School of Law.

Mr. O'Malley was an associate at the firms of James D. Casey and Herlihy & O'Brien before starting his own practice in 1982 in Boston, specializing in product liability, business litigation, franchise law and equine law. He enjoyed golf and thoroughbred horse racing.

Mr. O'Malley was an active member of St. Anthony's parish and a trustee of the Fleming Trust, a scholarship fund for Cohasset residents.

He was the husband of Kathy (Lanza) O'Malley and leaves his mother, Mrs. Louis J. O'Malley, and a brother, Owen O'Malley, all of Cohasset; his brothers Louis F. O'Malley of De Pere, Wisc.; Cornelius O'Malley of New Orleans; and James O'Malley of Narragansett, R.I.; a sister, Ann O'Malley of Boston; his mother-in-law, Mrs. Joseph E. Lanza of Cohasset; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

He was the son of the late Louis J. O'Malley of Cohasset.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Nov. 25 in St. Anthony's Church, Cohasset.

Donations in his memory may be made to Fleet Bank, FBO Mary E. and John Fleming Scholarship Trust for Boston College High School, 380 Chief Justice Cushing Highway, Cohasset 02025.

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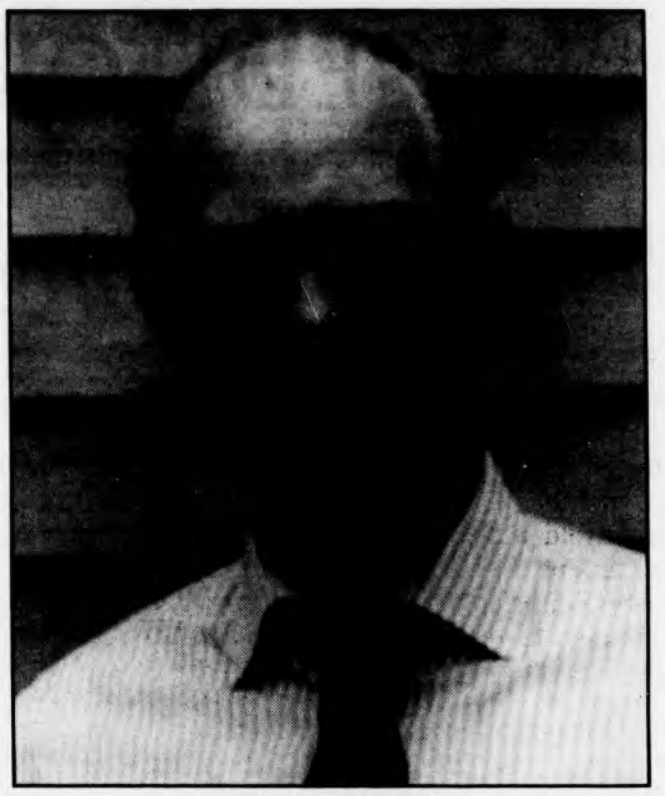

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AROUND TOWN/ Sallyann Chatterton

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Commons (hay rides will be available from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.) Festivities culminate on Cohasset Common at 4 p.m. with the lighting of the tree! Can you think of a better way to get in the spirit of Christmas? Have a great time! Oh, yes — the rain date is Saturday, Nov. 20.

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Thirty-three years ago this Thanksgiving Day, **Clark** and I got married. Of course we had to attend the CHS vs. Hull game first! We'll be doing the same this year (only at a new field, and with a much bigger family to help us celebrate)! We'll let you in on all of our celebration if you let us hear all about your fantastic weekend — give me a call! Oh, Happy Anniversary, Clark!

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A Time for Giving Thanks

On Thursday, we celebrate the 375th anniversary of Thanksgiving, a holiday that commemorates not only the Pilgrim's first harvest at Plymouth in 1621, but all that we have to be thankful for as a nation.

Two years before the Pilgrim's first Thanksgiving in Plymouth, on Dec. 4, 1619, some 39 English settlers on the James River in Virginia celebrated a strictly religious thanksgiving that did not involve a feast or harvest festival. The charter that governed this group of settlers required a day of thanksgiving every year to give thanks at harvest time.

Harvest festivals have been held for thousands of years around the world to celebrate the bringing in of plentiful crops.

The Thanksgiving we celebrate today, marked by high school football rivalries and the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade in New York, is inspired by the humble gathering of Pilgrims huddled on the edge of the New England wilderness 375 years ago for the simple purpose of giving thanks.

They had much to be thankful for, having arrived safely in Cape Cod Bay in November of 1620 after crossing the Atlantic Ocean at a treacherous time of year.

In November of 1621 they were thankful they had survived the disease and near famine of their first winter in Plymouth, a cruel and hostile physical environment to the newcomers.

Out of the 102 men, women and children who booked passage on the Mayflower, 50 had died within less than six months of their arrival on these shores.

But most of all, they were thankful for the help of the native Americans who taught the Pilgrims what kinds of crops to plant in this alien environment and how to sow and reap a harvest that would sustain them through the coming winter, fraught with the dangers of cold, wind, snow and inadequate shelter from the elements.

History records that some time during the autumn of 1621, the Pilgrim leaders invited their native American neighbors to join them in a celebration of the first successful harvest that included a feast of wild turkey, geese, duck, a vegetable of succotash, as well as cod, bass and deer.

Deeply mindful of the guiding hand of Providence in their safe arrival here, the Pilgrims gathered together to give thanks again in 1623, when Governor William Bradford decreed a thanksgiving day for the purpose of prayer and celebration. The feast was held outdoors and took many days of preparation. A thanksgiving celebration was also held in 1630.

It was much later, in 1723, that Massachusetts Governor William Dummer officially took note of "the many Instances of the Divine Goodness in the course of the Year Past."

In that year, Dummer issued a proclamation "to order and appoint that Thursday the Twenty-eighth of November Currant be solemnly observed as a Day of Publick Thanksgiving."

In 1789, the nation's first president, George Washington, proclaimed Nov. 26 a national day of thanksgiving. Also that year, the Episcopal Church set aside the first Thursday in November as an annual day of giving thanks.

In the early to mid-1800's, each state was left to decide how to celebrate Thanksgiving. New York was among the first states to set aside an official day of thanks in 1830, followed by Virginia in 1855.

In 1863 while the Civil War raged, President Abraham Lincoln issued an executive proclamation making Thanksgiving an annual holiday.

That year Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November "a day of thanksgiving and prayer to our beneficient Father."

In 1863 the Lincoln White House dined on, what else — roast native turkey and gravy with stuffing, squash, sweet potatoes and, can you believe it, cranberry relish, of all things.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Deer Hill School Teachers Praised

To the Editor:

I had the opportunity to participate in the wonderful experience of Camp Bournedale, which the Deer Hill School made available to the sixth grade class last week. Camp Bournedale is an educational camp located on a lake in southern Plymouth. It offers science and nature classes and recreation programs, all of high quality.

It was very gratifying to see people with broad smiles, so obviously enjoying the beautiful setting, the learning experiences, and the opportunity to bond with each other in a unique way. And here I am just talking about the teachers. The students were extraordinarily enthusiastic about this program, in which they learned a great deal and, at the same time, enjoyed themselves immensely. The staff was experienced, knowledgeable, well-organized, and effective. It was a great experience for our children and a great educational experience as well. In short, it was our school providing education at its best.

I write not only to let other parents know what the sixth-grade parents have heard from their children. More importantly, I want to give credit to the teachers and the principal, who deserve our gratitude for going the extra mile — literally and figuratively — by organizing the program and attending it day and night, and giving it their all. What was so gratifying as that our teachers did it with all their heart and with the pride of knowing that it was such a good experience for their students. I am very proud that these are the teachers of our Deer Hill School. Thank you.

Ken Ingber
5 Woodland Drive

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Results of Reader Survey Question for November 21, 1996

The help residents keep in touch with the schools, the school committee is starting a pilot program in which meetings will be televised live on Cable TV starting November 21. However, members are concerned that televised meetings will keep people at home. Which statement most closely expresses your feelings on this subject?

2 Televising school committee meetings is a great idea and will actually encourage interested citizens to go to the meetings in person.

0 Interested citizens will now watch the meetings at home, and won't attend in person.

0 I don't plan to watch or attend any meetings.

Your comments:

I think it's a great idea. I have two young children. I've wanted many times to go to school committee meetings, but haven't been able to find the time. I'm very interested in what goes on at these meetings. To be able to see it would be great. If the agenda is read at the beginning of the meeting, I might hear of something that I'm especially interested in, and I might be able to convince my husband to watch the kids while go there in person, and maybe make a contribution. I hope the pilot is successful.

'Mr. Average' is no Ordinary Republican

Hedlund says Blue Collar Roots are Helpful

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

As Carl Harris, chairman of Hingham's Republican Town Committee, says — Bob Hedlund isn't your country club Republican.

The only blue blood in this 35-year-old state senator's veins is of the blue collar kind — stemming from years shining shoes as a child at his grandfather's Weymouth restaurant and pumping gas at the Lincoln Street Mobil Station after classes at Hingham High.

A Republican state senator in a predominantly Democratic state, Hedlund — who represents the Plymouth Norfolk District stretching from Weymouth to Duxbury — was reelected Nov. 5 in a landslide when many of his party were defeated.

Just how Hedlund, who dreamt of becoming a social studies teacher, went from relative obscurity to becoming one of Massachusetts' most popular state senators is due as much to luck as sheer doggedness.

> 'We'd be better off having more diversity.'
> — Bob Hedlund on the number of lawyers in the legislature

"The funniest thing of all, is that I never saw myself as a candidate," Hedlund recalls about a political career which has its roots in the presidential primaries of 1979.

"I was relatively quiet in high school," he recalls. "I didn't play organized sports or participate in extracurricular activities. I was weak in math and science but did well in government and social studies."

It was in teacher David Lacatell's class that Hedlund's interest in the presidential race developed. After class discussion, Hedlund decided he liked a U.S. Congressman from Illinois, Philip M. Crane, who ended up taking just 1.8 percent of the Republican primary vote in Massachusetts later that year.

Perhaps it was that early experience in backing a candidate based on his views and not his chances that nurtured Hedlund's ability to stand up for what he thinks is right — and not always to toe the party line.

And although as a senior in high school, his interest in politics was sparked – the flame didn't ignite until years later.

"I finished in the middle of the pack. I was Mr. Average," Hedlund recalls about his contribution to the Hingham High Class of 1979.

At 18, he moved out of his Foley Beach Road home, where his mother still resides, and started working full-time in a truck repair business, which he eventually bought. Hedlund took classes at Quincy College and UMass Boston but has not finished college.

Although he was making good money and had no inclination to run for office himself — Hedlund stayed on the fringes on the political process in the early 1980s by campaigning for local candidates, such as Mary Jeanette Murray, the state representative for Hingham, Hull and Cohasset.

The South Shore Chamber of Commerce triggered Hedlund's deeper political involvement by appointing him to its Government Affairs Committee. Serving on the committee meant testifying on legislation and employee mandates.

"I was the youngest and only blue-collar member of the committee," Hedlund recalls.

Further getting the juices flowing was his razor thin win over challengers to the "unpledged" delegate spot to the 1988 Republican National Convention at the state caucus that year.

"I knew nobody, threw my speech away, and spoke off the cuff — I won by two votes," Hedlund says. "I was 26 or 27 and it was a thrill."

By 1988-89, Hedlund's trucking business was going well but disagreements with incumbent state Sen. William Golden at the South Shore Chamber of Commerce led to his seeking the Republican nomination to challenge Golden.

As it turned out, Golden ran for lieutenant governor instead of seeking reelection— and the primaries on both sides of the political aisle heated up for the open seat.

Hedlund faced opposition from Republicans Don Hussey of Hingham and Christy Mihos of Cohasset.

"It still stands up as one of the most expensive state senate races in history," says Hedlund who was outspent several times over. Mihos was declared the winner by one vote — but that was overturned the following morning when Hingham's official count was posted showing Hedlund had won by three votes. A recount later revealed he won by 39.

Hedlund went on to beat state Rep. Robert Ambler of Weymouth for the senate seat. He lost in 1992 to Brian McDonald of Weymouth but regained the seat by defeating McDonald in 1994.

Attributing his recent victory to hard work, a great staff, and enthusiastic volunteers, Hedlund says he was able to accomplish a lot over the past two years primarily due to a change in leadership in the legislature.

State Sen. Robert Hedlund

Although bemoaning the fact the legislature is primarily "lawyer-driven," Hedlund says the post-William Bulger years under Thomas Birmingham have been fairer ones in the senate enabling him to get more accomplished.

"Unfortunately one of the only professions you can practice while serving in the legislature is law. We'd be better off having more diversity," he says.

As an example, Hedlund points to killing a bill mandating how snow blades were to be attached to trucks.

"I thought, 'I'm probably the only person in the building who ever attached a snow plow to a truck,' " and then he took the floor.

"Sometimes, practical experience is helpful," he says.

Historical Society Elects Officers, Directors

The Cohasset Historical Society recently held its 1996 annual meeting at its headquarters, the Caleb Lothrop House, and elected officers and directors for 1997. Elected president for the coming year is Ernest Grassey who also will continue to serve as treasurer of the organization into 1997. First vice president is John Hovorka, 2nd vice president is Patricia Murphy and secretary is Deborah Junks, all of Cohasset.

Newly elected members of the society's board of directors are: Diedre Barrett, Thomas Cowan, Martha Gjesteby, Thomas Gruber, J. David Ledoux, Edward Lincoln, Jr., James Mullen and Robert Thompson, all of whom were elected for full three-year terms of office. They will join present board members Jo Ann Ford, Martha Hurtig, Mary Hartshorne, Arthur Lehr, Jr., David Pottenger, Penelope Redfield and Ira Stoughton, Jr.

The Cohasset Historical Society was incorporated in 1928 to "preserve and present" the history of the town as an early New England village, and operates three historic buildings in Cohasset, the Maritime Museum and Capt. John Wilson House, seasonal museums at Elm Street, Cohasset center, and the 1821 Federal style Caleb Lothrop House, its year-round headquarters at 14 Summer St. The Maritime Museum contains extensive collections of maritime related artifacts and documents relating to Cohasset's long seafaring history. The society also maintains an extensive archives and library of local and area history which are available by appointment for research at its headquarters. In addition to its extensive general museum collections the society maintains a large collection of 19th century gowns and costumes. Some of the items from this collection are displayed short-term "rotating" exhibits at various locations in Cohasset.

Public Notices

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION WATERWAYS REGULATION PROGRAM
Notice of License Application pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 91 Waterways License Application No. W96-5466
Roger L. Plante

Notification Date: November 28, 1996

Public Notice is hereby given of the application by Roger L. Plante to maintain a wall, wharf, boat ramp, ramp and float at 113 Border Street, in the Municipality of Cohasset, in and over the waters of The Gulf River. The proposed uses of the structure(s) and/or fill are to provide shoreline stabilization for the protection of existing structures and noncommercial docking and boating access to navigable waters and is a water-dependent use project.

The Department will consider all written comments submitted thirty (30) days subsequent to the "Notification Date" in order to decide whether to grant authorization for the proposed activity pursuant to G.L. Chapter 91. A public hearing may be held upon request by the Municipal Official. Furthermore, a municipality, ten citizen group or any aggrieved person that has submitted written comments may also petition to intervene to become a party before the close of the comment period. Failure to submit such petition will result in the waiver of any right to an adjudicatory hearing. Further information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the Division at (617) 292-5695. Plans and documents for this application are on file with the Department for public viewing, by appointment only, at the address below. Written comments must be submitted to: John A. Simpson, Program Chief, DEP/Waterways Regulation Program, One Winter Street, 8th Floor, Boston, MA 02108.
11/28/96

ALL NIGHT PARKING BAN

In accordance with the Town of Cohasset's Traffic Rules and Orders:

"SECTION 7. No All Night Parking. It shall be unlawful for the driver of any vehicle other than one acting in an emergency, to park said vehicle on any street for a period of time longer than one (1) hour between the hours of 2:00 A.M. and 6:00 A.M. of any day, beginning November 15th and ending April 1st, inclusive."

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MEAP

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test scores don't give the school department all the answers. Designed to measure the strength of school curricula, the MEAP does not offer individual test results and does not provide districts with copies of the test, Hart said.

"Without individual scores, it can't be used diagnostically," said Hart of the exam. "It's not designed for that. It's designed to look at the overall performance of a school district."

And while school principals and department heads review the exam results, Hart said they do not spur specific curriculum changes.

Another problem with the exam, Hart noted is that it is not tied into the state department of education's new curriculum guidelines. Hart said he is looking forward to the implementation of a more comprehensive state assessment test which will be more directly tied into those frameworks and will be more helpful to the school department.

The MEAP exams are taken by students in grades 4, 8 and 10 every two years, and test students ability to grasp facts, think critically and communicate clearly in the areas of reading, science, social studies and mathematics. Scores are scaled in a range of 1,000 to 1,600 with a mean average of 1,300.

State-wide, more than 170,000 students took the exam which includes both multiple choice and essay questions. In Cohasset, a total of 235 students — 30 of them special needs students — took the test in April.

The exam results are broken into four levels ranging from the most basic understanding of facts to an ability to think critically and communicate clearly and creatively on the information, and indicate the percentage of Cohasset students that scored at each proficiency level.

When looked at individually, many school administrators say the MEAP doesn't give a school district as much information as other standardized tests like the Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills (CTBS) and the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). Results from other tests like the CTBS which is offered at grades 3, 5 and 7 can be used to help determine if a group of students are performing as expected, he said.

The three-hour tests also include a personal survey questionnaire at each grade.

While younger pupils are queried on how many books they have at home, how much time they spend reading for fun, and how much time they spend talking about school work with family members each week — older students are questioned on the amount of time they spend doing homework, how many reports and compositions they've completed over the last month, how many days of school they have missed in that same period of time and how much time they spend working at a part-time job.

This kind of information is helpful in reaffirming research that suggests that students who work part-time jobs during the school year or often miss school don't achieve as well as students who do not work and have good attendance records. But again, Hart said school administrators take this information with a grain of salt.

"One assumption you have to make is that everyone is taking the personal questionnaire seriously," he said.

Under education reform schools can soon expect to see annual testing with individual as well as district results, school officials say. And passing a 10th grade exam will soon be a requirement for high school graduation.

Cohasset Public Schools Summary of MEAP Test Results

Average Test Scores1994

	State	Cohasset
Reading		
Grade 4	1350	1460
Grade 8	1370	1510
Grade 10	1300	1420
Math		
Grade 4	1330	1430
Grade 8	1320	1450
Grade 10	1300	1400
Science		
Grade 4	1350	1450
Grade 8	1310	1450
Grade 10	1300	1420
Social Studies		
Grade 4	1340	1430
Grade 8	1320	1410
Grade 10	1300	1430

1996 Results

Reading		
Grade 4	1350	1450
Grade 8	1380	1470
Grade 10	1310	1460
Math		
Grade 4	1330	1410
Grade 8	1330	1430
Grade 10	1310	1420
Science		
Grade 4	1360	1400
Grade 8	1330	1420
Grade 10	1310	1480
Social Studies		
Grade 4	1340	1390
Grade 8	1320	1370
Grade 10	1300	1440

Put a Student to Work

The Social Service League of Cohasset has compiled a list of Cohasset Jr. High School students who are ready, willing and able to do odd or not so odd jobs around your home. Jobs include yard clean up, snow shoveling, pet sitting, babysitting, house cleaning, and cooking at reasonable rates.

For names and phone numbers of students, call 383-0771.

Happy Thanksgiving!

A TALK WITH TANIA LINGOS, M.D. MEDICAL DIRECTOR, SOUTH SUBURBAN ONCOLOGY CENTER

Milton resident Dr. Tania Lingos is leading one of the region's most exciting health care developments. As Medical Director of South Suburban Oncology Center (SSOC) in Quincy, Dr. Lingos is bringing world-class medical care to cancer patients and their families in communities south of Boston. Under her direction, SSOC offers cancer patients a top-quality, state-of-the-art community-based alternative for radiation treatment.

For years, patients have traveled to Boston for expert cancer care. Now they have an alternative at their doorsteps. Instead of incurring added commuting costs, fighting city traffic and enduring extra stress, patients can turn to Dr. Lingos and her SSOC medical team which has decades of collective experience in radiation and cancer care programs.

In a recent interview, Dr. Lingos spoke about the commitment of the South Suburban Oncology Center to helping cancer patients and her involvement in that commitment. Here are some excerpts from that interview.

Q. Why was SSOC established ?

A. Cancer patients do better when they are close to home. They and their families are less stretched and are able to maintain more normal schedules. At SSOC we have the expertise to meet this need - which is widespread on the South Shore - comprehensively, with compassion and with world-class resources.

Q. What does SSOC offer to people who live and work on the South Shore?

A. SSOC offers patients social service support, nutritional counseling, patient and family education, and medical consultation. SSOC's Patient Resource Room even has an Internet connection which gives patients access to computerized medical information sources and allows them to interact with online cancer support groups. Our equipment is state-of-the-art and is designed to treat deep-seated and superficial tumors. We have a Varian 2100 CD linear accelerator, simulator for on-site treatment planning and a multi-leaf collimator. As a community resource SSOC will treat close to 400 South Shore patients this year.

Q. What is your medical background?

A. For the past 15 years, I have been a practicing physician. I have been an associate with the Joint Center for Radiation Therapy, Harvard Medical School. I am Board Certified in Radiation Oncology. I completed my medical training as Chief Resident, Massachusetts General Hospital and am affiliated with the Dana Farber Cancer Institute, New England Deaconess, Quincy and South Shore Hospitals.

Q. How do your peers regard you?

A. Well, I am fortunate to have been selected by my medical peers for inclusion in the recent edition of ***The Best Doctors in America: Northeast Edition, 1996-1997***.

Q. How many female physicians were listed in the radiation oncology section of *Best Doctors*? How were these doctors chosen?

A. I was the only female physician listed in the general radiation oncology section. The *Best Doctors* publication, the leading referral guide to the medical profession, surveyed thousands of doctors from Maine to Delaware. The Survey asked doctors the following question, "If a friend or loved one came to you with a medical problem in your field of expertise, and you could not handle their case, to whom would you send them?"

Q. Can you tell us about some of your other professional activities?

A. I have served as President of the New England Society of Radiation Oncology and appeared on CNN. I am also active in outreach and educational projects of the Wellness Community and the American Cancer Society. In addition, I publish in medical journals and lecture frequently.

Q. What do you work to achieve on a daily basis?

A. I came to medicine to help patients and their families. That is always my top priority and at SSOC my role permits me to bring first-class medical care to those in need without boundaries.

Q. What attracts you to the South Shore?

A. I grew up in Brockton and now reside in Milton with my husband and two children. The area is home to me and this is where so many family and friends live. Being able to serve your home community is very fulfilling.

Q. Now that readers have met you, what can they expect in the future?

A. This is the introduction to a series of articles that I will write. Starting next Saturday, I will offer a column that explores different aspects of cancer. For example, every year prostate cancer impacts 200,000 American men, the majority of whom are successfully treated. Next week, I will focus on prostate cancer.

Q. How can patients contact you?

A. I can be reached at South Suburban Oncology Center, located at 700 Congress Street, Crown Colony Park, Quincy at the intersection of Routes 3, 128 and 93. My Internet address is tlingos@shields.com and my telephone number is (617) 471-3700.

Water Quality Study Possible in Town

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

The Army Corps of Engineers has moved a step closer to closing a deal with Cohasset to conduct a water quality study in the Aaron River/Lily Pond watershed.

At a meeting of the Water Resources Protection Committee last week, members discussed a cost-sharing letter agreement issued by the Corps of Engineers in response to a project proposal submitted in September by Committee Chairman John McNabb Jr. Pending a few modifications to the letter, a formal agreement is expected to be reached in the near future, but the study is expected to begin no earlier than January.

It is expected that the study will cost approximately $20,000, and will be completed within six months of its initiation. Expenses will be split evenly between town and federal funds.

The Aaron River/Lily Pond watershed is the primary source of public drinking water for about 90 percent of Cohasset's residents and encompasses an area more than nine square miles in size in parts of Cohasset, Hingham, Norwell and Scituate. According to Chairman McNabb, the quality and future viability of the watershed is threatened by several potential sources, including uncontrolled nonpoint source pollution, septic systems, leaking underground storage tanks, industrial runoff, existing and closed solid waste landfills and residential development.

The investigation is aimed at determining, on a broad scale, the actual water quality in the area by monitoring several potential areas of contamination, establishing baseline water quality conditions for the area and recommending a water quality monitoring plan for the watershed.

In the original project proposal, McNabb expressed major concern about potential contamination from such sources as Cohasset Heights Ltd. (CHL) landfill, which is located about one mile uphill from the water supply. According to a letter from the Department of Environmental Protection, however, a comprehensive site assessment (CSA) investigation conducted in August in the vicinity of the landfill revealed that "contaminants in the ground and surface waters were not identified to be migrating toward Brass Kettle Brook and the public water supply."

McNabb was dissatisfied with the findings and will attempt to require further testing.

Single-family homes situated along the Aaron River and Lily Pond were also named as areas of concern, as were two sites in Wompatuck State Park which were formerly used by the military.

Committee members also discussed the possibility of contamination coming from road runoff in the form of salt, oil and gasoline.

"There is at present a need for up-to-date water quality information of the potentially threatened areas of this watershed and no 'early warning' system to alert us to any potential sources of contamination which may impair the quality of the water supply," McNabb stated in his proposal.

Based on available funding, the Corps of Engineers will sample from 10 to 12 locations and will likely measure fecal coliform and phosphorus counts, as well as conductivity and pH levels. Sampling at four of the stations will also measure volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and 13 metals.

But Board of Health Chairman Joe Godzik expressed reservations about taking such measurements from winter-chilled water, noting that microorganisms such as fecal coliform cannot survive in cold temperatures, a situation which could yield inaccurate test results.

While the study will be conducted primarily by the Corps of Engineers, members of an environmental studies class at Cohasset High School will conduct their own studies to complement the Corps of Engineers measurements.

While McNabb called the proposed watershed study a "snapshot," pointing out that an in-dept water study cannot be conducted for $20,000, it is hoped that it may guide future efforts for long-term solutions to the contamination problem.

The Water Resources Protection Committee is in the market for a new member. Anyone interested in joining should contact Committee Chairman John McNabb at 383-6202.

Author Signing at Buttonwood

Dinosaur expert Don Lessem will talk about dinosaurs and sign copies of his new book, "Dinosaur Worlds," Saturday, Dec. 7, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset.

Founder of the Dinosaur Society and science adviser to the blockbuster movie "Jurassic Park," Lessem is a journalist with a specialty in dinosaurs.

Lessem is the author of several dinosaur books, including "Raptors!: The Nastiest Dinosaurs." His new book is a non-fiction work geared to ages 10-14 (and dinosaur lovers of all ages). "Dinosaur Worlds" dramatically illustrates and explains the rise and fall of dinosaurs, stage by stage, and reveals surprising ways in which the mysterious days of dinosaurs reflect our own.

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6:35-6:45 p.m. **Crickets** under the direction of Margo Euler
6:45-7:00 p.m. **Notre Dame Chorus** under the direction of Paul
7:00-7:15 p.m. **The Midnight A-Chord Barber Shop Quartet**
7:15-7:30 p.m. **SANTA CLAUS**
7:30-7:40 p.m. **Hingham Junior High School Chorus** under the
7:40-7:55 p.m. **The Crowe Point Marching Kazoo Band** under the direction of Denise McDonough
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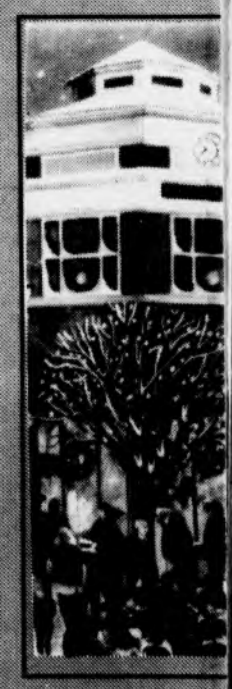

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Christmas Fair is Dec. 7

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Both services supplement the annual First Parish jumble sale, this year nicknamed the "First Parish Junque Sale" in recognition of the elegance of some of the donations. The customary wide range of useful and entertaining items will be seeking new owners.

The sale of pre-ordered Christmas trees is a new addition to the Fair festivities. One stop between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. and the right tree will be waiting. To assure the preferred height — 5, 6, 7, 8, or 9 feet — and bulk — thin, fat or full — phone Jodee Doyle at 383-9845. Some extra trees will be available but maybe not in the precise dimensions that pre-ordering makes possible. All sizes are $35.

Book Sale at Village Fair

One of the features of the Village Fair, coming on Saturday, Dec. 7, is the Book Sale held in Walton Rodgers Hall at St. Stephen's Church, beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing until 3 p.m. Book bargains in great variety are available, including craft and cook books, children's books, sheet music, songs books, as well as CDs and tapes.

There will be a silent auction of several choice books, the bids to be opened at the close of the sale. Browsers can enjoy a cup of coffee while listening to Blanche Thompson, pianist, play show tunes in the festively decorated hall.

This book sale in the church's centennial year will benefit its Outreach Program, including Habitat for Humanity, Quincy Crisis Center, and Wellspring, among many other good causes,

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Jingle Bell Walk is Nov. 29

The South Shore Community Center invites families and friends to join in the holiday spirit at the Jingle Bell Walk, a Cohasset tradition offered by the S.S.C.C., which begins at 1:30 p.m., Nov. 29, when Santa Claus arrives by boat with his elves at Cohasset Harbor (Border St.). After Santa distributes jingle bells to the children, he will ride the fire truck and the walk continues along the sidewalks of Elm to Main Street in Cohasset. At 2 p.m., the South Shore Community Center welcomes you to partake in cookies, a beverage and a holiday sing-a-long. Holiday music and carols will also be sung by choruses from local schools and churches.

The holiday workshop at the nursery school will be open for young shoppers to purchase small gifts, and Santa will be upstairs in the center to pose for pictures with you and your children. Merchants participate by offering complimentary treats or discounts to shoppers. Please stroll through the village to share in the local shops' holiday ambiance.

Listen to the Bells of St. Stephen's playing from 2 to 4 p.m., while enjoying a hayride around the Commons. Hayrides will be available 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. The festivities culminate on the Cohasset Common at 4 p.m. with the lighting of the tree.

The rain date is Nov. 30.

Advent Service at St. Stephen's

The season of preparation for Christmas begins with an Advent service of lessons and carols Sunday, Dec. 1 at 3 p.m. at Saint Stephen's Church, 16 Highland Ave. in Cohasset. The service, led by The Rev. E. Clifford Cutler, begins with the lighting of candles recalling Jesus' coming as "a Light to enlighten the nations." The Bible stories of prophecy, the annunciation, and John the Baptist are read. Saint Stephen's Choir, directed by organist Fredrick Guzasky, will sing chorales such as "Rejoice, Rejoice Believers," and "Ave Maria" by deVictoria. The service will feature Gregorian Chant as well as carols such as "Lo, How a Rose" and "E'en So, Lord Jesus." Advent carols will also be sung by the congregation.

The organ music on the church's 3,000-pipe Aeolian-Skinner organ will be by Brahms and Drischner. All are invited to enjoy the music and story that better than anything else can prepare our hearts for Christmas.

Book Angel Program at Buttonwood

In the spirit of sharing holiday happiness, Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset and Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham will give a 15 percent discount on books purchased through their Book Angel Program.

Books selected at Buttonwood in Cohasset will go to children and adults served by Wellspring in Hull. Books purchased at Buttonwood in Hingham will be gifts for children served by Hingham Interfaith Food Pantry, Mary Martha Learning Center and the South Shore Educational Collaborative Teen Parent Program.

The Book Angel Program provides an opportunity for children to understand the deeper meaning of the holidays. For further information, call Buttonwood at 383-2665 or 749-2665.

Winterfest '96 Planned for Dec. 7

Winterfest '96, Hingham Historical Society's fifth annual exhibition and sale of traditional American folk art and crafts, will be held Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 8, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Hingham Middle School, 1103 Main St., Route 228, Hingham.

This year's show will host 50 professional artisans, many of whom have been featured in national magazines such as Country Home, Country Living and Colonial Homes. More than half the exhibitors have been selected by Early American Homes for their Directory of Fine Craftsmen.

The range of arts and crafts offered at the event is wide and diverse, ranging from miniature quilts, period tinware, theorems and carvings to primitive paintings, pewter, redware and 18th- and 19th-century reproduction country furniture.

Winterfest '96 provides an opportunity to view and purchase unique, museum-quality pieces from some of the best craftspeople in the country.

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Ardizzoni's Successor Has Energy to Spare

Erin Sutherland Brings Teaching Approach to Gymnastics Helm

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

By the time the Cohasset High gymnastics team has its first practice the first week of December, Erin Sutherland, the new head coach, will already have watched hours of meet videotape and laid out a plan for the Lady Skippers' season.

And the 22-year-old Sutherland, can't wait until the season gets underway.

"I wasn't necessarily a great gymnast," the personable, Class of '92 graduate said, "but I love to teach and coach."

Sutherland is a logical choice to take over the head duties after the squad's coach of 11 years, the hugely popular Ruthann Ardizzoni, resigned from the position at the end of last season. Ardizzoni, who led Cohasset to three consecutive South Shore League titles, will still be a familiar face around the Cohasset gym. She plans on helping out Sutherland two times a week and judging meets outside the SSL on other evenings.

Sutherland, who has been helping Ardizzoni coach at the South Shore Community Center since she was 12, is more than happy to have Ardizzoni helping out.

"The key to the transition is having Ruthann around a lot," Sutherland said. "I have a little mental rolodex of the best people in the world and Ruthann's right at the top of the list."

Sutherland, who competed for the Cohasset squad for five years during her junior high and high school years, has an extensive background in gymnastics. She began at the SSCC and has a good relationship with the girls on this year's team. Some were actually Sutherland's teammates at one time.

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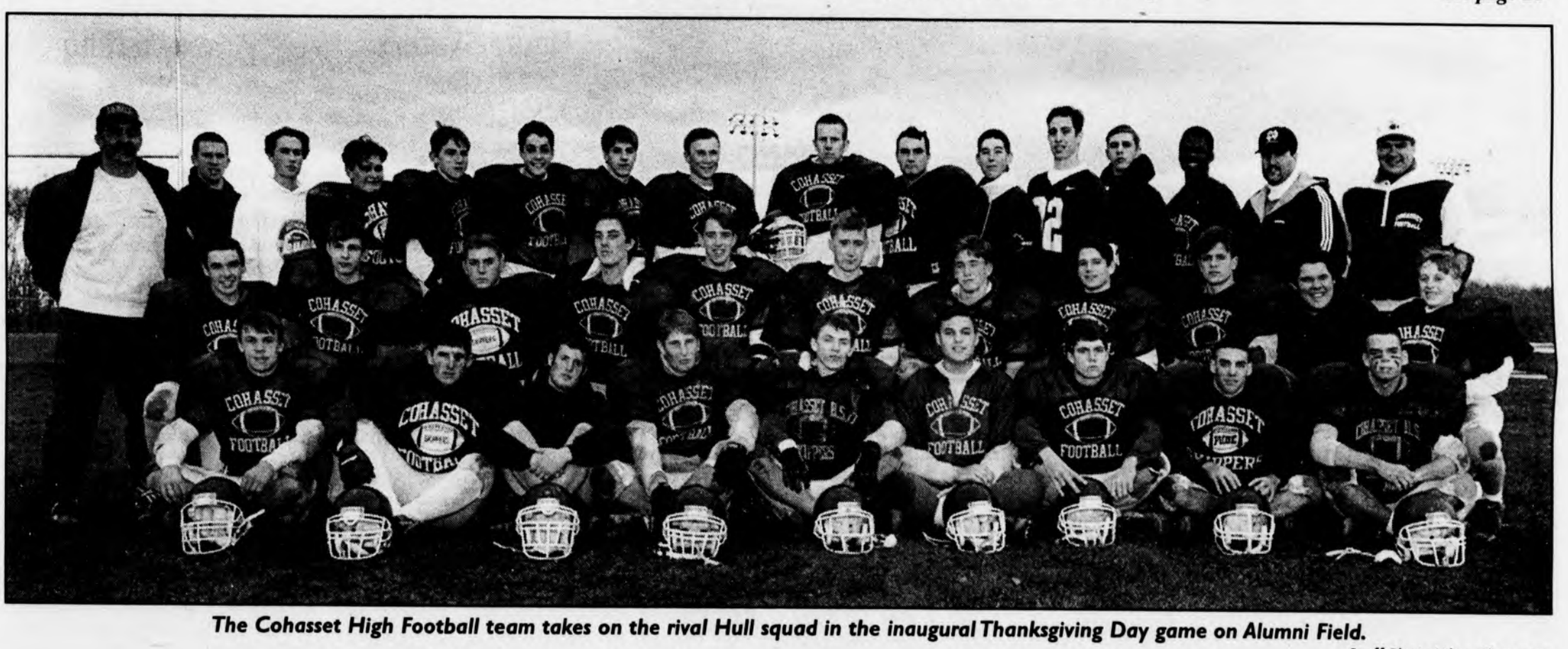

The Cohasset High Football team takes on the rival Hull squad in the inaugural Thanksgiving Day game on Alumni Field.
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Hull Coach Leery of Thanksgiving Clash

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

The annual Thanksgiving Day game between Cohasset and Hull doesn't shape up to be one of the more competitive games fans of both schools have seen over the years.

But Cohasset is looking to stage a big upset against its long-time rival. It's a stretch, but surely not impossible.

The Skippers have struggled all season with their new South Shore League schedule after a successful run in the Independent League. Injuries have crippled the squad and the team has found itself on the losing side of several lopsided scores.

On the flip side, Hull is enjoying its best season since its Super Bowl campaign of 1992. A win over the Skippers would guarantee the Pirates the SSL title and a berth in the Division 4B Super Bowl.

Cohasset Athletic Director Clark Chatterton is expecting a crowd of more than 1,500 if the weather conditions are favorable. He said a large Cohasset contingent will be on hand to view the first Thanksgiving Day game at Alumni Field. The Pirates, too, will have scores of spectators anticipating another trip to "Super Saturday."

But Hull head coach John Anderson isn't thinking about the Super Bowl. He regards the Skippers as a serious threat and is predicting a rough game against Cohasset. Anderson has spent the last week instilling into his players that looking beyond Cohasset would be a critical error.

"I'm very leery of Cohasset," Anderson said. "There's a long history here. Hull had an undefeated team one

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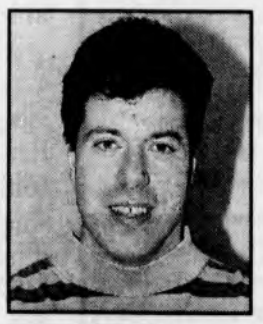
Football Isn't Only Holiday Competition

While high school football dominates the Thanksgiving Day sports scene with teams throughout the state going at their rivals, another breed of athletes also have a big day on tap.

With the possible exception of the Fourth of July, Thanksgiving has the biggest lineup of road races of all the major holidays.

No doubt the Hull-Cohasset game will draw a huge turnout with the Pirates needing a victory to clinch their second South Shore League title and Division 4B Super Bowl berth in four years.



Reardon

And while many local runners would like to spend the morning cheering on their favorite teams, the lure of a Thanksgiving Day race is just too tempting.

Manchester, Connecticut and Andover boast the two biggest races and deepest fields, but there are local events that are establishing themselves and drawing more runners every year.

In Weymouth, runners will be bolting from the starting line of the Fourth Annual Dreamcatcher Classic at 8 a.m. The 5-mile race, which is a vehicle to raise funds for the Julie Rodick Scholarship Foundation, begins at the junior high school on Pleasant Street.

Rodick was a paramedical who was killed in an automobile accident four years ago in Hingham.

The foundation gives two $1,000 scholarships to graduate students at UMass-Boston.

This race is attractive because it also offers a 2-mile fun run for novice runners who are not yet ready to tackle the longer distance, but are itching to compete in an organized event. A walk is held in conjunction with the fun run, making the Dreamcatcher Classic an event with something for everyone.

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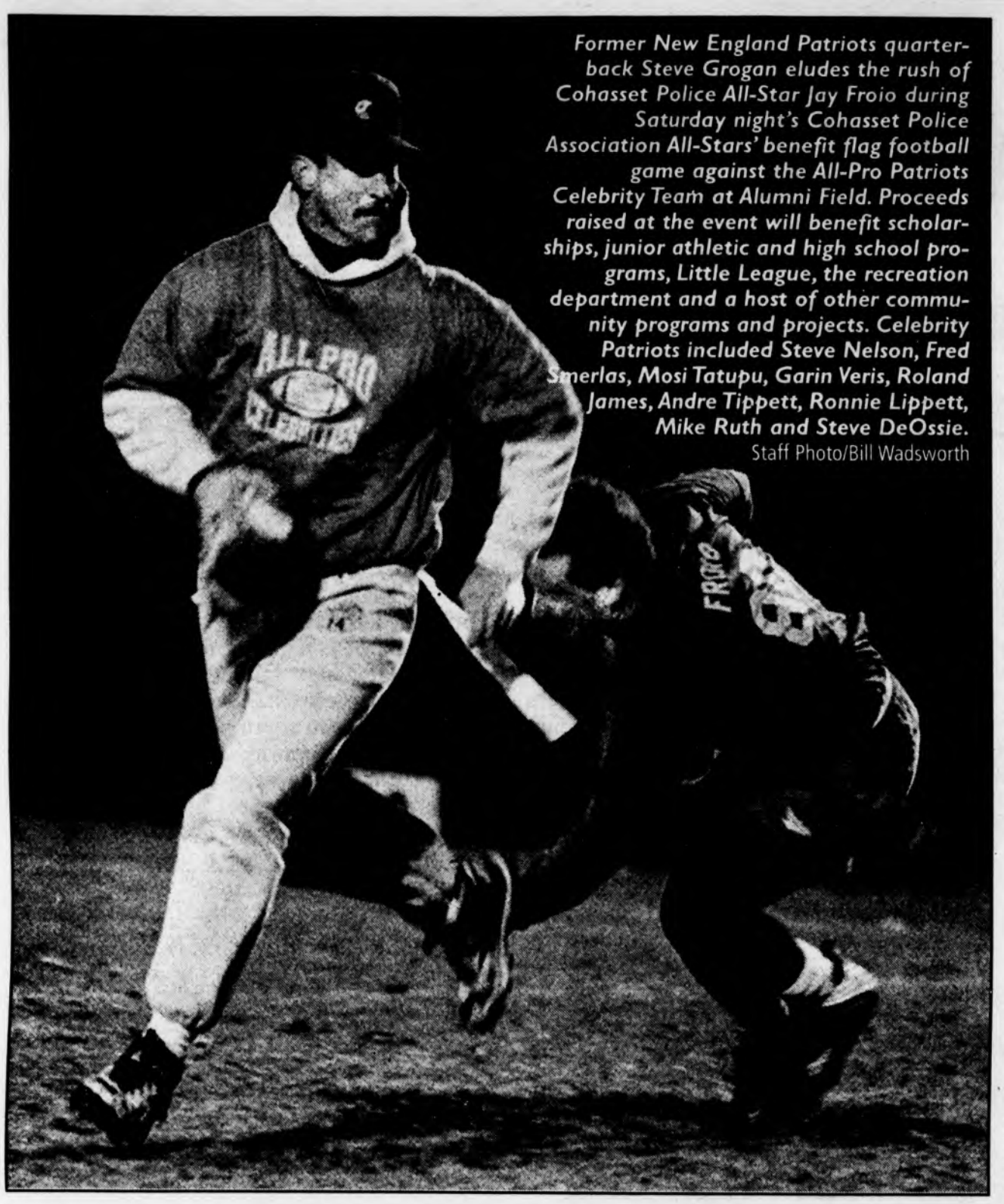

Former New England Patriots quarterback Steve Grogan eludes the rush of Cohasset Police All-Star Jay Froio during Saturday night's Cohasset Police Association All-Stars' benefit flag football game against the All-Pro Patriots Celebrity Team at Alumni Field. Proceeds raised at the event will benefit scholarships, junior athletic and high school programs, Little League, the recreation department and a host of other community programs and projects. Celebrity Patriots included Steve Nelson, Fred Smerlas, Mosi Tatupu, Garin Veris, Roland James, Andre Tippett, Ronnie Lippett, Mike Ruth and Steve DeOssie.
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Chatterton has Fond Memories of Hull Rivalry

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset High Athletic Director Clark Chatterton isn't ruling out a Skipper victory over Hull in the annual Thanksgiving Day game.

Chatterton believes in payback.

A member of the undefeated 1957 team, the first year the two squads met in the holiday game, Chatterton remembers the Skippers rolling through an undefeated season the following year, only to have Hull ruin Cohasset's perfect record with a tie.

"We had gone two years without losing one game and we tied Hull on Thanksgiving and it cost us the championship," Chatterton said.

The tides turned in the 1965 game when undefeated Hull was heavily favored against the Skippers. Cohasset was a .500 team at the time, but pulled off the victory in front of a fanatical crowd.

Thursday is also a special day for Chatterton because it marks his wedding anniversary. "Thirty-three Hull games ago," he said. "It was the same week Kennedy was assassinated."

Next year will be the 40th anniversary of the two teams playing each other and Chatterton is hoping to have a big Thanksgiving reunion of all the teams and players of the past.

As for Thursday's game, Chatterton is looking for a big game from the Skippers.

"It's a good game for an upset," he said with a laugh.

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Thanksgiving Tickets on Sale Wednesday

Thanksgiving Day tickets for the game between Cohasset and Hull will go on sale Wednesday, Nov. 27 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Powder Puff game. Tickets will cost $5 on game day for all spectators. Athletic Director Clark Chatterton said spectators should park at Milliken Field because of what Chatterton expects to be a crowd nearing 1,500.

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Trophies and prizes are awarded and there is also a raffle following the race. The entry fee is a reasonable $12 on race morning.

Runners interested in a more rural course can head to Marshfield for the John C. Venable Memorial 5-Mile Road Race. Venable was a popular athlete at Marshfield High School, who excelled in football and was particularly popular among his teammates.

The Venable race begins at 8 a.m., at the high school and finishes on the track. The course is flat for the first mile and then follows rolling hills until the final mile, which is also flat. There is a short, steep uphill at the halfway mark, but runners can get their wind back on a gradual downhill that rolls for nearly a half mile.

Prizes will be awarded to the top male and female runners in the following categories: Junior (18 and under), Open (19-39), Masters (40-49), Seniors (50-59) Grand Seniors (60-69) and Super Seniors (70 and older). The entry fee is $10 and the first 150 entrants receive coffee mugs.

To reach Marshfield High School, take Route 3 South to the Marshfield/Pembroke exit and take a left onto Route 139 East. Follow to Forest Street until you reach the high school. The race begins behind the Marstinson Middle School, adjacent to the high school.

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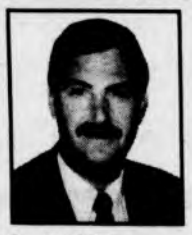

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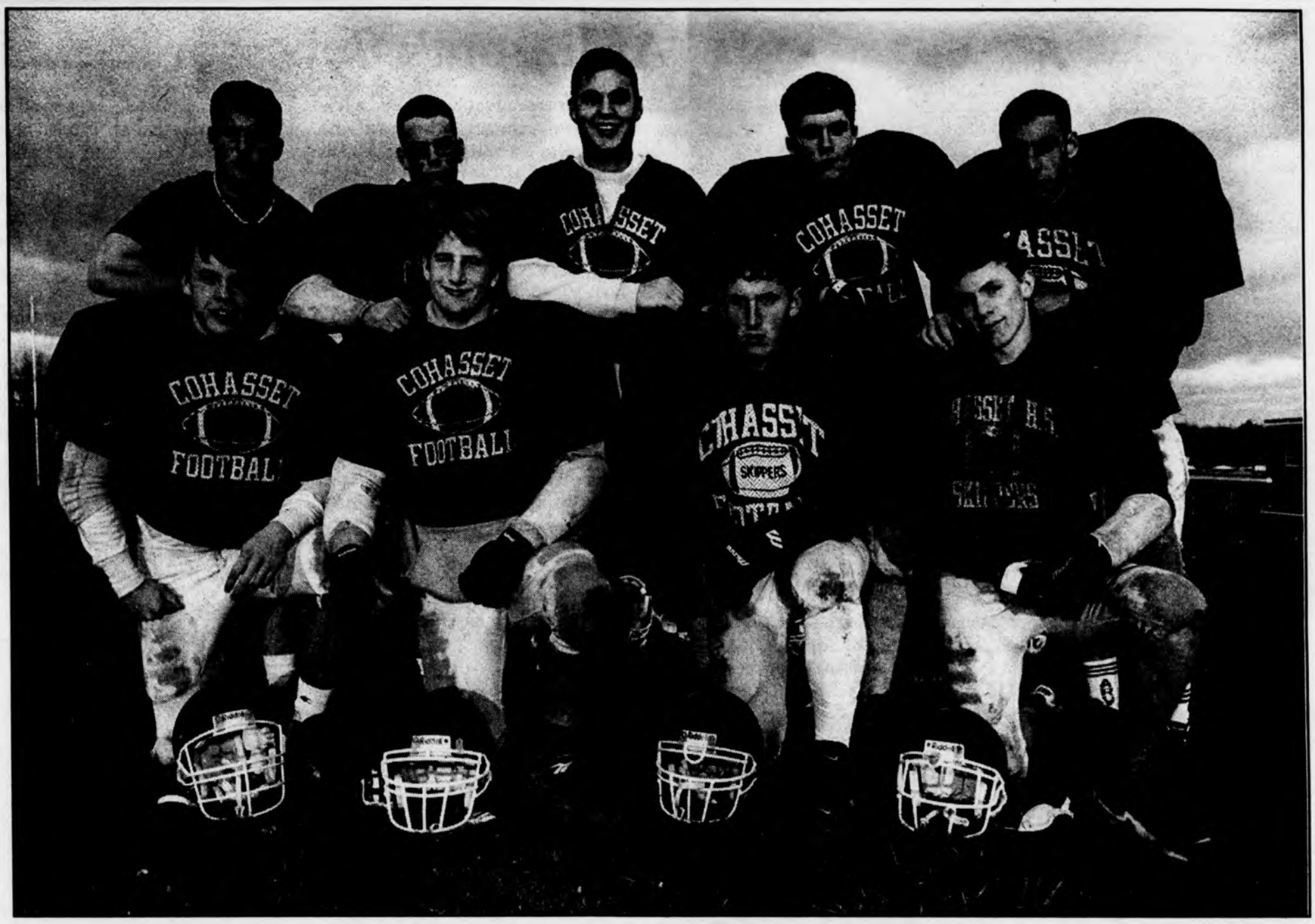

Cohasset High football team's seniors take a break from practice. The senior members include: (Front) Doug Cameron, Matt Belson, Matt Conley, Kevin Duffy, (Back) Jerry Cogil, Grant Emde, Chad Whitman, Mike Kearney and Jarrod Batts.

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Cohasset High field hockey standout Katie Buckley (Left) battles Scituate's Patrice Clancy for a loose ball during South Shore League action this fall.
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Ardizzoni's Sucessor

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"When I was graduating in 1992 a few of them were in the seventh grade," she said, "so I was on the team with them for a year."

Sutherland, however, is no longer a teammate of the girls, but rather the club's authority figure. She knows there is a big difference between the two.

"I have to understand I'm the adult here," she said.

Ardizzoni said Sutherland's strongest characteristics are her endless enthusiasm and motivation to coach. Sutherland considers herself as much a teacher as a coach, with her own experiences in the sport to fall back on.

"I think Erin's a great choice," said Ardizzoni. "She's very excited and motivated. She has worked with these kids before, but she wants to get even better as a coach."

Ardizzoni believes the fact that Sutherland's age is not too far removed from the seniors' is an advantage. However, she said it's important that the girls realize Sutherland is their coach, not a teammate.

"I found the first year you coach you try to be everybody's friend," Ardizzoni said. "But I learned after the first year you can be their friend and crack down when you have to also."

Sutherland is currently riding out a hectic schedule she expects will slow down in mid-December when she earns her teaching certificate. She already has finished her B.A. work in her history major and is doing a required student teaching internship in Mashpee.

"I'm looking forward to when I'm able to put all my energies into coaching," Sutherland said.

When that happens, the Lady Skippers will have one dynamic coach at the helm.

Thanksgiving Clash

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year and wound up losing to Cohasset on Thanksgiving. I almost wish we were playing a Scituate."

Anderson knows the Skippers have had their problems this season, but expected head coach Bob Knurek's team would have inevitable "growing pains" its first season back in the SSL.

Anderson is also aware Cohasset has done some good things on the field, and, with Knurek at the helm, has a coach fully capable of throwing a variety of offensive formations Hull's way.

"They mix up the offense and have a quarterback that can throw the ball," Anderson said. "We want to be aggressive from the start and control the flow of play."

The Cohasset High field hockey team poses for a shot at its awards dinner held at the home of Natalie Cheel's family. The Lady Skippers finished the season with a 4-8-4 record. Members of the squad included: (Front) Co-captain Jo Hurley, Natalie Cheel with Jenna, the coach's daughter and assistant, co-captain Emily Collins (Second Row) Katie Devine, Katie Buckley, Alia Afshar, Lindy Holway, Whitney Cook, Kristen Reynolds, Sue Gill, Megan Connolly, Kelly Lordan, Liz Kidder, Lauren Dooley, Sue Magner and head coach Debby Bostwick. Missing from the photo is Jackie Hurley.

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School Notebook

PAC to Meet

The Parents Advisory Council will hold its monthly meeting Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 7:30 p.m. in the Deer Hill School teachers lounges. All parents and guardians of children receiving services under Chapter 766 are welcome.

For further details, call PAC Chairperson Kim Maynard at 383-2707.

PSO Teams Up with Learning Express

Learning Express in Hingham is assisting Cohasset PSO with its holiday fund raiser.

On Monday, Dec. 9, from 6 to 8 p.m., Learning Express will donate 20 percent of purchases made to Cohasset PSO. The shop offers an interesting variety of quality toys. All are welcome to participate in helping raise funds for Cohasset schools.

200 Attend PSO Auction

The PSO reports on the huge success of its Auction/Fund-raiser last Friday. Thanks to parents, principals in attendance, and the many donors within the community, the event was fun and profitable with close to $15,000 raised.

The PSO thanks the following fund-raising committee chairmen: Tomi Bukowski, Lesley Faber, Patty Smith, and Jane Wasel and the more than 20 people on their sub-committee.

Buy Wreaths to Support METCO

The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.

Second-grader Sarah-Beth Butman casts her vote in the Nov. 5 mock presidential election at the Osgood School. Ms. Wyre's and Mrs. Collins' classes collaborated and designed voting booths, ballot boxes and ran the election poll. Sarah-Beth is in Mrs. Wyre's class.

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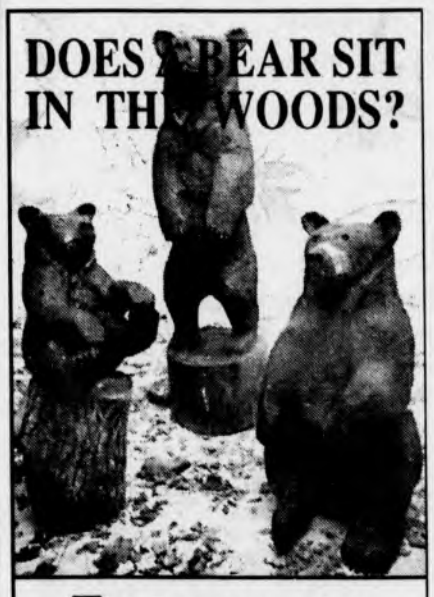

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PERSONAL FINANCE

Doing due diligence using on-line data systems

Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

A company has caught your eye, and you want to conduct due diligence before deciding whether to invest. You're sitting at your home office, drumming your fingers on your mousepad, wondering: Which is the best and most cost-effective on-line data service?

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

That's what we decided to find out. First, we asked Van Kasper, a San Francisco–based stock picker, to suggest a fast-growing, somewhat obscure company for us to research. Kasper chose Odwalla Inc., a maker of fruit and vegetable juices virtually unknown outside the San Francisco Bay area. We weren't surprised he suggested it, as Kasper's firm, Van Kasper & Co., helped, ahem, underwrite Odwalla's initial public offering. But no matter — it fit our criteria of falling in the outback of the market's stock arcana.

We then logged onto Prodigy. Three sessions provided progressively more data, ultimately yielding a detailed three-page report and a one-year price history — for under five bucks. We learned that Odwalla, based in Davenport, Calif., operates primarily in northern California and Washington, and that sales recently rose 60 percent, to $6.3 million. The company made a net profit of $126,000 in one recent quarter, versus a year-earlier loss of $89,000.

The report listed the company's top officers, address, phone number, various financials, return on equity, and a comparison of Odwalla's performance against industry averages. Hambrecht & Quist Group, an aggressive San Francisco investment bank, was listed as owning 19 percent of the company, which it took public in Dec. 1993.

Like Prodigy, America Online offered an easy-to-use quote service, and its free Hoover's Company Profiles lists 7,300 companies, though not Odwalla. Hoover's reports are comparable to Prodigy's but contain less financial detail.

We did find on AOL an old Business Week story that included Kasper's forecast that Odwalla's earnings would rise from 12 cents a share in the fiscal year ending Aug. 1994 to 30 cents in 1995 and 50 cents this year. Investor's Daily, also on AOL, had an article describing Odwalla founder Greg Steltenpohl as a former artist who said he is "learning to respect the fruit." The article mentioned Odwalla's recent acquisitions of juice companies in Denver and Bellingham, Wash., and said the company is "building a fanatically loyal following that other juice makers lack." ID said the company was expanding its product line and aggressively marketing the health benefits of its drinks.

The San Jose Mercury News, which runs its own Mercury Center on AOL, had the interesting news that Hambrecht & Quist had sold several thousand Odwalla shares.

All the AOL data was free, save the $9.95 monthly charge. Not so with CompuServe, except for a bare-bones rundown of Odwalla through the business report service. A search of CompuServe's premium services revealed that Odwalla's stock is rated a moderate long-term buy by Vestor, an on-line stock-advisory service. IBES, a company that compiles earnings estimates from Wall Street brokerage houses, forecast earnings in line with Kasper. We downloaded three Dun & Bradstreet reports for $22.50, and found them less-detailed than the $3.95 Prodigy report.

For $17 we could have obtained the company's financial statements from Disclosure Inc., which puts Securities and Exchange Commission documents on-line. Another $25 buys a list of major Odwalla stockholders. InvesText, which puts stock analyst reports on-line, charges $20 to search for a report and $20 for each one downloaded (brokerage houses give these away). But most of what we needed was in the Prodigy material.

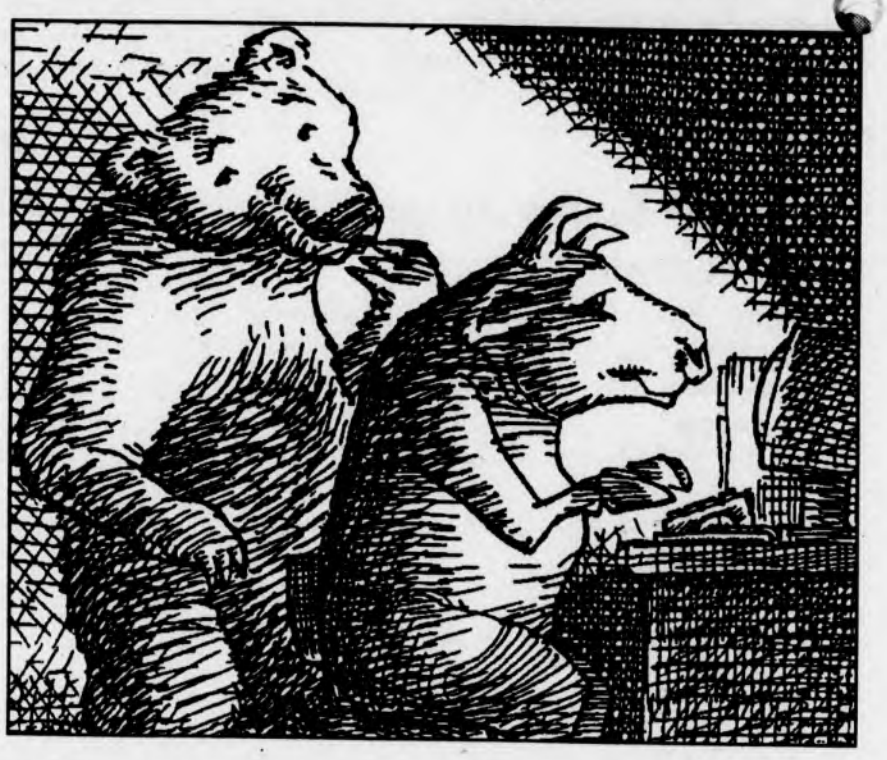
CompuServe also archives dozens of California newspapers, from which we learned that by 1989, the earliest article date, Odwalla offered its employees 100 percent health and dental insurance, flexible work weeks, time-off programs, hot lunches, and a music festival, and also used recycled plastics.

The company was founded in 1980 when Steltenpohl bought a $225 juicer to sell fresh-squeezed orange juice to restaurants in Santa Cruz. By Dec. 1993, when it went public, Odwalla had a 65,000-square-foot plant in the San Joaquin Valley, and was selling juice through supermarkets, health-food stores, and restaurants. Its product line had grown to more than 25 all-natural juices. The articles also described a lot of volatility. Odwalla lost $427,000 in 1993, made $39,000 in 1992, and lost $895,000 in 1991.

We left CompuServe richer in information, but dazed by the pricing system. Each service charges differently; one may charge $45 an hour to search for information, and the next will charge per search or per report. Our cost — $42 plus the $9.95 monthly fee — could have been much higher.

Our final stop was Dow Jones News/Retrieval, with articles from more than 1,400 publications. We limited our search to the Wall Street Journal and the Dow Jones News Wire, finding six articles that added little to what we already knew. In one story, however, a dietitian questioned why one Odwalla serving provided several times the recommended daily amount of key vitamins, as claimed. Our Dow search took just four minutes but cost $37. Searching further could add hundreds in no time, making the service practical only if your budget is unlimited.

After our investigation, we knew a fair amount about Odwalla's history, leadership, products, and prospects, enough to make an informed investment decision. Prodigy provided the best value; its company profile and a new Homework Helper research tool put it a bit ahead of CompuServe and AOL. CompuServe, the most comprehensive of the three, was also by far the most expensive. None of them is truly comprehensive, so the wisest strategy at present is to cover yourself by subscribing to more than one service.



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Turn, Turn, Turn

Dead Wood Takes on New Life at Audubon

By Lesley Mahoney
COHASSET MARINER

They are four men, each touched by nature. More specifically, by wood.

"The beauty of it, the grain," Jack Nash, one of the men, says by way of explanation.

They will tell you that no two pieces of wood are quite the same. When wood from a tree is split, patterns in the grain are all unique. And it is around the patterns that the men work their magic.

The visage of a man — something Henry Cahill of Abington calls a "wood spirit" — is carved in color on a cedar log branch at the center.
Staff Photo/Chris Bernstein

They are wood-turners, who shape and maneuver their raw material on a machine called a lathe until it takes on some form unbeknownst to them at the outset. Resembling a waist-high workbench, the lathe has a circular spinning device on one end, into which a piece of wood is inserted and maneuvered with tools as it spins. Later, a finished piece of work can be coated with shellac, varnish or wax to give it a shiny, smooth finish.

Some of the men's finished wood-turning pieces — from vases and bowls to more abstract sculptures and wall hangings — are on exhibit in the library gallery of the Massachusetts Audubon Society's South Shore Regional Center in Marshfield.

"Art Forms in Wood" displays the work of Jack Nash, Wallace Kemp, Albert Vandam and Henry Cahill, all South Shore men, all with very different approaches to turning wood. A modest exhibit, its pieces are assembled without much narrative, some displayed without names or credit to their artist — but incidentally, the work speaks for itself.

Nash, a contractor, has loved wood all his life. He's been turning it for 23 years, since he was 13. He was introduced to the art of wood-turning in seventh-grade shop class and has been doing it ever since.

"Apparently it's just in me to do this. I'll probably always (work with wood) as long as I'm able," says Nash, who enters his pieces in art shows and has sold some of his work.

Working out of his Cohasset home in his spare time, he says his pieces are evolving into more unusual things like the "Cobra," "Spaceship" or "Jack-o'-lanturn" — pun intended — all included in the show. The three represent his latest work and resemble the objects of the names they bear.

Formerly, he was doing work like his "Gridlock," also on display at Audubon. A round plate shape on a stand, this piece is made of light and dark wood — paduke and birch — interwoven. Nash says he had to turn the wood separately, then glue it together to create the lattice effect.

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Wallace Kemp, a 71-year-old retired general surgeon, turns wood in his studio in back of his Hanover home. Not surprisingly, he has always been interested in working with his hands. Kemp's backyard is lined with wood, ready for turning. He explains that burls (like cancerous growths of a tree, in the respect that they result from abnormal cell growth) and crotches (the "V" where a tree separates into branches) are ideal for turning. Spalted, or rotting, wood covered in mushrooms or fungi is also a choice bet for turning.

Wood-turner Jack Nash of Cohasset with his turned wood.
Staff Photo/Chris Bernstein

Burls, crotches and spalted wood, Kemp explains, are no good for furniture or any other use — but when split and turned, they reveal graceful lines perfect for artwork. While burls and crotches usually bear rings and swirls, spalted wood often has unique lines running through it, resembling brown, blue or green ink. Ultimately, the wood would be discarded or used for firewood. So, Kemp says, to turn it into art is to "recycle" forest products that, otherwise, would not be used.

"After taking a tree apart, you see many interesting and beautiful things," he says. And one never knows what patterns and shapes will surface until a piece of wood is split.

Kemp started turning wood about 25 years ago, making mostly bowls. But his focus has changed since then, thanks in part to the ideas and inspiration he got at meetings of wood-turning groups.

One of Kemp's pieces, "Fantasia," is mounted on the wall at Audubon — an abstract work, nothing remotely resembling a bowl. Three dark rings of shellacked, burled wood are arranged in procession and connected with brass rods.

Across the room, a burl takes the form of Kemp's "Nite on Bald Mountain," affixed atop a white, wooden stand.

Kemp, who stresses that wood-turning is an art and its creators are artists, says wood-turning is a "growing phenomenon." The American Association of Woodturners (AAW), of which he is a member, has grown in membership from 1,000 to 7,000 over five years, he says.

Kemp sells his pieces on a regular basis at Silver Ribbon, an art and craft gallery in Pembroke. He also enters his work in locally judged shows at the North River Arts Society in Marshfield and the South Shore Art Center in Cohasset.

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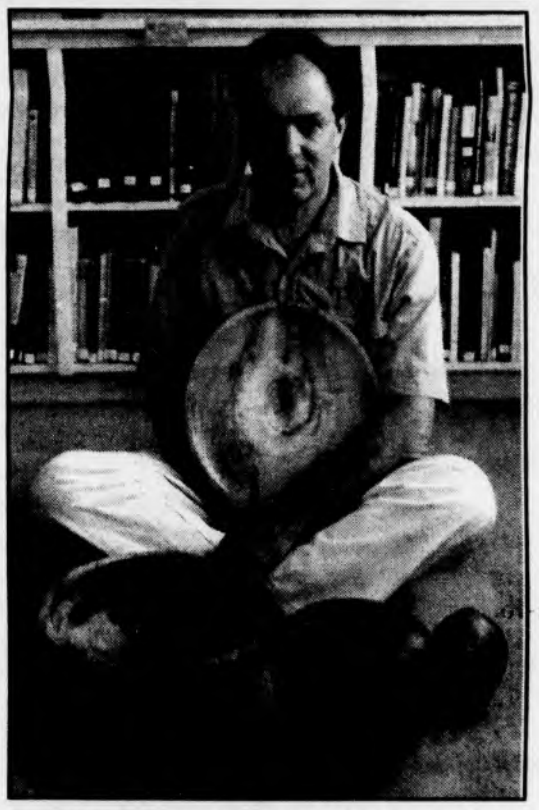
In Scituate, Albert Vandam, also an AAW member, turns wood out of his basement. His avocation is in stark contrast to his full-time investment sales job at Fleet Bank in Boston, where he sells "services or concepts — things you can't touch." Vandam says he enjoys creating something he can hold.



Wood-turner Albert Vandam of Scituate with his creations at the Massachusetts Audubon Society's South Shore Regional Center in Marshfield.
Staff Photo/Chris Bernstein

Vandam, 54, started turning wood only four years ago. Originally setting out to make furniture, he was soon drawn to the multiple uses of the lathe and switched to making bowls and platters, some of which are on display at Audubon.

Creating bowls, he notes, takes a matter of hours instead of the period of weekends it can take to make a desk. "I receive pleasure in looking at a final object in a short period of time," he says.

But Vandam, who calls wood-turning "therapeutic — mentally cleansing," says its greatest pleasure is probably that it is "all free-form" with "no rules and no measurements."

He turns mostly functional objects out of his lathe: bowls, platters, letter-opener handles. He will actually use the pieces that he makes — like bowls for eating out of or for storing potpourri.

Vandam uses mostly green or fresh wood because he says it is easier to work with. It creates a challenge, however, because the finished product from fresh wood is more likely to warp.

Vandam doesn't generally sell his items or display them at galleries but makes things for people who have been nice to him. And, he says, there is a rule he goes by: "if someone gives you wood, give them a bowl back."

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Henry Cahill, who is "semi-retired" from his contracting business, Henry E. Cahill & Sons, says wood-turning is "fun to do and relaxing." He stumbled upon wood-turning when he was contracted to do the interior of a bank. The designer had provided for rope turnings in the wood, something Cahill, 75, had never constructed.

"I couldn't do it," he says. So he started to take lessons turning wood and has been doing it for the last 12 years out of his shop at his home in Abington.

Cahill does his pieces at night. Instead of watching TV, he says.

One of his pieces on display in "Art Forms in Wood" is made of cabbage palm knocked down during Hurricane Bob and brought to him from Florida by a friend. Cahill turned the light wood into a high, dish-like object with scalloped edges, patterned with spots and a few stripes.

A vase he made from spalted wood is the biggest piece in the exhibit. Cahill found the wood for it on Black Rock Beach in Cohasset. Tall and lacquered, the 2-foot-high vase is decorated with what looks like blue ink etchings, a result of spalting.

Sometimes, however, he doesn't even have to look for potential pieces because he'll find them at his front door. People in the area who know that Cahill turns wood drop burls, crotches and the like on his doorstep.

Cahill is also into carving. The visage of a man — something Cahill calls a "wood spirit" — is carved in color on a cedar log branch at the center.

While Cahill turns bowls and vases, he does not consider his work functional. He says that he would never use a bowl that he makes for eating out of.

Cahill is a gallery artist, entering his wood in shows — including those at the South Shore Art Center and the Art Complex Museum in Duxbury, where he won a blue ribbon.

But Cahill says that the best job he has done so far is making wooden plates for the movie "The Crucible." He is waiting for the movie to come out so that he can see the plates that he crafted out of plain maple burls.

Nash, Kemp, Vandam and Cahill continue to get new ideas from other wood-turners through association meetings, catalogs and personal contacts.

But with the closest wood-turners' groups meeting in Worcester and on Cape Cod, Kemp is interested in starting an AAW chapter on the South Shore to expand the local network of wood-turners. Nash, Vandam and Cahill might just be the first three to sign on.

"Art Forms in Wood" is on display in the library gallery at the Massachusetts Audubon Society's South Shore Regional Center, 2000 Main St. in Marshfield. Admission is free. Information: (617)-837-9400.

Police Report

Thursday, Nov. 14

6:27 p.m., vandalism, CJC Hwy.
8:13 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:16 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:20 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.

Friday, Nov. 15

7:45 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St.
8:39 a.m., burglary (B&E), Lamberts Ln.
9:37 a.m., annoying phone calls, Pleasant Ln.
10:25 a.m., general services, HQ.
1:51 p.m., officer wanted, Pond St.
2:31 p.m., suspicious auto, Forest Ave.
3:09 p.m., animal complaint, Lily Pond Ln.
3:37 p.m., animal complaint, King St.
4:30 p.m., annoying phone calls, Fair Oaks Ln.
10:00 p.m., house checks, Lamberts Ln.
10:54 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
11:45 p.m., MV accident, Border St.

Saturday, Nov. 16

1:30 a.m., medical aid, Elm St.
4:03 a.m., assist other PD., CJC Hwy.
4:43 a.m., annoying phone calls, Bayberry Ln.
10:41 a.m., disturbance, Hull St.
11:11 a.m., assist citizen, N. Main St.
11:19 a.m., parking violation, Bancroft Way.
6:04 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
6:16 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:20 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
9:22 p.m., suspicious (other), Wheelwright Farm.
10:20 p.m., MV stop, Pond St.
10:40 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
10:47 p.m., MC stop, CJC Hwy.
11:06 p.m., disturbance, Oak St.
11:23 p.m., assist other PD, N. Main St.

Sunday, Nov. 17

12:30 a.m., general services, Forest Ave.
1:48 a.m., MV stop, King St.
8:42 a.m., medical aid, Front St.
2:55 p.m., general services, End of Hobart Ln.
4:41 p.m., MV stop, 3A North.
5:07 p.m., MV stop, 3A by Pond St.
10:06 p.m., MV stop, 3A by Scituate Line.
10:56 p.m., MV stop, 3A South.
11:15 p.m., open door/window, Summer St.

Monday, Nov. 18

11:15 a.m., parking violation, the square.
11:16 a.m., assist motorist, front of Pat's barber shop.
1:07 p.m., medical aid, Joy Place.
1:10 p.m, shoplifting, CJC Hwy.
1:13 p.m., fire, hazardous materials spill, town landing.
2:00 p.m., assist motorist, Dwyer's Cleaning.
4:24 p.m., missing person, Lamberts Lane.
5:05 p.m., parking violation, S. Main St.
6:18 p.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.
8:10 p.m., medical aid, Judy Rd.
8:48 p.m., parking violation, N. Main St.
8:52 p.m., disturbance, Beechwood St.
9:26 .m., suspicious auto, Norfolk Rd.
9:55 p.m., protective custody, Norfolk Rd.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

8:00 a.m., animal complaint, Elm St.
11:06 a.m., serve restraining order, Beechwood St.
11:52 a.m., property (found), Surry Dr.
12:26 p.m., escort, N. Main St.
1:56 p.m., annoying phone calls, Beach St.
3:30 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

Wednesday, Nov. 20

2:15 a.m., officer wanted, N. Main St.
7:38 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.
11:41 a.m., arrest, Sgt. Jackson in with Robert Ziff of 20 Forest Notch, warrant.
12:01 p.m., serve restraining order, S. Main St.
12:11 p.m., MV stop, Square.
12:20 p.m., assist motorist, Surry Dr.
1:37 p.m., medical aid, Ripley Rd.
2:58 p.m., medical aid, James Way.
3:02 p.m., abandoned auto, Norfolk Rd.
3:32 p.m., officer wanted, Wheelwright Farm.
5:18 p.m., notification, Ash St.
6:04 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
6:15 p.m., officer wanted, Beechwood St.
6:17 p.m., MV stop, Sohier St.
6:28 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
6:38 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:51 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

Thursday, Nov. 21

1:11 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:43 a.m., MV stop, Red Gate Lane.
8:10 a.m., prisoner transport, Fall River.
11:48 a.m., arrest, Det. Grassie and Ptl. Peters in with 15-year-old juvenile, warrant arrest.
12:14 p.m., prisoner transport, Quincy Court.
12:47 p.m., MV accident, Beechwood St.
1:02 p.m., suspicious auto, Pond St.
1:51 p.m., officer wanted, Arrowwood Rd.
3:05 p.m., MV stop, Elm St.
4:33 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
4:57 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
5:22 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
6:12 p.m., disturbance, Wheelwright Farm.
8:52 p.m., MV stop, Forest Ave.
9:10 p.m., Mv stop, Hull St.

Friday, Nov. 22

12:15 a.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
12:30 a.m., arrest, Sgt. Cogill in with Michael M. O'Brien, 20 Schofield Rd., Cohasset, speeding, OUI, marked lanes. DOB: 4/5/62.
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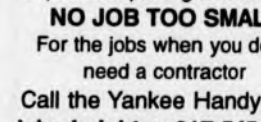
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The guidebooks include:

"Sailboat Buyers Guide: The Complete Guide to Boats & Gear," which describes sailboats by length and has indexes to companies, gear, services and advertisers.

"Large Boat Appraisal Guide" and "Small Boat Appraisal Guide" offer issues three times a year, listing values for all kinds of boats by make and year.

The "Official Used Car Guide" is issued monthly and prices domestic and imported cars and trucks by year of make.

"The Used Car Book" by Jack Gillis gives ratings (safety, maintenance, complaints) on more than 1,200 models.

"The Used Car Reliability and Safety Guide" by Adam Berliant gives trouble-shooting guides, safety comparisons and recall information on domestic and imported cars and trucks.

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"The Car Book" by Jack Gillis does for new cars wh his "Used Car Book" does f used cars.

"The Truck, Van and 4x4 Book" is Jack Gillis' "guide to this year's best and worst."

U.S. Department of Energy's "Fuel Economy Guide" give fuel rating estimates."

Newcomers' Holiday Open House

The Scituate-Cohasset Newcomers' Club will hold its annual Holiday Open House on Dec. 7, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the home of a member. All members are invited and asked to bring an hors d'oeuvres and a check for the holiday charity donation. Anyone interested in more information about the party can please call 544-3479.

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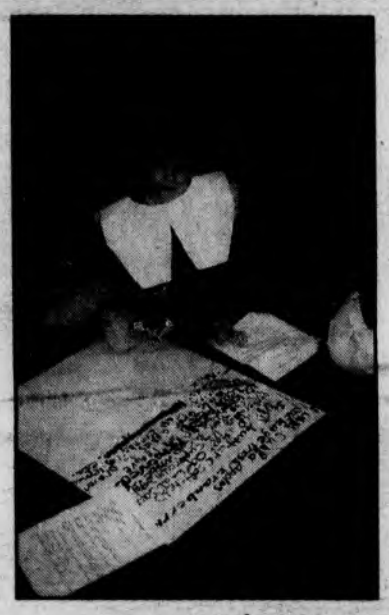

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More Research Volunteers Needed

New Town History to Get Underway

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

By the end of the year 2000, the town could have the third volume of its history compiled by local citizens.

But before the project can get underway, selectmen have put out the call for volunteers and will appoint a committee of up to 20 people to complete the task expected to take about four years.

Interested applicants should fill out a town government/resource bank form available at the selectmen's office at town hall by Dec. 15.

"The intent is to have as many diverse skills as want to get involved," said Wigmore Pierson, a member of the historical commission.

Voters at the Oct. 28 special town meeting appropriated $5,000 as "seed money" to get the project underway.

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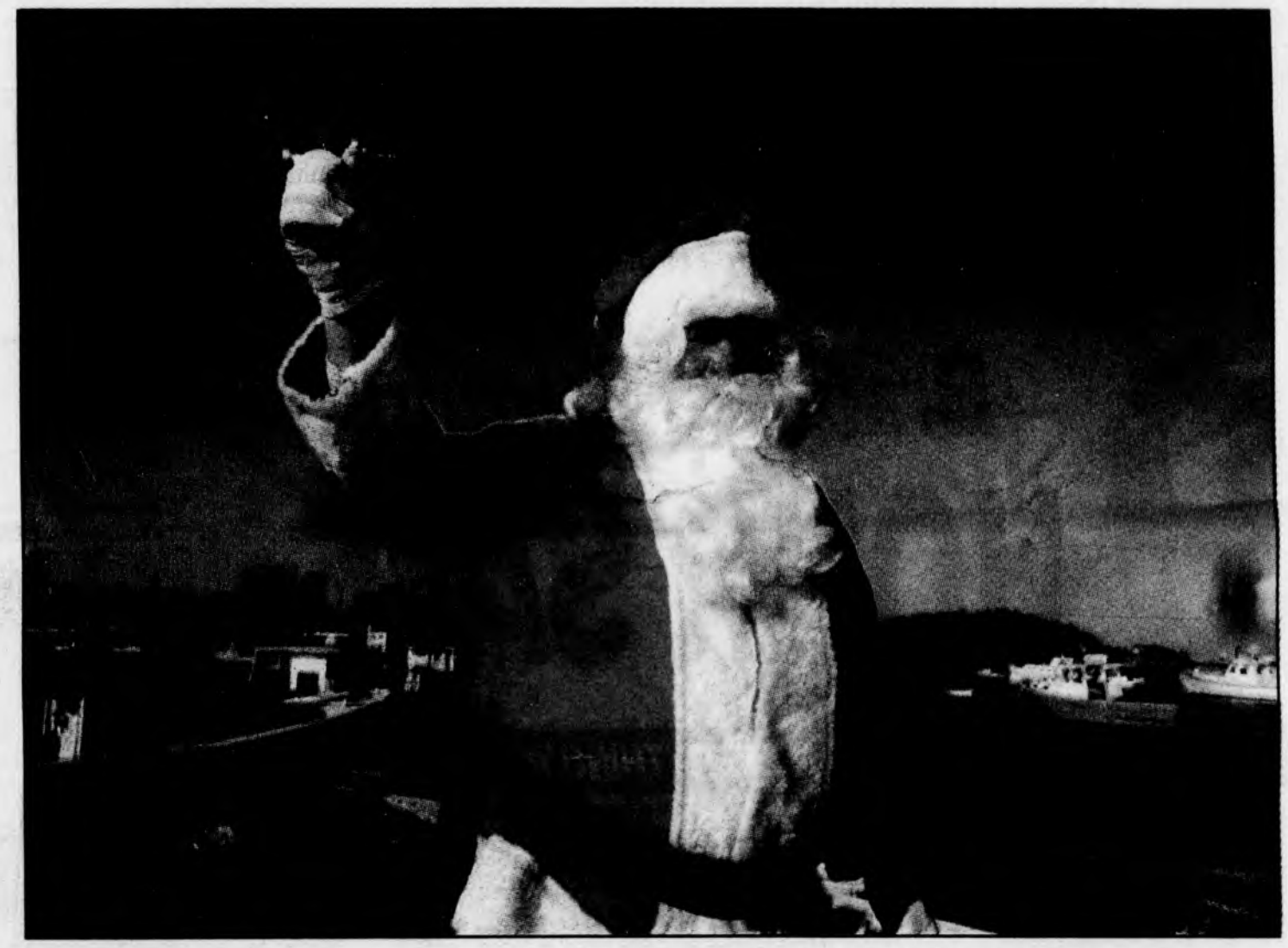

Santa Claus arrives on Government Island for the annual Jingle Bell Walk held last Friday. For more photos, see page 11.

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Planning Board Letter Rails Selectmen

Want to Put Village Station to Rest

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

The proposed village station won't die despite a recent selectmen's vote to kill it.

Planning board members took matters into their own hands last week by sending a letter to state Environmental Secretary Trudy Coxe backing a village train station.

Although acknowledging the planning board is elected and can act independently of selectmen, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown took time out at this week's board meeting to publicly chastise the planning board.

"It would have been nice if they'd told us," Brown said explaining selectmen found out about the letter after it was sent. "I disagree (with the letter) and think we should stick together on this."

Selectmen decided to send a letter of their own to Coxe stating why they support the Route 3A site.

On Nov. 12, selectmen unanimously endorsed the Oct. 28 special town meeting, non-binding "straw poll" that advised that the commuter rail station should be on Route 3A. The straw poll vote was 311 in favor of a Route 3A station

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Planners will Push Village Site

Planning board member Robert Sturdy, who also sits on the mitigation committee dealing with the MBTA, said Tuesday the planning board will continue to press for a train station in Cohasset Village.

Responding to the news that selectmen were upset by a letter planners sent to the MBTA last week in support of a village station, Sturdy pointed out that the planning board has statutory planning authority and is not run by selectmen. (See related story).

"Merle Brown may be upset, but we're upset that our role is being usurped by selectmen," Sturdy said.

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Cohasset's Week

Open Houses Set to Review Greenbush Plans

The MBTA will hold open houses for review of Greenbush Line plans for each Greenbush town. The remaining open houses will be held at the following locations:

Weymouth, Dec. 11, Abigail Adams School cafeteria, 7 to 9 p.m.' and Cohasset, Dec. 12, Town Hall, 7 to 9 p.m.

The open houses will give residents an opportunity to review plans regarding the restoration of passenger service on the Greenbush Line.

Project staff will be in attendance to answer questions about the environmental components of the project. The staff will be seeking comments and input on the basic layout and design of the project, in order for the MBTA to be aware of community concerns when designing the mitigation plan, which will be presented to town mitigation officials in January.

Anyone with questions about any of the public meetings may contact Andrew Brennan, MBTA manager of environmental affairs, at (617) 222-3126.

Animal Control Budget Recommended

Selectmen will recommend town meeting approve a fiscal year 1998 budget of $12,981 for animal control including salary and equipment. The budget includes $10.41 per hour (a 2.5 percent increase) for Kathleen Maguire, Cohasset's new animal control officer.

The overall ACO budget will actually go down slightly because the amount requested for vehicle maintenance drops from $1175 to $900, Police Chief Brian Noonan said. He explained that money to paint the ACO's car was put in this year's budget and that has already been done.

Auditor's Bill Approved

Selectmen approved payment this week of $3,750 to Tucci Roselli, the firm that audits the town's books.

Maintenance Sub-Committee Started

Selectmen Peter Pratt and Nan Roth will serve on a selectmen's subcommittee to study maintenance practices in town buildings.

State Aid Amount Considered

Selectmen May ask the Hingham League of Women Voters to sponsor a forum on changing the way state Education Aid (Chapter 70) is allocated among Massachusetts cities and towns.

Sandwich selectmen wrote to their Cohasset counterparts to report that the Mass. League of Women Voters has published a proposal that estimates Cohasset would receive $220,000 more in FY'98.

They invited Cohasset selectmen to a meeting today (Dec. 5) at Sandwich High, which would also include the Sandwich school committee and finance committee, to look at the proposal. Alan MacDonald, chairman of the Milton Finance Committee, who is spearheading the MLWV proposal, will lead the discussion.

"We have invited members of our State House Delegation, members of the local press, citizen watch-dog groups and members of the public," the Sandwich selectmen wrote.

Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said he would try to attend.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris suggested contacting the Hingham League of Women Voters to ask them to host a local forum on the issue and invite local legislators.

Vets Memorial Park Update Wanted

Selectmen will regenerate a letter sent months ago to the Veterans Memorial Committee asking that progress on the honor rolls at Veterans Memorial Park move forward.

They were responding to a letter from American Legion Post Commander Steve Wigmore stating his concern over lack of progress at the park.

"Because this memorial is on town property, it is not only appropriate by incumbent upon you to assure continued progress," Wigmore wrote.

Volunteers Needed for Town Boards

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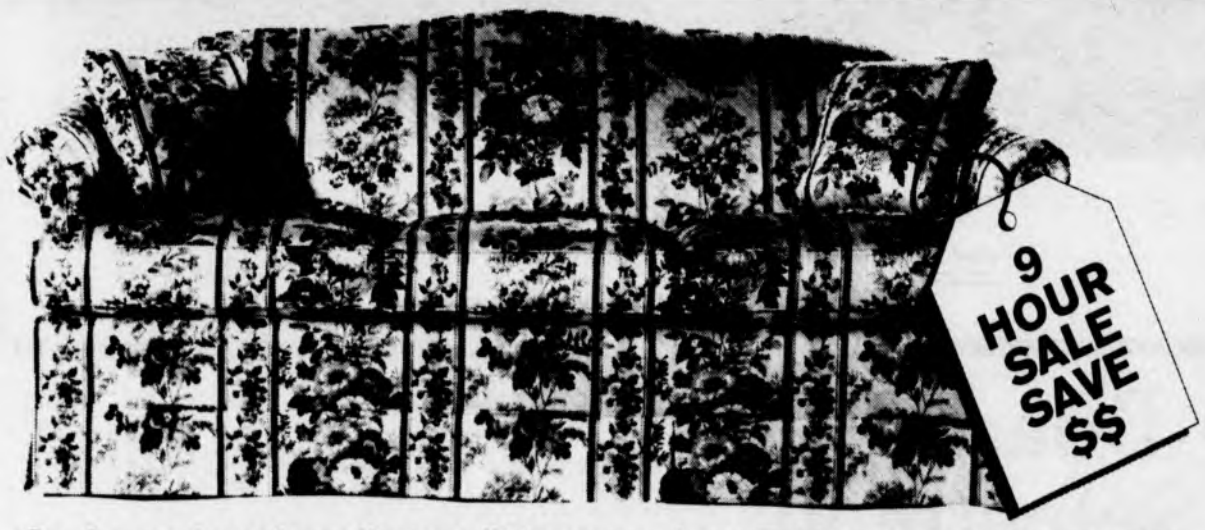

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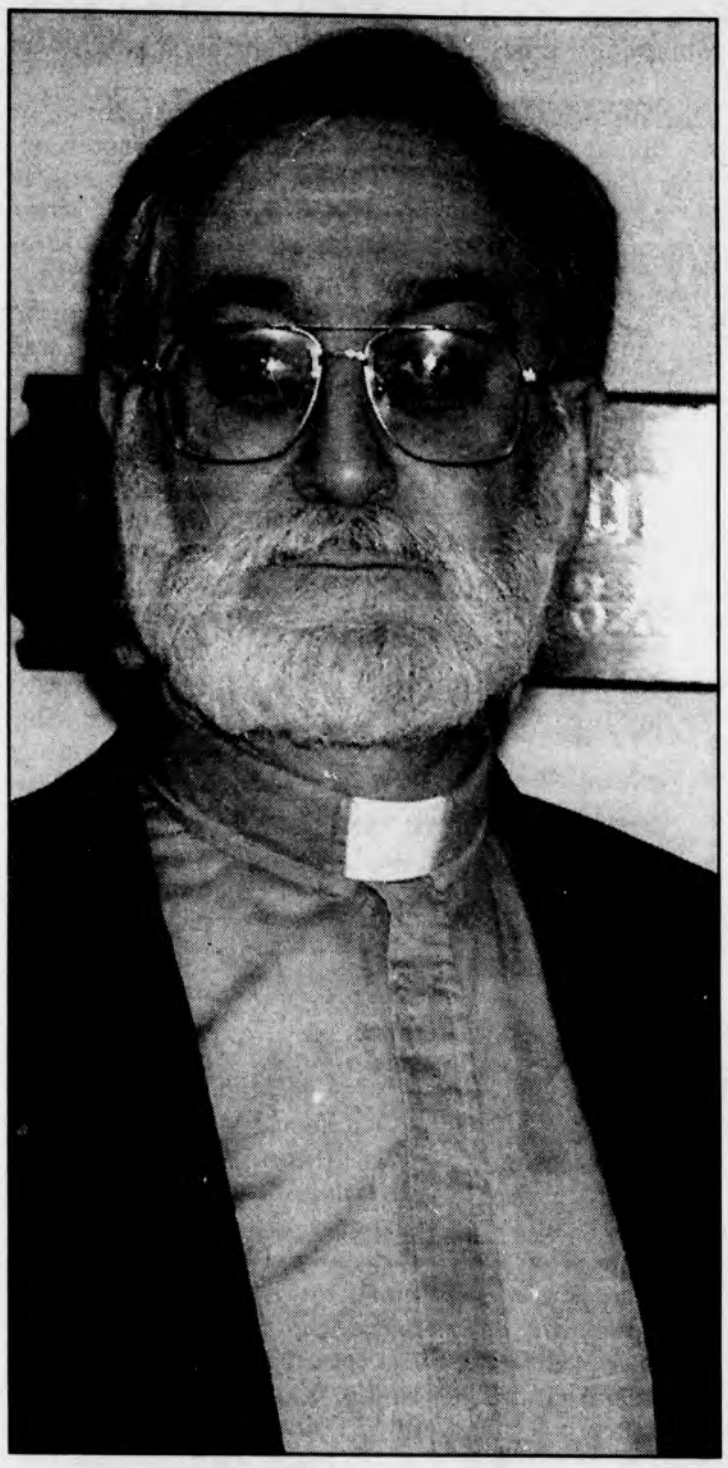

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Town History

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Pierson said that money will be used for a range of needs including obtaining copies of documents and photographs.

He said the historical commission feels that it is important that the town provide some money "to show its commitment to the project."

This will be the third volume of the town's history. The first, written by E. Victor Bigelow and published in 1898, covers the town from its geological creation to the close of the 19th century. The second, written by E. Burtram "Burt" Pratt and published in 1956, covers the next 50 years which included two World Wars and the Great Depression.

'To impart to a new generation the flavor of the bitter opposition endured by the committee who advocated this new and costly enterprise would be impossible. Folly was the least of the charges hurled at them.'

— E. Victor Bigelow, 1898.

Pratt's son, Peter Pratt, who is a selectman in town, pointed out that the town's archives are far more complete than was the case when his late father and the appointed Volume II committee on town history compiled Cohasset's history of the first half of the 20th century.

He noted that while there have not been the "earth-shattering" events such as world wars in the past 50 years — the new volume should put events in perspective of what was going on in the town, country and world.

Pratt said in Bigelow's history, for example, he talks about the effort to "centralize" the school system in town. Bigelow captured the controversy surrounding the construction of the new Osgood School, built in 1890 (where the police station now stands).

Here is an excerpt which depicts the debate:

"As last the town voted at its march meeting in 1890 to buy a suitable lot of land and to build a central schoolhouse costing $20,000.....Instead of $8,000 as first presented, a debt of $20,000 was required.

"To impart to a new generation the flavor of the bitter opposition endured by the committee who advocated this new and costly enterprise would be impossible. Folly was the least of the charges hurled at them. Many parents threatened to boycott the new building by keeping their children at home, or at least in the little old schoolhouses," wrote Bigelow.

The new history will cover the creation of the town's zoning laws, post war development and the initial rise of planned subdivisions, and show the impact of the Vietnam War during which Cohasset lost eight men — more than it did in World War II.

Interestingly, the Benjamin Report, a master plan for the town created in the early 1960s, predicted a more aggressive rate of development in the town. Pratt said the report predicted the town would now have a population of 12,000 to 18,000.

"In many ways the town has not changed as much in that era as some said it would — we've kept the small town sense and values," he said.

The memorials committee, which organized the naming of the town squares for the eight Cohasset men killed in Vietnam and one in Korea, put the matter before the October town meeting.

Volume III will be dedicated those soldiers, continuing a tradition started with Volume II, which was dedicated to the Cohasset men killed in World War II.

Pratt said at the selectmen's meeting this week that 12 people have signed up for the town history committee so far.

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Watch Out for Scams

As the holiday season approaches, scam artists kick into high gear. Realizing this, Cohasset Elder Affairs hosted a presentation on fraud and financial exploitation. Brian Lelio, investigator for the Plymouth Country District Attorney's office senior protection team, conducted the session and included the following tips in his presentation:

• Be wary of telemarketers who state you have won a prize. In order to obtain the prize, you must first send money to cover postage and handling. You may receive an inferior prize or no prize at all. In addition, the telemarketers then sell the names to another company, which, upon realizing the senior was willing to send in money to obtain a prize, will hound the individual. To receive legitimate prizes, no money should have to be sent.

• Never give out credit card or social security numbers over the telephone unless placing a mail order. With the advent of computers, even individuals with unlisted telephone numbers are not immune to being contacted by these organizations. Those obtaining unlisted numbers then sell the list, which is more valuable since the numbers are unlisted.

• When contacted by telephone, be polite but hang up. If interested in making a donation to the organization or receiving a prize, investigate before sending money. Once the money has been sent, it is almost impossible to get it back.

• Other scams include installations of driveways. Residents are contacted at their homes and convinced they can get a good deal. The materials are often inferior and not appropriate for repaving driveways. With the first heavy rain, the driveways wash away, resulting in a hazardous waste situation. Use extreme caution when approached.

• Only deal with reputable contractors. Information on registered contractors may be obtained from the Attorney General's office, which keeps track of, and documents complaints against, registered contractors.

DPW Sprinkler Issue Open to Interpretation

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

DPW Building Committee Chairman Terry Atherton called the issue of whether or not sprinklers must be included in the new DPW garage "a question of interpretation."

The issue was discussed at length at Tuesday's meeting of the building committee.

The committee asked Gaffney Architects to initiate an appeal to the state's Automatic Sprinkler Appeals Board to seek clarification of the law which states that any building in excess of 7,500 square feet must be equipped with a sprinkler system.

A question exists as to whether or not the garage's impenetrable fire walls which effectively divide the building into two, could eliminate the need for sprinklers in the event that neither half exceeds the size limit. Although the law states that sprinklers are required irrespective of interior fire walls, Building Inspector Bob Egan pointed out that there is a difference between "fire-resistive walls" and the type of fire walls to be in place at the garage. While fire-resistive walls merely stave off fire for a time, fire walls are impenetrable to fire, in essence making two separate buildings out of one should a fire break out.

This creates a possibility that the garage's fire walls may allow the building to meet town standard even without sprinklers.

But Selectman Peter Pratt cautioned the board of the dangers of setting a precedent for future builders, pointing out that the modern building codes have resulted in less damage and fewer deaths as a result of fire, and expressing pride in the town's record of strict fire safety code enforcement.

"This is not a precedent, we want to set," Pratt said.

Due to the law's unclear working, however, Egan noted that builders would at some point have to grapple with this issue.

"This question was going to come up eventually. However this is answered will become standard. Unfortunately, we're the ones who are breaking ground."

Currently, the fire wall division results in a 8,400 square foot section, which exceeds the size limit. Depending on the state board's decision, the wall may be relocated, or a new one added, in order to accommodate the 7,500 square foot limit.

Vague wording aside, Robert Therrien of Gaffney Architects feels that the addition of sprinklers could be hazardous because spraying water on a fuel fire would only make matters worse.

"The bottom line is that sprinklers do not belong in this building," he said in a letter to chairman Atherton.

Adding sprinklers would raise the project's cost by $50,000.

The DPW garage was originally set at $700,000, but is now likely to exceed $1 million. Voters approved an additional $290,000 at the October special town meting due the unexpected additional cost to blast ledge to connect the garage to the town's water system.

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Planning Board

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and 112 in favor of a village station.

At Monday's meeting village station opponents, residents Gail Whitehouse, 17 Ash St. and Linda Keller, 2 Cushing Rd., brought up the planning board's letter which they had read about in a story that appeared in The Patriot Ledger.

"It seems to go over your vote and the vote of the people," Whitehouse told selectmen.

In its letter, the planning board wrote: "The planning board trusts you will not be swayed by a vocal minority (that includes those opposed to any train service) and will make a decision that is in the best interest of providing needed public transportation to Cohasset and our neighboring towns on the South Shore."

Selectman Peter Pratt, who feels the MBTA favors the village site, said he was troubled that the letter shows publicly there is dissent in town and that he is tired of the constant refrain of a "silent majority" out there in favor of a village station.

"The last one who used that (term) was Richard Nixon and look where it got him," Pratt said.

Jeff Thayer, an architect at 115 Ripley Rd. in the village, said he was disappointed by the selectmen's vote to kill the village station.

He said the station is worth considering.

"Please remember that area merchants and non-resident business property owners were never given a chance to vote even though we are directly impacted by this decision," Thayer said.

Brown dismissed the notion that the 311 people who voted for the Rte. 3A station at October's special town meeting aren't enough to make that kind of decision.

"Two hundred people vote on a $16 million town budget (at town meeting), so 311 voted that they don't want a train downtown. We can't make everyone vote," he said.

Keller said she was concerned that the village "charrette" to be held this weekend will be another vehicle to press the downtown train station. The charrette, which is sponsored by the chamber and rotary, is a two-day design workshop at the community center that will look at ways to improve and enhance the village, a process which could help the village get grant money for improvement projects.

Chamber of Commerce vice president Dean Rizzo disputed the fact he backs a village station. Rizzo said he is only advocating the town make an "educated decision."

Brown harshly criticized Rizzo for writing a letter to the Mariner in which he identified himself as chairman of the mitigation committee and asked that people write selectmen to implore them to make a decision based on fact not fears.

"I have a problem with that letter, it's not the right thing to do," Brown said.

The mitigation committee has been working with the MBTA to find ways of lessening the train's impact on the town.

Rizzo said that the progress of the mitigation committee was cut short by the selectmen's decision. He said the village station should have been "seriously looked into."

"I just wanted the process to go forward," Rizzo said about his letter.

Village Site

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Sturdy said when selectmen endorsed the "straw poll" vote three weeks ago advising the station be on Route 3A, they did so over the objections of the planning board, which unanimously supports the village site.

He explained that the Route 3A site makes "no sense" from a planning standpoint.

"The idea is to get public transportation to the public and not a remote location where the only access is by automobile."

He said the increase in traffic on downtown streets with a village station would be minimal while the impact on Route 3A, which is already overburdened, would be horrendous if the station is there.

Sturdy said the downtown area is dying and dismisses the argument that commuters don't bring business downtown.

"They are not aliens from another planet, they are people who live here. Business thrives on the volume of people who pass through an area."

He said the downtown area is feeling tremendous pressure from Route 3A businesses and he stressed that survival of the village is vital.

"The character of the town is embodied in the village," Sturdy said.

He compared selectmen to those in the White House where people listen to the morning polls and change opinions depending on "which way the wind blows."

"They (selectmen) ought to sit down and do what is best for the town," he said.

Sturdy said the train parking lot downtown would be "buried from sight" and the town parking lot would be upgraded and improved by the MBTA.

He pointed out that legally the MBTA can put the station wherever it decides.

"We (planning board) will continue to press for the village station. We consider it our elected responsibility for our quality of life."

Sturdy said he hopes the MBTA will agree.

"I hope the T will see the light and follow its guidelines that public transportation belongs downtown where the people are.

"How many bus stops are on Route 3A? Why put a train stop there?" he asked.

Compost Bins Available

Due to efforts of the Cohasset Recycling Committee, composting containers are available for purchase by townspeople at a very good price due to a grant from the state Department of Environmental Protection, said Jack Hubbard of the recycling committee.

There are two styles of containers, the Earth Machine and the Brave New World Composter. Prices range from $20 to $30.

The new containers are on sale at from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday and Wednesday through Saturday at Aquarius Sunrooms on Depot Court. Payment must be by check made out to the town of Cohasset.

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Traffic Study for Village and Route 3A Needed

The closing of Ceres Market, 17 South Main St., which opened only a month ago, prompted selectmen this week to ask for a traffic study of the village.

The board had previously requested that Town Administrator Gregory Doyon get quotes for a traffic study only on the impact of a Route 3A train station proposed for the old skating rink site where Barry Recycling is located.

But this week Selectman Michael Sullivan noted that a village traffic study is needed in any case, so parking and traffic problems can be resolved.

Sullivan pointed out that cars inhibited drop-in traffic by parking in front of Ceres for the entire day even though there's a two hour parking limit.

"They would look out the window and see a car parked in front of the store for the day," Sullivan said about the new produce market owners (see related story, page 27).

The town parking lot behind South Main Street is inadequate, selectmen said.

Selectmen said traffic also needs to be studied along North Main Street where the MBTA plans a drop off area if the Route 3A station site is approved.

The effects of possible back ups along North Main and feeder streets need to be studied, Selectman Nan Roth said.

Selectmen directed Doyon to get quotes on how much a comprehensive traffic study of the village area and Route 3A will cost.

Upcoming Meetings are Noted

The following meetings have been posted outside the town clerk's office at town hall:

- Board of Health, 7 p.m., Dec. 10 & 17.
- Conservation Commission, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 19.
- Historical Commission, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 9.
- MBTA open house on Greenbush, 7-9 p.m., Dec. 12.
- Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 9.
- Sewer Commission, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 16.
- School Committee, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 5, AV room at the high school.
- Water Resources Protection Committee, 8 p.m., Dec. 8 & 18.
- Zoning Board of Appeals, 8 p.m., Dec. 11.

All meetings are at town hall unless otherwise noted. Room locations are posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule at town hall on the day of the meeting. Check with the town clerk or the particular board's office at town hall (383-9900) for any cancellations.

Village Design Workshop is Saturday

The Chamber of Commerce and Cohasset Rotary Club are sponsoring a "Village Design Charrette" all day Saturday at the Community Center.

The charrette will help the village revitalization committee, formed last spring, to develop design concepts to improve areas of concern in the village such as sidewalks, lighting, parking, traffic flow, plantings, benches and more.

From 9 to 11 a.m., organizers will conduct an open design forum and comment period and from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., round table design groups will discuss the plans.

A session to review drawings for a master plan is tentatively scheduled for noon to 5 p.m. on Sunday but may be postponed, Chamber vice president Dean Rizzo said.

Rizzo said he encourages all interested citizens and town boards to attend.

"The more we have, the more it becomes a public plan and that looks better when we apply for any grants out there," he said.

Planning board member Robert Sturdy said he was "delighted" with the efforts to improve the village.

Sturdy said he hoped that a matching program with the town could be worked out in which businesses take care of refurbishing and enhancing the privately owned areas and the town takes care of the public places.

The chamber and rotary have each donated $2,500 to pay for the charrette and the MBTA has also donated $2,500, Rizzo said.

The MBTA plans to reconstruct the Greenbush line of the Old Colony Railroad which will run along the old right-of-way through the village.

Rizzo said he hopes those who attend the Village Fair on Saturday will stop in during the design session.

The village revitalization committee organized the weekly farmer's markets held on Thursdays all summer and in the fall held a village festival complete with pony rides.

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Therefore, even though prostate cancer primarily affects men over 65 years of age, we recommend that men over 40 have a yearly digital rectal exam and that men over 50 have a yearly prostate-specific antigen blood test. The earlier the disease is detected, the greater the chances of defeating it.

The difficulty with detection is that prostate cancer can be deceptive. Frequently, the disease exhibits no symptoms. Author Michael Korda describes this in **Man to Man**, a recent book about how he survived prostate cancer.

According to Korda, "in most cases there are no warning symptoms — no pain, no discomfort, nothing that would sound an alarm to even the most careful of hypochondriacs. Prostate cancer creeps up on its victims silently, often striking men who appear to be 100 percent fit and healthy, like me."

Conversely, sometimes the disease does exhibit specific symptoms. Any of the following could indicate prostate cancer:

- blood in the urine;
- an inability to urinate or difficulty in starting to urinate;
- painful or burning urination;
- need to urinate frequently, especially at night;
- weak or interrupted urine flow;
- back or hip pain.

The difficulty once again, however, is that in some instances these symptoms can also indicate other medical problems such as an enlarged prostate or urinary complications. Therefore, given the deceptive nature of prostate cancer, digital rectal exams (DRE) for men over 40 and prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test for men over 50 are crucial.

With a DRE, your general physician or urologist inserts a lubricated, gloved finger into the rectum, checking for hard or lumpy areas that might indicate a cancerous tumor on the prostate gland. A PSA blood test measures substances, produced by the prostate, called prostate-specific antigen. An elevated PSA level is often a telltale sign of prostate cancer.

If the DRE indicates something suspicious on the prostate or if the PSA is elevated, your general physician or urologist will recommend a biopsy. With a biopsy, a tiny portion of prostate tissue is removed for microscopic examination to check for cancer cells. If cancer is diagnosed, more tests will be conducted to see if the disease has spread and to determine the treatment options. More about those options next week.

Tania Lingos is the Medical Director of the South Suburban Oncology Center, located at 700 Congress Street, Quincy, Mass. You may reach her by email at tlingos@shields.com or by telephone at (617) 471-3700.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

CHS Class of '62 Reunion is This Summer!

It's yearbook time once again! Buy your 1997 **Tessahoc Yearbook,** on sale now until Dec. 9. All the students in grades 7-12 are highlighted. Checks for $45 may be made payable to Cohasset High School and sent to Mrs. F. Cronin, Cohasset High School, 143 Pond St., Cohasset 02025.

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On the subject of yearbooks, the **CHS Class of 1962** has been going through theirs to beat the band! A huge reunion is in the works for this summer, and names are flying around. If you know anyone who was in the class who hasn't been contacted, let me know!

Example: A fine lady who has a daughter that was in my class wrote from Florida to give me an address of a classmate's mother in the hope we could get him that way! How thoughtful, and nice! Thank you, **Mrs. Quigley!**

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If you attended the Thanksgiving football game, you heard **Ray Jones** singing the National Anthem with **Karen Niessink** and **Emily Henderson** — the general consensus was that they could "go pro" if they wanted to, they were that great! Just add one more talent to Ray's list — the week he was named Offensive Player of the Year in the Boston Globe! Guess now as he goes on to wrestling (he's a senior this year) we are sure to hear more!

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Before we forget, let us remind one and all of the all-night parking ban now in effect until April 1. That is, no car can be on the street for more than an hour between 2 and 6 a.m.

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This Saturday is the **Village Fair,** the true harbinger of the Christmas season. It takes place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and it is located all around the common. At Second Congregational Church there will be baked goods, many wonderful crafts that the ladies have spent literally months making and yummy chowder.

There will be a grand book sale, held in St. Stephen's Walton Rodgers Hall, and there will also be a silent auction. Blanche Thompson will be playing the piano for you to listen to while you find the perfect book.

The Unitarian Parish House will feature a Swedish coffee shop, with Chef Sine Pounder of The Bread Shop at the helm. They also house white elephant tables. It's such fun poking through the great "junk" that once belonged to others and can be yours to love next. Anyway, we have given you a taste of what fun you can have, and what goodies you can purchase. Now it's up to you to take the time to go! You'll be glad you did!

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Last week we told you about the **Social Service League** and all the good that it does for so many. Well, here is another thing to add to the list. The league has compiled a list of **Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School students** who are waiting for you to call so they can do jobs for you around your home. If you are in need of this service, please call 383-0771 for students' names and phone numbers.

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The reviews are in and it's unanimous — **Sarah deLima** gets a standing ovation as Mme. Dindon in the production of "La Cage aux Folles" which appeared at North Shore Music Theatre recently. What a treat to have such a fine actress in our little town!

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We hope **Elinor Kennedy** is feeling better as she reads this. We know you cannot keep a good woman down for long!

❑

Winter sports begin their practices this week. It seems as though we were just saying that about fall sports! Anyway, there is a new coach in our midst, **Erin Sutherland,** who will be coaching gymnastics. We wish her the best! She was a member of CHS gymnastic team not too long ago, and now she will be the one in charge!

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After arriving at the harbor, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus get ready to board the fire truck for their ride through town. For more photos of the Jingle Bell Walk, see page 11.

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Everyone had so much fun at the **Jingle Bell Walk,** especially Santa! Everywhere we went this weekend, there were little ones wearing their bells and telling all who would listen where they got them! Nifty idea to kick off the season for kids of all ages!

❑

That's the news for this week. Hopefully you'll have some tales to tell after the long holiday weekend! Please give me a call!

— Sallyann
383-0560

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Reverend Paul-Noel Trombetta

Tuesday, December 10
7:30 P.M.

St. Mary of the Nativity
Scituate Harbor

Snowflake Fair at Beechwood

A Snowflake Fair will be held Saturday, Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Beechwood Church, Church Street.

The fair will include baked goods, wreaths, crafts and a chowder bar, featuring the Jones family's chowder from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Mariner welcomes letters to the Editor.

Obituaries

Catherine Frey

Catherine (Hitchman) Frey, 90, of Cohasset and Pine Bush, N.Y., died Nov. 26.

She was the wife of the late Harry R. Frey and leaves a son, Robert H. Frey of Marblehead; a daughter, Regina M. Schultz of Cohasset; two sisters, Grace C. Hitchman and Rose Leonard, both of Riverdale and Pine Bush; five grandchildren; and three nieces.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Nov. 30 in the Church of the Infant Savior, Pine Bush.

Arrangements were by McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home.

Robin Suhrbier

Robin (Menz) Suhrbier, 53, of Cohasset, a former business journalist, died Nov. 26 at home of a cancer-related illness.

She published and co-authored a book, Children's Activities Directory for the Twin Cities, in 1986 while she was living in Minneapolis.

Mrs. Suhrbier also worked as an associate editor of Crain Communications' insurance newsletter.

She was one of the founders of the Cohasset High School ski team and was a former president of the parent-student organization at Cohasset High School.

She also was active in the Cohasset Soccer Boosters Club.

Born in Sturgis, S.D., she was raised in Winston-Salem, N.C. and graduated from Winston-Salem High School. She received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Suhrbier leaves her husband, John J. Suhrbier; two sons, Mike Suhrbier of Jackson, Wy. and Pat Suhrbier of Boulder, Colo., and her mother, Gertrude Suhribier.

A funeral Mass was celebrated in St. Anthony's Church. Burial was in Woodside Cemetery.

The McNamara-Sparrell Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

Donations may be made to Cohasset Appalachia Service Project, c/o Second Congregational Church, 43 Highland Ave., 02025.

Anne H. Bowden

Anne H. (Meredith) Bowden, 92, of Cohasset, died Nov. 26 at Cohasset Knoll Nursing Home.

Born in Rochdale, England, she resided in Weymouth before moving to the nursing home.

Mrs. Bowden was a resident volunteer for many years at Cohasset Knoll and sang at many nursing home activities. She also worked as an office clerk.

Mrs. Bowden was the wife of the late Merle T. Bowden and the late Grover L. Fitzgerald and leaves a son, Grover L. Fitzgerald of Brockton; two daughters, Rosemary W. Robinson of Bradenton, Fla., and Ruth E. Adams of Weymouth; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a great-great-grandson.

'Citizen' Nominations Open

Nominations are now being accepted for the Cohasset Mariner's annual Citizen of the Year Award. This is a continuation of the award begun in 1993 to recognize an individual for outstanding service to the community or for a special achievement.

Once again, the Cohasset Mariner invites our readers to take this opportunity to nominate a person who has made a significant contribution to our community. This is a community award: The Mariner is the means by which we are able to recognize, thank and honor those around us who make the quiet, generous contributions that make Cohasset a wonderful place to call our home.

The deadline for nominations for the 1996 Citizen of the Year is 5 p.m., Dec. 31. Please see nomination form on page 9.

Following the close of nominations, a selection panel will review the names submitted and select the 1996 Citizen of the Year, who will be named in January, 1997.

Nominees may be someone in elected office, a member of an appointed town committee, teacher or school administrator, clergy member, fire-fighter, police officer, or other municipal worker, a person in the business community, sports figure or an "unsung" neighbor or friend who has given freely of his or her time and energy to a worthy Cohasset project or cause.

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

A Single Candle Will Shine

Tonight, a single candle will shine in millions of Jewish homes across the earth and the world will become a brighter place.

For each of the next seven nights, another candle will be lit, until finally all eight candles will burn in unison.

People of the Jewish faith throughout the world will come together to celebrate as each candle on the sacred menorah is lit during the Hanukkah season.

Also called the Feast of Dedication or the Feast of Lights, this eight day festival is celebrated in recognition of the victory of the Maccabees over Antiochus IV (c. 215-164 B.C.) and the rededication of the Temple at Jerusalem.

Known as Antiochus Epiphanes, son of Antiochus, II, he became King in 175 B.C. and is remembered for his infamous attempt to impose Hellenic culture on Judea.

This attempt instigated the Maccabean Revolt of 167 B.C.

After their triumph, the Maccabees cleansed the Great Temple by destroying the idols that had been erected and restored the monotheistic religion of Judaism.

The Maccabees found only enough oil in the temple to keep a light burning for one day, but through a miracle, the oil lasted for eight days.

During this eight day period, the Jewish people celebrated their independence, in what is known as the first revolution for religious freedom in the history of the world.

Hanukkah is one of the most celebrated holidays of the Jewish community and the simplicity of this religious tradition makes it all the more beautiful.

In December, the coldest, darkest month of the year, the warm lights of Hanukkah remind us of all that we share in common in our rich Judeo-Christian heritage.

Hanukkah offers us the wonderful opportunity to learn about and reflect upon other religions and cultures.

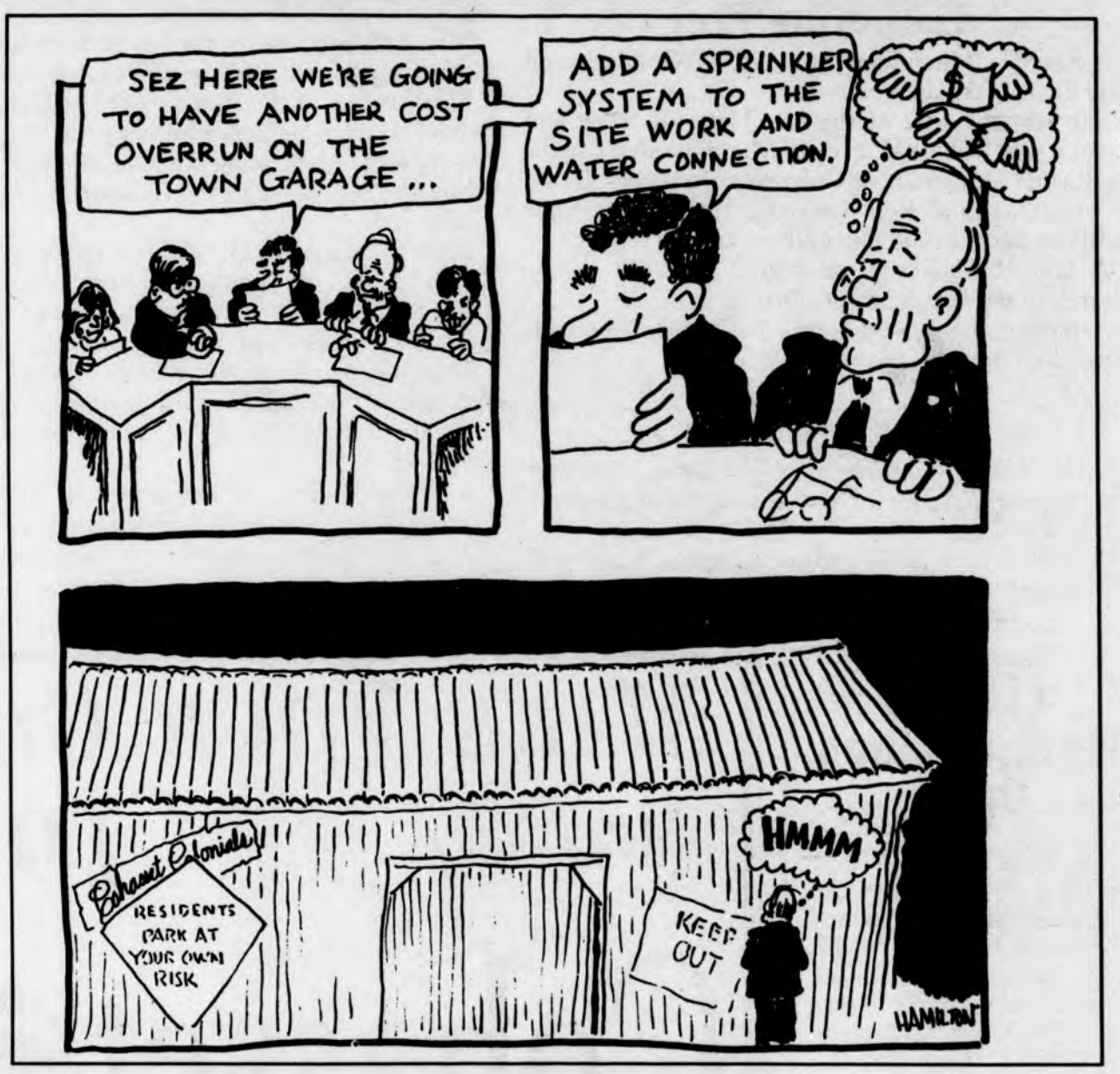
Happy Hanukkah!

Pure Norman Rockwell

The annual Village Fair provides us in Cohasset with our very own "Norman Rockwell experience." A 300-year-old town green surrounded by clapboard colonials and churches provide the perfect setting to get into the holiday spirit.

This year's fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday has something for everyone. For details on what to do and where to shop, see page 32.

And while you're at the fair, we suggest you wander over the the South Shore Community Center and stop by the village design "charrette." Participants in the charrette will try to come up with a plan to revitalize Cohasset's downtown, an area so crucial to the quality of life in our lovely town. Organizers have asked for residents' input, so please take them up on their offer and drop in.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Put Village Station to Bed

To the Editor:

The Planning Board recently decided to go over the heads of our Board of Selectmen and the overwhelming vote of Town meeting to tell Trudy Coxe, our Secretary of Environmental Affairs, that Cohasset still wants a village train station. In their letter they described the town as having "split sentiments...". Is a 3-1 vote of Town Meeting against the village station a split sentiment? Did they believe that a 5-0 vote on behalf of the selectmen was somehow split?

If the Planning Board had done any research into this issue, they would have found out that in towns with downtown stops along the MBTA, businesses have not prospered, parking has become a worse problem, and many are in the process of developing out of town parking lots. The decision has been made on this issue and it is the ultimate arrogance for the planning board to undermine the process which was set up.

As Merle Brown stated at Monday's meeting, it is time for all of us to drop this issue and focus on the serious task of mitigating the impacts of this entire project.

Linda Keller
2 Cushing Rd.

Village Station Still Worth Considering

Mr. Thayer presented selectmen with this letter at their meeting Monday:

Dear Members of the Board of Selectmen,

I was very disappointed when I heard of the vote against the village train stop prior to people having adequate time to properly consider all ramifications. Things which might be possible with a village train stop are worth considering in more detail before decisions are made. I.e.:

1. Reinforcing the village as the town center, as the original train stop once did.

2. Revitalizing and beautifying an existing parking area which is far overdue for Cohasset Village.

3. Providing needed infrastructure to a village which continues to see businesses struggle in a difficult environment.

4. The opportunity to build train station parking out of view and with very little impact upon this sensitive village environment.

5. The possibility of providing public restrooms and an information kiosk so that visitors will not have to sheepishly search for same as they presently do. One very nice woman from out of town recently entered the Silver Spoon saying that she had just been turned away from the community center's rest room and was continuing to look for another. People have entered my building looking for rest rooms also.

I cannot help but think the town should engage independent consultants to determine the following prior to voting for or against:

- Would a village stop cause any greater health or safety hazard than trains traveling through town without stopping?
- Can MBTA build a commuter lot or structure which is essentially out of view and is of such a limited capacity that it will not be used as a spill over lot for Scituate and Hull? Is the expected traffic impact really as insignificant as the MBTA study indicates?
- Can the existing town parking area be enlarged in order to accommodate the cars which currently can't fit, while isolating said lot from long-term commuting?
- Can the parking/waiting area be designed to resemble a landscaped park more than a paved parking lot?

Please also remember that area merchants and non-resident business property owners were never given a chance to vote even though we are directly impacted by this decision.

Jeff Thayer
Architect, AIA
115 Ripley Rd.

More letter pages 12 &13

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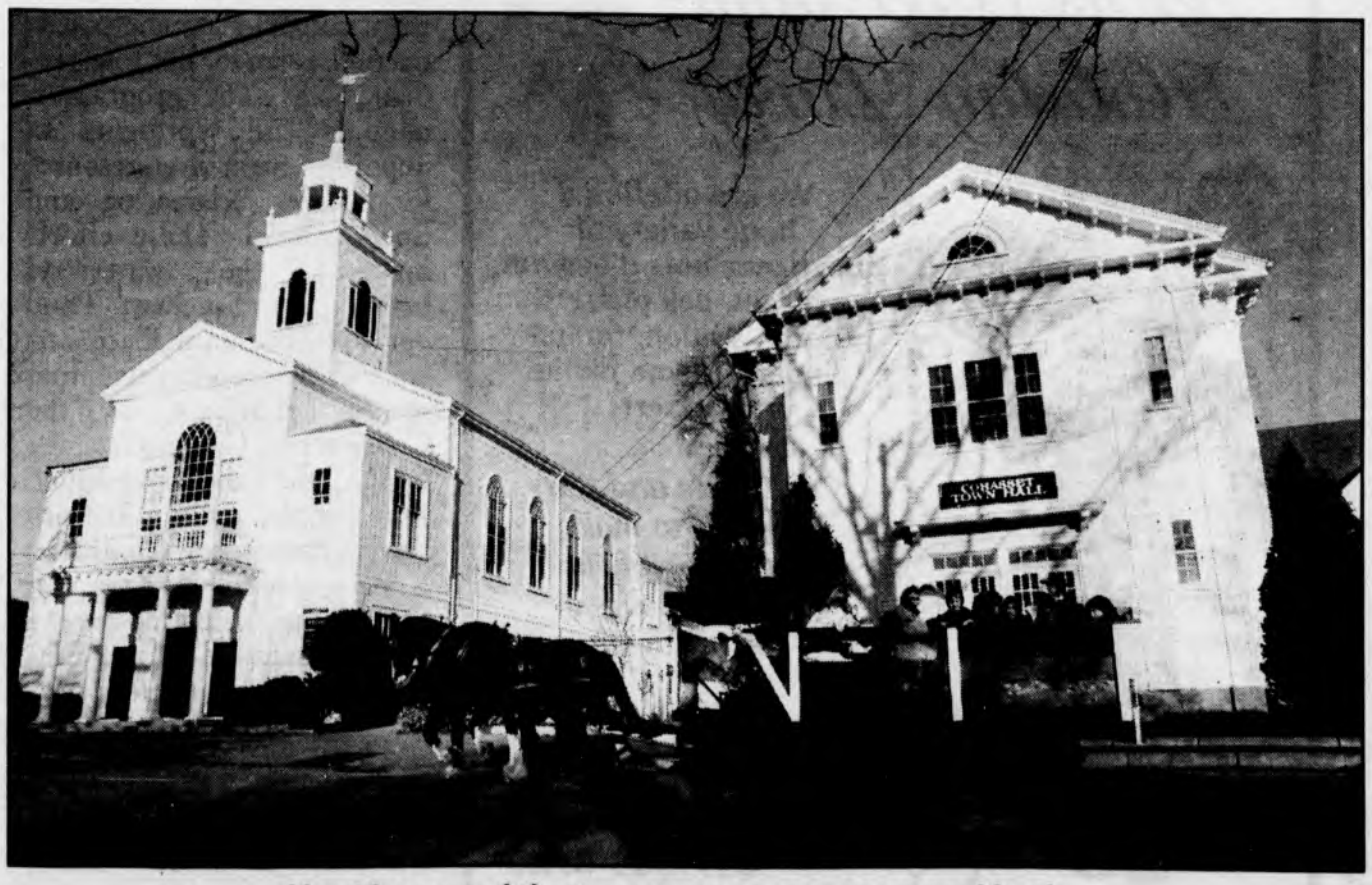
Jingle Bell Walk Delights All

Santa and Mrs. Claus, elves and even Frosty the Snowman arrive at the dock last Friday for the Jingle Bell Walk.

Garrett Canny meets Santa for a photo and to make a request or two at the South Shore Community Center.

Abigail Barrett anticipates Santa's arrival. The walk took Santa and his entourage from the harbor to the Community Center.

Elf Nicki Barnes helped Santa hand out jingle bells to everyone at Friday's family-oriented event.



Hayrides around the town common were sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce merchant members.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Hagerty Building and the Learning Lab, a Good Mix

To the Editor:

Your excellent article on this subject prompts me to offer some supplementary information about The Learning Laboratory for Marine Biology and Genetic Research aka The Lobster Lab.

Expanding use of genetics in disease prevention, medical treatment, improvements in food resources, etc. will create new companies, new products, new medical and scientific heroes and fortunes, and is one of the gateways to the future. Careers in research, or even experience with the discipline of research, are some of the beneficial potential of the facility.

Although the Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation (CLC) was established to rescue the decrepit lightkeeper's house before it would be too late, our charter authorizes the corporation, in effect, to do good works of any kind as long as no profit accrues to individual members. Observing that Kevin Ulmer's visionary plan was about to expire, from lack of the building essential to its viability, is a little like observing a child whose potential promise is in jeopardy from lack of support. Good people can't help wanting to help rectify the situation (perhaps while guiltily wishing they could have been spared knowing about it). The full explanation is a little more complicated, but that's essentially how the board of directors of the lightkeepers came to agree overwhelmingly to adopt the lab project. That, and the ability to see that the difficulties are of far less significance than the future benefits of implementing Dr. Ulmer's far-sighted concept. (I hope my fellow Lightkeepers aren't embarrassed by the implications of their nobility).

Dr. Ulmer has offered to use his unique and relevant expertise to benefit the future students and faculties of the region, by developing a Learning Laboratory for Marine Biology and Genetic Research and by being its initial (and unpaid) part-time director. A waterfront site is needed, for small amounts of circulating sea water, and the financial viability of the project is much improved if the Hagerty building can be leased for $1 per year, rather than purchasing or erecting a building. There is no other suitable site available, except perhaps at exorbitant cost. Absent adoption of the project by CLC, the building would be irrevocably lost to the town, and the magnificent idea allowed to wither away. Fortunately, CLC provides an existing organization with legal non-profit status already established, and with a track record of accomplishment.

We recognized that the lab project would have to be funded separately from the original house project, so as not to prejudice the financial stability of the original project. Up to $10,000 may be "borrowed" from the original project. Why not? Other organizations and individuals were generous in getting the lightkeeper's house project off the ground, and it seems appropriate that CLC benefit the town by at least risking a small amount to boost another worthy project. We recognized also it will require the great energy which that comes from understanding and sharing Ulmer's inspiring objective, and that the new project would benefit from CLC being supplemented with some people with that energy.

The project is envisioned as having four phases: development of detail plans and initial fund-raising; renovation of second and third floors and installation of an elevator; establishment of marine biology lab on first floor; and finally establishment of genetics lab on remainder of first floor. The third floor would be rented at market rates to Dr. Ulmer for his private use (this serves the lab better than if his office was in some other building, as well as providing some income to defray operating cost). The second floor would be a scientific library and computer center linked to other institutions and other amenities.

In addition to soliciting donations of valuable equipment and some pro bono services, we will have to raise about $400,000. It won't be easy, but the energy that is generated by an inspiring goal can make amazing things happen!

Unless and until the lab facility is spun off to some new non-profit organization, CLC would complete the renovations and equipment procurement, and would operate the facility with Dr. Ulmer as its volunteer Scientific Director. Financial accounting, fundraising, and expenditure of funds would be completely independent of the original lightkeeper's house operation.

Although of no relevance to the lab project, the fees charged for use of Bancroft Hall have been brought into question, without introducing the realities of operating cost. When renovation of the lightkeeper's house was first proposed, there were unrealistic expectations that community facilities could be available at nominal cost. But innocence has had to yield to the realities of renovation and operating cost, and sizable fees must be charged for private functions to enable CLC to accommodate all the worthy groups that use the hall at no cost. We also must build up a reserve fund for major capital repairs such as roof replacement. However, our ability to project expenses and revenues has improved with two years of experience, and in early 1997 we will be reviewing, and probably revising downward, our fee structure.

Some feel that the land now occupied by the Hagerty building should be used for park land or parking spaces. But is the value of a few more parking spaces comparable to the long term impact of the Learning Lab? The building will produce small return if sold to be moved away, or will cost a few dollars if demolished and carted off in a dumpster. Surely small potatoes compared with the expansion of student horizons. As Kevin Ulmer has pointed out, we do a lot for the athletically inclined, but too little for "the nerds." Intellectual stimulation and growth is important.

Which wins, vision or tunnel vision?

R. M. Campbell, President
Cohasset Lightkeepers Corp.

Volunteer Manpower Source Offered

To the Editor:

We were pleased to note that very serious efforts are presently underway at solving the James Brook flooding problem (Cohasset Mariner, 11/21). The combined continuous participation of the town engineer, conservation commission, department of public works, and the selectmen should be encouraged and applauded.

In April of 1995 and 1996, approximately 50 Cohasset High School students, along with the Cohasset Mosquito Control Committee (CMCC), initiated a program of cleaning James Brook to help in reducing the mosquito population and concurrently enhancing the beauty and learning potential of the area for our total student body. The program is ongoing and represents an important manpower resource for future reclamation and flood control. These efforts involved the waterways between the Sanctuary Pond outlet and the Smith Place wetland. Active support came from several members of the Conservation Commission, the CMCC, the Council on Aging, townspeople, and the Rosano-Davis Construction Company.

We respectfully suggest that the groups listed above be included in future deliberations concerning reclamation projects on James Brook.

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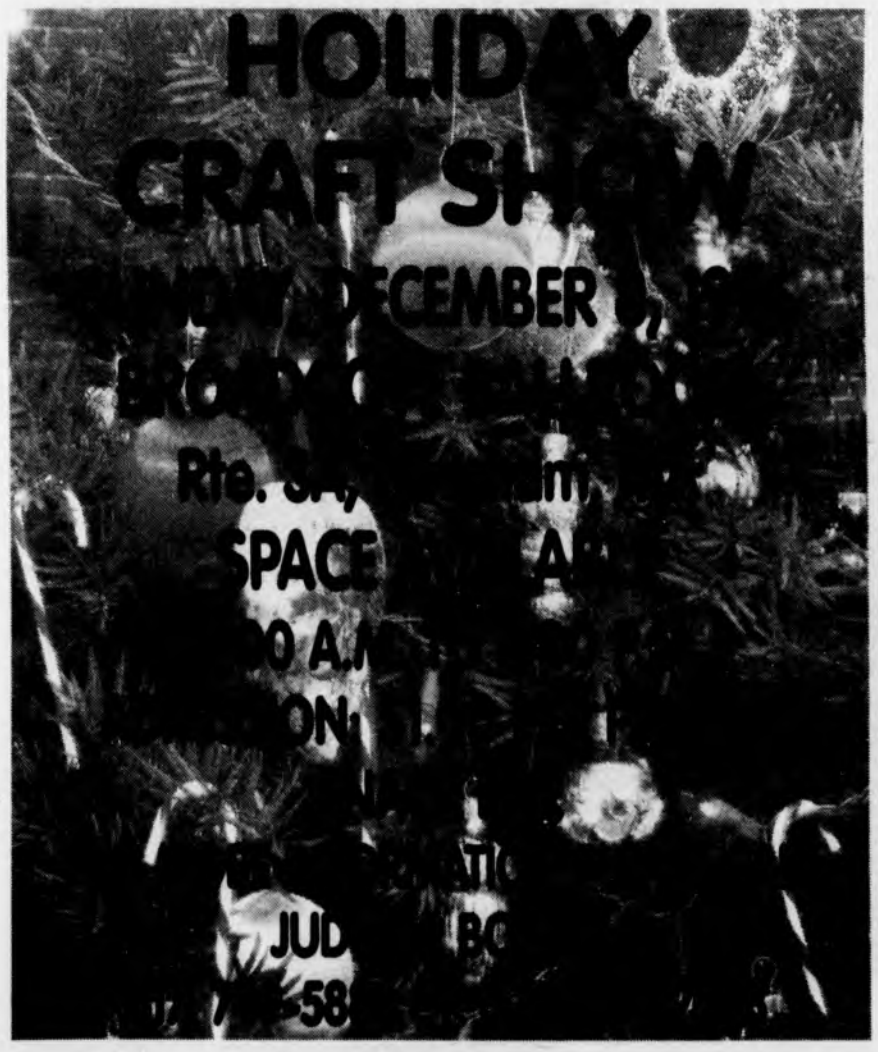

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let's Hope Cohasset Never Has To Do It Again

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the many, many people who worked to make the Memorial Dedication Day a powerful tribute to our brave friends who gave their lives in Korea and Vietnam.

It was a wonderful undertaking and it took the hard work and dedication of many to make it happen. I would like to thank some of the many: our parade commander Ralph Perroncello and our military protocol experts, Bob Jackson and Wayne Harrington, the military facts gathering by Joe Hamilton. The Veterans organizations, especially the Sons of the Legion, Scott Arnold and Tom Wigmore, for the color guard, the members of the fire squad.

The behind the scenes hustle of Vin Nardo, Craig Mur, Jarrod Batts, Brad Potolicchio, Chris Pratt, Sean Conte and Elizabeth Nardo for keeping the locations set up ahead of the parade. The Legion's women's auxiliary for getting invitations out and hosting at the early part of the reception, and to Mary Brennock for baking the Dedication day cake.

Chief Brian Noonan for his participation, and command and control of all the police details that kept the roads closed as we moved during the afternoon.

Our thanks to the selectmen for giving us full access to the town departments and for ordering town flags at half-staff. The bus drivers, Hugh Morgan and Kevin Soule. Ham Tewksbury for bringing the senior shuttle along to give a lift.

Jack Whorley and the recreation department for the early financial support for the band.

The clergy, Reverend Bert White, Reverend Gary Ritts, and Father John Mulvehill, for their benedictions.

Special thanks to our friends at the senior center, Kathy Bryanton, and the community center, Stephanie Church, for use of their facilities for the reception.

The men who made the dedication speeches after many rewrites and long rehearsals were superb: Cliff Jones, John Morgan, Joe Hamilton, Merle Brown, Bruce Butman, Bob Jackson, Joe McElroy and Wayne Harrington.

The wonderful folks at the DPW who were out until the last minute trimming and raking, and their superintendent Harold Litchfield, whose methodical guidance got us through the construction phase of the project.

Our heartfelt thanks and appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. John Covell of 77 Jerusalem Road for giving the town a license to name a portion of their land Peter J. Albiani Jr. Square.

We are grateful to the many, many contributors who helped, and last but not least, the citizens of Cohasset who allowed the locations to be renamed.

We should never forget the efforts of everyone who helped in this tribute to our sons, brothers, friends, and heroes.

Glenn Pratt
482 King St.

Dedicated Staff Is Appreciated

Dr. Mr. Hart:

I am writing to inform you of how pleased I was with the recent sixth grade trip to Camp Bourndale. I was lucky enough to chaperone the second night of the camp and was able to witness first hand part of the wonderful experience the kids went through. There was a lot of enthusiasm and excitement during the time I was there. At night, the boys in my cabin talked extensively about the day's activities and what would happen the next day.

All of this would not have happened were it not for an extraordinary effort put forth by the sixth grade teachers. In this day and age, it is rare to find such extra effort. This group of teachers put in extra time and energy, starting with three fund-raisers and culminating in a well-planned three day outdoor camp experience that most children never get to experience. My wife and I consider ourselves fortunate that our child is a sixth grader in the Cohasset school system and is being taught by such a dedicated staff.

Edward Lappen
Cohasset

Editor's Note: A copy of this letter to Supt. Stephen Hart was provided to the Cohasset Mariner.

School Technology Aide Thanked

To the Editor:

Thursday, Nov. 21, the Cohasset Public Schools televised its first school committee meeting on channel 52. This program was made possible by the conscientious and committed efforts of Ms. Cori Hughes, technology aide at the junior/senior high school. Ms. Hughes set up the television studio with all the necessary audio and visual equipment needed to produce such a program. Ms. Hughes is to be highly commended for her commitment to the Cohasset schools, and we look forward to seeing future efforts on channel 52.

Joseph W. Angelo, Ed. D.
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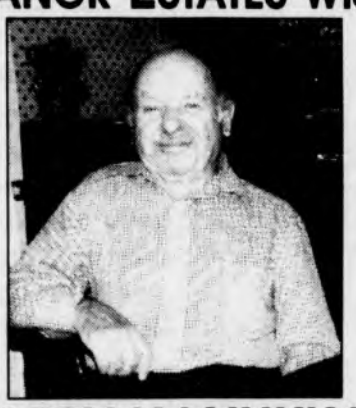

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Septic System Causes Nightmare, Neighbors say

Health Board Workshop is Dec. 10

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

As the board of health develops a plan to deal with failing septic systems in town — one local couple warned selectmen this week that the new systems can cause a different set of problems.

Paul and Robin Lualdi, 56 Deep Run, said the alternative septic system, called a "FAST system" being constructed next door to their house, has created drainage, noise and odor problems.

Selectmen will ask the health board to look into the matter and report back to them Monday.

The system incorporates its own mini-treatment plant that includes a green machine that forces air into the tank. The machine looks and sounds a lot like an air conditioner.

The Lualdis said the "jolly green pump house" has been placed on the lot line where they can easily see and hear it.

They also said the roots to trees on their property where cut during construction and the new berm created by the system has created a dam that doesn't allow the water from their property to drain to a nearby brook the way it used to.

The Lualdis said the health board, which has jurisdiction over septic system approvals, has dismissed their complaints and said it was a civil matter.

"There has been no thought to the environmental impact," Mr. Lualdi said. "We are quite frustrated by the whole thing."

Selectman Nan Roth pointed out that while alternative systems are a "boon to our rocky coastline", all affects on neighbors must be considered.

Health board member Kevin Ulmer, who attended Monday's meeting to participate in an executive session on another matter, said alternative systems, which are more expensive, are used only when traditional systems won't work due to geographic limitations.

Lualdi said he was concerned that if the town goes forward with its septic system plan then it would pit "neighbor against neighbor" unless these problems are resolved.

The health board is conducting workshops dealing with a master plan for "on-site wastewater management" in town.

The next workshop is at 8 p.m., Dec. 10 at town hall.

COUNCIL CORNER/Pat Baird

The junior/senior high school council met Nov. 13. There is an opening for a community representative on the council. Any person, not a parent of a school age child, who would like to volunteer, please call the high school office at 383-6100.

Girls' lacrosse has been added to next year's budget. Previously girls lacrosse has been considered a club team.

The middle school concept discussions are moving ahead. Scheduling is now being considered. Principal Curtis Collins complimented the faculty for its enthusiasm and hard work.

Junior high protocol issues were presented. Parents are advised that the chain of communications starts with the teachers.

Block scheduling is also being discussed in committees.

The next junior/senior high council meeting will be held Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. in the AV Studio.

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The Deer Hill School Council met Nov. 12. The council discussed the success of the "Make-a-Difference Day," which involved parents, teachers and students participating in work projects around the school. Future plans include a "Net Day" to get the school connected to the Internet.

The need for an informative meeting for parents to learn about their role in the student's homework and projects was discussed. Principal Paul Callahan suggested a parents' coffee to deal with this issue.

Further discussion regarding the school climate emphasized the success with the homeroom seating plan in the cafeteria and the marked improvement in school conduct. The council was unanimous in supporting future school traditions to help involve the students in the community and facilitate positive social events, such as the sixth grade Bournedale trip and supporting activities.

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The Osgood School Council met Nov. 12. Members created an agenda for the "Meet Your Principal and Council Coffee." The coffee was held the evening of Nov. 18 and refreshments were provided by the PSO. Council members discussed the Osgood School core values and worked to make the core values into a language that children will understand. Members decided that the core values could be made into posters with illustrations that represent the values. These posters will be used in classes to focus discussions on core values. The next meeting will be held Dec. 10.

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Council meetings are open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.

Hedlund Hosts Holiday Open House

State Sen. Robert L. Hedlund and his family will host a holiday open house Saturday, Dec. 7, from 7 p.m. to midnight at Hingham Community Center, 70 South Street, Downtown Hingham. The event is open to all who wish to attend.

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Hart Responds to GED Exam Requirement

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset School Supt. Stephen Hart is joining his counterparts in other communities in the state, urging the Massachusetts Board of Education not to require high school seniors to take the General Educational Development (GED) test.

Hart said a letter is being sent this week from the Massachusetts Association of School Superintendents to John Silber, chairman of the board of education, regarding Silber's recent proposal that all high school seniors take the exam as a requirement for graduation.

Last week, the board of education voted to require the exam, drawing sharp criticism from educators and students across the state.

In the Nov. 26 letter, Peter Finn, executive director of the superintendents' association, said the organization "urges you **not to administer** [emphasis theirs] the GED examination to high school seniors in the spring of 1997."

Hart said he agrees with the superintendents' position that graduating students should be able to pass the GED, but "it's not the right thing to do now."

New curriculum guidelines adopted under the state's education reform program are being phased in, Hart said. Schools are incorporating these guidelines and the test that will be given in 1997 to tenth graders is a main component of education reform.

That examination "will be based on curricula that schools are clearly responsible for teaching and students are clearly responsible for learning, an appropriate and defensible position from which to impose sanctions," Finn wrote of the new test.

Hart said the "curriculum framework" is a "basic level of knowledge" in math, science, history and social studies, and English. The new test will directly relate to these subjects.

While Silber has been highly critical of school systems where students are regularly passed from grade to grade, and graduated without a minimal proficiency in basic subjects, Hart feels this is not the case in Cohasset.

One state legislator, Harold Lane (D-Holden) estimated it would cost the Commonwealth $4 million to administer the GED exam to high school seniors this year, and promised to fight to withhold the money.

Paul Reville, chairman of Massachusetts Education Reform Review Commission called the GED exam requirement "ill-considered, unfair, illegal, impractical, and inefficient." The board of education cannot legally withhold a diploma unless students are given clear advance notice of changes in graduation requirements, he said.

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Reader Survey Question for December 5, 1996

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Several towns are part of the South Shore Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board (SSRRDP), which seeks solutions to regional refuse management issues they are all facing.

With the recent closing of the North Shore Fibers facility in Libbey Park, Weymouth, which had handled 80 percent of the South Shore's waste paper, the SSRRDP is seeking an interim lease for this purpose at Hanger Two in the South Weymouth Naval Air Base.

Waste paper prices in the last two years have seen dramatic fluctuations—from $40 to $200 per ton. If a transfer station were created at the air station, waste materials could be stored there until prices were more realistic, according to Carol Swete, Solid Waste Planner at the Metropolitan Area Planning Council, which is co-sponsoring the forum.

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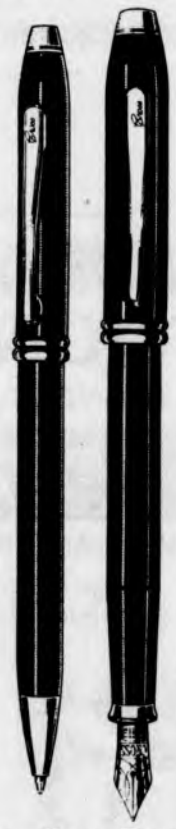

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Activities Offered at Community Center

South Shore Community Center is offering classes during the winter months.

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Computer for the Novice Re-Entering the Workforce will be offered starting Jan. 8 on Wednesdays from noon to 2 p.m. ($190M/ $199/NM for 10 weeks).

A class in **Excel 4.0** is scheduled for Wednesdays beginning Jan. 8 from 6 to 8 p.m. ($95/M, $98/NM for four weeks).

Free Play for children ages 14 months to three years and older is set for Friday, Dec. 13, from 10:35 to noon. The cost is $5 at the door ($1 for second sibling).

Cooking, Science & Nature with Mary Brennock for ages 3-5 and older will start Friday, Jan. 10, running from 9 to 11 a.m. ($88/M, $98/NM for eight weeks).

Joan Reid will teach a **Sculpey Clay Holiday Workshop** for ages 6 and up Friday, Dec. 13, from 3 to 5:30 p.m. The $20 fee includes materials. Students will make holiday jewelry.

Fitness First Plus (Health & Fitness Center) and South Shore Community Center offer a variety of aerobic and fitness training classes to SSCC members for $69 per month. The fee includes unlimited use of the aerobic program and use of FFP Health & Fitness Center, including personal training. A $50 fee includes admittance to 10 aerobic classes ($5 drop-in rate). Babysitting is available at St. Stephen's Church Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Baby-sitting for Last Minute Shoppers will be offered Dec. 23 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in SSCC's nursery school. The cost is $20. Reservations must be made by Dec. 13.

For class details or to register, call the community center at 383-0088.

Fair Will Benefit Food Pantries

Jack Conway's Cohasset sales office will hold its third annual Harvest Fair Sunday, Dec. 8, to benefit Cohasset and Scituate food pantries. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Conway's Cohasset office on Route 3A.

Featured will be a bake sale, silent auction of goods and services donated by local businesses and refreshments.

Conway Realtor and Harvest Fair organizer Marge Gorman said, "We hope to surpass the more than $3,000 raised in 1995."

For additional information or to make a donation of a baked good or silent auction item, call Marge Gorman at 383-1800.

Democrats Sponsor Holiday Food Drive

The Cohasset Democratic Town Committee is sponsoring a food drive to benefit the Cohasset Food Pantry and the increasing number of local families who depend on this resource during the holiday season.

"We want to do our part to help out those in need in our community," said Chairwoman Ronnie McMorris. "This will be the ninth year in a row that the Democratic Town Committee has collected canned goods for the food pantry."

The committee will also be collecting canned goods at the Stop & Shop Sunday, Dec. 8, between noon and 2 p.m.

Canned goods will also be accepted at the Committee's Annual Family Christmas Party, Wednesday, Dec. 11, 7 p.m., at the Lighthouse Keeper's Lodge at Government Island. All Cohasset Democrats and Independents are invited to attend.

The Cohasset Food Pantry currently serves about 30 Cohasset families.

Please call the food drive coordinators, Pat Laugelle, 383-1737, or Virginia Najmi, 383-0214, for more information.

Holiday Concert to Benefit Wellspring

First Parish in Cohasset will hold its 18th annual holiday concert Sunday, Dec. 15, at 4 p.m. in the Meeting House on Cohasset Common.

This year the Unicorn Singers will present "A French Christmas," featuring Charpentier's "Midnight Mass for Christmas" for chorus, soloists and organ. The mass is unique among Baroque works for its use of ancient French Christmas tunes as themes for the mass movements. A suite by Cohasset arranger Rich Jensen sets in more contemporary harmonies the same noels. Several familiar French carols for audience participation will complete the program.

Individuals may become patrons for a gift of $40, which includes two tickets. Advance tickets are $5 and may be purchased at the church office. Tickets at the door are $8. For more information, call 383-1100.

This year's concert will benefit Wellspring Multi Services, Inc. in Hull. Wellspring's mission is to help people in need so they may live with dignity and a sense of self-worth. Wellspring provides programs and services which enable people to develop skills and confidence necessary for improving the quality of their lives. Programs include adult education, crisis counseling, battered women's support group and an emergency food pantry.

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Skippers Fall to Bowl-Bound Pirates

Thanksgiving Day Mutiny

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

On a cold and raw Thanksgiving Day, the Cohasset Skippers were overwhelmed by the powerful and speedy Hull Pirates in a 46-8 loss. This edition of the annual Cohasset-Hull Turkey Day match-up, the first played on Cohasset's Alumni Field, was played in freezing weather on a frosted field before a crowd of 1,500 shivering fans. The Skippers, maligned by injuries, were missing three of their four captains and seven starters. By the end of the game, only 23 of the opening game's roster of 39 stood ready to play. With depleted ranks like these, the Skippers had to work doubly hard to compete.

On the opening drive, Hull marched slowly but steadily down field. Chad Whitman and Matt Belson, who would later leave the game due to injuries, made tackles, along with defensive end Jamie Buick. Linebackers Justin Golden and Adam Sasso made several hits, and Jamie DeMichele, Mike Kearney and Mike Rossi all came up from the secondary to assist on tackles. But the Skipper defense was unable to hold off the fired-up Pirates and Hull struck through the air with an 18-yard TD pass. Matt Littlefield carried in the conversion.

The Skipper offense couldn't get moving, despite good run blocking by the offensive line, including Jarred Batts and Luke Caldwell. The CHS punt team came on and kicked away. On the next play, Hull's Joe Caparotta scampered 77 yards for the touchdown. The two-point conversion increased Hull's lead to 16-0.

The game continued with the Skipper offense stalling and punting away to the Pirates. By the end of the first half, it was 32-0, but the home team was still fighting. With starting quarterback Pat Hurley sidelined with a nasty flu, Ben Ketchum stepped in over center to call the signals for the Skippers. Ketchum, a sophomore, played admirably, facing an intimidating Hull squad.

Kearney played especially well for the Skippers, coming from his defensive back position to make some nice tackles, including one bone-crunching hit which brought a roar from the Skipper faithful. Buick also performed nicely, providing some pressure from his end position. He, too, made a nice tackle, smothering Littlefield from behind on a punt return. Batts, normally an offensive lineman, was called upon to serve as a defender, and delivered, helping to solidify the Cohasset defense towards the end of the game.

Doug Cameron played admirably on special teams, returning a kickoff and downing a punt for the Skippers. Cameron also blocked well from his end spot. Another Skipper who upped his game was Grant Emde, a senior captain who ran the ball well and also played tough defense. Even the icy field couldn't slow down Emde, who sped all over the field.

The Skippers' lone score of the afternoon came in exciting fashion. In the closing minutes, Ketchum reared back and fired a rope to Buick who hauled it in and broke down field. Dodging and breaking through tackles, he cruised into the endzone, completing the 46-yard pass play. On the conversion, Ketchum lateraled to Emde, who tossed a strike to Cameron in the end zone. Despite heavy defensive coverage, Cameron squeezed it and gave Cohasset the extra two points.

After the game, head coach Bob Knurek reflected on the team's loss. "We had three captains – all starters – out with the flu. Ketchum came in on one hour's notice to start at quarterback. He'd had one game's experience and he came in to do a heck of a job."

The Hull game marked the Skippers' last of the season, which they finished at 1-9. The squad looks to be on the rise, however, after a tough first season back in the South Shore League.

Cohasset's Justin Golden (22) finds some running room against Hull in the Skippers' annual Thanksgiving Day game at Alumni Field.

Photo by John Liddington

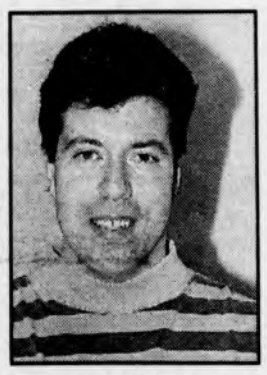
EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Skippers Are Better Than Thanksgiving Showing

Cohasset had just dropped its annual Thanksgiving Day game to Hull High, its long-time rival, 46-8. The game was the first Turkey day contest on the Skippers' gorgeous new Alumni Field and the first since Cohasset rejoined the South Shore League after six successful seasons playing an Independent schedule.

On this day, the field had patches of ice and mud. The temperature was cold, but tropical compared to a late November football game on Hull High's home field. The rough conditions slowed Hull, but they made life even more difficult for the young, undermanned Cohasset team.

Head coach Bob Knurek knew the Skippers would be in for a taxing campaign against the likes of Super Bowl-bound Hull, much the same way Cohasset had its work cut out for it against Hanover, Abington, Carver and every other team in the SSL. Life is rough when you're the new guy in school. It's that much tougher when you're small, too.



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So Knurek decided to set realistic goals for the Skippers, a team that was obviously in over its head the first year back.

Instead of judging the squad on its overall record, he broke down the season in such a way where several smaller goals served as building blocks for the future.

First off, he figured the Skippers could come away with three victories. Knurek hoped that Cohasset would win both its non-league games then catch a team on its heals and pull off an upset within the league. The Skippers wound up defeating non-league opponent Holbrook, but wasn't able to pull off the other two goals.

Oh yes, there was one other goal Knurek had for his squad. This was the one that will be written down and posted on the team room wall. The one teams swear by, no matter what the sport. Knurek didn't want any team walking off the field feeling as though they hadn't played a football game. If Cohasset was going to go down, its opponents would have to work for the W. Parcells lives by it and Knurek wants to see more of it.

"Our goal was to make the other team play four quarters," Knurek said. "We did that a couple of times."

The only reason Cohasset wasn't able to do it more was its size in relation to its competition. The Skippers belong more in a Division 5 or 6 league than Division 4. This year they were way over their heads and they knew it.

But there's absolutely no question the football program is headed in the right direction. Just ask Hull head coach John Anderson. He's probably relieved the Pirates are playing Bishop Fenwick in the Division 4B Super Bowl on Saturday instead of going against Cohasset. Anderson's a football guy and he absolutely didn't want to take on Knurek's squad last Thursday.

Anderson knows the game better than

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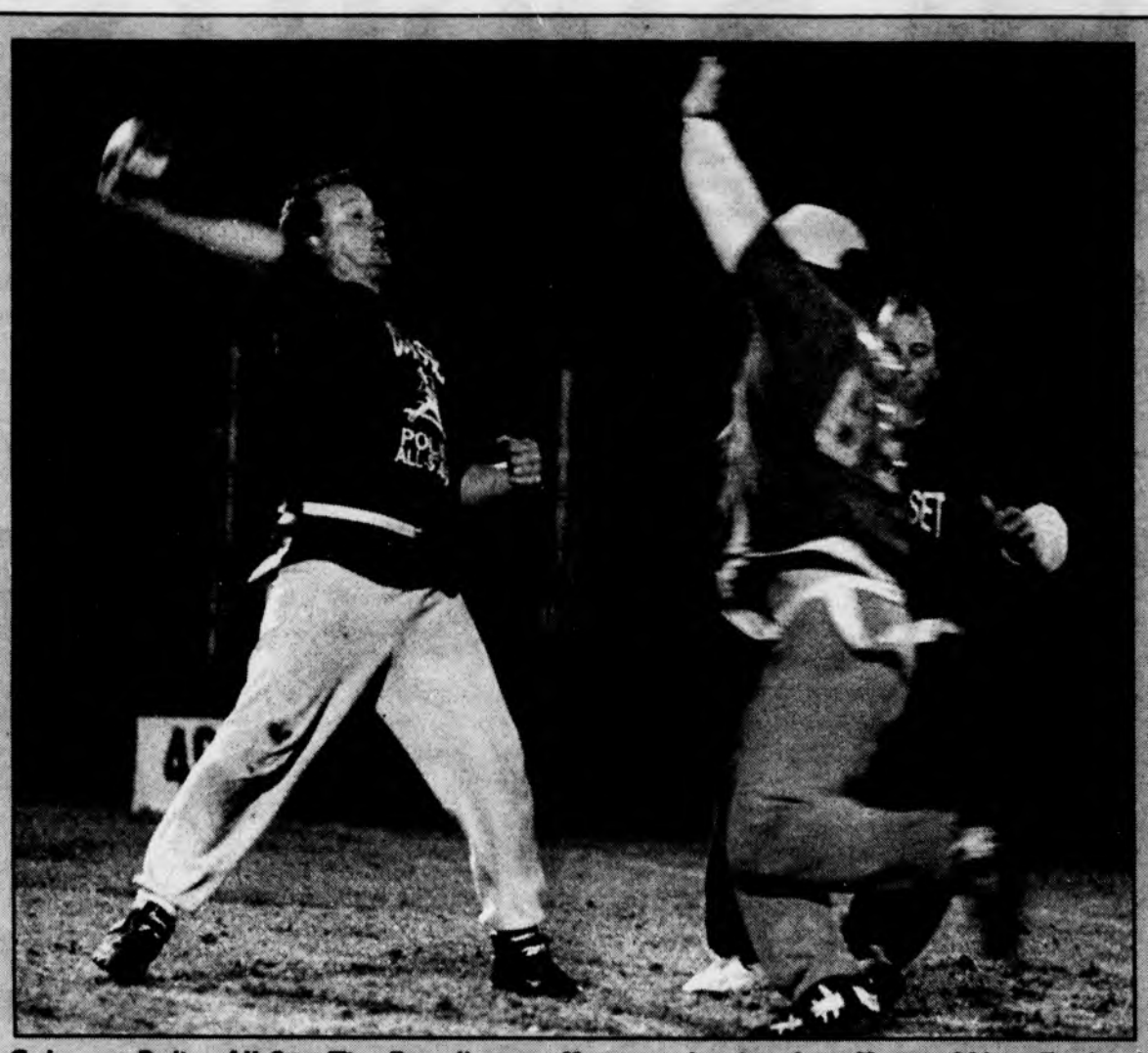

Cohasset Police All-Star Tim Farrell gets off a pass despite the efforts of New England Patriots Celebrity All-Star Mike Ruth. Staff Photo/Bill Wadsworth

EXTRA POINTS

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any of us think we do. He saw something about the Cohasset team to worry about. Doesn't that tell you something right there? The Skippers may not be there now, but their destination is a good one.

You can ask around the league, too. Abington and Carver both had to battle their way back from first-quarter defecits and solid second quarters to gain leads over Cohasset. Depth, size and experience won out in the end, but all three are aspects of a good team that can be improved.

"There were games we played a solid half," Knurek said.

The changes are already in place. The Skippers didn't have a seventh- and eighth-grade team. They have one now, with Torin Sweeney at the helm. Players are going to be developing and learning the fundamentals at a younger age and then move up to the freshman squad.

"With the three teams together we can have 40 kids playing every week," Knurek said.

Knurek admitted there were some real low times during the season. Losing is tough and after the fifth or sixth week he could sense it was wearing on the team. But that feeling was inevitable. The kids have to take a look at the overall picture to appreciate what's in store for the future.

However, they could take one particular play from last Thursday's game and use it as a motivational tool.

Cohasset was forced to punt on its first possession in the fourth quarter. As the ball came down it took a hop, forcing Hull's Matt Littlefield to give chase.

The Skippers' Jamie Buick saw what was happening and cut across the field, never giving up on the play. Just as Littlefield picked up the ball, Buick paved him so hard, Littlefield didn't have so much as have a chance to turn upfield.

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Men's Under 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's Over 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult, Advanced Co-Ed Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, Wednesday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Beginner/Intermediate Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, through May 23, 6 to 8:30 p.m. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

January, 1997, Golf Lesson registrations are now – To register or for further details, call either the Cohasset or Scituate Recreation Departments at 383-6791 or 545-8738, respectively.

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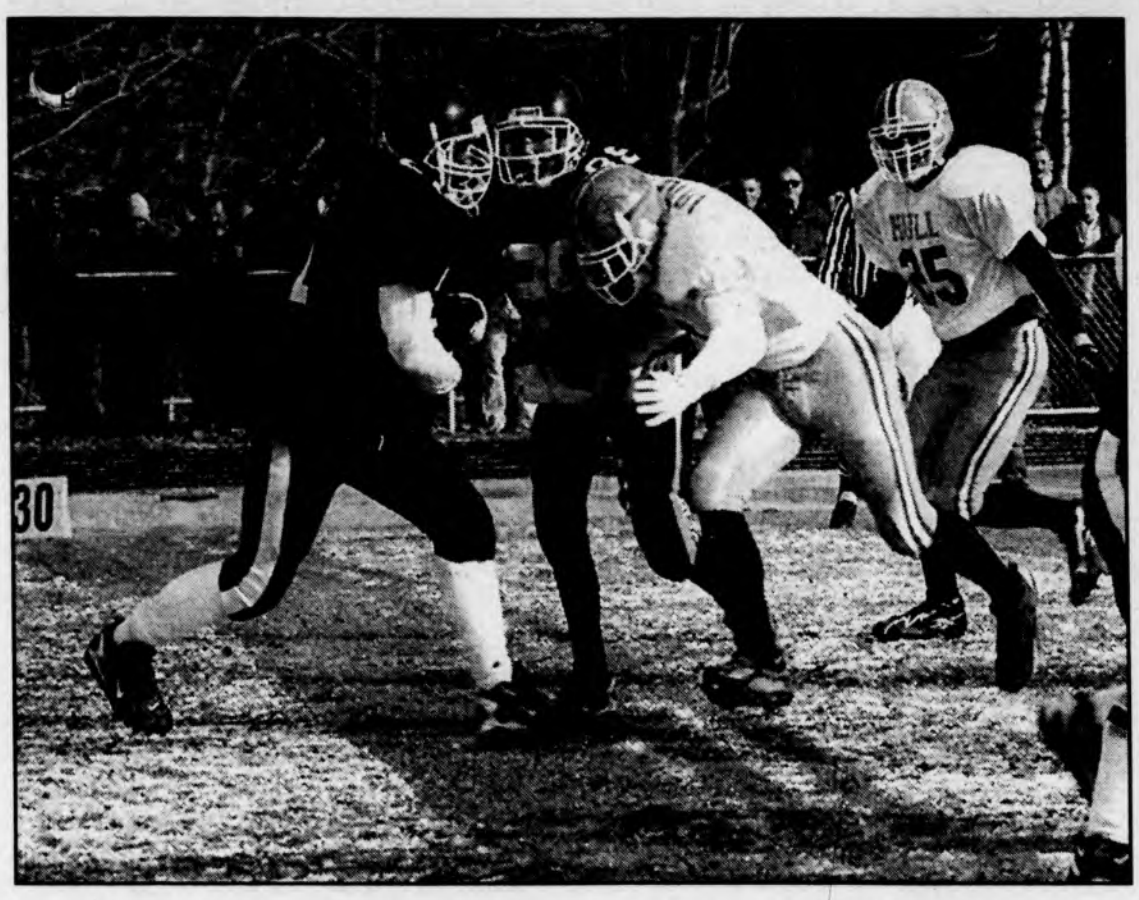
Kick-A-Thon to Benefit New Foundation

A kung fu Kick-A-Thon event will be held Friday, Dec. 13, at Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi in Cohasset. Students and staff member participants will range in age from 6 to – well, quite a bit older. Proceeds from the Kick-A-Thon will be donated to Project Action Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation which provides scholarships in dance, gymnastics and martial arts to underprivileged children and youngsters "at risk." As a Project Action sponsor studio, Jade Forest supports the foundation's goal of providing such youngsters the opportunity to benefit from positive role models, peer support, and self esteem in a healthy, secure and supportive environment.

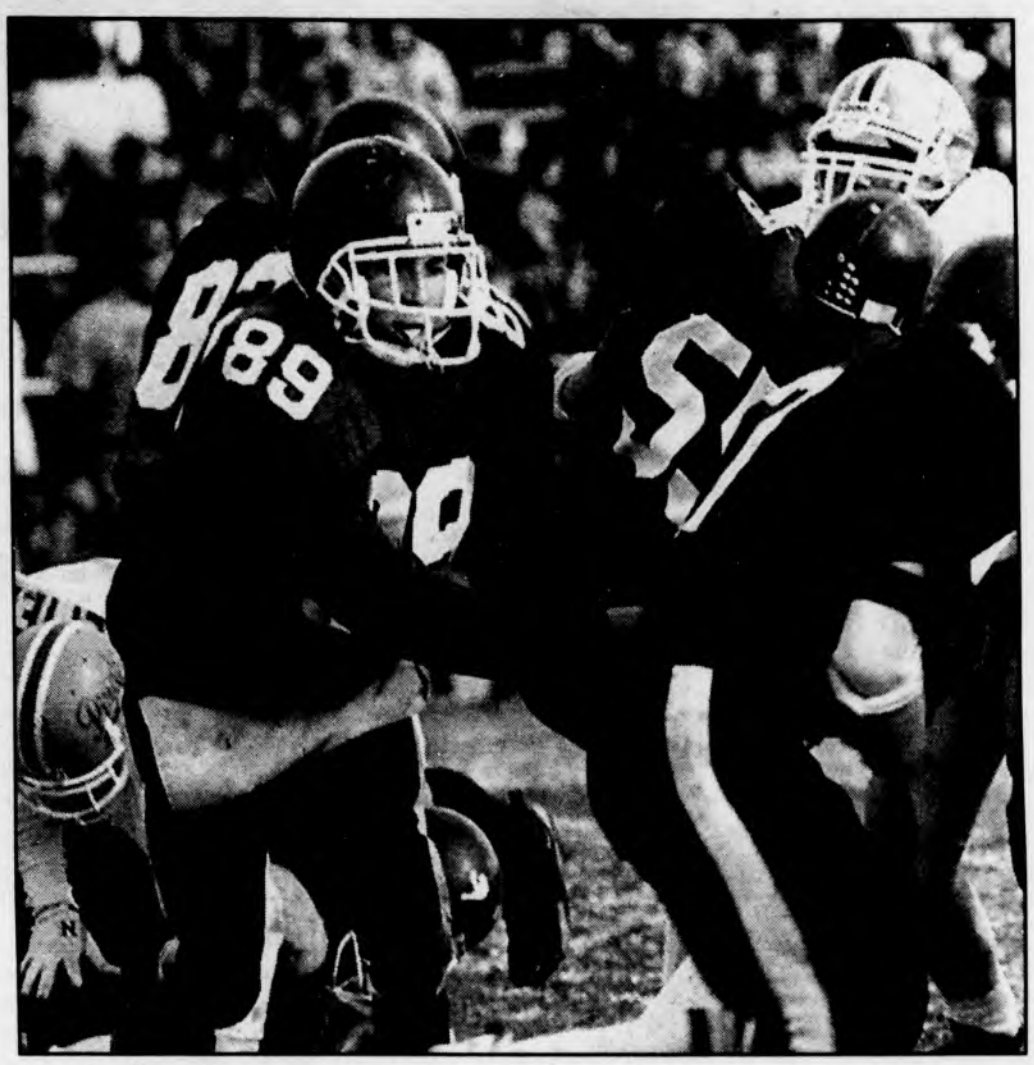
During the Kick-A-Thon, students of all ages and levels of skill will execute basic martial arts kicks as well as some of the more difficult and advanced kicking techniques of kung fu. Scott Jeffery, assistant head instructor at Jade Forest and a nationally rated competitor on the tournament circuit, will kick off the event, beginning at 5:30 p.m. All students participating will have collected donations from sponsors for 100 kicks they will perform. Additional donations can also be made by members of the public wishing to lend their support at this exciting event.

For further information about this event, or to learn more about the programs at Jade Forest, call John Loupos at 617-383-6822.

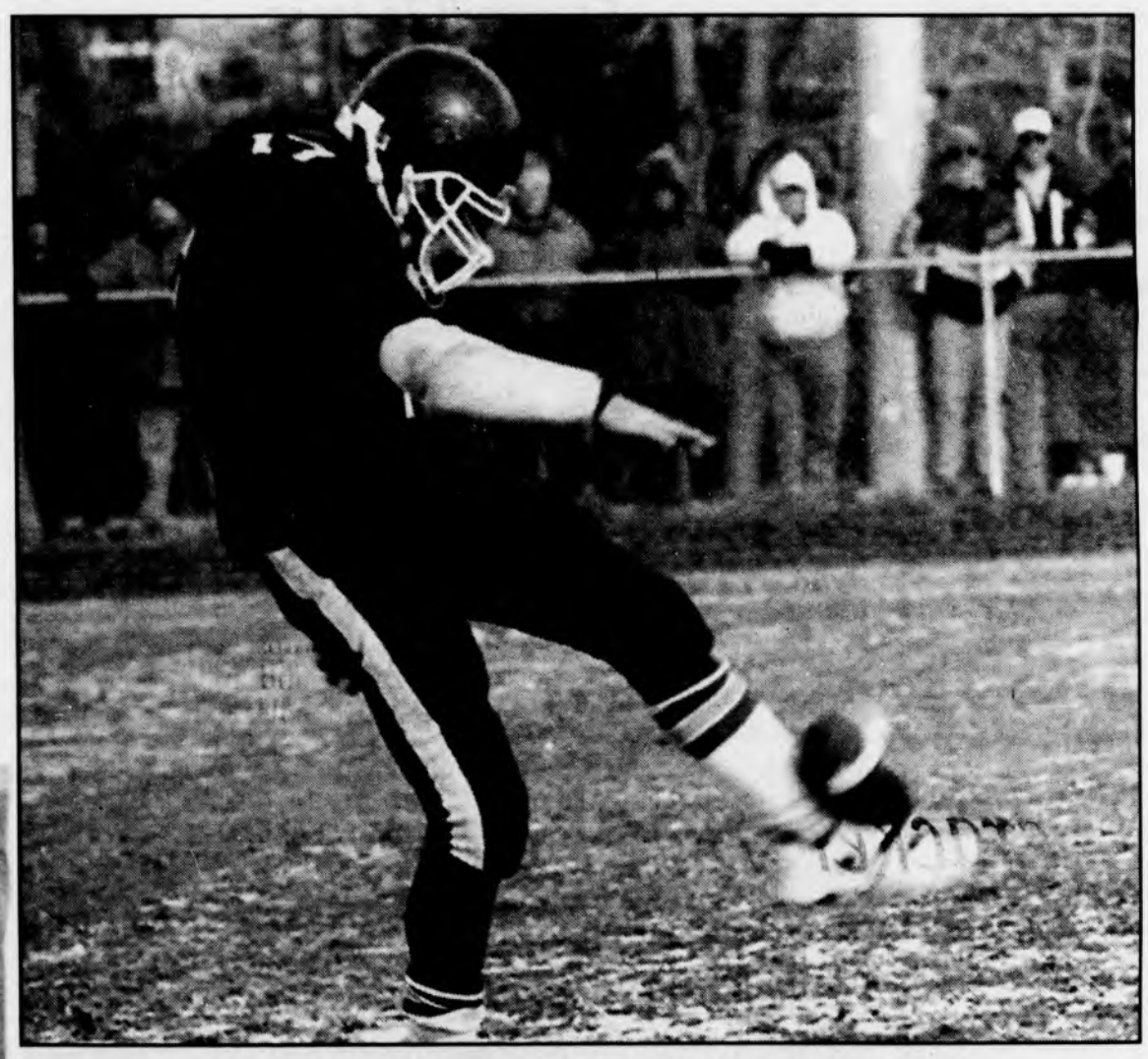
A Home Turf Battle



A Hull defensive player busts through the line and prepares to hit a Cohasset back for a loss as Ben Ketchum passes the ball off.



Sophomore quarterback Ben Ketchum (89) hands off to a Cohasset running back as the Skippers try to move the ball against the tough Hull defense.



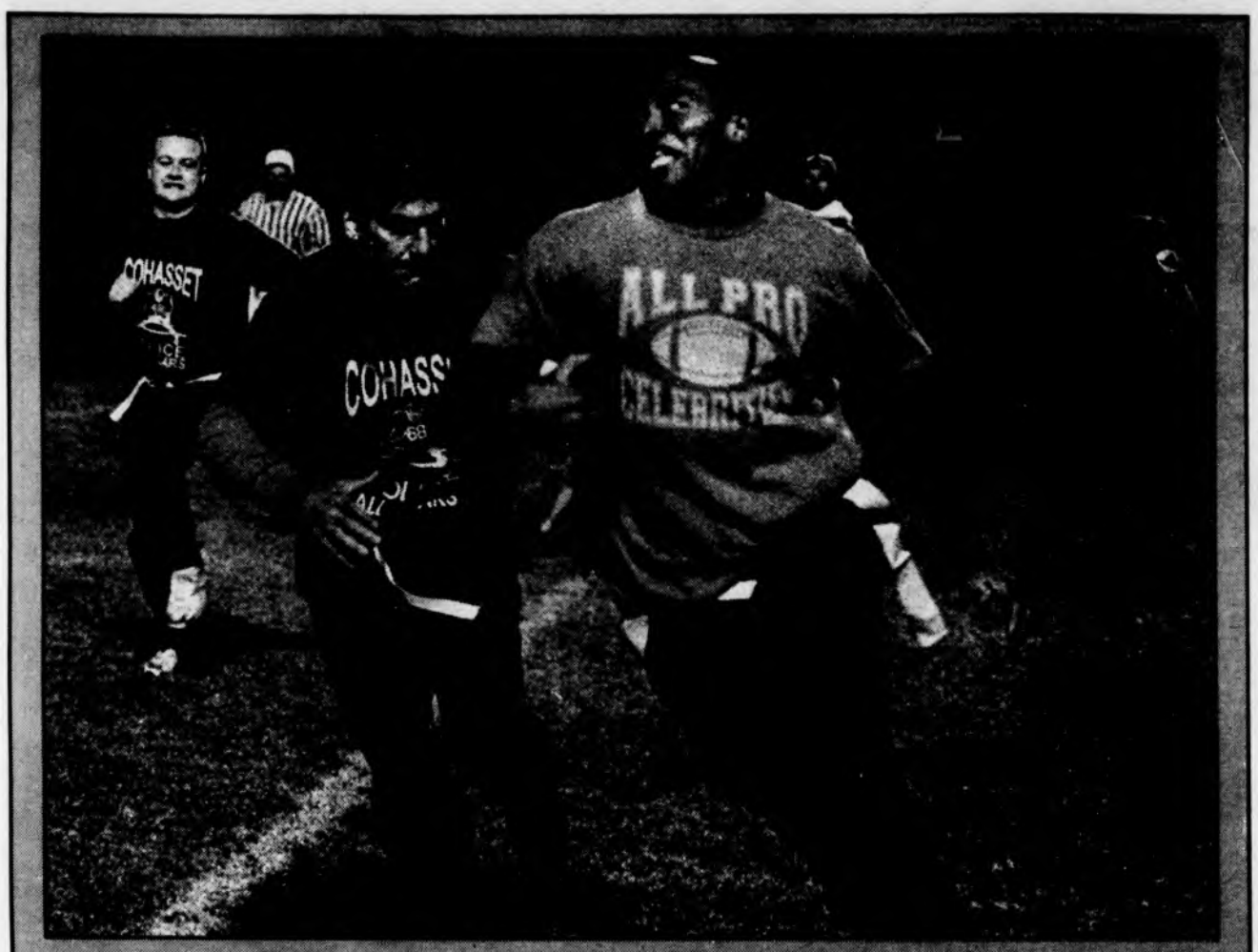
Cohasset was forced to punt several times against Hull.

A Cohasset High cheerleader paints a pretty picture against the background of bare trees and a clear sky.

Cohasset High football fans braved the mid-morning, Thanksgiving Day chill to root the Skippers on against South Shore League rival Hull.

Two spectators try to stay warm as they cheer on the Cohasset High football team.

Photos by John Liddington



Cohasset Police All-Star Tom DaSilva moves in to grab the flag of New England Patriots Celebrity All-Star Garin Veris during the benefit game last Saturday at Alumni Field.
Staff Photo/Bill Wadsworth

Figure Skating Lessons

Professionally-staffed group figure skating lessons are available for all ability levels and ages at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Drive, Hingham. Participants receive a 45-minute lesson plus a practice hour each week. All classes are taught in a step by step planned progression. Absences maybe made up during the 11-week semester. Cost is $110. Call Michele Kelley at 617-749-6660 for more information.

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Ford's Hoop Clinic On Tap

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club will offer Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford's Holiday Vacation Basketball Shooting Clinic for girls and boys, grades 4-8. The 1996 clinic will be held at Cohasset High School's Sullivan Gym, starting Thursday, Dec. 26 to Saturday, Dec. 28, from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

The three-day clinic, directed by Ford, will focus on the development of fundamental offensive skills, designed specifically for grade 4-8 players. Students will receive instruction in ball handling, shooting, balancing, positioning skills, etc., helping make participants better offensive players.

To register, complete registration forms that were handed out at basketball registration, or pick up a registration form at the recreation office, first floor, town hall, and return it to the recreation department as soon as possible as space is limited.

The fee for this unique opportunity is $60 per participant, which includes a clinic T-shirt. Checks should be made payable to Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club. This is the fifth year the Winter Shooting Clinic has been offered through the sponsorships of the Good Sport Sporting Goods Store, Route 3A, Cohasset, the Basketball Boosters Club and the recreation department.

Ski Lessons Set

The Cohasset Recreation Department has a limited number of openings for ski lessons, which begin Thursday, Jan. 2, at Blue Hills. Lessons consist of five 1-3/4 hour classes, available to youngsters age 7 to 18 for all levels of instruction, from novice to advanced.

The fee for bus transportation for five weeks and five lessons is $100 per participant. Rental of equipment is available and costs $45 for the five weeks.

Should you be interested in registering please call the Cohasset Recreation Office at 383-6791, right away.

Cranwell To Host 1997 Bay State Winter Games

The Bay State Games announced today that Cranwell Resort in Lenox will host the Bay State Winter Games cross-country skiing competition Jan. 26.

Cross country competition features a 5K and 10K freestyle race for all ages with divisions grouped by age. A 1K Lollipop race is also available for skiers 5 to 9 years old. Bay State Winter Games cross-country skiing registration material will be available Dec. 2.

The 12th annual event will feature competition in figure skating at Williams College (Williamstown), alpine skiing at Jiminy Peak (Hancock), masters ice hockey at North Adam State College's Vietnam Veterans Memorial Skating Rink (North Adams) and cross country skiing at Cranwell (Lenox).

The games' highly acclaimed figure skating exhibition, The Bay State Skate, will take place Saturday night, Jan. 25. The show features national and regional figure skating champions from Massachusetts.

Registration is now open for figure skating. Alpine and cross-country skiing registration material will be available Dec. 2.

The Bay State Winter Games are sponsored by the Massachusetts State Legislature, NYNEX Yellow Pages, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Princeton Review and the Northern Berkshire Chamber of Commerce.

The Bay State Winter Games are a project of the Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation. The Massachusetts Amateur Sports Foundation also organizes the Bay State Summer Games, special educational programs and other competitions throughout the year. For additional registration, sponsorship and volunteer information call (617) 391-1196.

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Cohasset Winter Sports Schedule

BOYS BASKETBALL
FRESHMEN, JV, VARSITY

12/16 at Norwell
12/18 E. Bridgewater
12/20 Norton
1/[illegible] Scituate
1/[illegible] at Abington
1/8 at Hanover
1/10 Hull
1/15 at Harwich (4:30/6 p.m.)
1/17 Carver
1/21 Norwell
1/24 at E. Bridgewater
1/27 at Norton
1/29 at Scituate
1/31 Abington
2/4 Hanover
2/7 at Hull
2/10 Harwich (4:30/6 p.m.)
2/12 at Carver
2/16 Hall of Fame Classic at Massasoit
2/17 Hall of Fame Classic
12/27 Converse Classic Rockland 8 p.m.
12/30 Catholic Memorial/Weston-TBA
All games will be played at 3:30 (Fr), 5 p.m. (JV), (Varsity) unless otherwise noted.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
JV. VARSITY

12/16 Norwell (3:30/5 p.m.)
12/18 at E. Bridgewater
12/20 at Norton
1/3 at Scituate
1/6 Abington
1/8 Hanover
1/10 at Hull
1/14 BYE
1/17 at Carver
1/21 at Norwell (3:30/5 p.m.)
1/24 E. Bridgewater
1/27 Norton (Varsity 3:30 p.m.)
1/29 Scituate
1/31 at Abington
2/4 at Hanover
2/7 Hull
2/10 BYE
2/12 Carver
All games will be played at: 5 p.m. (JV), 6:30 p.m. (Varsity) unless otherwise noted.
**12/28 Cohasset Girls Holiday Tournament Randolph at Cohasset, 4 p.m.
**12/30 Scituate/Hingham TBA

VARSITY HOCKEY

12/18 at Abington
12/19 S. Boston, 3:30 p.m.
1/4 Scituate, 7:40 p.m.
1/6 Hull, 6:30 p.m.
1/8 at Latin Academy
1/11 at Hanover
1/15 at Norwell
1/18 Norwell, 5:20 p.m.
1/20 at E. Boston
1/25 Wareham
1/29 Abington, 3:50 p.m.
2/1 at Scituate
2/3 at S. Boston, 3:30 p.m.
2/7 at Wareham
2/8 E. Boston, 2:40 p.m.
2/10 Hanover, 6:10 p.m.
2/12 at Hull, 6:10 p.m.

GYMNASTICS

12/16 at Duxbury
12/19 Hanover
1/6 at Norwell
1/8 at Scituate
1/13 Carver
1/16 Duxbury
1/21 at Hanover
1/24 Norwell
1/27 Scituate, 3:30 p.m.
1/30 at Carver
2/5 All League, TBA
All meets are at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

WRESTLING

12/18 BC High, 5:30 p.m.
12/21 at Lynnfield, 10 a.m.
12/26 at Carver/JH Tourn., 9 a.m.
12/27/28 at Marshfield Holiday Tournament, 11 a.m.
1/3 at Norwell vs. Canton, Somset. Shp. Hill, 3:30 p.m.
1/8 Norwell (League), 7 p.m.
1/11 at Whitman-Hanson Tournament, 10 a.m.
1/15 at Scituate (League), 7 p.m.
1/18 Cohasset Tournament, 10 a.m.
1/21 at Hanover, 7 p.m.
1/24 Marshfield vs. N. Quincy, Braintree, 3:30 p.m.
1/29 at Carver, 7 p.m.
2/1 at Hingham and Sharon, 3:30 p.m.
2/5 at Foxboro, 5 p.m.
2/8 at Rockland vs. Middleboro, 10 a.m.
2/10 Duxbury, 3:30 p.m.
2/14/15 at Carver/Div. III S. Sec.-TBA.
2/21/22 at Wayland III States, TBA
3/1 at TBA/Mass All-States, TBA
3/7/8 TBA/N.E. Champ, TBA.

SWIMMING

1/3 at Barnstable
1/10 at Middleboro
1/16 at Duxbury
1/23 at North Quincy
1/27 at Sandwich
1/30 at Taunton
2/6 Pilgrim conference
2/7 Pilgrim conference
2/14 South Sectional
2/15 South Sectional
2/21 States
2/22 States
Swimming schedule is not complete.

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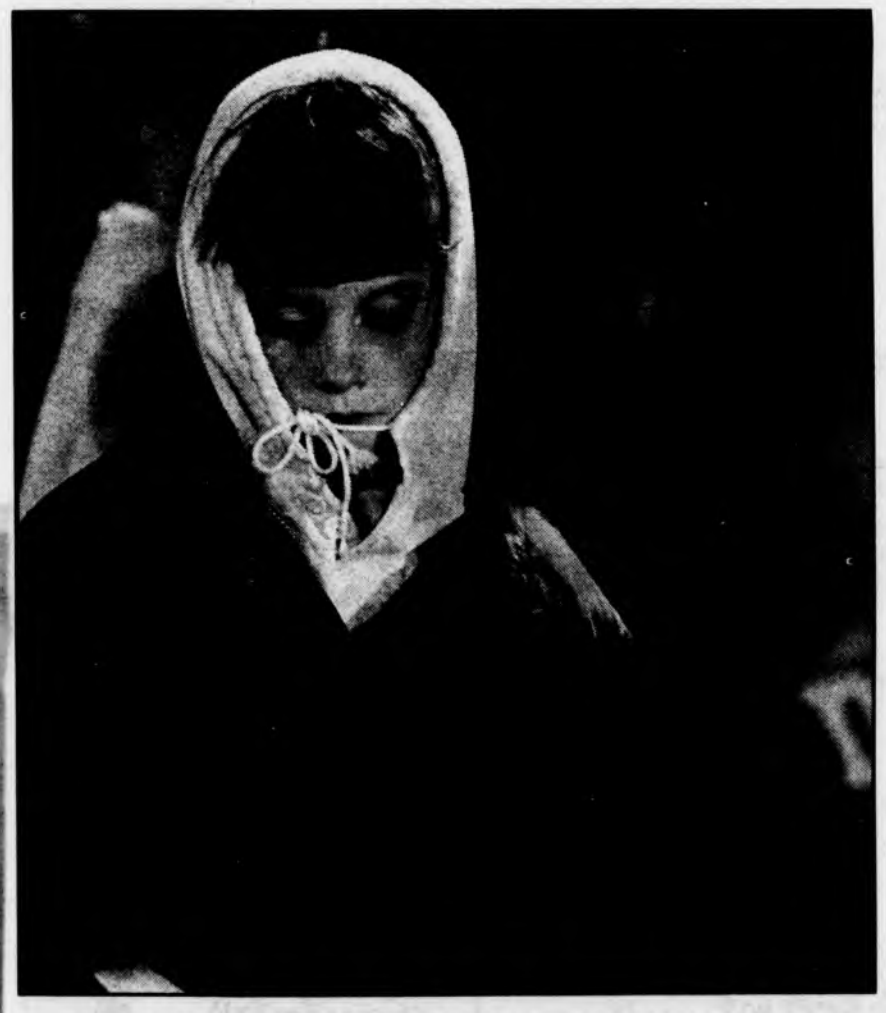

Eight-year-old Marissa gets former New England Patriot Steve DeOssie's autograph at the celebrity game against the Cohasset Police All-Stars.
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School Notebook

What Christmas And Hanukkah Mean To Me

From Kindergartners in Mrs. Price's Classes

I like listening to Christmas songs. Jingle Bells is my favorite.

— Alicia Asnault

Christmas is special and fun and I like to play with my friends.

— Emma Astley

Christmas means putting decorations on the tree.

— Adam Berger

I like to eat at Christmas dinner.

— Samuel Bilbo

We do our Christmas cards. The Christmas tree, the decorations, the snow and going under the Christmas tree. My dog goes out in the snow with my Daddy. Santa Claus comes down the chimney and I hear him.

— Kelsey Coughlin

I get a lot of toys and get to eat junk food on Hanukkah.

— Glen Friedman

I love Santa, I love the snow and I love sledding.

— Joseph Giardina

I like smelling the sweet smells of cakes and cookies and candies on Christmas.

— Margarte Goodwin

Christmas means trying to be good for Santa.

— Rudy Helbock

I feel happy, because I like the snow, and Santa and his elves. I also like the Christmas wrapping paper. I feel happy waking up in the morning.

— Alexander Livingstone

Christmas means I celebrate my birthday and my grandmother's birthday.

— Rachel McMorris

Christmas is special because I like to sled.

— Conor Ofsthun

I like the Christmas dinner because I get to light the candles with Mom's help.

— Katelyn Ryan

I went out and played in the snow with my Momma and Bridget on Christmas.

— Alyssa Schlager

I paint on my Dad's trailer because we are going to a farm. We are going to play in the snow. My Dad has pictures of last Christmas. I sat on a chair with my cat (not a real one). My Mom took a picture. I like the presents. I visit my Nana.

— Stephanie Sestito

Christmas means that we wear Santa Claus hats. I moved to a new house at my Nana's.

— Nicholas Silvia

Christmas is fun because it is a good holiday. We are going to Toronto to celebrate because they don't have Thanksgiving. Very fun.

— John Sturino

I like to go in the snow and build snowmen. I like to pick out our Christmas tree and decorate it.

— Jennifer Cahill

At Christmas I like to bake gingerbread men, and play in the snow and eat it. Sometimes I make angels.

— Sarah Coggins

At Christmas we have dinner with my grandparents. My Mom's sister got married and they will come.. I like waiting in bed for an hour until we can go down... Sometimes we play games... Last year there was frozen ice on the driveway and we played hockey. It was fun.

— Ryan Daly

I sing Jingle Bells all the time at Christmas. I go singing at people's doors and sometimes they let us in and give us hot cocoa.

— Jessica Dupre

Sometimes I like to go to my grandparents house for Christmas. Their little dog's name is Angie.

— John Emanuello

I like the snow. I like to go sledding with my mother, sister and brother. I like to put decorations on the Christmas tree with my family.

— Krystin Fiore

I like to see nice people and be with them on Christmas.

— Michael Froio

I like having snowfights and going on a sled at Christmas time.

— Kevin Jacobs

My grandmother comes from Ireland for Christmas. My mother makes all the food. I give candy to Santa. I like to go skiing with my aunts, uncles and my Mom and Dad. I get hot cocoa afterwards.

— Aisling Kearns

I like to go to people's houses at Christmas. I like to go to my aunt's and play tag. I like when it snows.

— Owen Landon

I like to get my Christmas tree with my Dad. I like to play with the ornaments on the tree. I made a special star at nursery school.

— Lauren Mack

I like to go with my cousins to my Gramma's house. We have to drive there. After my birthday, we go get the Christmas tree. The whole family gets the tree.

— Margaret McGoldrick

I like to pick out the Christmas tree with Peter and Daddy. I like when my Pa, aunts, uncles and friends come for Christmas. I like to light the candles in the windows at night and decorate the tree.

— John McKenna

I like the Christmas tree. I help to decorate it. Do you come with flying snow deers? I have brothers named Rob, Jonathan and Craig.

— Wesley Medwid

I like to run downstairs and wake my parents up on Christmas morning, but they like to sleep later. I like it when it snows and Christina buries me in the snow. My Noona and NoNo come over and bring my giblets, they are my favorite food.

— Alessandra Sadler

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Kindergartners...

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My favorite thing about Christmas is the dinner... chicken and lasagna. I like picking out my Christmas tree in the field. I like to have snowfights on Christmas day.

— Ivan Sceery

I like the Christmas tree. It was so beautiful. Mom bought candy canes. I pick them off the tree. I love when my Mom says Happy Birthday to Daniel.

— John Smoot

I like to go sledding with my family. I like my Mom's cranberry pie. Sometimes very special people come for dinner like my grandmother and grandfather. It is fun when my whole family goes to get the Christma tree. We play tag while the tree gets put on the roof of our car.

— Wesley Ulmer

I sing Jingle Bells all the time at Christmas. I go singing at people's doors and sometimes they let us in and give us hot cocoa.

— Jessica Dupre

I like when my Dad's father comes for Christmas. He was a pilot in World War II. I like to go sledding and I hope to build an igloo with my Dad when it snows. I like to wake my mother, father and sister up on Christmas morning.

— Jonathan Wade

I was 3 years old, my cousins were over and we were dancing to Christmas Rock.

— Carley Zappolo

David Figueiredo, Tessa Leahy and Justin Reed mix cranberry crisp to prepare for the Thanksgiving feast in Mrs. Collins' second-grade class at the Osgood School.

Buy Wreaths to Support METCO

The Cohasset METCO Committee has embarked on a fund raiser this year. The group will be selling 22-inch double-faced balsam Christmas wreaths, supplied by growers who furnish fashionable nurseries. The cost is $8.

A limited number of "kissing balls" will also be sold, and both items will be available for pick-up at Cohasset High School Saturday, Dec. 7. Decorative handmade bows will also be available.

Watch for order forms in the school menus or call METCO coordinators Connie Afshar (383-6006) or Jean Hajjar (383-9917) to place an order.

Holiday Dance for Teens

The Teen Center will sponsor a holiday dance at the Community Center Friday, Dec. 13, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. for seventh- and eighth-graders. Admission is $5.

There will be music, dance contests and karaoke.

Multicultural Cookbooks for Sale

The Cohasset PSO Diversity Committee is selling multicultural cookbook this holiday season. The cookbook, which costs $8.95, contains recipes for cooking up an international feast and makes a good gift for family members and friends.

The cookbooks will be available at Cohasset Village Fair Dec. 7 or may be special ordered by calling Catherine Davis at 383-2570.

PSO Teams Up with Learning Express

Learning Express in Hingham is assisting Cohasset PSO with its holiday fund raiser.

On Monday, Dec. 9, from 6 to 8 p.m., Learning Express will donate 20 percent of purchases made to Cohasset PSO. The shop offers an interesting variety of quality toys. All are welcome to participate in helping raise funds for Cohasset schools.

Poker Night at Teen Center

Poker Night at the Teen Center is Friday, Dec. 6. There will be craps, 5-card stud and 21. No money is needed, and students play for fun and prizes.

Poker begins at 7 p.m. and end at 10 p.m. Pizza, soda and snacks will be provided.

The center will be open Saturday, Dec. 7, from 7 to 10 p.m.

DRUG FACTS

"The passage of Proposition 215 in California Nov. 5, 1996, was in direct violation of federal law. What we are not clear on is whether we are going to enforce the federal law . . . . If you think that the problem of drug use is its illegality, you are missing the point that the real problem of drugs is that they destroy you physically, mentally and morally. . . . Forty-seven percent of American families have a member who is involved in drug addictive behavior. . . . 20,000 youngsters have died from illegal drugs during the last year. . . ."

— The Clinton Administration's National Drug Policy Director Barry McCaffrey speaking at the Kennedy Political Union at American University in Washington, D.C. Nov. 13.

PERSONAL FINANCE

Booting up your financial adviser

By the editors of
WORTH MAGAZINE

Until now, personal financial software has offered little more than bookkeeping. For example, Intuit's Quicken, with 8 million users the most popular application software ever sold at retail, keeps records on mutual funds and balances your checkbook. The product has an extremely loyal following, but there has always been some question whether such programs are really worth the data-entry work they entail.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

"People who use checkbook programs like Quicken for household expenses are detail freaks — they'll write a check at the grocery store and then go home and rebalance their checkbooks again on a computer," says Dave McClure, who advises CPAs on accounting software.

Among programs that take on more-complex tasks, Andrew Tobias's Managing Your Money (from MECA Software) has long been a top-rated best-seller. It too can balance a checkbook, but it also assists in financial planning, helping to calculate how much must be saved monthly to pay for a child's college education, or how large a mortgage a home buyer can handle. What Managing Your Money can't do is generate an overall financial plan from the answers it provides to various personal finance questions put to it by the user.

Intuit recently jumped into that gap with Quicken Financial Planner, a major advance in personal-finance software. While this program won't replace the judgment and flexibility of a skilled financial adviser, it is a true financial-planning tool.

It's also extremely easy to operate. Users enter data about income and expenses, loans and assets, and projected retirement savings in 10 stages, each involving a series of questions. Assistance can be called up by clicking on the help icon, and the well-known financial journalist Jane Bryant Quinn offers still more detail on topics such as investing, borrowing, and credit card debt.

The program uses your answers to create reports on your income, expenses, cash flow, investment portfolio, and net worth. QFP demonstrates in detail where you will be spending your money, how your investment portfolio will grow, and what your estate will be worth.

QFP also lets you, in a sense, enter your future into the projections. If your spouse plans to quit working from 2001 to 2005, you can see how it will affect cash flows and retirement savings year by year. Similarly, if you expect your children to attend college from 2008 to 2014, you can assess the impact on your budget. Using the program's "special expense" calculator, you can also plan to buy, say, a new bedroom set in 2000 or pay for a bar mitzvah in 2006.

The program does have some limitations. "If you could love and hate something at the same time, this is it," says David Drucker, a financial planner at Malgoire Drucker in Bethesda, Md., who examined the program at our request.

"It's about as smart as a bad financial planner," says Drucker. Someone who didn't know a 401(k) from a profit-sharing plan and who relied on QFP to run his or her financial life could be in for trouble.

"My clients often put the wrong numbers in the wrong boxes when filling out a questionnaire for me," says Drucker. "And if they do it with these software packages, they'll get wrong answers." The program can occasionally become confusing, as in the section requesting data on employer contributions to 401(k) and other tax-deferred retirement plans. Quicken says the software will be updated annually to keep up with tax-law changes and in response to user comments.

Another problem is that the program doesn't address every possible financial situation. For instance, federal laws give retirees a choice about how to take distributions from an IRA or pension plan, which can affect tax liability and cash flow. QFP uses what's known as the "term-certain method" of distributing those assets, but many retirees are better off using a "recalculation method" to take retirement distributions. The program, however, doesn't offer this option.

"A 65-year-old who uses this package could do himself a disservice," says Drucker. Intuit concedes that the program doesn't focus on retirees and was developed with an eye toward providing easy financial planning for baby boomers.

One last criticism is that the software can't be creative on your behalf. In my case, the program withdrew $56,000 from my wife's tax-deferred retirement fund in 2011 and another $31,000 in 2012 to pay for our kids' college tuition. But by then I'll be just three years away from retirement, and instead of paying a 20 percent penalty on withdrawals from the retirement fund, we'd be much better off borrowing money from my 401(k) plan, paying the interest on the loan (which is much lower than the penalty), and repaying the loan when I hit 59-1/2 and can make withdrawals penalty-free.

These are relatively minor criticisms. QFP brings us a long step closer to the day when we'll all be our own best financial planners. At a suggested retail price of $39.95, this program is a great investment. QFP requires Windows 3.1, 4 MB of RAM, and 16 MB of available hard-disk space. The CD-ROM version requires at least a 486-based PC with a sound card and speakers, running Windows 3.1 with 8 MB of RAM and 16 MB of available hard-disk space.

With the release of QFP, Quicken has simultaneously published the Parents' Guide to Money CD-ROM (requires Windows 3.1, 4 MB of RAM, 3 MB of available hard-disk space, and a 16-byte sound card and speakers; retail price, $29.95), a "fast and easy" way for parents and those expecting to become parents to "take control of the financial challenges of parenting."

Guide is a much less ambitious tool than QFP. It isn't powerful enough to generate budget projections of special expenses — summer camp, the cost of a new bedroom set — or the changes in college savings schedules required by, say, one spouse quitting work to remain home with the kids for five years.

Basically a talking book, Guide features video clips of parents and financial advisers talking about child care, life and health insurance, and college costs. The financial-planning portion of the product consists of 10 worksheets on which users inscribe their monthly budgets, insurance policies, and child care costs.

Some limitations notwithstanding (it lacks a serious retirement planning aid, for example), Guide can be of real help to people who want to identify and quantify the fundamental fiscal impact of having children. It will be particularly useful for young couples just starting out.

Correction

Due to incorrect information supplied to Community Newspaper Company, a story that ran the week of Nov. 17-23 concerning protection of Social Security benefits contained last year's earnings figures. The correct figures: if you retire between ages 62 and 64 and earn more than $8,280 a year, the government will start taking money from your check. Your Social Security checks will vanish if you earn more than $24,840. For ages 65-69, the figures are $12,500 and $50,009.

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Business Notes

Brian D. Bixby

Bixby Joins Burns & Levinson

Boston attorney Brian D. Bixby, a resident of Cohasset, along with several other lawyers from Cuddy Bixby, moved their practice to the Boston law firm of Burns & Levinson LLP. Bixby, one of Boston's well-known attorneys in estate planning and probate court litigation, joined the firm as a partner.

Bixby is a fellow of the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel and holds a J.D. degree from Northeastern University School of Law and an AB from Brown University.

Burns & Levinson will maintain the Wellesley office formerly occupied by Cuddy Bixby and continue to operate its office on the South Shore.

Bixby and his wife, Christine, reside in Cohasset with their two children, Benjamin and Meredith.

Village Produce Market to Close

After only a month, Ceres Market in the village is going out of business.

Co-owner Barbara St. Onge said she and her husband David "misjudged the village" and were losing thousands of dollars each week.

Ceres specialized in produce and specialty food items.

"Morally it was really difficult to throw out the produce — there was not market for it," St. Onge said.

She explained that she and her husband didn't have the deep pockets to wait it out and see if business picked up.

"We think it was a bad location. The Fruit Center in Hingham does well. The location was a mistake."

St. Onge, a Cohasset resident, said parking was a concern.

"The lack of parking is bad for our type of business," she said.

St. Onge said she hoped that people visiting the health club or community center would come in and buy their vegetables but "that didn't happen."

She speculated that a catering business or professional office can succeed because they don't rely on foot traffic.

Former owners of Brewed Awakenings, a popular Hingham Square coffee and snack restaurant, the St. Onges will sell the building and the equipment in their Cohasset store.

"It was our lifelong dream but we misjudged the village," St. Onge said.

On their future plans, she said: "We're probably going to go back to working for other people for a while."

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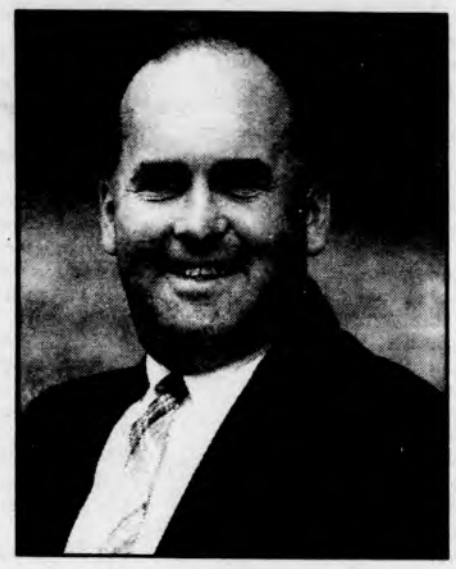

Robert P. Magner, Jr.

Magner Appointed VP of Insurance Agency

Robert P. Magner Jr. has been appointed vice president of William J. Cleary Insurance Inc.'s property and casualty insurance agency. He will open a Cohasset office for the firm and manage their agency acquisition program.

Magner previously served as vice president of Mahoney & Wright Insurance Agency, running their Cohasset office and providing in-house training for the firm.

Magner is an active member of the Children's Hospital volunteer staff, where he has donated more than 1,600 hours of his time. He is a 1991 graduate of Providence College and holds a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

Bernstein Appointed Bankruptcy Judge

Stan Bernstein of Cohasset, a partner of Foley, Hoag & Eliot LLP, Boston, has been appointed by the Curt of Appeals for the Second Circuit to serve a 14-year term as a United States bankruptcy judge for the eastern district of New York. His initial assignment will be to the court in Westbury, Long Island.

While at Foley, Hoag & Eliot, Bernstein chaired the firm's insolvency practice and served as a member of the Clients' Security Board by appointment from the Supreme Judicial Court.

Public Notices

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THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P2788E1

Estate of SUMNER SMITH, JR. late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will and codicil of said decedent be proved and allowed and that MARTHA J. E. SMITH of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK and JAMES R. NICHOLS of WESTON in the County of MIDDLESEX be appointed executors named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 8, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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Police Report

Friday, Nov. 22

3:14 p.m., MV accident, Sohier St.
3:27 p.m., larceny, Hull St.
4:30 p.m., assist other agency, S. Main St.
6:03 p.m., medical aid, Otis Hill Rd.
8:50 p.m., MV stop, 3A Beechwood St.
10:11 p.m., officer wanted, Linden Dr.
11:01 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St. by 3A.

Saturday, Nov. 23

7:15 a.m., vandalism, Windy Hill Rd.
7:25 a.m., assist other agency, Summer St.
9:22 a.m., assist citizen, Elm St.
10:20 a.m., assist citizen, Wheelwright Farm.
10:52 a.m., animal complaint, Jerusalem Rd.
1:47 p.m., assist motorist, Cushing Plaza.
2:20 p.m, threats (other), S. Main St.
5:22 p.m., parking violation, Briarwood Ln.
8:30 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:30 p.m., arrest, Ptl. Treanor in with Jorge, Pedro, 184 Stockbridge Rd. Scituate, DOB: 9/23/65, on two warrants.
9:54 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Sunday, Nov. 24

12:47 a.m., info general, Cushing Plaza.
3:52 a.m., MV accident, N. Main St. north of Cedar St.
4:00 a.m., MV accident, N. Main St.
10:18 a.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd.
10:55 a.m., property (found), Parker Ave.
11:25 a.m., assist other agency, end of Doane St.
5:23 p.m., well-being check, Wheelwright Farm.
5:52 p.m., disturbance, CJC Hwy.
6:43 p.m., annoying phone calls, Spring St.
7:50 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.

Monday, Nov. 25

8:51 a.m., animal complaint, Bayberry Ln.
8:59 a.m., fire alarm, Jerusalem Rd.
9:47 a.m., fire, outside, Lamberts Ln.
11:45 a.m., escort, St. Anthony's to Woodside Cemetery.

Tuesday, Nov. 26

2:50 a.m., assist other PD, Beechwood St.
6:48 a.m., medical aid, Forest Ave.
12:34 p.m, fire alarm, Howard Gleason Rd.
12:36 p.m., MV accident, 3A & Pond St.
2:31 p.m., officer wanted, Elm St.
3:48 p.m., structure fire, Elm St.
6:19 p.m., assist citizen, Wheelwright Farm.
7:24 p.m., disturbance family, Church St.
7:54 p.m., burglary/B&E, N. Main St.
9:06 p.m., assist other PD, Wheelwright Farm.
9:17 p.m., arrest, Wheelwright Farm, Ptl. Laugelle in with Michael Langone, DOB: 9/15/65, 3 Buckman St. Woburn, arrested on WMS warrant.

Wednesday, Nov. 27

12:00 a.m., general services, N. Main St.
12:07 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.
2:47 a.m., MV stop, Stanton Rd.
5:33 a.m., general services, all over town.
6:16 a.m., general services, S. Main St.
6:39 a.m., general services, Cedarledge Village.
7:19 a.m., MV accident, King St.
7:19 a.m., general services, Pond St.
7:20 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
7:22 a.m., MV stop, Pond St.
7:24 a.m., MV accident, Pond St.
8:54 a.m., officer wanted, S. Main St.
1:30 p.m., assist motorist, Stockbridge St.
3:24 p.m., open door/window, Aaron River Rd.
6:03 p.m., officer wanted, Highland Ave.
7:56 p.m., assist citizen, Border St.
8:38 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
10:38 p.m., escort, CJC Hwy.
10:47 p.m., parking violation, Howe Rd.

Thursday, Nov. 28

1:20 a.m., MV stop, Cedar St.
1:27 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
1:37 a.m., MV stop, Rocky Ln.
1:59 a.m., MV stop, Government Island.
10:14 a.m., disturbance family, Forest Ave.
12:42 p.m., info, general, Black Rock Rd.
12:56 p.m., fire, structure, S. Main St.
4:20 p.m., medical aid, Cain Dr.
5:32 p.m., investigation, Elm St.
8:38 p.m., general services, Pond St.
10:18 p.m., medical aid, Windy Hill Rd.
10:31 p.m., arrest, S. Main St. and Summer., Sgt. Jackson in with John L. Oliver, 34 Beaver Dam Rd., Scituate, DOB: 11/16/53, warrant arrest.

Friday, Nov. 29

9:12 a.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd. Dr.
10:42 a.m., investigation, Elm St.
10:46 a.m., well being check, The Common.
11:43 a.m., medical aid, Central St.
11:57 a.m., larceny, CJC Hwy.
12:54 p.m., suspicious auto, Cohasset Plaza parking lot.
4:10 p.m., general services, Lamberts Ln.
4:24 p.m., assist citizen, Norfolk Rd.
4:52 p.m., officer wanted, Jerusalem Rd.
11:40 p.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.

Saturday, Nov. 30

1:00 a.m., threats (bodily harm), N. Main St.
9:36 a.m., suspicious (other), S. Main St.
10:31 a.m., by-law violation, Bancroft Bird Sanctuary.
11:08 a.m., medical aid, Jerusalem Rd.
11:50 a.m., parking violation, The Square.
11:57 a.m., vandalism, Beechwood St.
12:05 p.m., MV stop, Red Gate Ln.
2:35 p.m., animal complaint, Nichols Rd.
7:33 p.m., suspicious auto, Jerusalem Rd.
8:12 p.m., arrest, Ptl. DaSilva in with Peter Olivieri, DOB: 1/5/70, 201 Commercial St., Weymouth, arrested on WMS warrant.
8:58 p.m., medical aid, Massasoit Ave.
10:22 p.m., parking violation, Fairoaks Ln.

Sunday, Dec. 1

2:18 p.m., property (lost), CJC Hwy.
2:43 p.m., parking violation, CJC Hwy.
5:09 p.m., disturbance, Border St.
5:16 p.m., transport, Border St.
6:06 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.
9:48 p.m., disturbance, S. Main St.

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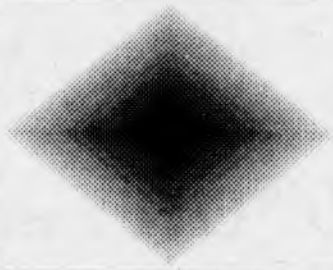

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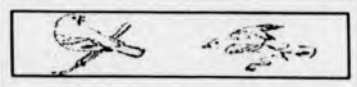

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Village Fair on Saturday is Ecumenical Event

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Once again this year, as they have done for more than 55 years, the Religious Community of Cohasset is sponsoring the Cohasset Village Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 7, on the Common. The religious community is comprised of: Beechwood Congregational Church, First Parish Unitarian-Universalist, Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church, St. Anthony Church, St. Stephen's Episcopal Church and Second Congregational Church and the Vedanta Centre.

Those on the Common, along with the Greek Orthodox Church of West Corner have united their efforts in a gesture of ecumenical respect and regard in co-sponsoring the Cohasset Village Fair.

It is one of the few areas of ecumenical relations where esteem and affection for each other contributes to close working relationship for the Village Fair. This working together points out the cohesiveness of the religious community but also highlights the efforts to promote and project Cohasset as a place where religious diversity is to be found without obstructing one another.

First Parish will be offering a Swedish Coffee House, Christmas Trees (Preorders only at 383-9845), and a Jumble Sale in their Parish House. The Christmas Trees are freshly cut Balsam Vermont Trees. Your choice of any size, 5-9 feet and width of thin, fat or full. Any size tree is $35. They are taking only preorders so people can order what they want. Tree pick-up is on the day of the Fair at the Parish House.

Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church will be offering along with Greek Pastries, a Christmas Boutique for that special gift, Christmas Wreaths for office and home, as well as other items all in the Cohasset Town Hall.

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church will present books some of which you never did buy, Baked Goods for Christmas, Greens for the home for the season, and Coffee in Roger's Hall of their Church on the hill.

Second Congregational Church w[illegible] have along with their Bake Table, t[illegible] well known Chowder and a Boutiq[illegible] Appalachia will have Santa Claus arriving at 11 a.m. for the children. Face painting and ornaments the children can make will go along with the hot chocolate they are offering.

All are cordially invited to join in the fun and celebrations as the Town of Cohasset, through its religious community, ushers in the Christmas Season.

VILLAGE FAIR HAPPENINGS

Santa Claus is Coming to Town

The Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project has invited Santa Claus to Cohasset's Village Fair Saturday, Dec. 7. He's due to arrive at the Common by Fire Engine escort around 11 a.m. Drop by and visit with Santa until 2 p.m. To raise funds for their summer work project, C/ASP will offer to take a picture with Santa and put it in a folder ($3) or in a button or tree ornament ($4). While you're waiting in line, there will be coffee, hot chocolate and donuts for sale on the Common. The group is also sponsoring Face Painting and a Children's Ornament Making Workshop up at St. Stephen's Church.

All proceeds will benefit the Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project. Under the direction of the Rev. Gary Ritts, 84 volunteers made up of high school and college students and adults will travel to Appalachia for a week this summer to repair and upgrade housing for needy families. The students work all year to raise nearly $40,000 for their materials, transportation and room and board.

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On Saturday, Dec. 7, festivities begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 2 p.m. There will be something for everyone.

Look for Santa's arrival at 11 a.m., and visit him as he sits in his sleigh on the Common (sponsored by Cohasset/Appalachia Service Project).

Book Sale at Village Fair

One of the features of the Village Fair, coming on Saturday, Dec. 7, is the Book Sale held in Walton Rodgers Hall at St. Stephen's Church, beginning at 10 a.m. and continuing until 3 p.m. Book bargains in great variety are available, including craft and cook books, children's books, sheet music, songs books, as well as CDs and tapes.

There will be a silent auction of several choice books, the bids to be opened at the close of the sale. Browsers can enjoy a cup of coffee while listening to Blanche Thompson, pianist, play show tunes in the festively decorated hall.

This book sale in the church's centennial year will benefit its Outreach Program, including Habitat for Humanity, Quincy Crisis Center, and Wellspring, among many other good causes.

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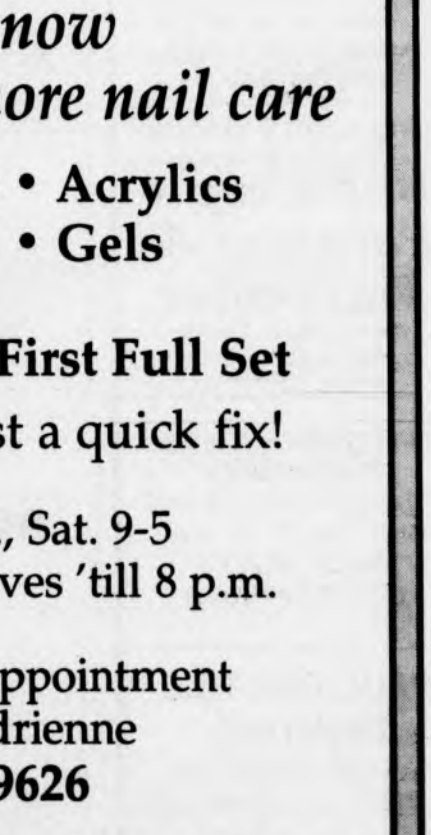

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Septic Program has Critics

Some Want to Opt Out

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

While the board of health was trying to discuss a management plan to identify and upgrade problem septic systems, residents who attended Tuesday's hearing said they don't want the plan.

Local cable television personality Wigmore Pierson led the crusade against the program, engaging in a sometimes heated exchange with the health board members. Pierson disputed the need to develop this management plan in time for the spring town meeting, and charged that the health board and its consultants are not incorporating public comments into the plan.

The chairmen of the health board

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Amelia Butman relaxes by the sign on the common advertising the annual town fair. For more photos, see page 11.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Doyon gets Abington Post

By David Wolcott
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset Town Administrator Greg Doyon was unanimously chosen Monday by Abington selectmen as that town's new executive secretary.

Doyon, who has been with Cohasset for eight years, has worked in town government for 20 years. He started as administrative assistant to the town manager in Brunswick, Maine before moving on to various municipal positions in Hopkington, Hanover and finally Cohasset.

Doyon's salary is under negotiation, but will be in the 49,000 to $55,000 range, Doyon said Tuesday.

His Cohasset salary is $56,000.

He takes over from Richard LaFond, who left for a similar position in Carver this fall when he would not meet a controversial Abington town charter bylaw that mandates the executive secretary move to the town within one year of being hired.

Doyon, who lives in Hingham, said he would not have a problem meeting the bylaw and moving his wife Diane and their 1 1/2-year-old son Christopher to Abington.

"Abington is a fine community," said Doyon. "I think that my experience can be an asset in many ways to the town and I welcome the opportunity to serve."

Board members were in agreement that Doyon established himself as the top candidate for the position.

Chairman Roger Woods said Doyon has obvious experience "in areas that are pertinent to the town" including a "thorough financial background."

Selectman Kevin Donovan said he was impressed with Doyan's financial background also, pointing out that he had served as the town accountant and town administrator for a stretch of more than six years in Hanover.

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Pay as Throw Program to Start in Spring

Will Save Money, Officials Say

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

To encourage more recycling, selectmen decided to start a "Pay as You Throw" household rubbish program in town.

In the spring, residents will be asked to buy special see-through plastic bags marked with the town seal for trash disposal. The new program will take the place of the dump stickers, selectmen said.

So instead of paying $65 for a sticker for the Recycling Transfer Facility (RTF), residents will pay $1 per bag for a 33 gallon size or 70 cents for a 20 gallon size, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said.

The bags will be available at the RTF, DPW garage, town hall and some stores around town.

Brown, who sits on the recycling committee, said the town could save nearly $15,000 by reducing the tonnage of trash sent to SEMASS in Rochester, Mass. by 10 percent, not including the savings in reduction of hauling fees.

The recycling committee estimates that with increased recycling, an average household would use one, 33-gallon size bag a week for trash. With 2,216 households that would bring in $115,232. Subtracting the cost of the bags, the total income would be $109,470.

In 1995, the health board sold 2,216 RTF permits for $65 each (or $35 for a single person) for a total income of $109,316.

Brown said Monday to ensure that use of the RTF is limited to residents or local businesses, a sticker would still

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Cohasset's Week

Open House to Review Greenbush Plans Tonight

The MBTA will hold an open house for review of Greenbush Line plans at Cohasset, Dec. 12, Town Hall, from 7 to 9 p.m.

The open houses will give residents an opportunity to review plans regarding the restoration of passenger service on the Greenbush Line.

Project staff will be in attendance to answer questions about the environmental components of the project. The staff will be seeking comments and input on the basic layout and design of the project, in order for the MBTA to be aware of community concerns when designing the mitigation plan, which will be presented to town mitigation officials in January.

Anyone with questions about any of the public meetings may contact Andrew Brennan, MBTA manager of environmental affairs, at (617) 222-3126.

Town Election is May 3

Selectmen have set the town election for 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, May 3. Under a town by-law passed in 1995, selectmen have the right to schedule the election within 35 days following town meeting. In the spring, selectmen expect a debt exclusion override for the sewer project and an operating budget override to be on the ballot.

Extending the time between the election and town meeting will allow more time to prepare the overrides, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said, and eliminate the need for separate override elections. Town meeting is March 29. Under the old by-law, the town election was held on the Saturday following town meeting.

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Sat. 14	1:27	10.5	7:29	1:40	11.5	8:04
Sun. 15	2:20	10.4	8:24	2:36	11.1	8:58
Mon. 16	3:17	10.4	9:23	3:35	10.6	9:54
Tues. 17	4:16	10.3	10:24	4:38	10.1	10:53
Wed. 18	5:16	10.3	11:28	5:43	9.7	11:52
Thurs. 19	6:17	10.4	——	6:48	9.5	12:32

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Street Light for Crosswalk

The crosswalk by the Paul Pratt Memorial Library will soon be illuminated by a street light, selectmen said. They approved the request at their meeting Monday and will ask Eastern Edison to install the light. The town pays for the electricity costs, selectmen said. There is a street light by the entrance to the library's circular driveway but none near the crosswalk.

Skating on Duck Pond

At the request of Selectman Nan Roth, the fire chief will flood the duck pond on the common as needed this winter to add a smooth layer to ice to facilitate outdoor skating there.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said he would use low water pressure so the ice won't be bumpy.

Roth noted that skating on the pond adds to the ambiance of the common in winter.

"It couldn't be more picturesque," she said.

Selectmen to Meet Dec. 17

Selectmen will meet at 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, Dec. 17 rather than on Monday. Selectman Peter Pratt asked that the meeting be moved to allow selectmen to attend the public meeting on the central Cohasset sewer project at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 16.

Policy on Priority Sanding

Selectmen plan to look into a policy for prioritizing tricky road areas that need sanding. They said Monday that a citizen wrote them and said a sheet of ice caused a Nov. 27 accident on the lower end of Pond Street. The citizen complained that sanding was not done quickly enough.

Selectmen will listen to a tape of the citizen's call that came into the dispatch center at the police department reporting the icy area. They will also examine ways to ensure that sanders get out before rush hour. Selectman Michael Sullivan suggested they ask police officers on the night shift to check out slippery areas and then notify DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield.

Pratt Attends School Aid Meeting

Selectman Peter Pratt reported he went to a Dec. 5 meeting in Sandwich on changing the way state Education Aid (Chapter 70) is allocated among Massachusetts cities and towns. The forum was sponsored by the Massachusetts League of Women Voters.

Pratt said along with Cohasset, 155 other cities and towns would benefit from the MLWV project.

"It would be a better formula for towns like ours," he said.

Under the MLWV formula no town would get less than it currently does however some would not get as much of an increase.

The MLWV estimates Cohasset would receive $220,000 more in FY'98 under the new formula.

Pratt said he came from the second furthest distance to the meeting. There was a representative there from Carlisle, he said.

Used Dump Truck is Sought

Cohasset will try to take a 1988 Ford dump truck off the Massachusetts Highway Department's hands, Selectmen Chairman Merle Brown said this week.

"We are always in need of another truck for difference jobs," Brown said in a letter to the MHD.

The truck, which has 44,000 miles, needs a new engine, Brown said. He noted the town could get the truck for $1.

Replacing the engine and repairs could cost about $5,000.

Selectman Michael Sullivan was particularly enthusiastic about the prospect.

"We can get a truck with 44,000 miles for nothing?" he asked.

Selectmen noted that if repairs are too expensive, the truck can be used for parts.

Ambulance Billing Update

In November the fire department billed for 20 ambulance transports for a total of $6,751.96. So far this fiscal year, the town has collected $51,379.69 out of a possible $58,372.75. Payments collected are applied to invoices from all previous years as well as the current year.

Concrete Apron Approved

Selectmen approved spending $3,500 for a grooved, concrete pad for the new refueling tanks at the D.P.W. garage site. The pad will contain small gasoline spills of up to 10 gallons, selectmen said.

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln said the concrete spill pad is not required by law but is a good thing to have because asphalt will deteriorate when gas is spilled on it.

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PICTURE THIS/Ernest Grassey

Name: Ernest Grassey

Occupation: CPA, president of the Cohasset Historical Society, baseball coach, father.

Goal: To give always and to give my best always.

Best vacation: It's a toss up between Nantucket and Disney World.

Best day of your life: Every tomorrow.

Biggest worry: Children's future.

Favorite holiday: April 16.

Favorite season: Summer.

Favorite TV show: A&E Biography and anything on The Learning Channel (TLC).

Favorite movie: "It's a Wonderful Life" and "Groundhog Day."

Favorite book: Any well written history or biography.

Favorite junk food: Shell peanuts at Fenway Park.

Most embarrassing moment: This!

Person you'd most like to meet: Ben Franklin and Thomas Jefferson.

Pet peeve: Insensitive and opinionated people.

Ten Minutes for Walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

If the matter cannot be handled briefly, it will be placed on a future agenda, selectmen said.

Corrections are Noted

A business item in last week's Cohasset Mariner should have said that Robert P. Magner Jr., vice president of William J. Cleary Insurance Inc.'s property and casualty insurance agency, is a 1981 graduate of Providence College. Due to a typesetting error, the Mariner reported that Mr. Magner graduated in 1991.

In the photo spread on page 11 in last week's Cohasset Mariner, one of the photo captions should have said Nicki Berens. Due to a photographer's error, Miss Berens was identified as Nicki Barnes.

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A Public Meeting has been scheduled by the Sewer Commission to provide information and solicit responses from concerned residents regarding the proposed expansion of the Central Cohasset Sewer District.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide information on this project and to respond to citizens' questions from the floor. Plans of the District as well as descriptive brochures (including projected costs) will be available at the meeting.

Location:
Town Hall Auditorium
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Date:
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Edward M. Guild, Chairman
Cohasset Sewer Commission

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MBTA Won't Pursue Village Station

While Cohasset selectmen and the planning board continue to clash over where the Greenbush railroad station will be and which board has the authority to decide, MBTA officials say they are moving ahead with their original station site plan.

MBTA Manager of Environmental Affairs Andrew Brennan said this week that based on the selectmen's vote supporting a rail station located on Route 3A near the former Winter Gardens Skating Rink, the T will no longer pursue building a Cohasset Village Station.

"The only station site the T will pursue is the Route 3A site," Brennan said.

Brennan said the MBTA took a look at the village site when interest was raised within the town to relocate the station and boost business in the down town area.

But recent opposition tallied in a non-binding "straw vot"e followed by the selectmen's unanimous vote in support of the Route 3A option has convinced Brennan that a village station, which he said has some serious logistical problems to begin with, is not worth pursuing

"Given we have the alternative site (Route 3A), it's not worthwhile at this time to pursue it," he said.

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be required. He suggested an "all facilities sticker" in lieu of the beach stickers which sell for $7 ($3 for those 60 years of age and older).

Selectman Nan Roth is concerned that residents may start burning their trash in their fireplaces to beat the system.

"If they want to goo their chimney up, then that's their problem," Brown replied.

Selectmen Michael Sullivan and Peter Pratt said more oversight at the RTF will be needed for the program to be successful.

Brown said the recycling committee would conduct meetings in January and will produce a pamphlet explaining the program.

"We will go through a learning curve," Brown said.

To dispose of larger items that don't fit in a bag, such as toys, residents will be asked to buy tags for 50 cents each. For larger items such as applicancies, box springs and sofas, there will be a cost per item, Brown explained.

In a recent article, Brown told the Mariner that the pay-per-bag program is a fairer system than the present one, when everyone pays the same amount regardless of the amount of trash they generate.

Cohasset now recycles 38 percent of its trash, which is above the state average of 32 percent.

The state Department of Environmental (DEP) has grant money available to towns that start pay-as-you-throw programs, Brown said.

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Village Design Charrette Attracts Interested Group

The day-long village design "charrette" at the South Shore Community Center on Saturday attracted about 40 enthusiastic participants, said Dean Rizzo, vice president of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce.

Rizzo said several topics of concern in the village were discussed including parking, lack of restrooms, and sidewalks.

The morning was devoted to brainstorming and in the afternoon, participants broke up into groups of about eight to target their discussion more on specifics.

Now architects, Carr, Lynch and Sandell, Inc., will gather the suggestions and "synthesize" them into a report format which will include some conceptual drawings, Rizzo said.

"We were in agreement that the time is right to make improvements with the sewer and water mains and the train coming," Rizzo said. "Things will be disrupted and after disruption, there's a great opportunity to put things back together the way we'd like to see it."

A popular idea is to improve the town parking lot and add store fronts along the back of the shops which "expands the village," Rizzo said.

He explained that some existing shops have rear entrances that could be developed while new shops could also be added.

"We were really pleased," Rizzo said about the charrette. "We had a good quality group with a real interest in the village. We talked about solutions."

Rizzo said members of the board of selectmen, planning board, design review board and advisory board participated.

The chamber, Cohasset Rotary, and MBTA each donated $2,500 to pay for the charrette.

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"His background seems to be impeccable," added Donovan. "Everyone that I have talked to speaks very highly of him."

"I have no doubt that he is going to do a good job for the town of Abington," said Selectman Joe Shea.

A graduate of the University of Rhode Island with a master's degree in public administration, Doyon described himself as a "fair person who treats people with respect."

"I believe in working with people and keeping the lines of communication open, both up and down," said Doyon. "I try to serve people with fairness and effectiveness."

A couple of areas that seemed to pique the interest of board members were Doyan's experience in opening a new Town Hall addition in Cohasset eight years ago, something Abington will be doing in 1998, as well as his grant writing proficiency, which included getting funding for a part-time town planner when he was in Hanover.

While in Cohasset, Doyon has also had a hand in the harbor dredging project, building a new DPW garage, rehabilitating the police/fire station complex, constructing a new athletic field for the town, as well as consolidating a number of town departments into a DPW.

He also said he was proud of he work he did in consolidating the E-911 project through the use of civilian dispatchers instead if using regular police officers and fire-fighters. E-911 in Abington just went on line last month and the town is also looking into using civilian dispatchers.

Doyon also pointed out that in three of the towns where he has worked, there have been bond rating upgrades. "I guess good luck follows me," said Doyon.

Doyon said he hopes to meet with the various town committees and boards as soon as possible "to find out what their goals and issues are."

On leaving Cohasset, Doyon said any move comes with mixed feelings.

"It's been a good eight years for me, both personally and professionally," he said.

Doyon said he would not be submitting his resignation until his contract has been worked out with Abington selectmen, a process that could take about six weeks.

Mary Ford also contributed to this report.

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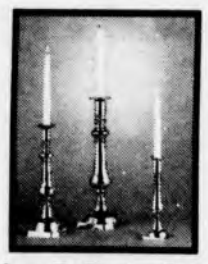

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and sewer commission spent almost an hour trying to explain to the nearly 40 residents that the plan is required by a town meeting vote, and is an attempt to achieve parity for homeowners with septic systems and those whose homes will be connected to the sewer system.

Sewer commission chairman Ted Guild said there is no requirement by the state that Cohasset have a plan in place by the spring town meeting. However, it is advisable to do so since residents will also be voting on sewers in North Cohasset, tied to the Hull sewer system, and an extension of the sewer in the central part of town.

Tom Cook, chairman of the health board, urged the residents who oppose the plan to attend the town meeting in March and vote against it, if that is how they feel, but he asked them to also consider the purpose of the plan.

Cook told residents that the health board does not intend "to go out looking for problems." The purpose of this management plan is to develop a program that is more active than the present procedure that requires a septic system inspection at the time a house is sold.

Under the plan suggested by consultant John Struzziery, the health board will identify all septic systems in Cohasset, and them classify them based on criteria that takes into consideration the systems' ages, proximity to the water supply, the type of system, and the frequency of pumping.

For example, the cesspools that are oldest and closest to wells and drinking water sources could be classified in Category 1.

Cook said there would be no inspections of septic systems or cesspools unless state funds are available for low- or no-interest loans to repair these on-site disposal systems.

Cohasset has applied for $3.2 million, or approximately $500,000 for each of six years, from the state. In order to access the money, Cohasset needs a plan, he said.

Beach Street resident Roger Lowe asked if there is any evidence that septic systems and cesspools are now polluting the water supply, saying, "We may be addressing an environmental problem that we don't have."

In response, health agent Dr. Joseph Godzik said that the only way that can be determined is by inspections. In addition to human waste, septic systems and cesspools also receive hazardous materials from such sources as household cleaning chemicals. It takes a number of years for these chemicals to move through the soil, to migrate to the water supply.

"We may be sitting on a time bomb," Godzik said.

However, Godzik added, that the inspections will actually prolong the life of septic systems. He noted that several residents mentioned that a septic system has a life of 30 years. The systems can actually last indefinitely, with proper maintenance, which could be one component of the program the board is now trying to develop.

Frequent pumping of septic systems can actually undermine the proper operation of the system, he said, by removing organisms in the ecosystem of the tank that break down waste materials.

Pierson argued that the board of health and its consultant are not incorporating public comments into developing the management plan, and are holding these meetings as a formality. The health board is not being honest with the public, by not disclosing that homeowners whose septic systems fail will face costly repairs, and even the possibility of liens placed against their property if they do not make the repairs, he said.

He offered to publicly apologize if he is wrong, "but I don't think I'll have to," Pierson said.

"Just deal the cards face up and say, 'We're about to screw you and we don't care,'" Pierson said.

"I don't like your tone. I don't like your insinuations," health board member Kevin Ulmer said. "I look forward to your apology."

Several residents asked if it wouldn't be more economical and feasible to extend the sewer system throughout town.

Thomas Jerome of Beechwood Street said that sewer systems actually increase property values.

"That's a tremendous asset," he said.

He explained that, as a retired person whose home is paid for, he does not at this point in his life want to incur debt to pay for repairs to his cesspool that is more than 25 years old but in good working order. He said replacing his cesspool with a new septic system is likely to cost $20,000 to $40,000.

Guild said there are no plans at this time to do extend the sewer system throughout town, and noted that Cohasset voters have said "time and time again" that they do not want to do so.

He said that the cost to include the whole town in the sewer system would be approximately $40-$50 million, adding that septic systems are more economical. Households connected to the new sewer system in North Cohasset can expect to pay $16,000 over 20 years plus $400 per year for maintenance and operation. Households with septic systems can expect to pay $170 per year to have those systems pumped.

Board of health records show that 30 per cent of the present septic systems and cesspools will now fail to meet the criteria of Title V. The new sewers in North Cohasset and the central part of town will remove 35 to 40 per cent of the worst systems, Guild said.

Christmas Meal Program for Elders

South Shore Elder Services, Inc., will be coordinating a Christmas meal program for homebound elders in South Shore towns, including Hingham and Cohasset.

The organization will coordinate families who would like to share part of their holiday meal with an elder in their town. Local hospitals and nursing homes will help with the preparation of the meals, which will be delivered by volunteers.

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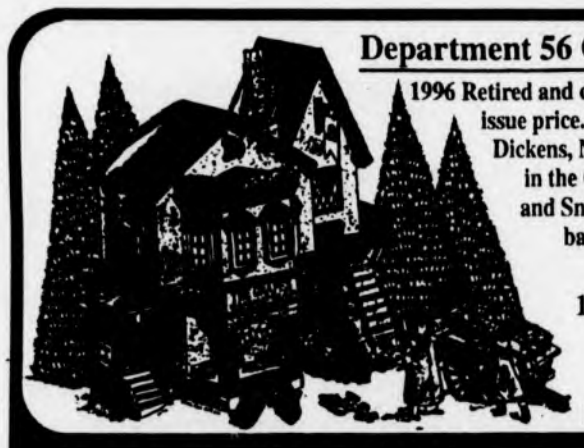

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Residents Want Safety Improvements to Their Road

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

A group of concerned Lamberts Lane residents were back before selectmen this week to push for safety improvements to their street.

After a long, drawn-out discussion, selectmen agreed to ask the town engineer to look at the road to see if it could be straightened out and will ask town counsel for his opinion on how to go about cutting down trees which are on private property. They will also talk to Eastern Edison about moving utility poles back from the road and will ask the DPW and conservation commission to look into solving drainage problems.

Fifteen miles-per-hour traffic signs installed after the residents appealed to the board for action in September are not enough, several frustrated Lamberts Lane residents told selectmen Monday.

Mary Foley said safety improvements are critical.

"Someone's going to get hurt, we're all holding our breath down there," she said.

Construction of new homes on the narrow street has added to traffic, the residents said. They were also concerned that an expanded parking lot at the golf club will mean more events there and more traffic on their street.

The residents will be on the selectmen's Jan. 13 meeting agenda to follow-up on the requested safety improvements.

Health Board Office is Under-Staffed

Dealing with Title V issues has pushed the board of health and its staff to the limit, selectmen learned Monday.

"All of us, elected officials and paid administrator and secretary are all overworked primarily because of Title V," Health board member Alix White said.

White made an urgent request for additional staff on Wednesday mornings to answer the telephone so the health board secretary can type the minutes from Tuesday night meetings without constant interruptions.

"We are 13 (meeting) minutes behind," she said.

Selectman Michael Sullivan, a former health board member, said he would meet with White, health agent Joseph Godzik and Town Administrator Gregory Doyon to discuss additional staffing on Wednesdays.

Doyon is in charge of deployment of town hall staff, selectmen said.

White explained that home buyers, sellers and real estate agents are flooding the office with calls about Title V, which is the state environmental code on septic systems. She said the secretary is spending about 25 hours a week on the telephone.

She explained that Godzik is out of the office much of the time while he performs perk tests related to Title V repairs and upgrades.

"The board of health is the only office in town which only has one full-time secretary. All other full-time offices have at least one part-time employee," White wrote in a letter to Doyon. "The board of health office provides quality service for citizens. Only with additional help can that standard be maintained. Without assistance, the board of health will be forced to close the office to the public for some hours during the week. Such a decision would be a disservice to the taxpayers of Cohasset."

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Sign Up for Sidewalk of the Stars!

Northfield Mount Hermon School senior **Brett MacQuarrie,** son of **Jane** and **Chris Kyricos,** has competed in the 1996 New England Prep Schools A Division Soccer Tournament. The school went as far as the Nov. 13 quarterfinals, ending the game NMH 1, Belmont Hill 2. MacQuarrie has served as co-captain of the varsity soccer team and has been a member of the varsity lacrosse team. He was co-captain of the Southeast Team in the 1995 Bay State Games.

Brett is a student leader, a position of honor and responsibility at the school, and has been a member of the NMH "As Schools Match Wits" academic quiz show team. He has also studied advanced placement economics. Sounds as though whichever college Brett chooses to attend will be lucky to get such a fine, talented young man. We want to hear all about it!

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Sports hero or not, you can be a part of Cohasset's **"Sidewalk of the Stars."** The Track and Field Study Committee is embarking on a fund-raising campaign for the finishing touches of Alumni Field. Engraved bricks with names or messages will be installed in the sidewalk leading up to the new bleachers for donations starting at $75.

A townwide mailing is in the works, with details on the bricks and ordering information. As they say, "This is your opportunity to become part of history — a living time capsule from 1997 into the Cohasset 21st century — but this time capsule will be different — open, alive, always used, for all to see as the years roll by." Watch for your "Sidewalk of the Stars" mailing for all the details, and for the order forms needed to become a star.

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Speaking of the Track and Field Study Committee and their attempts to fund the finishing touches of the new Alumni Field, here's a little story with a big idea in it.

Ron Massa recently had a birthday (we won't say which one), and all his family and friends got together and made a contribution to the committee in his name to do something that was needed for the field! Great idea, isn't it?! Hey, Santa. . . .!

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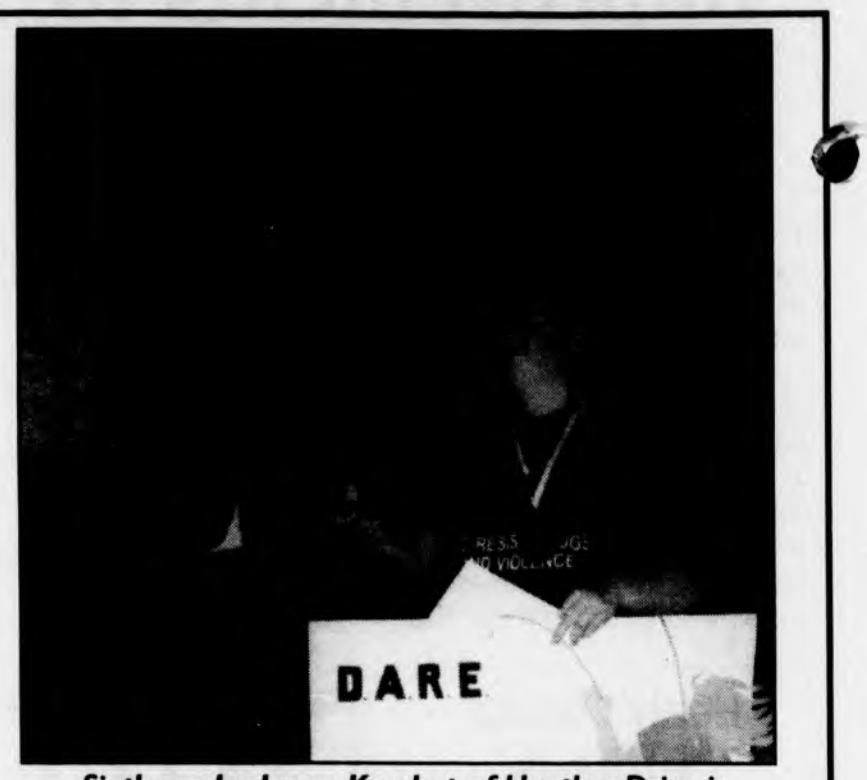

Sixth-grader Laura Kondrat of Heather Drive is congratulated by DARE officer Mike Peraino on her first prize ($100 savings bond) in the DARE poster contest at St. Paul School in Hingham.

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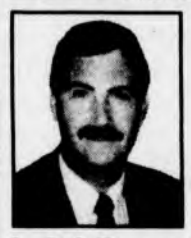

by Bob Travers & Barry Standish
General Manager *Service Manager*

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Engagements

Ellen F. Hartshorne and Timothy W. Whitney

Hartshorne/Whitney

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hartshorne of Cohasset announce the engagement of their daughter, Ellen Fritz Hartshorne, to Timothy W. Whitney of Watertown.

Miss Hartshorne, who also resides in Watertown, is a senior designer with the Boston office of Fitch, Inc., a communication design firm. She is a graduate of Smith College and Art Center College of Design in Pasadena, Calif.

Her fiancé, an architect, is associate director of the sports facilities design department of Sasaki Associates, Inc. of Watertown. He is a graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard University's Graduate School of Design.

The bride-to-be attended elementary and high schools in Bronxville, N.Y., where her family lived for 22 years before moving to Cohasset in 1989. Her father, now retired, was the executive director of the Institute of Management Consultants in New York City.

Mr. Whitney prepared for college at Middlesex School in Concord. His boyhood home was Franconia, N.H., where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitney, reside. Mr. Whitney's father is founder and president of Whitneys, Inc., a construction company in Franconia.

A June wedding in Cohasset is planned.

AROUND TOWN/

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Did you know **Joe Slotnick** is one of 13 players named to the 1996—'97 Vassar College men's basketball team? Two seniors, one junior and 10 underclassmen comprise the team. Joe is a member of the Class of 1999. Good luck to you and your team, Joe. Let us know about your team as the games go by!

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Laura and **Jeffery Ritz** were here last week, not only to celebrate Thanksgiving with their family, but also to celebrate their daughter **Lexi's** first birthday! Lexi loved her party, and everyone loved seeing her. Happy birthday, Lexi, and to your mom, **Laura,** too! And to **Grandfather Pompeo** and **"Aunt Holly" Pompeo** — Hallmark stocks have to go way up in December, thanks in part to the Pompeo clan! Best wishes to all.

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Boy, did we see some grand gingerbread houses coming out of the community center last Sunday! Certainly far too wonderful-looking to eat! **Ginger Bettys** of Quincy was the creator extraordinaire who helped the student make their old-fashioned dreams come true!

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That's all the news we've heard for this week. Everyone is just dying to hear what has happened at your house, so let us know all about it! Just give me a "jingle" at 383-0560.

— **Sallyann**

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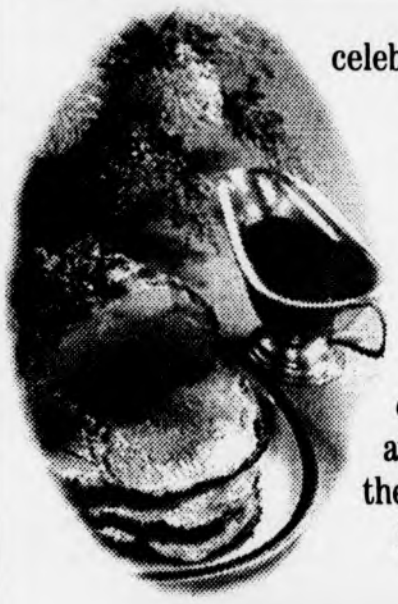

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Keep the Village Momentum Going

Villages can work.

A trip down the road to Hingham Square proves that. For the most part, shops there thrive.

The Square has its problems. The parking isn't great, the traffic there is horrendous and some of the buildings could use a face lift.

But despite its draw backs, Hingham Square prospers, primarily because it's a busy place and some thought has gone into the way the Square looks. Merchants, businesses and the town of Hingham obviously take great pride in their "downtown." There's also a strong association with a vested interest, the Hingham Square Business Association, which promotes the Square through monthly meetings and is responsible for the popular Christmas in the Square event and Summerfest.

Cohasset Village is at a turning point. After limping along for several years as some "anchor" shops left, such as Cohasset Market and Colonial Pharmacy — there are signs of life there now.

Hingham Institution for Savings has transformed the former Cohasset Savings Bank building into a showplace; Fitness Plus has opened a popular workout center; The Silver Spoon is a delicious spot to stop for a bite; and the parking lot at Cohasset News has been re-paved and looks great — just to name a few.

Dean Rizzo, vice chairman of the Cohasset Chamber of Commerce and owner of Aquarius Sunrooms, has shown real leadership in spearheading the village movement in town.

Last spring a handful of concerned citizens and merchants brainstormed at French Memories. The ideas that were tossed around turned into a weekly farmer's market, village fair, and the design "charrette" held on Saturday.

At the charrette, groups of town officials, citizens and business people worked to come up with a plan for the future of the village.

Mr. Rizzo said those who participated agreed that it's the right time to tackle projects such as improving sidewalks once the sewer and water mains go in.

"After the disruption, it's a great time to put things back together the way we'd like to see it," he said.

He said after the old DPW garage is torn down, there will be an opportunity to improve the town parking lot. Adding store fronts that face the parking lot is a possibility.

The charrette focused on the "big picture" and big changes in the village will take time.

But in the interim, it's important that all of us support the village by making it a busy place.

We agree with planning board member Robert Sturdy who told the Mariner last week that the survival of Cohasset Village is critical to the quality of life in town.

We shouldn't let the debate over a village train station cloud the clear point that we can all agree on: the village must succeed.

So catch the village fever by making it a point to do some of your business and shopping there.

— Mary Ford
Editor

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

More Thoughts on Learning Lab

To the Editor:

Herewith some additional thoughts about the Learning Laboratory for Marine Biology and Genetic Research, which the Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation proposes to establish under the scientific direction of Kevin Ulmer, Ph.D.

To ensure continuity, an Operating Advisory Board of regional teachers and others with relevant scientific credentials will be established. In addition, there will be a Scientific Advisory Board comprised of senior scientists from other institutions, particularly those that are related to marine biology or genetics.

The purpose of the Learning Laboratory is to provide students with research experience and motivation, and introduce them to the new scientific frontier and promising future of genetics. The facility and equipment to support these activities has been pretty well defined. The considerable interest by local science teachers and parents interested in encouraging intellectual growth (and future employability) indicates that the facility will become popular. We are, of course, developing tentative projections of usage in order to make reasonable plans for financial and other needs.

We should be grateful that Dr. Ulmer is willing to divert so much of his time and talent to benefit the future students of the region. I'm amused at naive concerns that somehow he would profit financially; surely it is obvious that his unique talents, experience and energy could generate profit far more easily in the private ventures in which he is already experienced, than trying to do so via the difficult, inefficient, time-consuming and contentious route of a volunteer operation. In any case, the proposal clearly states that any intellectual property generated by the lab would be its property, and any financial benefits used to defray operating expense. And he certainly is doing the lab, not himself, a favor if he relocates his private office to the lab in order to be readily available, and pays rent at market rates to the lab instead of to someone else.

Let the pros and cons of the lab proposal (for the Learning Laboratory for Marine Biology and Genetic Research) be discussed on substantive issues, and with some intelligent faith in the integrity of our fellows.

R. M. Campbell
75 Old Pasture Rd.

Support for the Learning Lab

To the Editor:

I would like to present some thoughts in favor of the proposed educational research laboratory, hopefully to be located in the building on the former Hagerty property.

It's too easy to dismiss the idea at first thought as involving only a small group of students. But our town has many small groups of students, for example the football team, the baseball team, the tennis team, the hockey team, the swimming team, the soccer team, the rowing team and the sailing team.

I think Cohasset needs to foster the creation of a future genius team, to encourage young people with potential to acquire great knowledge and be well prepared for successful careers.

Computers have vastly increased our ability to access knowledge developed by others, and to store learning in an orderly and permanent way, before it is forgotten. It is unfortunate that computers weren't available before Einstein passed on; it would have been great to have captured for future use the many thoughts that crammed his brain. Computers are essential to genetic studies, and genetic studies are planned for the lab.

I hope the townspeople will go forward with this worthy endeavor.

I will assist where I can, as I have in creating the Cohasset Sailing Club and Lightkeepers building.

Let us go forward with helpful assistance to our children and to our lobster industry.

Herb Towle
389 Beechwood St.

See more letters on pages 12 & 13

The Many Faces of the Village Fair

Alex Krumm finds a photo of early 20th century Cohasset at the rummage sale at the First Parish House.

Valerie Farren is decked out in her Christmas finery. Young and old enjoyed the fair which was sponsored by Cohasset churches.

Above: Emily Dormitzer admires the Christmas tree on the common at the Village Fair on Saturday..

Left: Charlotte Leland takes a break to enjoy a cup of coffee at the annual village fair on Saturday.

Right: There was something for everyone at the fair. Here, Mary Brommer explores the fair with her dog, "Tibby."

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Some Good News on Teens

To the Editor:

As reported recently in the press, Cohasset has not been exempt from teenage problems of drug and alcohol abuse as well as disrespect for our local police officers. For those of us looking for that elusive balance of good news about Cohasset's teenagers, I have a recommendation.

As Ed Sullivan would say "Right here on our stage," the Cohasset Junior/Senior High School is mounting a lustrous production of Gilbert and Sullivan's "The Mikado" this weekend (Friday, Saturday and Sunday matinee). The cast of 60 teenagers has risen to the significant challenge of Gilbert and Sullivan's hallmark precision staccato lyrics, thrilling harmonies and witty satirical dialogue — a real feat when as adults we might think that our students speak as if they had sponges in their mouths!

Thanks to CHS teachers Bryan Marks, music director, and Jody Wood, artistic director, CHS has provided our students with a focus for their musicianship, humor and style.

Yes, it's a glimpse of that elusive balance we want so much to hear about. I know I'm going to sit back in my seat and enjoy every glorious minute of it!

Ann M. Whiteley
35 Pond St.

Disagrees with Planners' Train Position

Mr. Wood provided a copy of this letter to Planning Board Chairman Al Moore to the Mariner.

To the Editor:

The purpose of this letter is to let you know of my disagreement with the position of the Planning Board relative to the train station location. Although the board certainly can make decisions as they seem fit, they also owe a responsibility to the townspeople who elected them. The townspeople spoke when they voted prior to Town Meeting. You may not have liked their vote, but that was the vote. To go against a three-to-one majority seems to me to be at odds with the majority, not the "vocal minority" as you stated in your letter to Trudy Coxe. Who are you (Board) to decide that what is in the best interest of Cohasset and surrounding towns is a station in the village? The MBTA asked for direction by Dec. 1, 1996. Our elected Board of Selectmen are our chief executive officers, not the Planning Board.

To believe a station in the village will "bring new life to the village and enable the maximum number of passengers to walk, not ride to the station" is laughable at best. Imagine 300 cars traveling to the village between 6 and 8 a.m., then leaving between 5 and 7 p.m. How many will stay to shop in the village? Please! And how many people will walk to the station? Not that many. Only those within walking distance. How many people will walk two miles to the train station? Have you considered the size of the streets in question? Smith Place, Depot Court, Brook Street. Have any members of the Planning Board gone to North Quincy to see the size of a normal MBTA station? If you have, can you still believe that is in the best interest of the town?

Peter J. Wood
77 Summer St.

Jingle Bell Walk Help Appreciated

To the Editor:

On behalf of South Shore Community Center, we would like to express our appreciation to the many merchants who lent a helping hand on our third Jingle Bell Walk.

We had a beautiful day; downtown was decorated with red and green balloons; and the bells were ringing from St. Stephen's Church. Mr. and Mrs. Claus and helpers arrived at Government Island by lobster boat, and everyone got into the holiday spirit.

We would like to thank the students from the community service group at Cohasset High School; Cohasset Chamber of Commerce for sponsoring the ride; Council of Elder Affairs; Glenn Pratt; and our many volunteers who gave so much of their time to make this event a huge success. Thank you.

Stephanie Church,
program director,
South Shore Community Center

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'Citizen of Year' Nominations Open

Nominations are now being accepted for the Cohasset Mariner's annual Citizen of the Year Award. This is a continuation of the award begun in 1993 to recognize an individual for outstanding service to the community or for a special achievement.

Once again, the Cohasset Mariner invites our readers to take this opportunity to nominate a person who has made a significant contribution to our community. This is a community award: The Mariner is the means by which we are able to recognize, thank and honor those around us who make the quiet, generous contributions that make Cohasset a wonderful place to call our home.

The deadline for nominations for the 1996 Citizen of the Year is 5 p.m., Dec. 31. Please see nomination form on page 7.

Following the close of nominations, a selection panel will review the names submitted and select the 1996 Citizen of the Year, who will be named in January, 1997.

Nominees may be someone in elected office, a member of an appointed town committee, teacher or school administrator, clergy member, fire-fighter, police officer, or other municipal worker, a person in the business community, sports figure or an "unsung"neighbor or friend who has given freely of his or her time and energy to a worthy Cohasset project or cause.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Station Case Hung on a Straw

To the Editor:

The Cohasset Planning Board has written a letter without first clearing it with the Selectmen. Pretty cheeky.

The Selectmen, having virtually ignored the Planning Board's comments, have cried "Foul!" when the latter undertook to state to the Secretary of Environmental Affairs its unanimous view of the best location for a train station. Admittedly, the Planning Board is an elected body that is not required to answer to the Selectmen. It is also by statute the planning agency for the town.No matter, it ignored togetherness; it just didn't play the game.

Dean Rizzo, head of the Railroad Mitigation Committee, had the temerity to publicly observe that the Selectmen had ignored his committee's timely pleas for further information and proceeded to make their decision forthwith — nearly three weeks ahead of schedule. So much for town hall etiquette.

All of this has taken place in apparent disregard of a straw vote to which more than 90 percent of the voters paid no attention. Of those who did vote, almost half failed to stay for the Town Meeting that made the vote possible. This straw vote is the straw upon which the Selectmen have hung their case.

To most people, "straw" as in "straw vote" refers to a thing of little consequence. The Selectmen seem to define it differently, but as Humpty-Dumpty said, "When I use a word, it means just what I choose it to mean — neither more nor less."

Daniel C. Cotton
27 King St.

Volunteers Needed for Town Boards

Selectmen said this week volunteers are needed to serve on the mosquito control committee, the sidewalk study committee and the drug & alcohol committee. Interested citizens should call the selectmen's office at 383-9900.

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Epi-pen No Problem in Cohasset

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

The Cohasset schools have managed so far to dodge the controversies that surfaced in other towns where school personnel administer epinephrine to children with severe allergies.

According to School Nurse Karen Murphy, allergies among children are increasing, putting schools in a position to address conditions they never faced before.

There are two children in the elementary schools and one high school student who are highly allergic to bee stings, she said. Teachers and school bus drivers have been trained to use the "epi-pen" in the event these children are stung by bees.

The epi-pen is a single-dose injection of epinephrine in a cartridge that resembles a retractable pen.

Other communities have recently had to take steps to accommodate children with life-threatening allergies to peanuts. In Hingham, four kindergartners have such allergies, and the school department has designated one classroom "peanut-free." In two cases, the children are so highly sensitized to peanut, even peanut butter residue on a computer keyboard can trigger a reaction.

The reactions range from hives and eczema, to vomiting, to anaphylaxis, a total body reaction with plummeting blood pressure and difficulty breathing, which can be fatal.

Last month, a school bus driver in Hingham balked at carrying the epi-pen, saying he had not been properly trained in its use, and that he feared assuming that liability. He was suspended for one day, and the school department is now reviewing the directive that bus drivers who transport children with the allergies carry the epi-pen.

Supt. Stephen Hart said none of the teachers nor bus drivers has objected to carrying the epi-pen.

"It hasn't been a problem here," he said.

Murphy said the epi-pen is very easy to use, and automatically injects the drug when pushed against the upper, outer thigh. It can even be used by children on themselves. She has trained the bus drivers and teachers, conducting review classes three times a year.

It is important to have the epi-pen available at all times, she said. Cohasset emergency medical technicians respond very promptly, but when the children are out of town on field trips, emergency response might be delayed.

Last fall, she said, a class from the elementary schools visited a cranberry bog which has an active bee population. The teacher who accompanied the class carried an epi-pen in case one of the allergic children was stung.

Murphy also noted that sometimes children outgrow these allergies, and the severity of the reaction varies by the place on the body where the allergic person is stung. There might be no reaction to a sting on one of the extremities, she said, but a sting on the face or neck could produce a dangerous reaction.

Bus drivers and teachers have had no problem learning to use the epi-pen, and have been pleased to know that there is something they can do to help if necessary, she said.

New Busses Recommended

Last week, the school board discussed the school budget for FY"98. Several increases were talked about in categories that included the salary reserve for non-union personnel, funds for administrative computer software, special needs transportation and pupil services.

The committee also approved the purchase of two new transit style or "flat-front" busses for $102,000. The seat belt ready buses have a 77-passenger capacity, slightly more than traditional school buses. Although mechanics might have to adjust to the new location of the motors, it is believed that repair costs should fall as a result of the purchase.

The school committee will continue to discuss the FY'98 budget at its next meeting on Dec. 19. A Feb. 1 goal has been set for the completion of budget talks.

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Reader Survey Question for December 12, 1996

Selectmen are angry that the planning board sent a letter to state officials, pressing for a commuter rail station in Cohasset Village, after the selectmen voted for a station site on Route 3A.

Which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on this subject?

Press 1 The planning board has statutory authority and therefore should make the final decision on the train station location.

Press 2 The selectmen speak for the town, and the planning board was wrong to usurp that authority.

Press 3 Selectmen and the planning board are both independently elected boards and are well within their rights to notify state officials of their recommendations on this subject.

All responses to this week's question must be received by 12 o'clock on Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Our readers are invited to record a brief comment after registering their responses to this week's question. Please speak clearly. We will print as many responses as space permits, but we reserve the right to edit any lengthy comments.

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Results of Reader Survey Question for December 5, 1996

Should Hingham High School seniors be required to pass the General Educational Development (GED) test in order to graduate this year?

Yes	2
No	4

Your comments:

If the basic skills competency tests are still administered in the three grade-levels schools, spending $4 million statewide to administer these GED exams is outrageous. The money could be better spent for other educational uses. If the basic skills tests are still being administered, that's where our focus should be: if a child is having problems early on, that's where the problems can be solved. I don't the GED administered this late isn't going to benefit the seniors. They should be prepared by graduation. I think they are.

There's no mention of Chapter 766, special needs students. Would special needs students also be required to take the GED tests? I imagine there would be a waiver. The way all the surveys are set up now, they're saying all high school seniors are required to pass this test.

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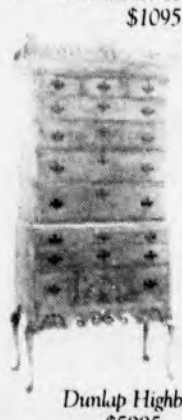
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Clarification of Sprinkler Law Sought

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

It is still not clear if the town's proposed new DPW garage will need a $50,000 sprinkler system.

Under a state law, which the town adopted in 1983, buildings over 7,500 square feet are required to have automatic sprinkler systems installed.

But the new garage, while in excess of 7,500 square feet, is divided into two sections by an impenetrable fire wall, making it in essence two buildings, selectmen said Monday.

They decided to ask the state Automatic Sprinkler Appeals Board whether the design of the DPW garage is sufficient to make it two separate buildings.

The 3-1 decision to appeal was made over strong objections from Selectman Peter Pratt who said the town is in essence appealing its own by-law and setting a dangerous precedent. Selectmen Merle Brown, Michael Sullivan and Nan Roth voted to go ahead with the appeal. Selectman Ronnie McMorris was not present at Monday's meeting.

"There are no halfway measures here, either we uphold the by-laws or not," Pratt said, noting that as sworn officers of town meeting selectmen should uphold the will of town meeting.

Robert Davenport of Sohier Street, a regular at selectmen's meetings, agreed with Pratt.

"I can't believe that our selectmen would even consider after spending $900,000 of our money to try to save $50,000.

"If this were a private person or business, there would be no hassle, you'd shut them down," he said.

But Gary Gardner of the DPW garage committee pointed out that what's at issue here is whether or not the DPW garage with its fire wall "meets the intent of the law" as accepted by the town of Cohasset.

Selectmen said there has been a verbal response from the Automatic Sprinklers Appeals Board that the DPW fire wall does make the garage two buildings but they must have that in writing. They will submit the architectural plans to a hearing before the board for review.

Pending the outcome of the appeal, the building inspector and fire chief have interpreted the law rigorously and at this point have ruled that the plans, which do not include automatic sprinklers, do not comply with the law.

Voters approved an additional $290,000 for construction of the DPW garage at the Oct. 28 special town meeting, that did not include money for a sprinkler system. The entire project, originally set at about $700,000, is now expected to cost $1 million.

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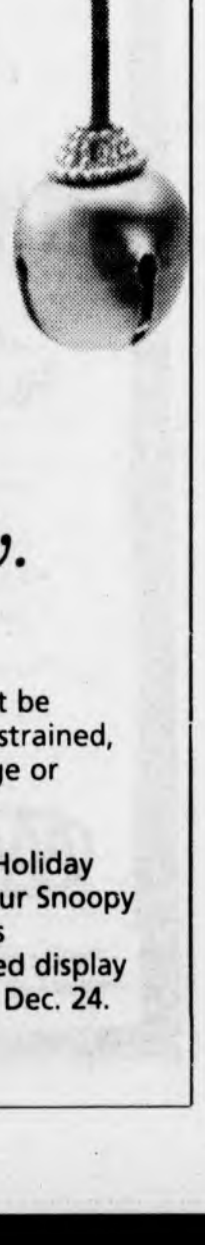

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Column, Coffee Chats Possible

Improved Communication with Parents is Goal

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

Parents of Cohasset school kids can plan on being better informed about the state of their child's education, according to the school committee.

The school board stood behind a commitment to increasing communication with the public at its meeting last Thursday. Committee members are exploring various ways to keep parents abreast of school-related issues when attendance at school committee meetings is not possible.

Committee vice-chairman Maureen Jerz supported the idea of informal gatherings of parents, along with school committee and selectmen representatives. The committee agreed that such face-to-face meetings would provide a useful forum for discussion, but the setting of these meetings is as yet undetermined. While Jerz suggested a monthly "coffee meeting," committee member Rick Shea suggested that the group could convene over breakfast.

"The format could change based on who's running it," Jerz said.

While lending her support to the idea, committee member JoAnne Chittick reminded the committee that the meetings should be informal in nature, used as a means to open up communication, not to make formal decisions.

"This is more of a way to bring things back to the committee," Jerz said.

Committee Chairman Ralph Kidder expressed an interest in running a monthly column in the Cohasset Mariner to update parents on the latest school issues. He pointed out that by releasing a column at the same time each month, parents would consistently know where and when to look for school committee information.

Other ideas included a "State of the Schools" report, covering such issues as financial planning, education reform, technological advancements, as well as success stories and areas in need of improvement.

Currently, committee meetings are being aired on local cable television in an effort to increase public awareness.

Although he felt that significant change cannot occur overnight, Kidder is optimistic about the committee's planned efforts.

"This is an extremely high priority for the school committee," Kidder said.

School Board Debates GED Test

At their meeting last week,school committee members discussed a program meant to bring about the statewide improvement of the school system, mandatory General Educational Development (GED) testing for all high school seniors. Committee members weighed the benefits and costs of the proposal, which requires all high school seniors to take the GED test before graduating. Failure to pass the test will be noted on the student's diploma and school transcript.

The program is part of the seven-year Education Reform program enacted by the state in 1993. Some 30 percent of seniors who have taken the 7-1/2 hour test fail, officials say.

While admitting that the idea has to be thought through, Supt. Stephen Hart said he is not opposed to GED testing. However, the decision to implement the program will in the end be determined by the state.

Committee member Rick Shea expressed reservations about the proposal, pointing out a series of factors that could limit a student's proficiency on the test, for example, an illness or family crisis.

Committee members discussed logistical problems, such as how and when to administer the test. Concerns were brought forth about preparation and actual testing time preempting the normal curriculum.

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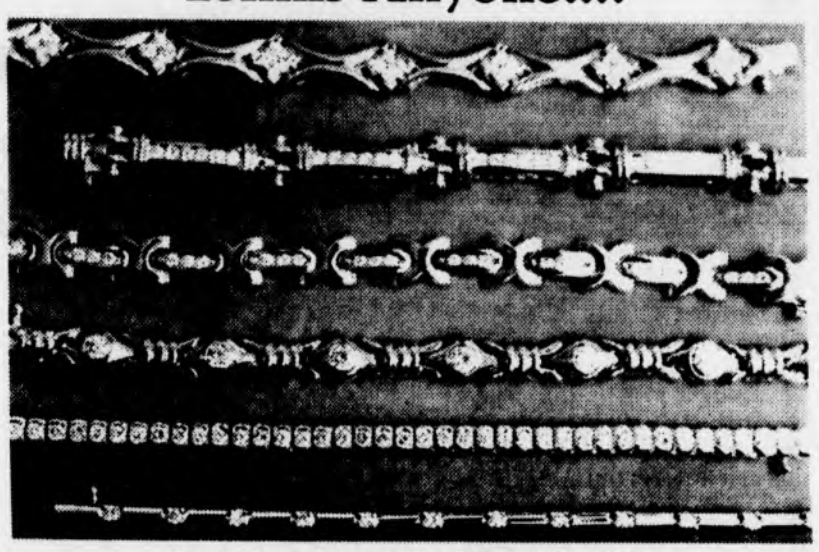

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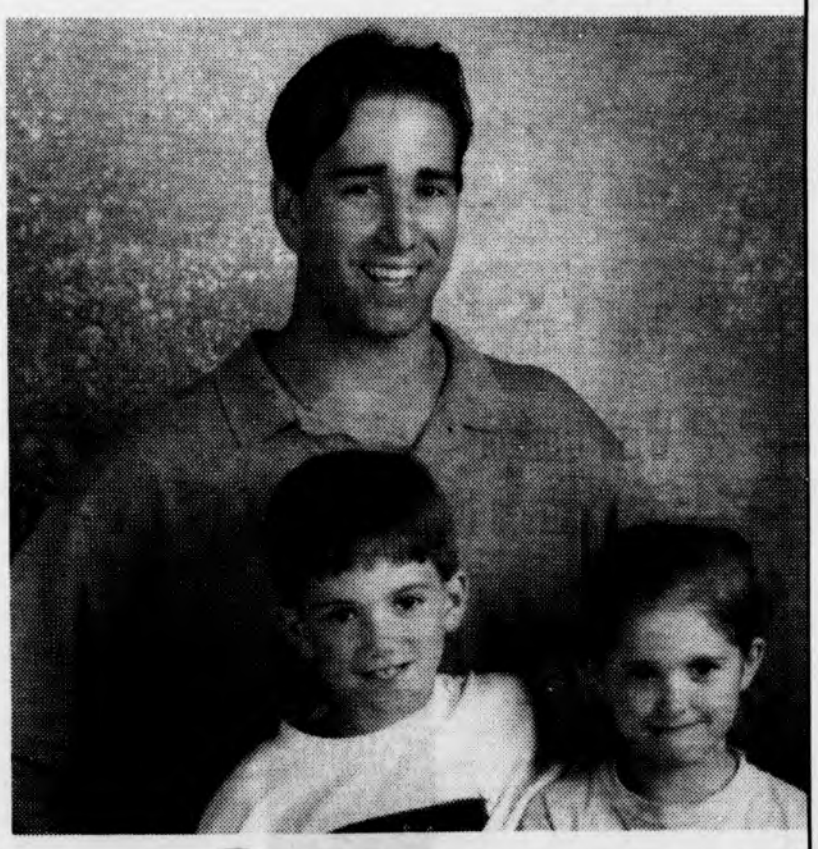

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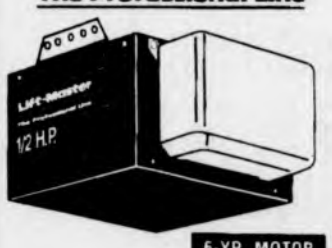

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For more details, call the Chamber hotline at 383-1010 or Domenic at 383-1841.

Holiday Concert to Benefit Wellspring

First Parish in Cohasset will hold its 18th annual holiday concert Sunday, Dec. 15, at 4 p.m. in the Meeting House on Cohasset Common.

This year the Unicorn Singers will present "A French Christmas," featuring Charpentier's "Midnight Mass for Christmas" for chorus, soloists and organ. The mass is unique among Baroque works for its use of ancient French Christmas tunes as themes for the mass movements. A suite by Cohasset arranger Rich Jensen sets in more contemporary harmonies the same noels. Several familiar French carols for audience participation will complete the program.

Individuals may become patrons for a gift of $40, which includes two tickets. Advance tickets are $5 and may be purchased at the church office. Tickets at the door are $8. For more information, call 383-1100.

This year's concert will benefit Wellspring Multi Services, Inc. in Hull. Wellspring's mission is to help people in need so they may live with dignity and a sense of self-worth. Wellspring provides programs and services which enable people to develop skills and confidence necessary for improving the quality of their lives. Programs include adult education, crisis counseling, battered women's support group and an emergency food pantry.

The organization, which is operated by volunteers, provided services for 270 South Shore families in 1995. It is expected that more families will need assistance this year.

Toys for Tots Drop Off

The foyer of the Cohasset Police Department, 62 Elm St., is the official drop off site in town for the Toys for Tots program, sponsored by the Marine Corps Reserve. Donations of new toys and cash are welcome. Call 383-1055 for more information. Toys for Tots brings the magic of Christmas to many needy families.

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Wrestlers Building a Juggernaut

The Skippers Have a Tough, Gritty Squad That's Only Getting Better

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Torin Sweeney headed into last winter's Cohasset High wrestling season believing it would be a rebuilding campaign for the grapplers. Instead, the Skippers finished with a solid 10-6 record, followed by an impressive third-place finish in the South Sectionals.

Sweeney has tightened the grip on this year's squad with a bear of a non-league schedule, but the team is better and more experienced as well.

"This team's going to be stronger," said Sweeney. "We're doing real well, so far."

Along with the South Shore League competition, Cohasset has meets against Braintree, Marshfield, Foxboro and B.C. High. Sweeney feels the meets against the bigger teams can only help the Skippers' chances of achieving their late-season goals.

Cohasset is solid from top to bottom with an eight-man sophomore lineup that is only going to keep getting better with every meet. All eight are guaranteed starting positions in their respective weight classes, while six of them qualified for the state finals a year ago.

Sweeney has a trio of captains who will set the lead for this year's team. All three are savvy grapplers who have had success on the mats in past seasons.

Kevin Duffy, who will be wrestling in the tough 135-pound class, placed in the state tourney the past two seasons. Doug Sherrin (140) competed in last year's state tourney and Justin Buckley (171) was a sectional finalist and

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Cohasset High's wrestling team captains Doug Sheerin, Kevin Duffy and Justin Buckley are looking to repeat the Skippers' season from a year ago.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Football Season Sets Foundation For Future

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

Despite a losing season and an abundance of injuries, the Cohasset High varsity football team showed great improvement as the season wore on. After an opening-game rout at the hands of East Bridgewater, the Skippers banded together and did their best to remain competitive in this, Cohasset football's first year back in the South Shore League. A 1-9 record in the books does not tell the full tale of the 1996 campaign.

Racked by injuries since the very first week, Cohasset was never able to put a healthy squad on the field. A spotty offense never truly found its rhythm during the season, though the defense played well. At season's end, only 23 of the roster's 39 players were able to play in the Thanksgiving Day loss to eventual Division 4B Super Bowl winner Hull.

Sophomore linebacker Sean Parkinson (82) moves in on the Hull Pirates' Kevin Currivan during the annual Thanksgiving Day game at Cohasset. The Skippers finished with a 1-9 record, but are looking at better days ahead on the gridiron.
John Liddington/Special to the Mariner

Senior captains Kevin Duffy and Grant Emde both did outstanding jobs in leadership roles during the season. Both players saw action in the offensive and defensive backfields and were involved in some key plays throughout the season. Jarred Batts, an offensive lineman for the Skippers, did not appear to be a guard, but made up for it this year with great hustle, clearing the way for the Skippers' backfield. Matt Belson, a first-year player and SSL All-Star, played with a nearly unmatched intensity and abandon. As the team's most effective running back, Belson also played excellent defense on the front line of the Skippers' solid wall. Doug Cameron, Cohasset's starting end and a sparkplug on special teams, was one of the fastest players on the team, and snagged an Emde pass in the end zone of the Thanksgiving game, giving the Skippers a two-point conversion. Jerry Cogill also helped

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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

Winter Promises Dynamic Sports Action

REARDON

For the first time since mid-August, the fall sports athletes had a break from lacing up the cleats every afternoon and hitting the fields of their respective high schools. Those soccer players who advanced deep into the tournament had a little less of a "vacation" until winter practices got underway, while football players had a grand total of *three days*, following the Thanksgiving Day game.

It's safe to say most athletes who compete in a sport during the fall are also integral parts of their winter teams. And many of the autumns best soccer players juggle a winter sport with indoor soccer in Hingham and Bridgewater. The same holds true come spring when they play a high school sport and head back outdoors for soccer competition that generally lasts right through the summer.

So, you can imagine the high school athletes savor what little time they have to rest up for another season. Many are still sore and can feel the aches and pains from the fall sports season during the first few days of winter practice. Several players are on emotional highs from the fall and are not totally into their winter routine yet.

Then you get the athletes who bypass a fall sport, and instead, concentrate on getting in shape for the winter. Basketball players work on their various shots and conditioning. Wrestlers may workout at different clinics and get a headstart at reaching their competitive weight. Of course, the conditioning is key to preparing for any sport.

But no matter what the athletes' background, the winter promises to bring as many thrills as the fall sports

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qualified for the tourney.

Sweeney is also pleased with the bumper crop of junior-high wrestlers out for the team. Of the 30 grapplers on the roster, 20 of them are in junior high. Sweeney believes it is imperative to have a deep number of young wrestlers.

"It's great we have so many younger guys," he said. "That's our future right there."

Even if the Skippers don't match their 10-6 record of last season, they'll undoubtedly be more prepared for the South Sectional tourney. Sweeney is looking at a finish somewhere in the top three, and then "a legitimate shot" at top five in the states.

As good as the team is, with so many youngsters the Skippers are still buildin[illegible] But further strengthening a... already tough, young squad can only pay off with positive results down the line.

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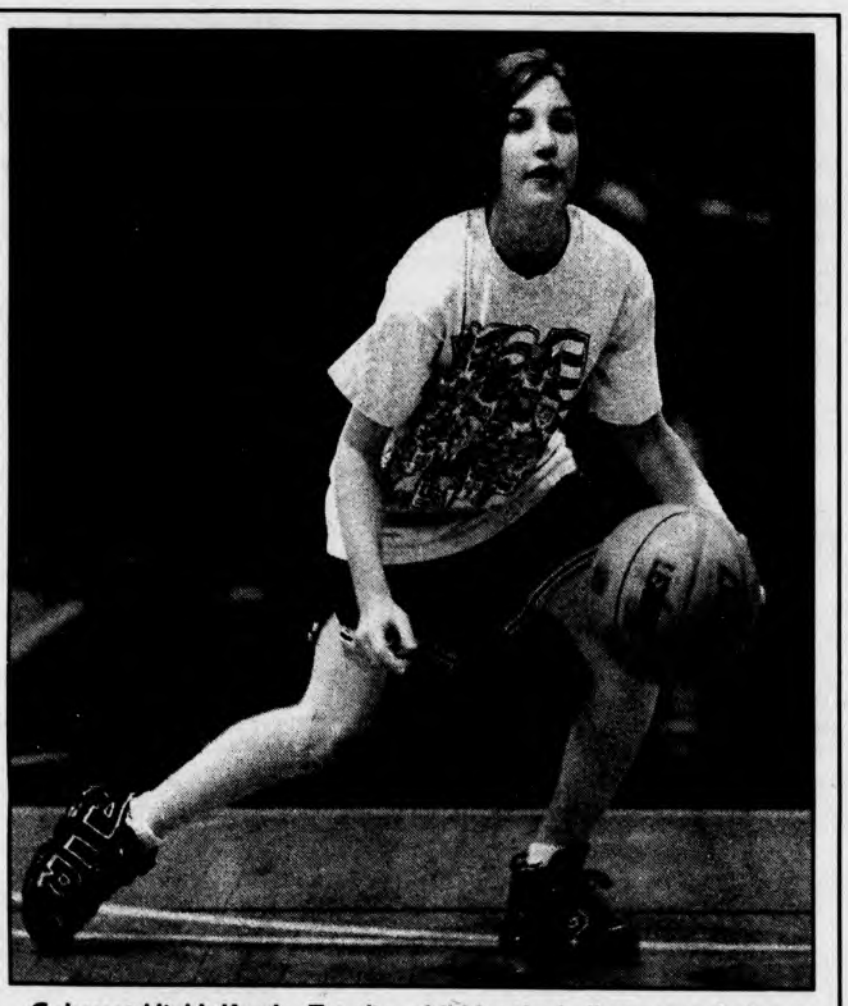
anchor the Skipper defense with tenacity. Cogill fought his way into the backfield repeatedly and made several tackles this season. Matt Conley also played end for the Skippers. At 6-foot-1, Conley used his size to intimidate opposing quarterbacks and help contain running backs on the outside. Mike Kearney, another first-year player, really blossomed over the course of the second half of the year. Kearney repeatedly came up from his cornerback position to make tackles for the Blue. Eric Snow was bitten by the injury bug early in the season and missed playing time. Snow was one of many Skipper players who did time on the disabled list.

Burly Chad Whitman was another player felled by injuries. Whitman's shoulder allowed him only limited action, but he made a gutsy appearance in the Thanksgiving game.

All these seniors filled leadership roles this year, and their performances will be sorely missed next year. However, the Skippers should have a returning crop of four juniors, 17 sophomores, six freshmen and a host of talented underclassmen.

Head coach Bob Knurek viewed the season with a realistic eye. "We're proud of the kids who hung in until the end. We were playing teams two and three times our size, but our guys just kept coming back. I have nothing but respect for those kids. They played against the odds, but never laid down."

With this type of attitude, a prospectively strong crop and the legacy of effort left by the departing seniors, next year's squad should move up in the standings.



Cohasset High's Kendra Topalian dribbles the ball upcourt during a freshman basketball practice.

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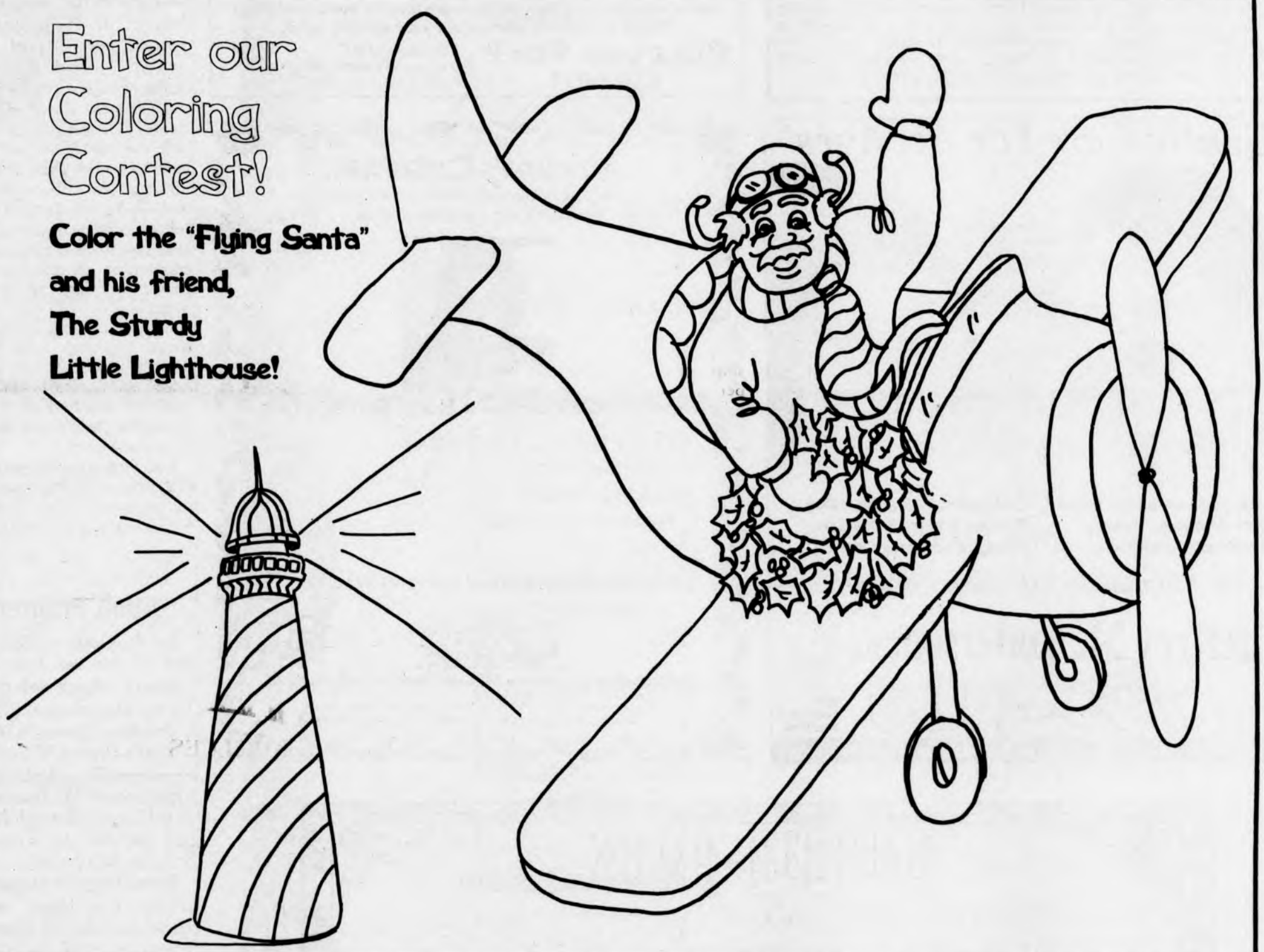

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The three-day clinic, directed by Ford, will focus on the development of fundamental offensive skills, designed specifically for grade 4-8 players. Students will receive instruction in ball handling, shooting, balancing, positioning skills, etc., helping make participants better offensive players.

To register, complete registration forms that were handed out at basketball registration, or pick up a registration form at the recreation office, first floor, town hall, and return it to the recreation department as soon as possible as space is limited.

The fee for this unique opportunity is $60 per participant, which includes a clinic T-shirt. Checks should be made payable to Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club. This is the fifth year the Winter Shooting Clinic has been offered through the sponsorships of the Good Sport Sporting Goods Store, Route 3A, Cohasset, the Basketball Boosters Club and the recreation department.

Kick-A-Thon Benefit

A kung fu Kick-A-Thon event will be held Friday, Dec. 13, at Jade Forest Kung Fu/Tai Chi in Cohasset. Students and staff member participants will range in age from 6 to – well, quite a bit older. Proceeds from the Kick-A-Thon will be donated to Project Action Foundation, Inc., a non-profit corporation which provides scholarships in dance, gymnastics and martial arts to underprivileged children and youngsters "at risk." As a Project Action sponsor studio, Jade Forest supports the foundation's goal of providing such youngsters the opportunity to benefit from positive role models, peer support, and self esteem in a healthy, secure and supportive environment.

During the Kick-A-Thon, students of all ages and levels of skill will execute basic martial arts kicks as well as some of the more difficult and advanced kicking techniques of kung fu. Scott Jeffery, assistant head instructor at Jade Forest and a nationally rated competitor on the tournament circuit, will kick off the event, beginning at 5:30 p.m. All students participating will have collected donations from sponsors for 100 kicks they will perform. Additional donations can also be made by members of the public wishing to lend their support at this exciting event.

For further information about this event, or to learn more about the programs at Jade Forest, call John Loupos at 617-383-6822.

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season. It always does. Every school generally has at least one team that captures the interest of the faculty and student body. Droves of spectators turn out for the games and the fervor lasts the entire season.

And with the winter season comes basketball. Hoop is probably the one sport where spectators are practically on the court with the athletes. The noise from cheering fans reaches a fever pitch as games wind down and the score is still close. The South Shore and Atlantic Coast Leagues were treated with dozens of quality games and several squads from both leagues went on to compete admirably in the South Sectional finals — some further.

The fall season is history and it has left us with a number of memories: The Hanover High soccer squads' SSL titles and furious postseason battles. Melissa Henderson's sensational cross country season within the league and in the invitational meets, where she established herself as one of the best female harriers in Massachusetts. The Rockland High football team's bid for a berth in the Division 3A Super Bowl after playing eventual winner Marshfield to a tie, earlier in the season and defeating the always-tough Whitman-Hanson squad.

The Hanover High football team proved to be the only SSL squad to defeat eventual Division 4B Super Bowl champion Hull. The Indians beat the Pirates handily, 29-6. It was a strange season in the SSL as several teams were in the title race through the halfway point of the schedule. The ACL was even closer with Marshfield, Rockland and Randolph still in position to pull off a league championship in the final two weeks.

Cohasset did have a disappointing fall sports campaign, but the winter season is shaping up to be much brighter. The gymnastics team is solid as a rock and the boys basketball squad will be looking for another Division 3 South Sectional title. Torin Sweeney's wrestling squad is just one of the proven grappling powers on the South Shore and the hockey team should be able to improve on last year's record with a crop of returning varsity players.

What the fall and winter sports both have in common is the desire of the athletes to continue to improve and work towards a winning season. Thankfully, we the fans are lucky enough to enjoy the fruits of their labors by viewing some terrific sports action.

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Jr./Sr. High School Lists Honor Roll

Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School has announced the first quarter honor roll. Students achieving honor roll status are:

High honors: Grade 7 — Connor Avery, Brendan Bryne, Kimberly Camacho, Christopher Carr, Caitlin Flint, Katherine Grimm, Robinson Murphy, Anna Roche, Elizabeth Smoot, Corey Sullivan, Andrew Walsh.

Grade 8 — Melissa Bates, Devon Coleman, Kelly Devine, Christopher Golden, Kate Henderson, Alicia Laas, Karen McMorris, Sarah Pease, Clara Sceery, Erik Shea.

Grade 9 — Sarah Bertovich, Grace Gardner, Danielle Kupsc, Emily Libby, Peter Minnar, Rebecca Moje, Elizabeth Myers, Caitlin Stansell, Brian Tracy, Stefan Vanderweil, Jessie Zerendow.

Grade 10 — Catherine Brister, Susana Candia, Justin Golden, Benjamin Littauer, Stephen Reynolds, R. Steven Sceery.

Grade 11 — Gregory Bilton, Kathleen Buckley, Ivan Chang, Lauren Dooley, Jane Flaherty, John Flanagan, Amanda Gontarz, Christopher Laas, Andrew Ross, Charles Toppan, Kathryn Whitehouse.

Grade 12 — Rachel Begley, Holly Brennock, Justin Buckley, Aja Campbell, Catherine Campbell, Kathleen Fitzsimmons, Jacqueline Hurley, Rebecca Jenkins, Ely Kahy, Leah Kisiel, Ryan McWilliams, Kelly O'Donnell, Nichole Santoro.

Honors: Grade 7 — Courtney Anton, Timothy Baird, Meredith Bates, Thomas Bilodeau, Nicholas Bolster, Caroline Carter, Kevin Chang, Thomas Digan, Alexander Etkind, Katherine Flynn, Cara Foley, Jeffrey Garber, Emma Gardner, Loren Heywood, Katharyn Hines, Peter Kovach, David Krueger, Daniel Littauer, Benjamin Maitland, Peter Maitland, Michael McMillan, Matthew Ogrodnik, Mary Parker, Robert Protulis, Kristen Sheerin, Gregory Smith, Kelly Stone, Amanda Watts, Kyle Weber, Nancy Winters.

Grade 8 — Brooke Baker, Benjamin Bixby, Ronan Buick, Stephanie Cook, John Crowley-Buck, Robin Cunningham, Craig Davis, Susan Dane, Kristen Devine, Daniel Duffy, Maureen Equi, Catherine Flaherty, Lane Forrer, Timothy Grasse, Lydia Guild, Kelsey Henderson, John Hertig, Morgan Hurley, Elizabeth Ingber, Sarah Kidder, Andrew Kinch, Brian Krupczak, Justin Langham, Julia Lovallo, Kathleen McCarthy, Sarah Motley, Cameron Nugent, Douglas O'Brien, Meredith Ronan, Lauren Smith, Ashley Ulmer, Caitlin Welby, Daniel Williams.

Grade 9 — Naomi Ansbergs, Robert Butman, Carolyn Cameron, Raymond Cavanaugh, Jennifer Chastain, Mareth Collins-Wooley, Kevin DeVito, Caitlin Donovan, Maura Duffy, Jacqueline Kahn, Emily Keefe, Ashley Koed, Kara Johansen, Khalil Madyun, Ryan Merrill, Lindy Morde, Daniel Mulligan, Evan Murphy, Liam O'Donnell, Gregory O'Keeffe, Benjamin Peterson, Melissa Pyfrom, Eileen Ridge, Kate Stone, Kellie Straughn.

Grade 10 — Lucius Caldwell, Megan Connolly, James DeMichele, Tamara DeVaughn, Keri Dinsmore, Lauren Genovese, Edward Goff, Karyn Gray, Tara Hettstrom, Kaitlin Jackson, William Kearney, Justin Maitland, Alyssa McNamara, Ronald Nicynski, James O'Sullivan, Jessica Stevens, Megan Waal.

Grade 11 — Alia Afshar, Robert Buckley, Whitney Cook, James Drybanski, Justin

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Rising risks in foreign funds depend on dollar's value

By the editors of
WORTH MAGAZINE

In 1985, when the dollar was hitting a historic high against the world's major currencies, investors in the United States decided to venture out into the world's equity markets. Their timing was impeccable.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

Since then, the dollar has lost about 50 percent of its value against the European currencies and the yen, giving international investors a double bang for their buck. Yet few international-fund owners realize how much of their overseas portfolio's returns are the result of a falling dollar. Now is a good time to remember that investing in foreign equity and bond mutual funds is really a two-part investment: a bet on the underlying asset and another bet on the currency in which the investment is domiciled. Will the dollar continue to juice returns? Probably not for some time.

The currency portion can be substantial. Consider the performance of Morgan Stanley's Europe, Australia, and Far East (EAFE) index, the foreign benchmark for most U.S. investors. According to research conducted by Virginia Parker of Ferrell Capital Management in Greenwich, Conn., close to 65 percent of the return of the EAFE index since 1986 has been attributable to currency fluctuations. Parker says it is not unusual to find that in any given year, half or more of EAFE returns are due to currency alone, and not to the returns of the underlying assets.

This doesn't mean investors should abandon international funds. Economic and business cycles peak and trough at different times in different countries, and the only way to capitalize on these cycles is to be invested in the countries in which they occur when they occur. Several studies have shown that, over time, a portfolio with a good mix of international holdings will outperform a portfolio invested solely in domestic holdings.

But now more than ever, it's crucial for investors to know just how big a role gyrating currencies can have on a fund's return. That's because it's unlikely that investors in foreign markets will continue to reap currency gains at a level anything like the last five years. And if the dollar stabilizes or begins to rise in value, investors will face the possibility of currency losses.

Consider this result of the declining dollar: During the period from 1970 to 1990, $1 invested in Japanese equities returned more than $39. But about $24 (61 percent) of that return was due to the yen's appreciation against the dollar. Similarly, an investor who bought a German equity portfolio worth 100,000 deutsche marks at the dollar's high against the mark in Feb. 1985 would have paid $28,965. At today's exchange rates, without any appreciation or depreciation of the underlying assets, that portfolio would be worth $60,500, a return of more than 100 percent. Smoke and mirrors? Derivatives with hidden losses? None of the above: simply a dollar in steep decline against the deutsche mark.

The dollar has fallen since 1985 partly because of the drop in U.S. interest rates, and partly because of the large supply of dollars held abroad.

The dollar was also grossly overvalued in 1985, which prompted massive dollar selling by the world's central banks as they sought to defend their own currencies. Now the greenback is at historic lows against the yen. Against European currencies, the dollar has been in so steep a tailspin that the Federal Reserve Board and other central banks recently bought dollars to prop up the currency. The administration's efforts to prop up the dollar may not fuel much of a rally in the currency. And it's quite possible the dollar will slide even further. But it is highly unlikely that the greenback will fall as far as it did in the 1980s.

A stagnant or rising dollar can very easily mean diminished returns for investors in overseas portfolios. Since U.S. fund managers did not venture into the world of global investing until the mid-'80s, the beginning of the dollar bear market, they have little or no experience managing portfolios in dollar bull moves.

Ezra Zask, president of Ezra Zask Associates, a fund-management and consulting firm in Norfolk, Conn., says that about two-thirds of U.S. international fund managers do not hedge their currency risk. While this passive approach may have been a boon to returns in this period of dollar weakness, it will have the opposite effect if the dollar turns around. "Look for managers who take a more active role in hedging their portfolios," recommends Zask. "Avoid the more passive, no-hedge policy managers."

Keep in mind, too, that emerging-market funds are usually at full currency risk, particularly because of the danger of currency devaluation.

How the value of the dollar impacts your investments

By Bradd L. Cuppels

The dollar: it's up, down, steady, weak, or strong compared with foreign currencies. Simple, easy terms, but what do they really mean where your investments are concerned?

To begin with, the use of these terms indicates just how "small" the world has become, especially in economic terms. Twenty years ago, our national economy essentially performed as though it was relatively untouched by economic developments throughout the world. Today, the performance of the U.S. economy is directly linked to those of other nations, as well as to developments in their governments and financial markets.

While there are many factors influencing whether the dollar is "strong" or "weak" vs. the Japanese yen, British pound, German mark or French franc, three are key:

•The strength of our economy vs. those of other nations;

•The political stability of the respective governments; and

•Comparative interest-rate levels here and abroad.

For example, during the early and mid-'80s, our economy was much stronger than those of our trading partners, while interest rates soared as a result of an influx of foreign purchases of American products and investments in U.S. assets. As a result, our currency was often called the "super dollar" during this period.

However, the dollar began to weaken steadily in mid-1985 as the sales of "costly" American products dwindled abroad, while the demand for relatively inexpensive imported items rose. The stock market crash of 1987 forced the dollar to sink even further, causing the Federal Reserve Bank, the nation's central bank, to reduce interest rates and provide liquidity.

After a period of relative stability, volatility is now rampant, and it's not uncommon to see the dollar move up or down against foreign currencies as much as 10 percent in a single week. In fact, many sophisticated investors with a high risk tolerance have profited by trading on the fast-changing foreign currency market but, experts agree, this is not the place for beginners.

Clearly, the greater the export activity of an American "multinational" company, the more it will benefit from a weak dollar. This is why many financial advisers recommend multinationals as a good investment opportunity.

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Paper Prayers on Exhibit

Several students of Cohasset High School art teacher Tom Sippel have contributed work to an exhibit of "Paper Prayers," at the Howard Yezerski Gallery, to benefit the Boston Pediatric and Family AIDS Project.

Each anonymously donated prayer is a 4x12" strip of paper on which the numerous artists (some budding, some very famous) have created a painting, drawing, or calligraphy. For only a few dollars, visitors to the gallery exhibit can buy a "prayer" and thus contribute to the project, which provides care to hundreds of children, women and families who are affected by H.I.V.

Everyone is encouraged to view this dramatic, touching exhibit and to participate in this worthwhile effort.

The prayers will be on display at the Howard Yezerski Gallery, 11 Newbury St., until Dec. 21 (Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.).

Holiday Dance at Community Center

The Teen Center is holding a holiday dance for seventh- and eighth-graders Friday, Dec. 13, from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at Cohasset Community.

There will be giveaways, dance concerts and karaoke. Admission is $5. Soda and candy will be available for purchase.

The Teen Center will be open Saturday, Dec. 14, from 7 to 10 p.m.

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From "Putting a Match to the Marijuana Myth" by Peggy Mann (reprinted by the Medical Education and Research Foundation, Indianapolis, Ind.)

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CANCER TALK WITH TANIA LINGOS, M.D.

PROSTATE CANCER: BREAKING THE SILENCE

Prostate cancer affects a male sex gland that is essential for sexual function and fertility. Potentially life-threatening, like all cancers, the disease also strikes at the core of masculine identity. For men, prostate cancer brings with it fears of impotence and incontinence.

Embarrassed, if not ashamed, by the disease and its consequences, many men have found prostate cancer difficult to accept, never mind discuss. Denial and silence are common reactions. Slowly, however, this reticent attitude is giving way to greater openness.

Leading public figures are speaking out about their battles with prostate cancer which, primarily, affects men 65 years and older. For example, General Norman Schwarzkopf is among those who have gone public with their prostate cancer stories.

This willingness to be candid about something so intimate is needed because, in the fight against prostate cancer, the stakes are high. This year, prostate cancer will strike about 200,000 American men. Of that number, one in five or over 40,000 men will die from the disease.

Many of those deaths could have been avoided if the disease had been detected earlier. As frightening as prostate cancer appears to men, the disease is not automatically fatal. On the contrary, early detection significantly increases a patient's chances of survival and the promise of a better quality of life.

Precisely because early detection is so helpful, the American Cancer Society recommends that men over 40 have a digital rectal exam every year. Furthermore, they recommend that men over 50 have a prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test every year. This is sound advice. Early detection is an effective weapon in the battle against prostate cancer. Therefore, if you experience any of the following symptoms, report them to your physician:

- blood in the urine;
- an inability to urintate or difficulty in starting to urinate;
- painful or burning urination;
- need to urinate frequently, especially at night;
- weak or interrupted urine flow;
- back or hip pain.

Reporting these symptoms to your doctor may be uncomfortable, even traumatic. Nevertheless, having them checked is the first step in giving yourself a fighting chance against prostate cancer. Don't suffer in silence.

Next week, we will discuss symptoms in greater detail. For example, the symptoms listed above are not unique to prostate cancer, which is often asymptomatic, and they could indicate other, non-cancerous, medical problems.

More about that in our next column.

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South Suburban Oncology Center is a joint venture of Quincy Hospital, South Shore Hospital and Shields Oncology Services.

Cohasset High to Present 'The Mikado'

Cohasset High School will present "The Mikado," a tale of love, loss and reconciliation, Dec. 13 and 14 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 15 at 2 p.m.

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The event will provide a lively, colorful evening of song and dance.

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Mikado stars Mark Whitman and Ali Kinchla as Nanki-Poo and Yum-Yum perform a scene from the musical for Deer Hill School pupils last week.

Ron Nicynski is Ko-Ko, the Royal Executioner.

Rachel Begley, Karyn Gray and Leah Kisiel perform a scene from Mikado at Deer Hill.

Public Notices

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
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NORFOLK
DIVISION
DOCKET NO. 96P2809E1

Estate of WILLIAM LEE KLEINZ, Jr. late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that CHARLES J. HUMPHREYS of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 8, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this twenty-sixth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate
12/12/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
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DOCKET NO. 96P2835A1

Estate of SAM POSTBRIEF late of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that WENDY J. GORDON of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed administratrix of said estate without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney must file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before ten o'clock in the forenoon on January 15, 1997.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, the third day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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12/12/96

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PUBLICATION DATE	DEADLINE
Dec. 25	Noon, Thursday, Dec. 19
Dec. 26	Noon, Friday, Dec. 20
Jan. 1, 1997	Noon, Friday, Dec. 27
Jan. 2, 1997	Noon, Sat., Dec. 28

Police Report

Monday, Dec. 2
12:23 a.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.
2:46 am., general services, CJC Hwy.
7:34 a.m., wires down, Windy Hill Rd.
7:46 a.m., tree down, Jerusalem Rd.
7:53 a.m., MV stop, Sohier St.
9:42 a.m., medical aid, Fire HQ.
12:20 p.m., medical aid, Route 3A by police station.
2:50 p.m., MV stop, Route 3A by Pond St.
3:14 p.m., general services, HQ.
4:33 p.m., MV stop, King St.
5:08 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
5:22 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
5:22 p.m., assist citizen, King St.
6:17 p.m., medical aid, Nichols Rd.
7:47 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
9:28 p.m., well being check, Atlantic Ave.
11:07 p.m., protective custody, Atlantic Ave.

Tuesday, Dec. 3
7:26 a.m., general services, Border St.
7:44 a.m., MV accident, Atlantic Ave.
8:13 a.m., parking violation, Square.
11:12 a.m., MV accident, Lothrop Ln.
12:42 p.m., officer wanted, Templer House.
2:16 p.m., larceny, Cushing Plaza.
2:43 p.m., officer wanted, Rockland Trust Pk. Lot.
3:14 p.m, suspicious auto, Tedeschi Plaza.
4:03 p.m., assist citizen, King St.
4:38 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:42 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.
4:50 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
5:04 p.m., disabled auto, Sohier St.
6:37 p.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:11 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
8:57 p.m., fire (electrical), S. Main St.
11:39 p.m., officer wanted, Lighthouse Ln.

Wednesday, Dec. 4
1:34 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.
6:30 a.m., general services, Atlantic Ave.
6:46 a.m., MV accident, Ledgewood Dr.
7:01 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
7:10 a.m., MV stop, N. Main St.
9:28 a.m., medical aid, Little Harbor Rd.
12:25 p.m., assist motorist, Spring St. by Cushing Rd.
1:33 p.m., MV accident, Margin St. by Roy Estate.
5:08 p.m., MV stop, Route 3A by S. Shore Chevy.
5:25 p.m., arrest, Route 3A, Ptl. Treanor in with James G. DePhillips, 1410 Ocean St., Marshfield, DOB: 6/23/63, arrested on warrant.
6:01 p.m., Property (lost), Summer St.
7:17 p.m., MV stop, S. Main St.
10:27 p.m., disturbance, Square.

Thursday, Dec. 5
12:41 a.m., disabled auto, N. Main St.
1:06 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.
4:00 a.m., Info, general, Hingham.
4:56 a.m., medical aid, King St.
8:48 a.m., Burglary B&E, Linden Dr.
10:39 a.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.
10:48 a.m., office wanted, Whitney Woods.
11:35 a.m., parking violation, Lamberts Ln.
1:40 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.
2:48 p.m., annoying phone calls, Windsor Rd.
3:30 p.m., property (found), Beechwood St.
4:51 p.m., officer wanted, Lamberts Ln.
6:12 p.m., officer wanted, Reservoir Rd.
8:49 p.m., assist motorist, CJC Hwy.
8:52 p.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd.
8:59 p.m., vandalism, Jerusalem Rd. Dr.
10:40 p.m., fire, gas leak (inside), Summer St.

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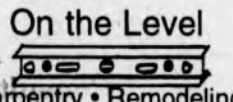
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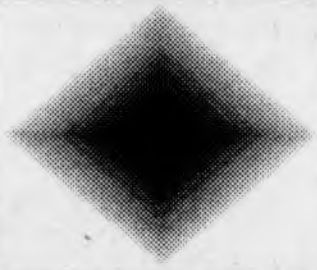

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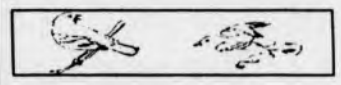

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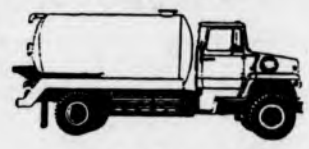

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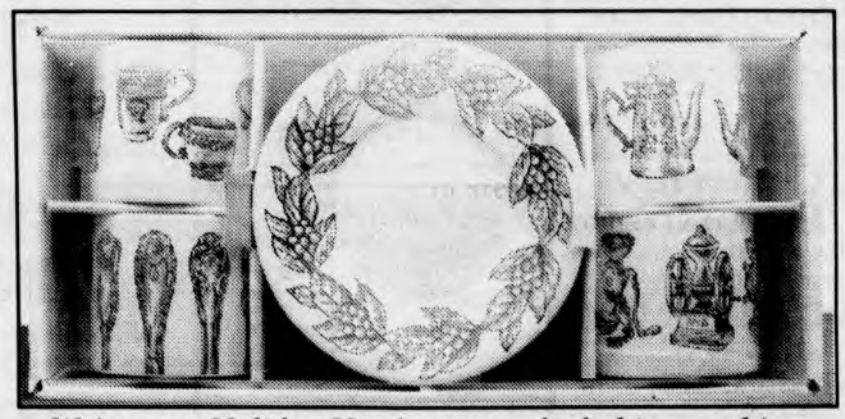

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Override Planned for Spring

Sewer Coming to Central Cohasset

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

The sewer is coming for sure to about 440 homes in the central part of town, officials said this week.

But what is not certain is how much new and existing users will have to pay for it.

About two dozen Cohasset residents learned at a sewer commission meeting Monday that new users will have to pay about $950 a year in betterment charges for 20 years, based on a home assessed at $280,000. Existing users will pay an additional $220 a year.

But officials will recommend that all taxpayers pick up half the cost through a Proposition 2-1/2 override following an anticipated March town meeting vote to approve the

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Cable TV Rates on the Rise

By Charlene Vandini
COHASSET MARINER

Cable television rates in Cohasset and Hingham will be increasing after the first of the new year, and the chairmen of the local cable committees say there isn't anything that can be done about it.

Continental Cablevision notified Hingham and Cohasset subscribers that standard cable service will increase from $26.36 to $28.53 for Basic Broadcast, Cable I and Cable II. Hingham Selectman chairman Iris Daigle said this represents a 8.2 per cent hike.

Lou Russo Continental Cablevision's manager of public and government relations attributed the increase to inflation, and the higher prices the company pays for programming, which it is allowed to pass on to the subscribers. But, she said, some bills may actually go down.

Russo said Cable II will now also include Sports Channel, which had been a separate charge of $9.95 per month. Subscribers of Cable II who also paid for Sports Channel will actually see their bills decrease by almost $8.00.

Basic Broadcast service will increase by 39 cents per month. The monthly cost for Cable I service (CNN, TBS, Court TV, TNT, Headline News, Home & Garden TV and Fx) will increase by 13 cents. The price of Cable II service will be $1.65 higher for those channels that include the channels in Cable I, plus USA, ESPN, MTV, A&E, The Weather Channel, AMC, CNBC, Nashville Network, and others.

As of Jan. 2, cable customers will be able to subscribe to The History Channel for 95

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Ryan Daly holds his ears to block out the mellifluous tones of John Wade's version of 'Who am I' during the kindergarten Christmas play. For more photos, see page 11.

Years Haven't Dimmed Love for Job

Recreation Director Likes His Field

By Mary Ford
COHASSET MARINER

Twenty years ago, a young Marshfield man came to town to head the recreation department, a fledgling new town office.

Now a little older and wiser, Jack Worley, who is still at the helm, hasn't lost any of his enthusiasm for offering fun to Cohasset citizens of all ages.

"You have to like what you do," says the 53-year-old married father of three. "It's a way of life not a job."

Worley says he's been around long enough now to see former youth program participants coming back with their children.

But between the 80-to-90 programs offered today and the emerging department back in 1976 — are years of turning the department from one paid for entirely through taxes to one that is self-supporting.

Although the recreation department still offers the free summer concert series, which is sponsored by the American Federation of Musicians and the South Shore Playhouse Associates, and doesn't charge for the annual egg hunt — Cohasset citizens today participate in everything from youth sports camps to dog obedience classes for a fee.

Worley recalls that complaints came early on when the department found it had to charge or be eliminated under the constraints Prop. 2-1/2 placed on town budgets.

The tax-cap law, passed in 1980, limits the amount a

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Cohasset's Week

Lobster Lab Proposal Backed

In a Dec. 5 letter to selectmen, Jim Kinch, 77 Forest Ave., said the supported the lobster lab proposal presented to selectmen by Kevin Ulmer.

"The concept of the 'Lobster Lab' is an exciting and revolutionary alternative for the Hagerty property, one that offers significant upside possibilities for turning a potential blighted property into a treasured asset," he wrote.

Kinch praised the Lightkeepers as a "local grassroots group with a proven track record in the successful resurrection and development of the now financially stable Lightkeeper's House."

"I see little at risk to the town. At least, give this proposal a full opportunity to bloom," he wrote.

DPU Policy Statement Sought

In a Dec. 9 letter to the consumer division of the state Department of Public Utilities (DPW), Hull Town Manager Philip E. Lemnios asked the DPW develop a policy statement on what citizens can dispute in their water bills. Hull, Hingham and north Cohasset are on Hingham water, provided by Mass.-American Water Company, a private entity. Mass-American is charging users about 154 percent more on their bills to help pay for a new water treatment plant in Hingham. The rates were approved by the DPU.

"If reasons for disputing a bill are not articulated, citizens may dispute bills and ultimately lose water service because they are unaware of the proper reasons to dispute a bill," Lemnios said.

He said the policy statement should address the following:

- What types of items are disputable;
- What is the process to dispute a bill;
- Who should be contacted with questions, complaints or concerns.

Lemnios said plans are to publish the statement in local newspapers in the three communities and make copies available at the town halls for general distribution.

DPW Status Report Issued

In his status report to selectmen, DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield listed his accomplishments for November:

Cleaned basins, pipes and tidal gates during heavy rainstorm; dug trenches on Sohier Street and at the lower end of the common area to relieve excess water buildup; repaired tidal gates at James Brook; excavated, graveled and "loamed" area opposite the front entrance at the Deer Hill School;

Did infra-red patching on North Main Street, Summer Street, and Cedar Street; repaired body on DPW #3 truck; did hot asphalt patching at various locations throughout town; repaired and mounted sanders;

Welded areas on snow plows that were then sandblasted and painted; cut trees on King and Pond Streets in conjunction with Eastern Utilities; fertilized the common area and all schools; raked and disposed of leaves; and prepared for five funerals.

Litchfield said department goals for December (weather permitting) are as follows:

To install tanks, pipes, and the leaching field at the DPW garage site; cut and cleanup in front of St. Stephen's Church on South Main Street; cut and stump area at Beechwood cemetery; and trim back roads for the plows and sanders to go through.

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Sat. 21	8:12	10.6	1:49	8:48	9.4	2:33
Sun. 22	9:03	10.7	2:42	9:40	9.4	3:25
Mon. 23	9:51	10.8	3:32	10:28	9.5	4:13
Tues. 24	10:35	10.7	4:18	11:11	9.5	4:56
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Thurs. 26	11:57	10.5	5:44	——	——	6:18

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DPW Issues Snow Reminder

Residents are reminded that the Department of Public Works does not have the funding or manpower to open up any driveways that have been plowed in by snow coming off the plows while snow removal crews are clearing the roads.

The department suggests that residents wait until the roads are cleared whenever possible before shoveling the ends of their driveways.

The DPW apologizes for any inconvenience this may cause, but stated that the situation is unavoidable.

Town Meeting Articles Needed

Selectmen noted this week that articles for the March 29 annual town meeting must be submitted by Jan. 13. Citizens petition articles for the annual town meeting require signatures of ten registered voters while those on the special town meeting warrant require 100 signatures.

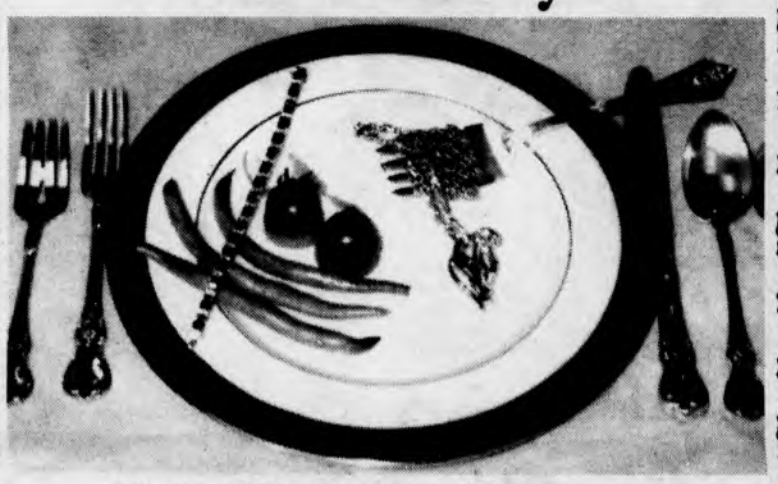
Don't Move Handicapped Spot

Katherine Stanton of Clay Spring Road wrote to selectmen this week asking that the handicapped space at the corner of Depot Street and North Main Street not be moved.

She was responding to a request from Dr. Ronald H. Goldenson that this pace be moved nearer Stage Coach Way so handicapped patients can easily walk to the office.

"Do you realize that space is the only one accessible to the senior center? It is needed where it is," Stanton wrote.

Feast Your Eyes



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RANSOM (R) 7:15, 9:45
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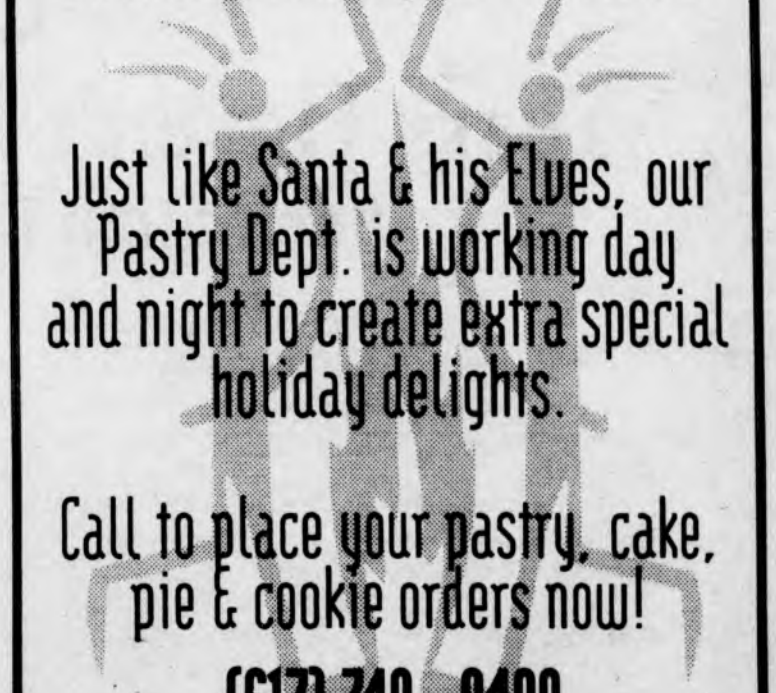

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Hagerty Committee Likes Lobster Lab Use

But Parking is a Concern

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

Cohasset may be on the verge of finding out a whole lot more about lobsters.

The Hagerty Committee, charged with finding a use for the coastal 2.2 acre site, voted 5-4 last week to give their blessing to local oceanographer Kevin Ulmer's proposal to use the Victorian house on the property as a scientific research facility.

Selectmen will have the final say on what happens to the former showroom of Cohasset Colonials. They planned to take the matter up at their meeting last night (after the Mariner went to press).

Hagerty Committee chairman Al Moore was outspoken in his belief that the project is a worthwhile one.

"In the last couple of years, we've been searching for a really good use for that house, but no one has really come up with anything.

"If somebody has a short-term use for it, that's great. That's what we're looking for," he said.

Ulmer said even if the lab does not work out long-term, the Hagerty house would have been refurbished to accommodate the lab.

Moore said that he would be troubled by the prospect of a tenant that could jeopardize the surrounding area, but did not feel that Ulmer's lab presents such a risk.

"This isn't a terrible risk to take," Moore said. "This really has no down side, just that if it doesn't work out, we're back to where we are right now in a few years."

Some members were concerned that the lab may present parking problems in the area. In the event that the building's parking lot filled, cars would have to be left along Parker Avenue. Ulmer reasoned that the seasonal usage of the parking lot would complement the lab-related use. After the summer passes, the lot is predominantly unused, he said. High school students, representing the majority of the traffic coming into the lab, would likely come more frequently during the school year, after the summer traffic has subsided.

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— Al Moore, chairman of the Hagerty Committee.

Also, there was concern that if the lab receives federal grant money, townspeople might lose their right to park on the premises. The adjacent lot is currently used in the summer by boat launchers, but committee members were unsure if federal grant would affect the parking situation.

In a press release issued Dec. 14, R. M. Campbell, president of Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation, which wants to lease the house from the town and rent space to Ulmer for his lab, said no federal or state grants would be accepted because they would place restrictions on the town's current or future use of the property.

Ulmer also addressed criticism that the lab would not correlate strongly with the school curriculum, stressing that close ties are not necessary for success. He pointed out that science is a discipline learned best by doing. Students coming to the lab would learn about science even if the nature of the studies did not match up formally with the school curriculum.

While he did say that the studies performed at the lab would be geared specifically to high school students, the lab would be open to field trips for all grade levels from schools within and outside the town. He also hopes that the facility, which is to include an aquarium and research library, will attract people of all ages.

"The hope is to make it inclusive, not exclusive. I'd want it to be as broad as possible," Ulmer said.

While he doubts if adults would be attracted to the lab's research faculty, he is optimistic that the aquarium and periodic lectures would interest a broad audience.

Ulmer stressed that the project would not impose any costs to the town, rather, it would be funded by grant money, as well as donations. The Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation has voted to invest $10,000 in the project.

While no other funding has been actively sought, plans are to begin the search as soon as the proposal is approved.

Ulmer said that the lab study could not be carried out as planned at an inland site.

"To do the study inland changes the focus," he said.

Moore said it was time to move ahead.

"If somebody can do something with the property and not really limit our options for the future, then let's do it," Moore said.

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Water Resources Grant Clears First Hurdle

The grant application filed by the Cohasset Water Resources Protection Committee with the Mass. Environmental Trust for a $15,000 public education project has cleared the first hurdle, approval by the Trust of the Committee's Letter of Inquiry for the grant.

"Only about one-third of all letters of inquiry received were approved by the Trust," said John McNabb, committee chairman. "We now need to complete a full application of the January 10 deadline, and expect to get a decision by March 10."

The grant proposal is to fund the Aaron River/Lily Pond Watershed Protection and Public Education Project, said McNabb, which would include a first-time ever public information mailing to all residents of the watershed, which lies in Cohasset, Hingham, Norwell and Scituate, and an update of information and mapping of the watershed area.

McNabb also stated that the Committee will be meeting on Jan. 8 to discuss potential articles for the warrant of the March 29 Annual Town Meeting. One of these will be a proposed drainage control bylaw.

"Flooding has been a continual problem in Cohasset," said McNabb. "Since flooding and inadequate drainage control threatens water quality as well as property damage, it is appropriate for the Water Resources Protection committee to explore potential solutions to this problem."

The Committee is also looking for an interested citizen to fill an existing vacancy. Please call chairman John McNabb at 383-6202 if you are interested.

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town can increase its tax levy without a successful override vote.

Worley says, for example, the recreation department didn't charge for its popular summer playground program until 1980.

"From no fee to $12 was hard to swallow," he says.

"But today no one assumes anything is free anymore," Worley says. "Now the program is $140 for seven weeks and it's still a bargain."

He explained that over the years, fees have been kept down by offering more programs and contracting the summer sports camps out which saves on staffing costs.

"We are fortunate that there is not much overhead," he says about the department and praises the many volunteers who have multiplied ten fold over the years.

Worley explained that after Prop. 2-1/2, Cohasset adopted a state provision to establish "revolving account," a financial mechanism to enable the department to be self-supporting so revenue collected goes back to the general fund to offset the cost to the taxpayer.

Before coming to Cohasset, Worley served for three years as Marshfield's first full-time recreation director.

Worley applied for the Cohasset position because Cohasset was more like Catamet (near Bourne) where he grew up.

He got into recreation after studying business for a year after which he spent four years in the service, including a tour in Vietnam, and then started all over again in recreation management at Northeastern University.

Worley recalls that after he came to Cohasset he expected to get the program rolling and move on.

"But then I realized I enjoyed it here and certainly wanted to stay," he says. "Now I think of Cohasset as more my community. I have to ask my neighbors what's happening in Marshfield."

Recreation Department director Jack Worley stands outside Cohasset Town Hall.

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Questions on Sewer Project Aired

Following an overview of the planned central Cohasset sewer system Monday, several residents had questions about the estimated $12 million project.

John Chapman, 25 Virginia Lane, asked if residents on private ways would have pay additionally for the service and was told private ways are covered.

However, the sewer department will look for easements from abutters, project manager Daniel Coughlin said.

Carol McDonald, 44/46 Summer St., asked if state funding was assured.

Sewer commission chairman Ted Guild said the town has a commitment from the state in writing that it will subsidize the project.

Ed Goff, 4 Ledgewood Dr., and Nan Roth, 7 Highland Ave., were concerned at how the "Equivalent Dwelling Units" (EDUs) are determined

Guild explained that apartments with two or more bedrooms are considered "EDUs" and the landlord would have to pay betterment charges as if they were separate houses. Operating and maintenance costs would be based on usage. In other words, an apartment building with two, two-bedroom units would pay double the betterments under the current plan.

Asking why a six-bedroom home is one EDU and three, two bedroom apartments are three EDUs, Goff called the EDU system "ludicrous."

But Coughlin said apartments, which have their own kitchens, bathrooms and washing machines, can generate as much waste water as separate homes.

"I think that's discriminatory," Goff said.

Guild explained how the EDUs are determined can be defined differently. He said perhaps a two-bedroom apartment could be 3/4 an EDU.

"Maybe we can taper it more as we go," he said.

Coughlin pointed out that the betterment strategy is a long way off and can't be assigned until after the sewer system is constructed.

"I can't vote for something if I don't know what it will cost me," Goff replied.

In response to another question, Guild said that new homes in central Cohasset built after the sewer goes in will be able to connect. In north Cohasset there is less flexibility, he said, because the town is restricted on how much wastewater can go to the Hull treatment plant. Homes in north Cohasset will be connected via a sewer main to Hull; those in central Cohasset will be hooked up to the town's treatment plant on Elm Street.

Joe McElroy, 59 Windy Hill Rd., asked if there was any way to tie the subsidy for north and central Cohasset projects and on-site septic system improvements together into a single override question in the spring.

Guild said "it is our objective to have a single override question."

He said if the on-site program, which is being developed by the board of health, fails at town meeting, the sewer projects will still proceed.

Coughlin also explained that some homes would have the gravity system and others, where there is a lot of ledge, would have a pressurized system with a pumping unit installed below ground. When there is a lot of ledge going deep with the gravity system is too expensive.

Russ Bonetti, Parker Ave., asked what would happen in an extended power outage and the pumps couldn't operate.

Coughlin explained that the tank holds 40 gallons. But the town will have portable standby generators available.

He said construction on the central Cohasset system should begin in the spring of 1998.

Assuming there is no health problem, Guild said those homes, which have failing septic systems but will get sewers, can be given a waiver from making Title V repairs from the board of health.

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project.

An override is needed because the cost of the subsidizing the project cannot be absorbed within the existing tax base.

These amounts do not include maintenance and operating costs or the cost of about $40 per foot of bringing the sewer line in from the street to the house, expenses which will be borne entirely by the user.

Last spring town meeting voters approved a $6.2 million sewer project for about 345 homes in north Cohasset. A subsequent override to share the cost with all taxpayers narrowly failed at the ballot box on April 6.

Selectmen said they will combine subsidizing both the north and central Cohasset projects in an override this spring and think with two sections of town affected, the override has a better chance of passing.

If the combined override passes, a taxpayer with an average home would see a tax increase of about $150 a year. Existing sewer users in central Cohasset would pay an additional $110 a year, and new users would pay an additional $475.

North Cohasset residents would also benefit. As it stands now, homeowners in north Cohasset are faced with paying 100 percent of the cost of sewering, amounting to about $870 a year in betterment charges —costs that would be cut approximately in half with the override.

Once the projects are completed, about 40 percent of the town will be on sewers.

At this time, it is not clear if officials will also seek taxpayer subsidy for septic system improvements for homeowners in non-sewered areas of town. Under Title V, the state environmental code, the board of health is working on a septic management plan to identify and upgrade problem septic systems.

Those facing Title V repairs could get relief through low-interest loans, grants and possible further subsidy from the town through an override.

The town is under a court order to solve its sewer woes and could face steep fines if it doesn't move forward. The north Cohasset or "Straits Pond" project is part of an inter-municipai agreement with Hull which pressured Cohasset to expedite the project. Cohasset has been blamed for contributing to the pollution of Straits Pond, an area of critical environmental concern.

The central Cohasset project includes upgrading the existing waste water treatment plant with discharge into Cohasset harbor and adding sewer service to about 45 streets in the central part of town and the Deer Hill and new Osgood School.

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Cable TV Rates

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cents per month. Later in the year, it will be offered in a package that includes Sci-Fi Channel, Comedy Central, Bravo, Cartoon Network, fxMovies, and Classic Sports Network for about $3 per month.

Continental Cablevision serves 5,722 households, which is 72 per cent of the households in Hingham, and 2,138 households, or 69 per cent, in Cohasset.

Both Jim Morrison and Rob Hillman, chairmen, respectively, of the Hingham and Cohasset cable TV committees, said this week that the towns have no control over cable television rates, which are regulated by the state Cable Television Commission and the Federal Communications Commission, through a formula or process which Morrison called "arcane and mysterious."

"It's more mysterious than the IRS Code," he said.

In addition, the rates cannot be a factor in the towns' license renewal processes, they said.

Both towns cable television licenses expire in 1999 and negotiations on the renewals have begun.

Short of cancelling service cable television subscribers have few alternatives at this time, but that is changing, Morrison said.

The Cohasset cable TV committee plans to survey subscribers to see what kinds of programming they want. Cohasset cable subscribers will also be asked about the quality of service from Continental Cablevision.

Small digital satellite dishes can bring more than 100 channels into viewers' homes, at a cost that is comparable to Continental Cablevision's service. He explained the small satellite dish is mounted on the south side of the house, and is linked to a descrambler box for which the customer pays a monthly fee.

While digital satellite dishes can provide more channels and more choices for viewers, Morrison said, it does not receive the local broadcast outlets. Viewers may receive CNN from Atlanta, but not Channel 5 in Boston. To do that, the viewer would switch off the satellite system and use the antenna for the local station.

Morrison noted that beyond satellite dishes, NYNEX is building an antenna for wireless cable television service. The antenna in Needham has a range of a 35-mile radius and could ultimately be in competition for cable television subscribers.

But some cable TV subscribers do not want more stations, just different ones than are currently being offered.

Hillman said the Cohasset cable TV committee plans to survey subscribers to see what kinds of programming they want. The local cable committees cannot regulate programming, and cannot specify a channel but can request a category. For example, the committee cannot ask for CNN but can request a 24-hour all-news station; it can ask for a local sports channel, but not NESN.

In addition, Cohasset cable subscribers will also be asked about the quality of service from Continental Cablevision, he said.

There are no plans to survey Hingham cable subscribers, Morrison said.

Hillman said his committee has received few complaints about Continental Cablevision, and he believes Cohasset residents are satisfied with the PEG (public, education, and government) service provided, which includes televising selectmen's and other town government meetings.

From his counterparts in other towns, he has learned that more people are believed to watch selectmen's meetings than was expected when these meetings were first televised. Some have noted that "the selectmen dress better."

Continental Cablevision does not televise selectmen's meetings in Hingham, and Russo said there are no plans to do so at this time, unless the selectmen request this service. She noted that any residents who wish to volunteer to do this will be trained. Recently Hingham selectman Martin Crane said he has no objection to televising the meetings, but chairman Iris Daigle was not enthusiastic.

Town administrator Charles Cristello said the Hingham selectmen will send a letter of complaint to Continental Cablevision over the rate increase. Since the federal government deregulated cable service, Cristello said, the rates should be going down.

He is particularly unhappy with Continental Cablevision's failure to complete the institutional network--or I-Net--which will link the computer systems at the town office building, schools, public library, police and fire stations.

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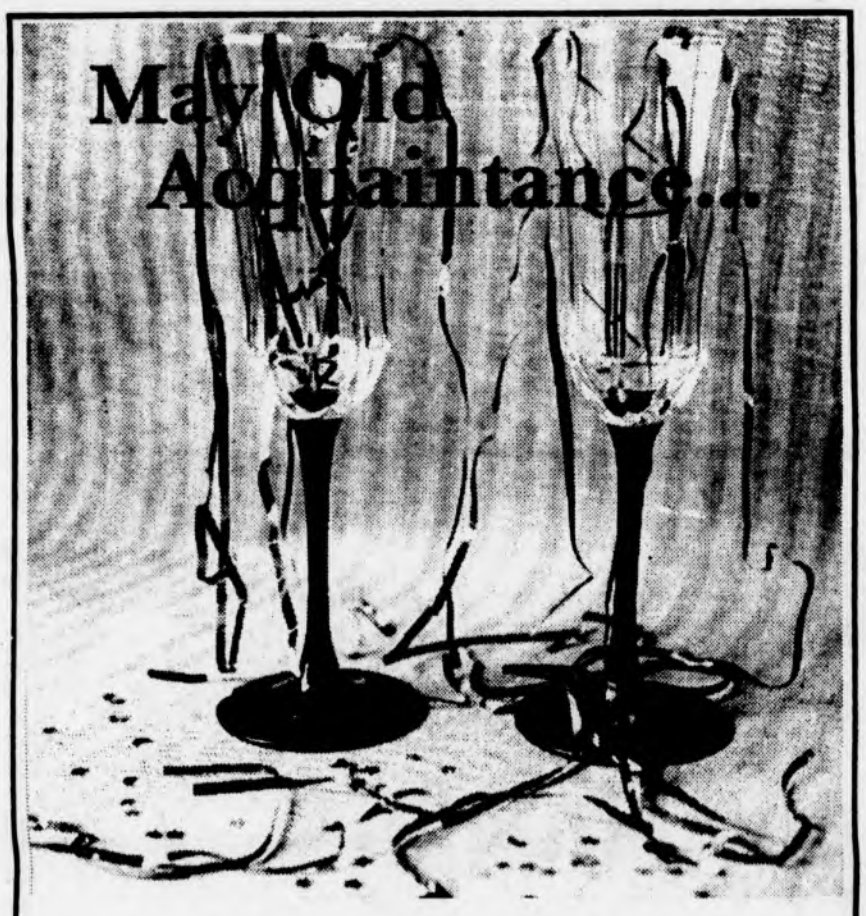

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Deciding on the appropriate treatment, however, frequently presents the individual with the dilemma of choice. Each treatment option must be balanced not only against the age and general health of the patient, but also against how far the cancer has advanced. Furthermore, defeating prostate cancer takes a toll. Few patients escape experiencing some bowel changes, usually temporary.

Nevertheless, the medical profession is constantly refining the available treatment options. We are also finding new ways to minimize their side effects. At present, the most common treatment options are surgery, radiation and hormone therapy.

Surgery, or *radical prostatectomy* as it is formally called, is the surgical removal of the entire prostate gland. A major and invasive procedure, radical prostatectomy usually requires a week in the hospital followed by months of recuperation at home. Surgery works best when the cancer is not advanced and if the patient is younger and in good health.

Radiation therapy offers two options — external and internal radiation treatment. With *external radiation*, the cancerous area is targeted by high-energy x-ray beams five times a week over a seven to eight week period. An out-patient procedure, external beam radiation takes a few minutes each day. It deals effectively with cancers that are confined to the prostate, and in shrinking larger tumors.

With *internal radiation*, tiny radioactive seeds are implanted within the prostate gland. The procedure requires a hospital stay of about two days. The radioactive seeds do not cause discomfort and remain in place permanently. More recently, temporary implants have been developed. Over a period of six to nine months, the seeds emit radiation which destroys the prostate's cancer cells.

Radiation is sometimes used in conjunction with surgery or systemic therapy. Radiation targets the affected area of the prostate in a direct fashion. As such, radiation is a localized treatment option, as is surgery. If, however, the cancer has spread beyond the prostate, a more system-wide treatment option such as *hormone therapy* may be required. Hormone therapy eliminates a man's natural supply of testosterone, which fuels prostate cancer.

Of course, this is not a complete guide to prostate cancer treatments. There are other options such as *cryosurgery* whereby liquid nitrogen is used to freeze and destroy the cancer. In addition, occasionally, it might be advisable to adopt a policy of "watchful waiting" whereby the cancer is monitored.

As you and your physician decide on the appropriate treatment option for you, be sure to remain informed about all options.

Next week, we will focus on breast cancer, which strikes 200,000 women every year.

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Readers Respond to Planners' Letter on Station

Results of Reader Call-in Survey Question for Dec.12.

Selectmen are angry that the planning board sent a letter to state officials, pressing for a commuter rail station in Cohasset Village, after the selectmen voted for a station site on Route 3A.

Which of the following statements most closely reflects your position on this subject?

1 The planning board has statutory authority and therefore should make the final decision on the train station location.

19 The selectmen speak for the town, and the planning board was wrong to usurp that authority.

5 Selectmen and the planning board are both independently elected boards and are well within their rights to notify state officials of their recommendations on this subject.

Your comments:

Put it on the ballot and let the people decide.

I don't think we've furthered our options with the boat- game, along with the bus. The tracks are already there. It would cost less and make a central station available to many, many people on the South Shore. I think the selectmen from all the towns are by-passing the issue.

I applaud the planning board for doing what they're charged to do. They've shown leadership that the selectmen haven't shown. It seems the selectmen will pander to any minority group that shows up at a meeting, and will disregard the desires and best interests of the town as a whole.

I think this bickering between the selectmen and the planning board distracts from the real point which is that the Town of Cohasset needs professional planning help to help our boards make a decision on where the train station should be located, as well expressed by Dan Cotton in his two letters to your paper.

The planning board was 100 per cent out of line in usurping the power of the selectmen. The selectmen were correct in listening to what the people wanted. The people of the town were educated on the issue and those who were concerned made the effort to vote.

My feeling is that the planning board is better equipped to make a decision, versus the selectmen.

I'm in favor of the selectmen speaking for the town. It's very obvious to me that the planning board represents business and business only. The selectmen have paid attention to the poll and listened to the people. Obviously the people don't want the train station in the middle of the town.

The planning board job description makes it more fitting to choose the station site.

I think it's important that the selectmen and the planning board work together, but several of the other town boards, too. This is a critical issue for the town's future. It's essential that they work together, based on facts and information and put some money towards research and answering questions. Although they're both independent, they need to work in concert with each other as well as with other town boards which can offer expertise and guidance.

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"It's a major deficiency," he said.

The cable committee in Hingham will become more visible in the coming year, Morrison noted, as it negotiates the license renewal with Continental Cablevision. Vacancies on the committee have been filled and include two attorneys and two telecommunications engineers.

While some subscribers will be unhappy with the rate increase, he noted, Continental Cablevision is upgrading its system and is now replacing coaxial cable with fiber-optic. This will allow more and faster service, including long distance telephone and internet access.

Hillman likened the change-over to the difference between "the Holland Tunnel and a drinking straw": more information can travel through the fiber-optic.

Morrison speculated--and Russo confirmed--that Continental will be able to "bundle" cable television service with internet access and long distance telephone services, perhaps offering the latter at a discount for its television subscribers.

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Chamber Pitches in for Cohasset Food Pantry

We begin by extending kudos to **Cohasset Chamber of Commerce** — they held their annual holiday party recently and invited members, friends and coworkers. Each partygoer paid $12, and all proceeds benefit **Cohasset Food Pantry.** Isn't that a great way to support a worthwhile cause? We think so!

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Have you seen the Minot Light Christmas ornament that **Flemings** is featuring this year? It is so special and features highly detailed designs done in 24-karat gold plate. And did you know Flemings is going to donate $2 to **Cohasset Historical Society** for each ornament they sell? Definitely makes everyone a winner! Another great gift idea!

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Must say it really is nice to see our downtown windows so festively adorned! And the Common, with all the houses with their candles in the windows lit; the trees downtown; and the window boxes, Cohasset Hardware window looks so festive, and be sure to check out Tina's talents when you go b! In fact, don't just go by, go into all the stores and give them your support and business! That will make everyone happy!

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Speaking of downtown and stores, we were really saddened to see **Ceres Market** close — we thought the St. Onges did a super job of making the storefront attractive and appealing and hope they have a wonderful future in whatever they choose to do next. Also hope that we can benefit from their advice to have something done about the parking problem downtown.

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News comes our way from Bowdoin College. Seventh-seven students from Massachusetts have been designated James Bowdoin Scholars at the school, and Cohasset's own **Johanna R. Horn,** Class of '98, is among them. She was among 343 undergraduates accorded recognition by the college for distinguishing themselves in scholarship.

The designation as James Bowdoin Scholar honors James Bowdoin III, who was the earliest patron of the college and instrumental in its founding in 1794.

We're proud of you, Johanna!

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Here is a story that will make you think Christmas! A lady in our town purchased a "Tickle Me Elmo" doll and a Barbie holiday doll. For anyone who knows about the wish list of many kiddos, these are at the top!

Anyway, this same wonderful gal donated the dolls to her church to be auctioned off, with proceeds benefitting the church! More than $200 was raised. Congratulations to that fine lady!

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The following is a list of students from our town who are featured in the 30th annual edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students": **Justin P. Buckley; Lauren A. DeVito; Lilian V. Faulhaber; Karen D. Niessink; Angela R. Parisi; Caitlin Walsh Connolly; Caroline DeLima; Robert Meehan; Kelley O'Donnell** and **Julie Smith.**

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We applaud **Todd C. Harrington,** son of **Mrs. Cherylann Harrington,** and **Matthew K. Lewis,** son of **Mr. and Mrs. Kevin F. Lewis,** who made the honor roll at Xaverian Brothers High School for the first marking period. Todd earned Ryken honors (90 percent and above) and Matthew achieved first honors (85 percent and above).

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If you are wondering why you didn't see **Rebecca L. Golden** "around town" this fall, it is for a great reason! Becky, a junior at Colby College, Waterville, Maine, is spending the fall semester in Spain as a matriculating student at University of Madrid under the auspices of the Hamilton College in Madrid program.

Rebecca, the daughter of **Steven** and **Amy Golden,** is majoring in international studies at Colby. In fact, her mom, **Amy,** had the pleasure of a visit with Becky in Spain when she traveled there this fall. They had a wonderful time! Hopefully we will get lots more details from Becky upon her return!

Teacher Marie Price congratulates Ryan Daly on his performance. This is Mrs. Price's final year as producer of the kindergarten Christmas show, an annual treasure. Mrs. Price is retiring this year. *For more photos, see page 11.*

Staff photo/Alan Chapman

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Did you know that two teachers from Cohasset Jr./Sr. High School, **Maureen M. Duffy** and **Corinne Suzan Hughes,** are honored by their former students in the fourth edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 1996"? All the teachers being honored were selected by their former students who are listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" or "The National Dean's List." The students were requested to nominate teachers who "made a difference in their lives" by helping to shape their values, inspiring interest in a particular subject and/or challenging them to strive for excellence.

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According to an announcement by Dean Francis L. Donelan, **Joanna M. Larrabee,** daughter of **Joseph** and **Joan Larrabee** of Hammond Avenue, has been named to the honor roll at Newman Preparatory School, Boston.

To qualify for this honor, a student must maintain an average of 85 or higher in each major subject for the first half of an academic semester. If Joanna continues this excellence in achievement for the fall semester, Sept. 9 to Jan. 17, she will be appointed to the dean's list! Good work, Joanna!

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We wish **Steve Leighton** a very happy 80th birthday. His big day will take place Dec. 25! Hope it's the best one yet!

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That brings this week's column to a close. 'Tis the season for lots of news, so please let us hear all about you and yours! Give me a jingle!

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Best vacation: Cruising to the Bahamas on a boat with my family.

Best day of your life: The days my children were born.

Biggest worry: The future of children.

Favorite holiday: Christmas.

Favorite TV show: Summer.

Favorite TV show: 'E.R.'

Favorite movie: It's a toss up between 'Sense and Sensibility' and 'Far and Away.'

Favorite book: Anything by John Grisham.

Favorite junk food: Chocolate.

Most embarrassing moment: Falling up the stairs at town hall in front of my boss.

Person you'd most like to meet: Anne Morrow Lindbergh.

Pet peeve: Self-absorbed people.

Book Angel Program at Buttonwood

In the spirit of sharing holiday happiness, Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset and Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham will give a 15 percent discount on books purchased through their Book Angel Program.

Books selected at Buttonwood in Cohasset will go to children and adults served by Wellspring in Hull. Books purchased at Buttonwood in Hingham will be gifts for children served by Hingham Interfaith Food Pantry, Mary Martha Learning Center and the South Shore Educational Collaborative Teen Parent Program.

The Book Angel Program provides an opportunity for children to understand the deeper meaning of the holidays. For further information, call Buttonwood at 383-2665 or 749-2665.

The Mariner will be open December 24th, December 26th and December 31st. We wil be closed December 25th and January 1st for the Christmas and New Year's holidays.

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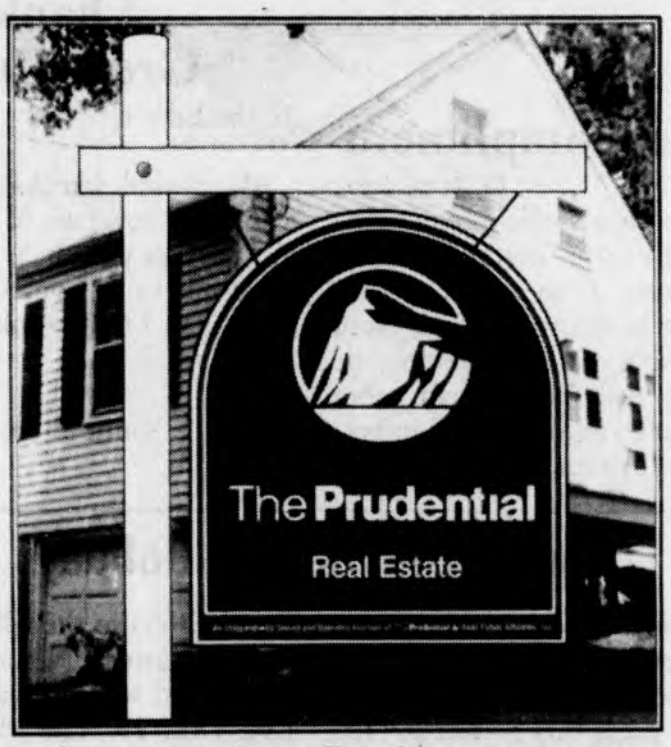

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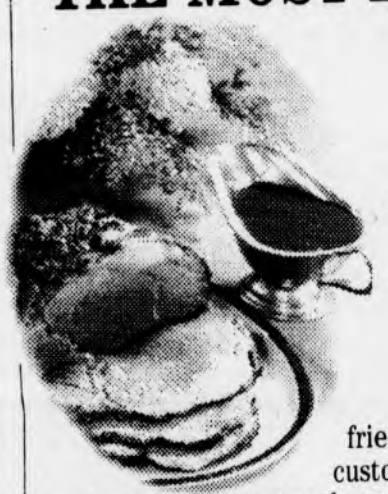

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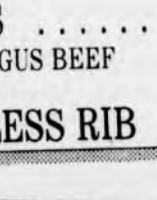

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When the Holidays Hurt

Holidays can hurt. For many families, social gatherings, gift-giving and reunions during the holiday season are a source of joy and happiness. For others, however, financial difficulties, painful childhood memories and family tensions lead to exhaustion and ragged nerves. Extra demands on parents' time, energy and pocketbooks make coping with children especially difficult for those mothers and fathers who are already under stress.

When the holidays hurt, what can parents do?

First, we must try to leave painful childhood memories in the past. It's important to remember that we can't make up for things that went wrong in the past, whether the situation was created by us or others. This is anew year, and we have the opportunity to create our own new traditions and memories.

Secondly, we can learn to have realistic expectations. The Brady Bunch and the Cosbys do not exist. We can remind ourselves that TV Christmas specials represent entertainment, not reality. Our real-life holiday may include sick children, tired adults and loud relatives. If our expectations for happiness are realistic, our chances for disillusionment will be less.

Also, we can make sure that holiday planning and parties fit into our regular work and play schedule. It isn't necessary that we go to every party to which we are invited, or that we have extravagant decorations or menus. We can remember that all this frantic activity is for a 24-hour time span. Just one day.

Most of all, we need to be with people during the holidays who are good for us — not toxic. Spending time with people who nurture us is a special part of the holidays, and is one of the ways we can take care of ourselves, now and throughout the rest of the year.

During this holiday season — and all year round — Parents Anonymous is just a phone call away, offering free services to families through its telephone hotline and its support group network. For information about a chapter near you, or just for a friendly chat, call 1-800-882-1250.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pupils' Comments Disheartening

To the Editor:

I was disheartened to read in the Dec. 5 Mariner "What Christmas and Hanukkah Mean to Me," written by Cohasset children.

The answer according to these young ones is not much. Their ignorance equalled only by their self-centered replies is a sad commentary on their knowledge of what Christmas and Hanukkah really are.

Lucille McLoughlin
36 Lothrop Lane

'Nerd' is a Compliment

To the Editor:

Would it help those who seem to be embarrassed by the term "nerd" to be told the word may come from the Inuit language? According to Eskimo legend, Nerd was a hunter of superior skill. Because he used his brain a little more than other hunters, he caught more seals, lived in better igloos, and was extremely popular at the communal snuggle parties. Other hunters, some of them stronger, were happy to pull his sled, because he had a deeper understanding of the environment, animal psychology and many other things and thus could best lead them to good hunting and away from bad ice.

Eskimos don't ever punish children, rather they encourage development of self-worth. They teach by setting good example, and by telling stories about role-model Nerd and his equally smart sister.

Actually, it's a very recent legend.

R.M. Campbell
75 Old Pasture Rd.

Thanks for Great Coverage

To the Editor:

We would like to thank you for the wonderful coverage of our third Jingle Bell Walk. With your help we certainly got the word out to the public. We estimate that more than 1,000 people attended.

Stephanie Church
Program Director
South Shore Community Center

Early Deadlines for Holidays

During the holiday season, the Cohasset Mariner will have several early deadlines.

The Dec. 26 edition of the Cohasset Mariner will go to press this Saturday, Dec. 21. In order to permit time for editing and typesetting of community submissions, the deadline for that week's edition is tomorrow, Friday, Dec. 20 at noon. You may also FAX your news to (617)740-8955 or deliver it in person to our office at 73 South St., Hingham, or to our pick-up spot at Cohasset News on Brook Street in the village.

The Mariner Newspapers' main office in Marshfield will close at 2 p.m. on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. The Marshfield office will be open on Thursday, Dec. 26.

The Cohasset Mariner for Jan. 2, 1997, will be produced on Monday, Dec. 30. The deadline for that week's edition will be Friday, Dec. 27 at noon.

Anyone with questions may call 749-0031.

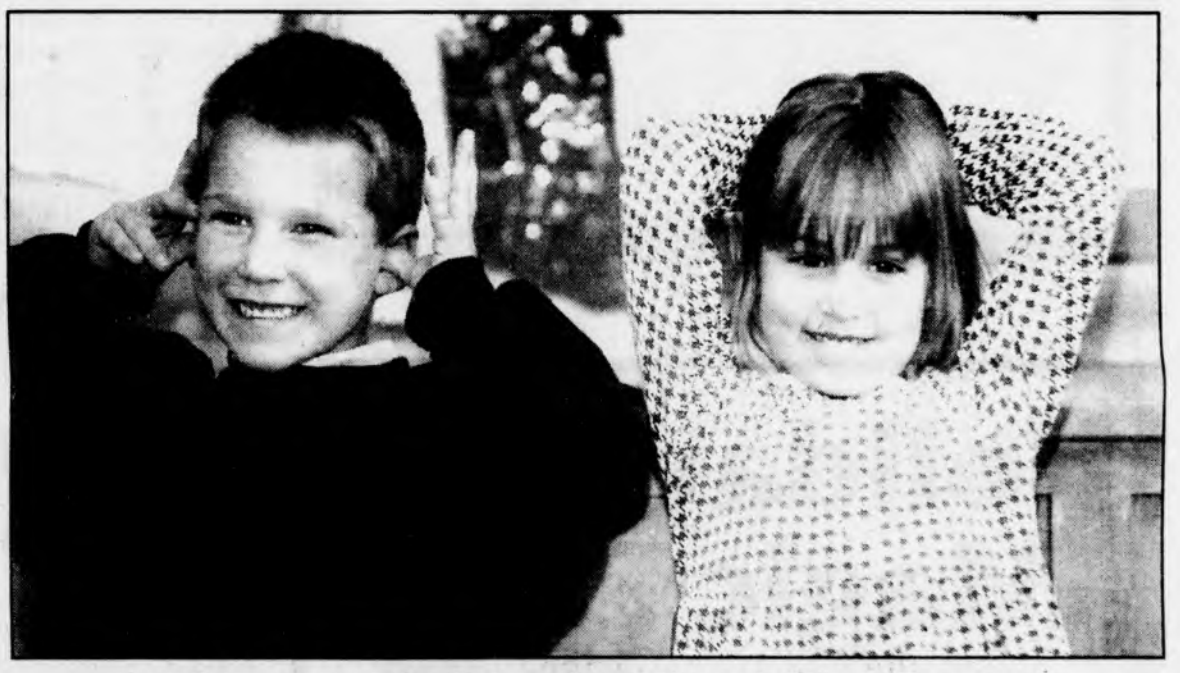
21st Annual Performance for Family and Friends

Kindergartners Celebrate Christmas

John Emmanuelo balances a ban bag on his head during Mrs. Price's afternoon Christmas musical.

The 75-minute performance took its toll on Carley Zappolo.

Zachary Coggins applauds for his sister Sara as Mrs. Price plays holiday tunes on the piano.



Ivan Sceery and Jessica Dupre relax at the end of the performance.

Lauren Mack counts to ten with her mother.

Staff photos/Alan Chapman

Army Corps Wants Answers

Asks About Rail Alternatives

By Alice C. Coyle
COHASSET MARINER

After reviewing the draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (dSEIR) on the Greenbush Project, the Army Corps of Engineers said the MBTA may have to go back to the drawing board.

As the lead federal agency reviewing the project, the corps has raised several concerns about the report's findings especially on rail alternatives such as commuter boats, the guided busway and the Hingham Square tunnel option.

Hingham's Greenbush coordinator Alexander Macmillan, who said he is pleased the army corps is making sure the MBTA dots its "i's and crosses its "t's," is happy to see alternatives like the tunnel being put back on the table.

Macmillan and many rail opponents have criticized the MBTA for not giving a fair or accurate assessment of non-rail transit options in their environmental impact studies.

"One of the problems I've had with the MBTA's consideration of alternatives is that they've outlined them in ways that cripples them from the outset," Macmillan said.

And in a letter to MBTA Manager of Environmental Affairs Andrew Brennan, District Engineer Lt. Colonel J. Michael Bradbury seemed equally skeptical.

Based on the information in the draft report, Bradbury said the army corps was "unable concur at this time" with the MBTA's dismissal of several of the transit alternatives to commuter rail.

"This gives legitimacy to our argument that alternatives including the tunnel were not given adequate consideration," Macmillan said. "Now the MBTA has to come up with the answers to questions they haven't so far answered."

If the corps questions cannot be satisfactorily answered, further environmental review, including another environmental impact statement could be required, Bradbury said.

But Brennan, who met with army corps representatives Tuesday, said that a report being prepared will address the concerns raised. And should the corps require another environmental impact statement, Brennan said he is confident the project will stand up against any scrutiny.

"If it's required then so be it," Brennan said. "We can get this through any federal environmental review."

Macmillan remains unconvinced and maintained that the MBTA underestimated the army corps review of the project.

"It may have been a miscalculation on their part that the army corps would not take their responsibility as seriously as they have decided to do," Macmillan said. "They're looking at more than wetlands and the crossing of navigable waters."

Macmillan has long maintained that MBTA officials decided to forego federal funding on the Greenbush spur of the Old Colony rail restoration project and cover the costs with state money in order to evade tougher federal environmental review. He said that would have forced them to look more closely at and possibly choose an alternative to surface rail in Hingham. That segmentation of the project is the basis for Hingham's lawsuit against the MBTA.

Alexander Macmillan maintains that had the MBTA put the tunnel in the project five years ago when it was first suggested, the Greenbush line would have already been built and at a substantially lower cost.

"The army corps is giving the project the scrutiny that we think it deserves and I'm still hopeful that we might reach an agreement on one or more of these alternatives," Macmillan said.

A long-time tunnel proponent, Macmillan continues to suggest the tunnel might be an affordable mitigation measure when the impacts on Hingham's historic district are added up.

"I think they've overstated the cost of the tunnel,' said Macmillan, who maintained that had the MBTA put the tunnel in the project five years ago when it was first suggested, the Greenbush line would have already been built and at a substantially lower cost.

But according to state transportation officials, the tunnel's high price tag eliminated it as an alternative more than a year ago.

"We're talking about a $26,000 per foot tunnel, that's very expensive," said Brennan, who noted that while it would eliminate some of the visual and noise impacts it would create many impacts of its own including damaging buildings without foundations.

"It's an incredibly expensive way to avoid a few impacts," he said.

The guided busway option, which would involve running articulated buses along the Greenbush right of way is another commuter rail alternative on which the corps requested more information. Vastly unpopular by both rail opponents and proponents when first floated by the MBTA, Brennan said the busway's ridership would not meet clean air quality standards being mandated by the state.

At best, Brennan said the busway would have about half as many riders as projected for commuter rail. At worst, the number would be more like 20 percent, he said. Visual, noise

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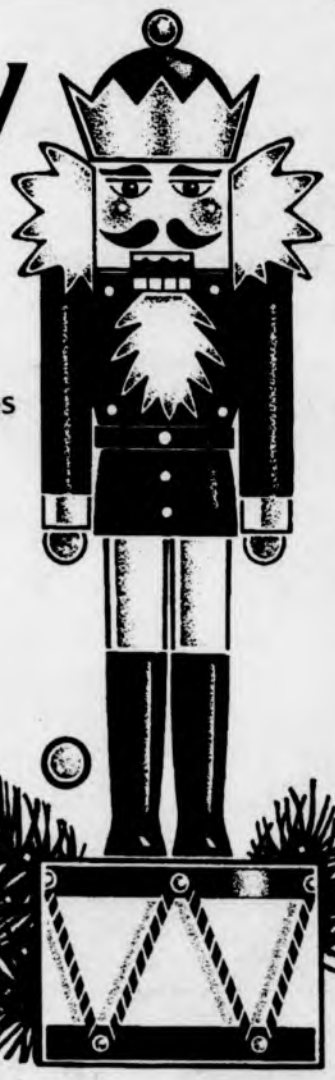

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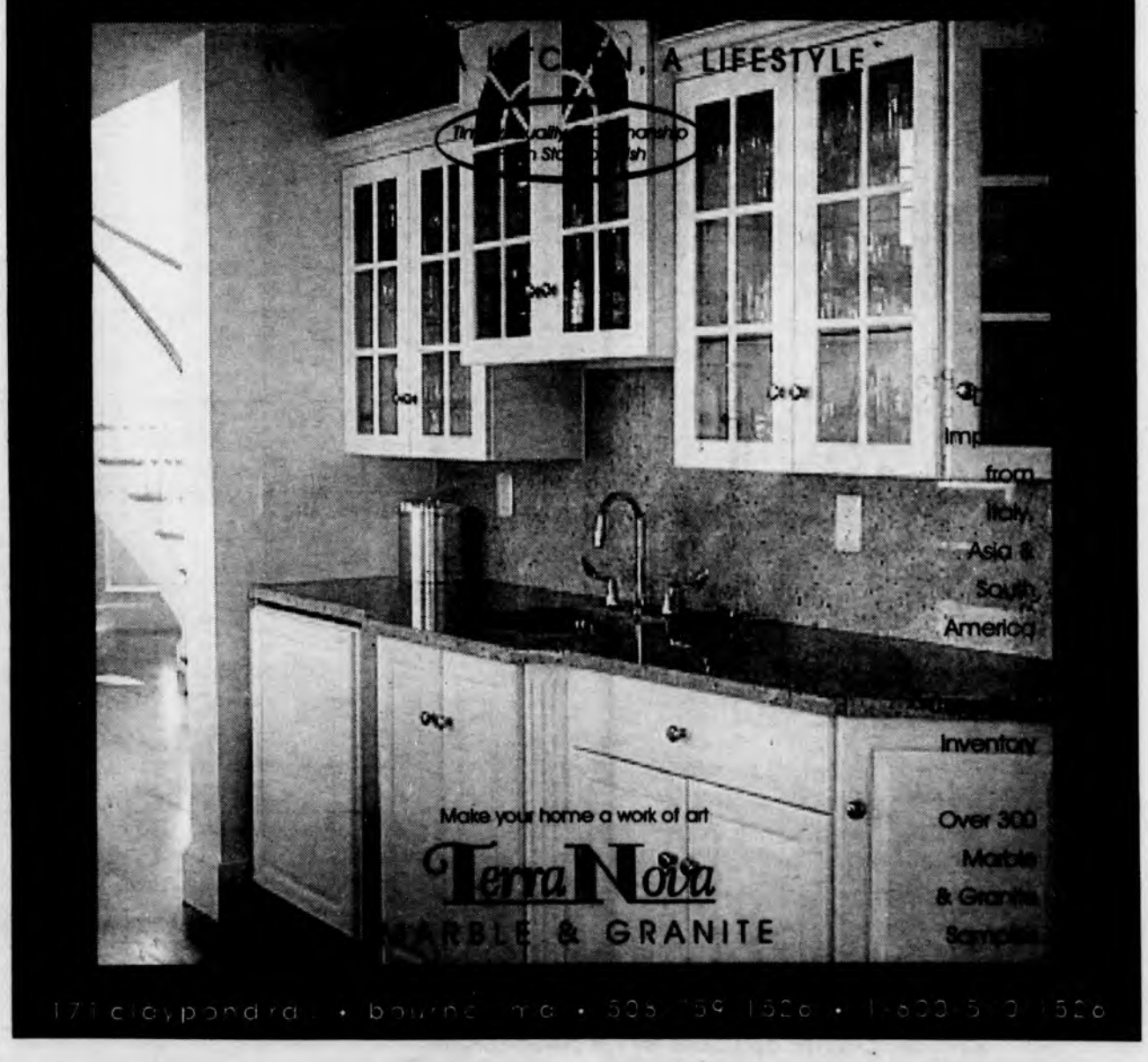

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Septic System Upgrade Approved

The health board approved an upgrade of a septic system over the concerns of the abutter who said the plan should have further study.

Judge Hiller Zobel has sold his home at 294 Jerusalem Rd. and is replacing the septic system there.

Robert Sturdy, a neighbor at 270 Jerusalem Rd., who is also the chairman of the planning board, said the new system could exacerbate existing drainage problems in the area.

Water traveling through old underground drains, the high water table, and the amount of ledge in the are keep parts of the property "too wet for walking."

A large pine tree in his yard, near the Zobel's property line, fell over because the roots had rotted from the damp ground, he added.

"I suspect that the situation that is bad today will get worse."

Sturdy also questioned the plan that called for running the new pipe to a barn on the Zobel property where the prospective owners want to install a bathroom. This, Sturdy said, raises the possibility that it will become a two-dwelling property. With the barn connected to the septic system, it could easily be converted into an apartment, possibly without obtaining the necessary building permits.

Engineer Philip Spath the proposed location for the new septic system is the best site on the property for it. He added that any renovations to the barn to make a new bedroom there will require a reduction of one bedroom in the house, and therefore will not increase the amount of waste water discharged from the property.

Health Agent Dr. Joseph Godzik agreed that the proposed septic system site is the best location for it. There was no reason to test other areas due to ledge and steep slopes elsewhere on the property.

But the board said the septic system connection to the barn could wait until such time as the new owners make renovations to it. The pipe would be run under an unpaved section of driveway so there would be no additional work later to dig up new pavement.

Army

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and traffic impacts locally would be greater and more frequent with 85 buses running through Greenbush grade crossings instead of 24 trains each day, he said. And once the buses merge with traffic on the expressway, Brennan said there is no counting on getting to work on time, as snarled traffic, accidents and snow storms will halt not only cars but the buses as well.

"On a bad accident day, you're going to sit in traffic," he said.

Brennan said answers like these and others should clear up any concerns the Army Corps of Engineers has and he is hoping for a finding of no significant impact (FONSI) on Greenbush allowing the MBTA to move ahead in the permitting process.

Macmillan on the other hand hopes the army corps' concerns will get the attention of state Secretary of Environmental Affairs Trudy Coxe.

"It's important to give Trudy Coxe a chance to direct this thing under the umbrella of MEPA," said Macmillan, who would like to see more scoping sessions and public hearings on alternatives in addition to another environmental impact statement. MEPA is the state Environmental Protection Act.

The final environmental impact report on the $215 million Greenbush line is due out late in the spring of 1997 and MBTA officials are still shooting for late 1999 for trains to start rolling on the 17.7-mile rail line. Work continues on both the Middleboro and Plymouth lines which will open for service next September, Brennan said.

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He Said, She Said

Gender Gap in Views of Stadium Plan

By Steve Adams
COHASSET MARINER

When it comes to local legislators' views on the latest Boston football stadium proposal, it matters less which side of the party aisle you're on, than which side of the gender gap.

"If Bob Kraft wants to build a stadium, he ought to raise the money privately," asserted Rep. Janet O'Brien, D-Hanover. "I really don't see any need for the public to provide any money for a facility which has only private benefits, including benefits to multi-millionaires."

But three male South Shore legislators say if Patriots' owner Robert Kraft is willing to privately finance the construction of the stadium itself, they're leaning in favor of taxpayers chipping in $65 million in road and utility improvements to the surrounding area.

"It seems to me that basically Mr. Kraft is willing to finance the thing privately and what he's looking to the government for is road improvements. It seems to me that's our function," said Rep. Fran Marini, R-Hanson.

O'Brien, Rep. Mary Jeanette Murray, R-Cohasset, and Rep.-elect Kathy Teahan, D-Whitman, all said they oppose the use of any taxpayer funds to support Kraft's stadium plan.

According to published reports, Kraft wants to lease Massport-owned land along the South Boston waterfront and build a 70,000-seat stadium with a $200,000 loan from BankBoston.

State Sen. Robert Hedlund, R-Weymouth, likes the stadium plan better than previous proposals for a convention center in South Boston, just north of the proposed stadium site. Hedlund was the only senator to vote against a $1 million study of a Megaplex proposal in the past session.

"What I know of Kraft's proposal so far, and my colleagues aren't saying this, may make more sense than the rough plan I've heard on the convention center," said Hedlund. "I like neither, but if the taxpayers have to foot the bill, the stadium makes less nonsense than what I'm hearing on a convention center."

Hedlund said he is wary of the possibility that the convention center might be run by the Massachusetts Convention Center Authority, "the same people who have mismanaged the Hynes Convention Center."

Hedlund, Marini and state Rep. Frank Hynes, D-Marshfield, agreed that government may have a responsibility to provide improvements such as parking, road construction in the form of a direct route from the Central Artery and possibly an MBTA stop near the stadium.

"There may be a legitimate role for the state to play in infrastructure improvements," said Hedlund.

"I think it's come a long way from the discussions we've had the last couple of years," said Hynes. "I've been a supporter of a convention center provided it is funded by the private sector, largely hotel and entertainment taxes. I think it's reasonable to suggest (public financing of infrastructure improvements) because not simply the stadium but the convention center itself would require more direct access to keep it off neighborhood roadways.

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> State Sen. Robert Hedlund

"Both the stadium and the convention center would generate high volumes requiring a direct route in and out. It seems to me that's an appropriate government function," he said.

Hynes did express reservations about the implications of tax dollars being used to indirectly subsidize "ever-increasing disproportionate contracts of prized athletes."

Another drawback of the stadium plan, Hynes noted, is the fear that Kraft might move the Patriots out of Boston in a few years anyway, if he can find a more attractive facility in another city.

Marini does not see that as a problem.

"So what?" he asked. "They're not going to take the stadium with them. So if someone is willing to spend $200 million of their own money to build a facility in the capital city of Massachusetts, in exchange for maybe a 'T' stop and some access to the Central Artery, and they leave in five years, you've still got the stadium."

Marini said he did not understand South Boston residents' opposition to the stadium, noting that the parcel is located more than a mile from the nearest residential neighborhood. He questioned why Patriots' fans would want to use local streets in South Boston if a direct access from the Central Artery were provided.

But Murray said she would respect the wishes of the neighborhood residents.

"I don't think the people of South Boston want it there," she said. "I'm a very strong Home Rule type of person. If my district doesn't want something, I don't want it, and the same goes for other districts."

Legislators also disagree on whether the stadium would generate off-site economic development.

"If the arguments can be made it will generate jobs, and make Massachusetts more attractive as a place where people will come and tourism dollars will be spent, yes, I think you will see some reception for that," said Hynes.

O'Brien said unlike a convention center, a football stadium has no spillover benefit on the surrounding community.

"I just think a convention center provides a lot of benefits a sports stadium does not provide, as far as tourism and business," O'Brien added. "People who go to games drive to the stadium, park, leave the game and drive home."

Murray echoed O'Brien's comments.

"None of the stadiums that

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Coffee House at British Relief

The British Relief Coffee House will host Aubry Atwater, a joyous and captivating performer of traditional and original folk music, Sunday, Dec. 22, at 4 p.m.

Atwater, who plays the Appalachian Mountain dulcimer, old-time banjo, Irish tin whistle and guitar, will present a Winter Solstice Concert. Admission is $5 and includes beverages and refreshments. The event is hosted by MacIsaac and Ross.

Shop at South Shore Art Center!

A visit to the gift gallery at South Shore Art Center can help solve holiday shopping problems and eliminate the crowds, parking problems and indecision.

The gallery offers handmade crafts, jewelry, accessories and home decorating items, along with gift certificates. There are hand-blown glass vases, flowers and serving dishes; pottery dinnerware; handpainted scarves; jewelry; and carved wooden desk accessories.

Courses and workshops are offered during the winter months for children and adults, including painting, pastels, sculpture, photography, 3-D art and Chinese brush painting.

Proceeds from the gallery support on-going educational outreach programs, free gallery exhibitions and scholarship programs. The center is located at 119 Ripley Road, Cohasset, and is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. For further information, call 383-2787.

Crisis Center Seeks Donations

Quincy Crisis Center is planning Christmas dinner for needy families on the South Shore who cannot afford to purchase a traditional meal or gifts for their children.

Donations of turkeys, stuffing, gravy, fresh produce, rolls and homemade desserts are needed, along with new toys and children's clothing, which will be distributed with the holiday dinners.

Financial donations are also welcome. A $10 contribution will purchase a turkey, and $25 will cover the cost of an entire meal for a needy family. Tax-deductible contributions may be mailed to Quincy Crisis Center, P.O. Box 31, Wollaston 02170.

Food and gift donations may be brought to Quincy Crisis Center. For directions and details, call 471-7075.

Stadium

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have been built around the country have proven to be a boon," Murray said. "When they talk about people coming into Boston, avid football fans, they fly in and fly right out again. They don't frequent restaurants anyway."

Teahan, whose husband Bob is a former Patriots' scout, would rather see money spent on programs that benefit the South Shore.

"I just feel it's too much of a risk and there are other priorities for people's tax dollars," said Teahan. "The consensus around here when I ran in 1995 (in a special election) was we needed to use our money for other things, to encourage economic growth."

State Sen. Michael Morrissey, D-Quincy, said he hasn't received enough information to form a strong opinion.

"I don't think there's real strong support for financing a stadium," said Morrissey. "I think you might find support for infrastructure improvements. But $65 million seems pretty high."

He noted that the state allocated millions in transportation bond bill improvements to the Foxboro Stadium area a few years ago.

Regardless of whether local lawmakers are supportive of Kraft's proposal, Marini said Boston legislators may decide the fate of the plan. Hedlund said the support of Mayor Thomas Menino will also be key. Menino last week urged Kraft to abandon South Boston and consider putting the stadium in another neighborhood.

"If the mayor and the rep.'s in that part of town can get behind something, I think you'll see tremendous momentum," Hedlund predicted. "The governor didn't want to get out front and create the perception he was trying to ram something down the throat of the neighborhood. They really have the power, I think, to prevent this from happening."

DPW Budget is Presented

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield jokingly asked selectmen to "go easy" because it's his first budget for the combined highway, tree & park and Recycling Transfer Facility (RTF) departments, a merger that was approved at the 1995 annual town meeting.

Litchfield submitted a $825,635 fiscal 1998 budget up from the $790,442 appropriated for this year. Selectmen approved the budget request last week.

The budget includes money for the DPW operating budget, cleaning brooks and streams, and capital budget items.

Litchfield said he put in a $5,000 line item this year for cleaning up James Brook near Smith Place. The money will be used to rent an excavator and hire an operator for 64 hours, he said. The DPW is concerned about damming caused by debris build up in James Brook. In October, the town flooded when James Brook overflowed after a heavy rainstorm.

Litchfield would also like to buy a 20 horsepower leaf vacuum for $4,299 which will be used to pick up leaves between walls and the street.

Selectman Nan Roth likened the leaf vacuum which will suck leaves up into the back of a truck to "an anteater."

Selectman Michael Sullivan said the vacuum was a "great idea."

Litchfield will submit a separate article covering the cost of tearing down the highway garage in the town parking lot. The garage will no longer be needed once the new one at the town landfill is completed.

"The day we move in, we should tear it down," Roth said.

Litchfield requested $395,393 in salaries, up from $380,755 and $117,795 in general expenses.

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MARINER'S GALLEY

Visions of Sugarplums

By Carole B. Carroll
COHASSET MARINER

I love to give (and receive) delicious, homemade, calorie-laden confections. They make perfect hostess gifts and are warmly received by co-workers as well. Recycle large glass jars, cover the jar lids with decorative foil or wrapping paper rounds and tie with shiny ribbon and a holly sprig. For a more home-spun look, use small rounds of scrap fabric for the jar lids and tie with raffia or yarn, tucking in a small candy cane. Buy small, inexpensive baskets and line with pretty paper, a small piece of fabric or a festive cloth napkin. Garnish the goodies with sprigs of fresh greens and baby's breath tied with ribbon. Here are some ideas for gift-giving from the heart of your home ... confections from your kitchen.

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This is so easy and so delicious ... similar in appearance to a divinity.

WHITE CHOCOLATE PECAN "BARK"

Yield 1-1/4 pounds

1 lb. top-quality white chocolate, finely chopped
1 Tbsp. unsalted butter
1 Tbsp. vegetable oil
1 cup toasted pecans, coarsely chopped

Line a baking sheet with aluminum foil. Using a double boiler, melt the chocolate with the butter and oil over hot, but not boiling, water, stirring constantly until the chocolate is melted and smooth. Remove the top part of the double boiler from the pan and stir in the pecans. Pour the chocolate mixture onto the prepared cookie sheet. Spread out to desired thickness; mixture does not have to cover entire surface. Refrigerate until set. Slide a metal spatula under the chocolate to loosen from the foil. Break into uneven pieces and place in a foil-lined decorative container. (If not ready for gift-giving right away, store in an airtight container in the refrigerator up to one week).

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This is such a festive-looking cookie. My holiday baking would seem incomplete without a batch.

SHORTBREAD STARS with CHOCOLATE GLAZE

Yield 4 dozen

Shortbread:

1-1/2 cups salted butter, softened
1 cup powdered sugar
1 Tbsp. vanilla extract
3 cups all-purpose flour

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Using an electric mixer at medium speed, blend butter until smooth in large mixing bowl. Slowly blend in powdered sugar. Scrape down sides of bowl and add vanilla; combine thoroughly. Add flour and combine at slow speed until well-blended. Divide dough into two equal portions. Flatten into a disk and wrap in plastic wrap. Refrigerate until firm, 1-1/2 to 2 hours. On a floured surface using a floured rolling pin, roll out each disk to 1/8-inch thickness. Turn dough if necessary to prevent sticking. Cut cookies with a 2-inch star-shaped cookie cutter (dip cookie cutter in flour occasionally). Bake on an ungreased cookie sheet for 15 to 18 minutes; do not let cookies brown. Transfer cookies immediately to a cooling rack.

Chocolate glaze:

1/4 cup heavy cream
1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
2 tsp. light corn syrup

Heat cream in small saucepan until scalded, then remove from heat. Stir in chocolate chips and corn syrup; cover and let stand for 15 minutes. With a wire whisk or wooden spoon, gently mix glaze until smooth. Dip half of each cookie into glaze and transfer to a wax-paper-lined cookie sheet. Chill dipped cookies in refrigerator until chocolate is set.

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This is an addictive sauce. Serve it over vanilla ice cream topped with crushed Reese's Pieces and a chocolate-glazed shortbread star (recipe above) tucked on the side.

MILK CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER SAUCE

Yield 1-1/4 cups

1 Tbsp. unsalted butter
1 Tbsp. packed light brown sugar
1 Tbsp. light corn syrup
1/4 cup smooth peanut butter
1/2 cup half-and-half
4-1/2 oz. milk chocolate, chopped
pinch of salt
2 Tbsp. water

In a heavy saucepan, melt the butter, brown sugar and corn syrup over moderate heat. Stirring constantly, whisk in the peanut butter and the half-and-half; bring the mixture to a simmer. Add the chocolate and salt and whisk until smooth; whisk in the water. Cool and then refrigerate up to a week until gift-giving time. To present as a gift, pour into a glass jar, cover jar top with a decorative fabric round, and tie with your favorite ribbon. Reheating instructions: Heat in microwave or double boiler until warm.

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This was my friend Reggie's signature hostess gift. It's no wonder she received so many invitations!

Continuing its long-standing tradition of helping people, PINE STREET INN volunteers have been seeking donations at Independence Mall in Kingston again this year. They will be in front of the Gap this weekend, December 20-22. You can find them Friday evenings and all day Saturday and Sunday. The volunteers are working hard on the Inn's "GOOD NIGHT CAMPAIGN." For a $10 donation, which provides someone with a hot meal and a warm bed for the night, you'll receive a beautiful hand-painted ornament.

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Anyone willing to share a meal from their home or deliver meals provided by SSEE's nutrition program is asked to call the Susan Lambropoulos at the agency's main office at 848-3910.

Watch Out for Scams

As the holiday season approaches, scam artists kick into high gear. Realizing this, Cohasset Elder Affairs hosted a presentation on fraud and financial exploitation. Brian Lelio, investigator for the Plymouth Country District Attorney's office senior protection team, conducted the session and included the following tips in his presentation:

• Be wary of telemarketers who state you have won a prize. In order to obtain the prize, you must first send money to cover postage and handling. You may receive an inferior prize or no prize at all. In addition, the telemarketers then sell the names to another company, which, upon realizing the senior was willing to send in money to obtain a prize, will hound the individual. To receive legitimate prizes, no money should have to be sent.

• Never give out credit card or social security numbers over the telephone unless placing a mail order. With the advent of computers, even individuals with unlisted telephone numbers are not immune to being contacted by these organizations. Those obtaining unlisted numbers then sell the list, which is more valuable since the numbers are unlisted.

• When contacted by telephone, be polite but hang up. If interested in making a donation to the organization or receiving a prize, investigate before sending money. Once the money has been sent, it is almost impossible to get it back.

• Other scams include installations of driveways. Residents are contacted at their homes and convinced they can get a good deal. The materials are often inferior and not appropriate for repaving driveways. With the first heavy rain, the driveways wash away, resulting in a hazardous waste situation. Use extreme caution when approached.

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• Fund a summer reading program and puzzle club to improve children's reading skills;

• Renew family passes to The New England Aquarium, The Museum of Fine Arts, The Museum of Science and The Children's Museum and provide a new pass to The Computer Museum.

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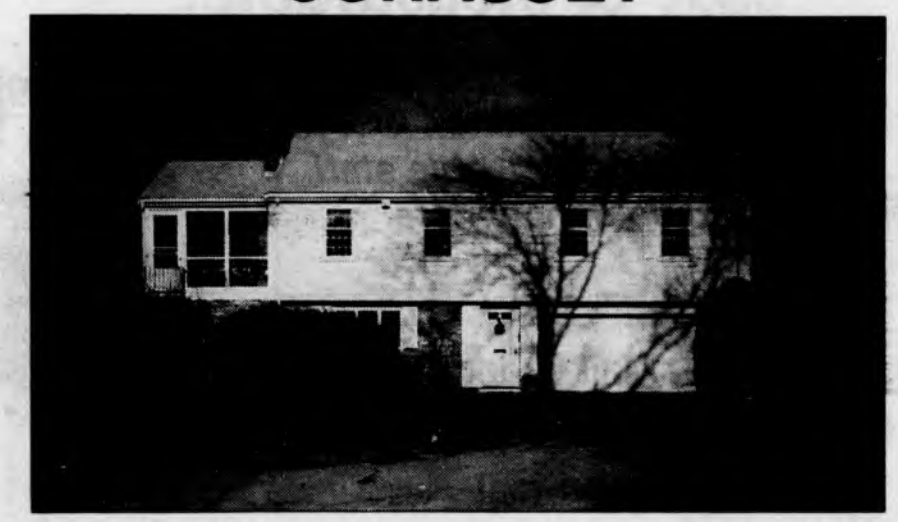

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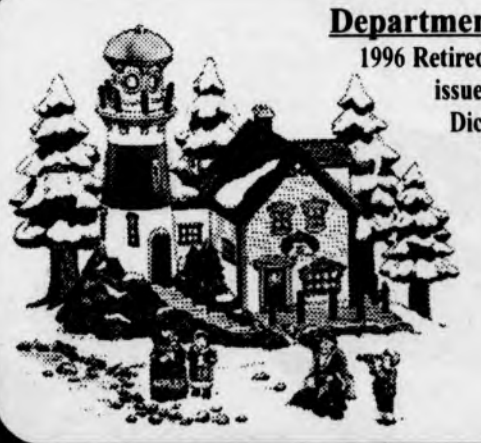

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Happy Holidays

Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary Angel Tree at Independence Mall

The Women's Auxiliary of The Salvation Army, Plymouth, MA has placed "Angels" at the Independence Mall, Kingston for individuals and families to adopt.

The "Angels" are children whose families have applied for Christmas help this year. More than 200 children will be assisted through the Angel Tree this Christmas.

Lt. Shaffer, Commanding Officer, noted that, "It is through the cooperation of the Women's Auxiliary and the Independence Mall that many children will be able to have a happier holiday, because a gift will be there on Christmas Day".

The Angel Tree runs from December 11-17, 1996.

Kate Schroeder

Local Dancer in 'Nutcracker'

Kate Schroeder of Cohasset is performing in "The Nutcracker" as Cavalry this year. She has been a soldier and candy cane in the past. Kate, who is a student at Boston Ballet School's Norwell studio, joins 13 other Cohasset ballerinas, who were featured in the Cohasset Mariner Nov. 21. They are part of a cast of more than 450 young dancers from the Greater Boston area who perform the roles of toy soldiers, angels, cherubs, dolls, baby mice, reindeer, lambs, polichinelles and party children in Boston Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker" at the Wang Center for the Performing Arts through Jan. 5.

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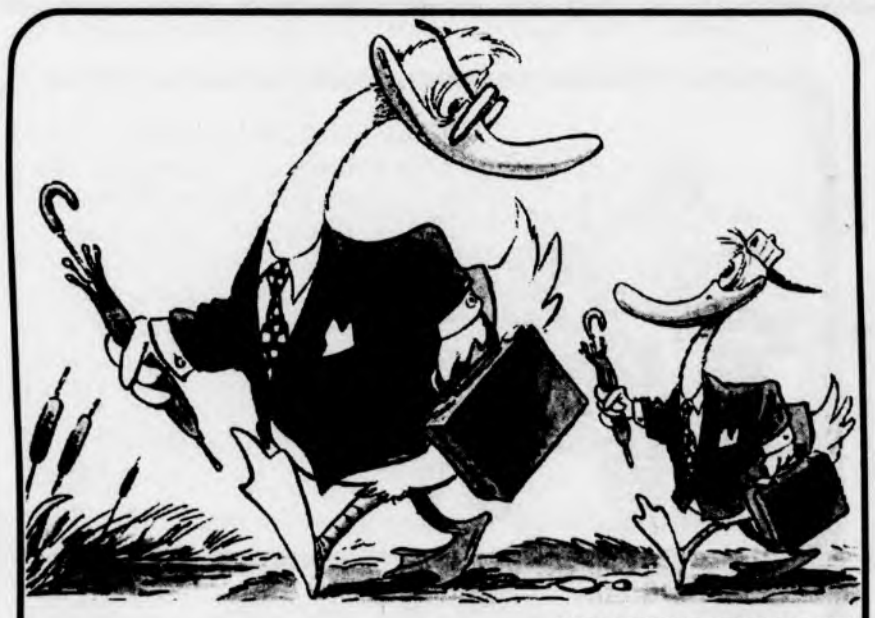

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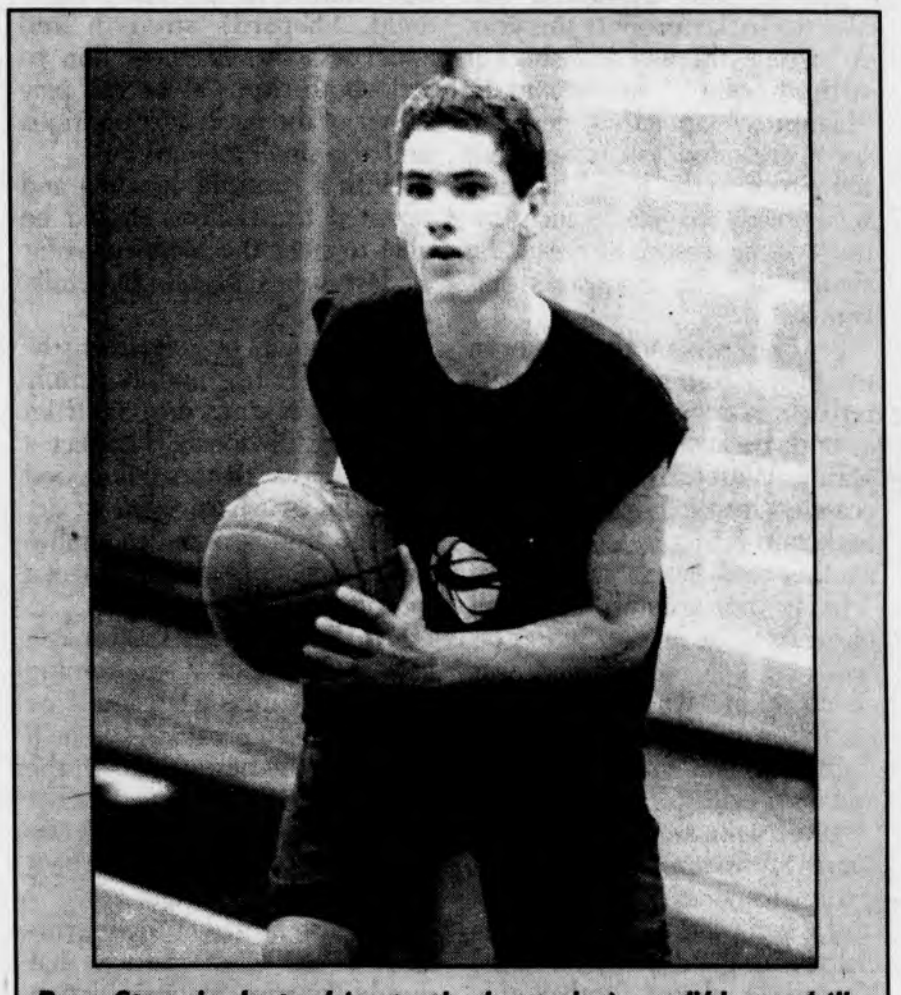

Ryan Story looks to drive to the hoop during a JV hoop drill.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE MARINER

In its first game of the season, the Cohasset Skippers basketball team squeezed out a tough victory over a talented Norwell squad. Led by junior Paul-Michael Quintin's 24 points and senior Ryan Bishop's 15 rebounds, the Skippers had to go to overtime in a Noisy Norwell gym to beat the Clippers 60-51, despite trailing 27-20 at the half.

Quintin started the game, and the season, with a lay-up off the glass, but it soon became the J.L. Williams Show. The senior forward knocked down a three pointer and hit two free throws on the next possession. Jamie Buick snaked his way under the hoop for a lay-up and Williams pulled the trigger from the corner. Williams' defense and rebounding set up Quintin, who hit the trey, pulling the Skippers within two after a Norwell run. Bishop hit a free throw and Williams hit a pair, making it 23-17, Clippers. Quintin's three at the half gave Cohasset 20.

Cohasset came back in the second half, starting off with Bishop, who picked up two buckets. In transition for most of the second half, the Skippers collected many of their points on the run. Pat Hurley fired to Quintin for the lay-up. Burke Davis spotted up and netted a three and Hurley sank two free throws. Williams grabbed an offensive board and put it back, pulling the visitors within two. Quintin's three pointer edged them ahead and the Boys in Blue would not trail again. Buick hit a lefty lay-up and Quintin nailed another three, this one from the corner, giving Cohasset an eight-point lead and charging up the sparse Skipper crowd. Buick picked up two more and Bishop hit a clutch free throw. Norwell tied it at 47. Cohasset, however, couldn't hit two free throws and the game went into OT.

Bishop tore down an offensive board and kicked it out to Quintin, who tossed in another three. Davis took and sank a technical free throw and hit another from the line, putting Cohasset ahead by three. Buick, Quintin and Davis all nailed a pair of foul shots and the game was over.

Head coach Ron Ford was pleased with the effort.

"I'm very proud of my kids," he said. "They won that game because they expected to win it. If we expect to win and the game is tied with five minutes left, we're going to win. We got two huge efforts tonight from two junior rookies; Hurley and Buick. They were both unbelievable.

"My coaching staff, Mark Hall and Mike Cohen, both made adjustments in the second half. We went to the zone defense so we could collapse down on (senior center Matt) Lewis. That made the difference."

Seventh Graders Shine in Gymnastics Win

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

The first mark the Cohasset High gymnastics team wanted to reach this season was a score of 121.

It took the Lady Skippers one whole meet to reach it as Cohasset swept two events to easily defeat Duxbury, 122.5 — 105.15.

Tara Hettstrom took first place on the bars with a score of 7.35 as Erica Hettstrom and up-and-coming, seventh-grader Caitlin Flint finished in a tie for second (7.15), and seventh-grader Carlie Carter was third (6.95).

It should come as no surprise with the strong performances in the first meet. Head coach Erin Sutherland was pleased with the condition the girls were in during the preseason and the four-night, 2-1/2-hour practices per week only increased their strength.

"I can't believe how in shape they are," Sutherland said. "These girls are very healt conscious.

The seventh graders have the coaches excited as well.

Assistant coach Ruthann Ardizzoni said both Flint and Carter should contribute enormously to the team this season, but there is little pressure on either of them.

"They're just having fun," Ardizzoni said. "They're going out there and having a ball."

"They bring a lot of depth to the team," Sutherland said. "They're working hard and are very valuable to the team."

Cohasset's best performances came on the balance beam with Flint's scintillating 8.3. Jodi Colwill and Kristin Sheerin were right behind at 8.2 and Erica Hettstrom's 8.0 was good for third.

Kate Collins was the lone Duxbury winner, taking both the vault and floor with 8.2 scores. Colwill was second on the vault (7.85) and Kristen Reynolds rounded out the top three with her 7.55.

Tara and Erica Hettstrom were second and third on the floor exercise with an 8.1 and 8.05, respectively. Erica Hettstrom beat out Colwill in the all around, 30.7 to 29.9.

"It's going to be a good season," Sutherland said, "but it's going to take a lot of hard work."

Junior Kristen Reynolds executes a wolf jump on the balance beam with great amplitude.
Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni

Cohasset High gymnastic captains will be the team members to set the lead for head coach Erin Sutherland's (third from left) squad. The captains include Jodi Colwill, Megan Pratt and Erica Hettstrom.
Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni

Hoopsters Look to the 'Promised Land'

By Jim O'Sullivan
SPECIAL TO THE COHASSET MARINER

Coming off an 18-7 basketball campaign last year, the Cohasset varsity basketball team continues its quest for a state title. The Division 3 South Sectional champs and EMass finalists for two years running, the Skippers are looking to reach the promised land. Under head coach Ron Ford, a pack of hungry seniors is ready to do some South Shore League damage.

Senior center Ryan Bishop is a three-year varsity player who blossomed into a star last year with his tremendous work on the boards. Bishop upped his game at tourney time and helped carry the Skippers to the Division 3 EMass finals. In the Skippers' dramatic upset win over SSL champs Scituate, "Bish" dove on the floor in crunch time, exemplifying his will and commitment to winning.

Ford calls senior point guard Burke Davis "fundamentally, the best defensive player in the program." Davis's tenacious defense allows him to cover the opposition's best guard. However, this captain's game isn't limited to defense. Possessing a lethal three-point shot that can stymie opponents, not to mention his ballhandling skills, Davis serves as a multi-talented floor general.

J.L. Williams is another senior who should loom lard in the SSL this season. A power forward and deadly three-point marksman, Williams cleans the boards as well. Last year, his specialty was grabbing an offensive board in traffic and putting it back up for two points. Combine these talents with quiet hustle, a blue-collar work ethic and determination, and Williams spells trouble for Cohasset's foes.

Brian Kilroy, another senior forward, didn't waste his offseason. Kilroy hit the weight room, bulking up and getting ready for another season on the hardcourt. Kilroy has emerged bigger and stronger, prepared to bang bodies with the front-court heavies for rebounds. His fierce work ethic can only enhance his pretty jump shot and stifling defense, giving Ford another weapon with which to work.

Senior captain Matt Belson brings a hard-nosed demeanor to the Skippers. Coming off a football season where he was voted a SSL All-Star, Belson should see time as both a guard and forward. Also, the lead singer for the Skippers' a cappella quartet "The Fab Four" Belson's wit loosens the team's mood, but he never loses focus on the victory. Belson should prove to be a worthy captain this year.

Senior Grant Emde also comes off an outstanding autumn on the gridiron. Emde, a speedy guard who seems to chalk up a steal every time he's on the floor, can make things happen. Perfect for an up-tempo game, he seems to draw on a seemingly limitless supply of energy to keep going. Emde's towel-waving intensity will help ignite the Skippers when they need it most this year.

Paul-Michael Quintin is spending his second year on varsity this season. Unlike most sophomores, who spend their rookie season on the bench, Quintin filled a starting role last year and consistently pumped three-pointers. This year, Quintin's job will be even bigger as he completes the backcourt duo with Davis. More scoring responsibility will rest on Quintin this year, but he appears ready.

Justin McNamara also saw time on varsity last season. A point guard with excellent ball control and quick feet, Mac's rookie year earned him a glimpse at the big time and he handled the pressure well. This season, he joins a corps of talented juniors who should not only help out the Skippers, but help guide them to a state championship.

Junior Andy Hamilton will also see backcourt duty this year. A strong three-point shooter with solid fundamentals, "Hammer" appeared destined for a great football season, but fell victim to the injury bug and was unable to play much for most of the season. However, he should aid the hoopsters this winter.

Pat Hurley is another junior in this group. Also the varsity quarterback, Hurley should see time at both backcourt positions this season. With textbook form and ceaseless hustle, Hurley will be a backcourt leader in Cohasset for another two years.

Jamie Buick, another football player, was the leading scorer on last year's JV squad and was added, along with Hurley and Hamilton, to the tourney roster. A great athlete with fluid moves and superb leaping ability, "Snake" will start in the front-court this season.

John Kasameyer also excelled on JV last year. A rebound specialist with good defensive skills, Kasameyer played football this fall, starting on the offensive line. Hopefully, Kasameyer will contribute to a winning season for Cohasset.

Sophomore Jamie DeMichele, a running and defensive back this autumn, stepped into JV last year as a freshman and proceeded to raise his game until he won the starting role. With great quickness and jumping ability, DeMichele has an incredible knack for finding the bottom of the net.

Both DeMichele and sophomore Raheem Shepard will see time on both JV and the parent club this season. Shepard is another football player and he, too, starred in this year's backfield. Shepard's strength and quickness should allow him to help both teams as he can play either of the backcourt positions and also small forward.

With a versatile, hustling and talented team, Ford should be able to steer the Skippers as far as last year's squad, hopefully beyond.

"We should be solid this season," said Ford, "and, hopefully there won't be any drop off from last year. Obviously, I expect a lot out of our seniors. It's a good team, but we have work to do. I'm getting good leadership from my seniors and we expect a lot this year."

Ford pointed out Bishop as a key. "He's 6-foot-9 and coming off a great tourney last year," he said. "Ryan's a great kid and he'll be one of the best players in the league. Burke Davis is another important player for us. He's our point guard and captain and he'll be big this year."

Ford also hinted at "new wrinkles" in the team strategy that should surprise Skipper Nation this year. An interesting, fun season lies ahead and it remains to be seen whether this year's edition will reach its potential.

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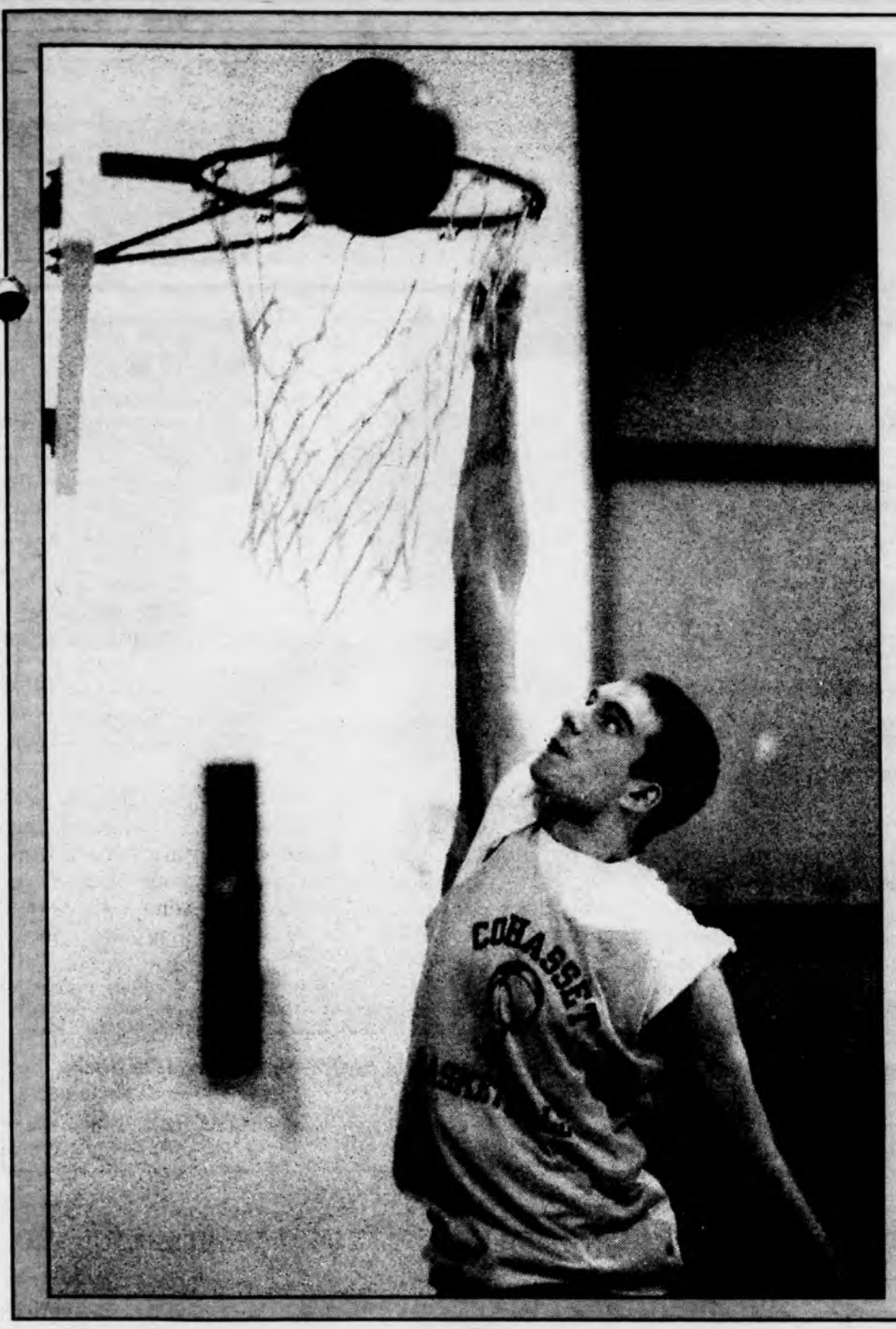

Bourke Coron slams down a shot during JV practice.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

Cohasset/Scituate Adult Programs

Adult Golf – Dan Neary, $65 for five one-hour classes, Cushing School, at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursdays, starting Jan. 9. Payable: Town of Cohasset.

Men's Under 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's Over 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult, Advanced Co-Ed Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, Wednesday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Beginner/Intermediate Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, through May 23, 6 to 8:30 p.m. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

January, 1997, Golf Lesson registrations are now – To register or for further details, call either the Cohasset or Scituate Recreation Departments at 383-6791 or 545-8738, respectively.

Ford's Hoop Clinic On Tap

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club will offer Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford's Holiday Vacation Basketball Shooting Clinic for girls and boys, grades 4-8. The 1996 clinic will be held at Cohasset High School's Sullivan Gym, starting Thursday, Dec. 26 to Saturday, Dec. 28, from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

The three-day clinic, directed by Ford, will focus on the development of fundamental offensive skills, designed specifically for grade 4-8 players. Students will receive instruction in ball handling, shooting, balancing, positioning skills, etc., helping make participants better offensive players.

To register, complete registration forms that were handed out at basketball registration, or pick up a registration form at the recreation office, first floor, town hall, and return it to the recreation department as soon as possible as space is limited.

The fee for this unique opportunity is $60 per participant, which includes a clinic T-shirt. Checks should be made payable to Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club. This is the fifth year the Winter Shooting Clinic has been offered through the sponsorships of the Good Sport Sporting Goods Store, Route 3A, Cohasset, the Basketball Boosters Club and the recreation department.

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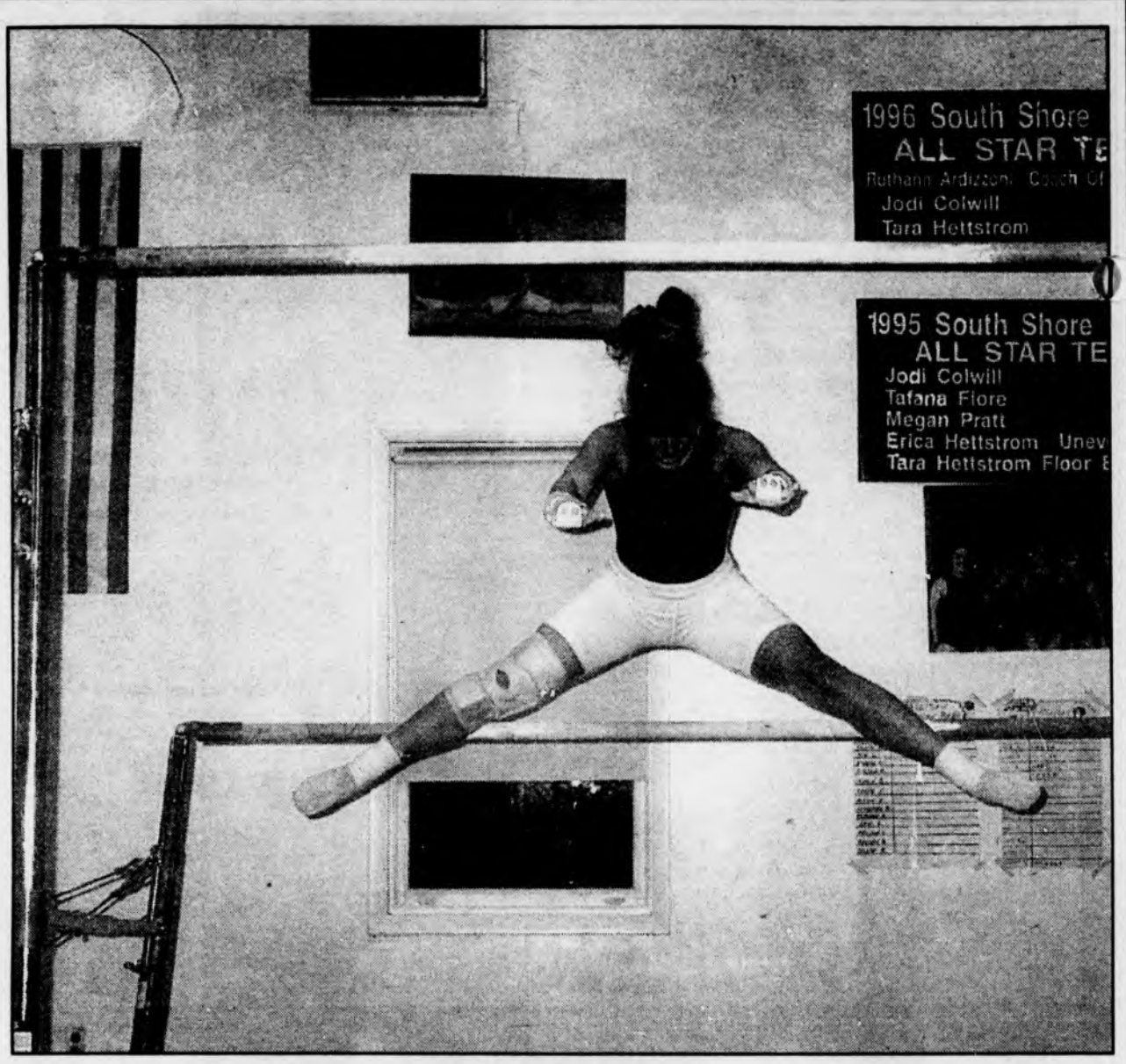
The fee for bus transportation for five weeks and five lessons is $100 per participant. Rental of equipment is available and costs $45 for the five weeks.

Should you be interested in registering please call the Cohasset Recreation Office at 383-6791, right away.



Sophomore Tara Hettstrom is caught in mid flight while performing a straddle back over the low bar.

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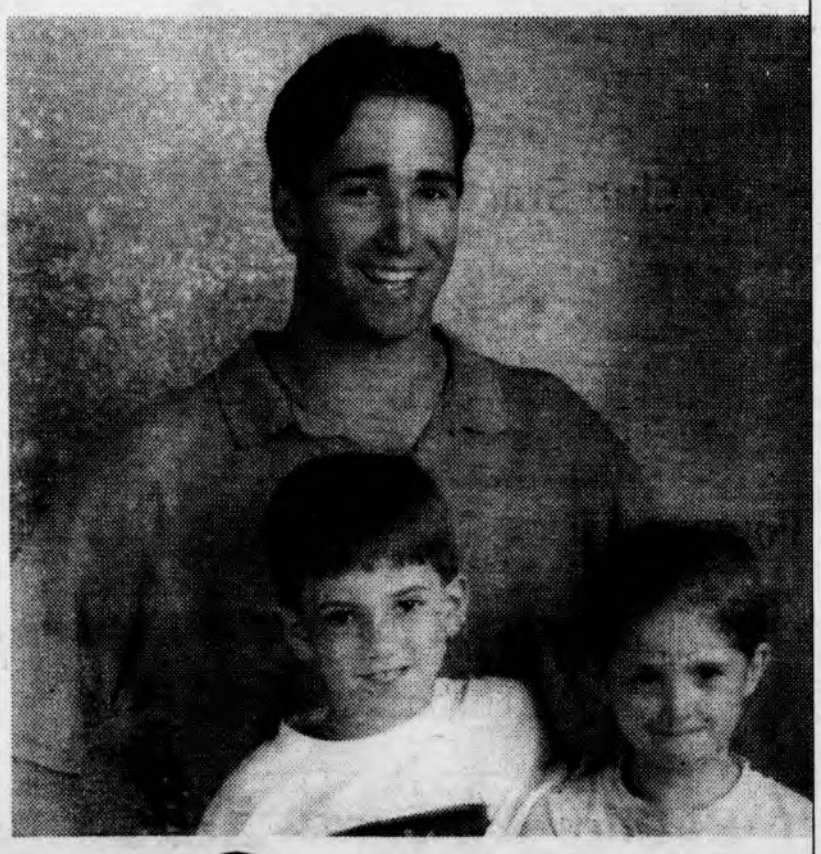

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Soccer Club Registration

The Cohasset Soccer Club will have a final registration for the spring 1997 travel teams. All players born before Aug. 1, 1986 who want to play on a team and who did not register in the fall can obtain a registration form at the recreation department office in town hall. Forms may also be obtained by writing to the Soccer Club at P.O. Box 409, Cohasset. The deadline for registration is Jan. 7, 1997. Late registrants cannot be guaranteed a place on a team.

Special Olympics Seeks Volunteers

The Massachusetts Special Olympics needs volunteers who can spend a few hours a month working on the management team and special events for the New Norfolk Area, which includes Avon, Braintree, Canton, Cohasset, Dedham, Hingham, Holbrook, Hull, Milton, Needham, Newton, Norwood, Quincy, Randolph, Sharon, Stoughton, Walpole, Wellesley, Westwood and Weymouth.

Management volunteers with experience in marketing, fund-raising, competition and volunteer recruitment are important in assuring that the area provides an opportunity for athletes to compete.

For more information, call Area Manager Mary Iacovelli at (617) 984-5841 and leave a message that includes name, address, telephone number and area of interest (marketing, fund-raising, competition, etc.).

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Hockey Club Starts

Join the Hockey Club at the Pilgrim Skating Arena from noon to 1:30 pm., Tuesday and Friday. Drop-ins are welcome. Cost is $10 per session. Participants must be 21 years and older. Call 617-749-6660.

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Power skating classes for Mites on Thursday afternoons and Squirts on Monday afternoons are offered at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Dr., Hingham. Call 617-749-6661.

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Cranwell To Host 1997 Bay State Winter Games

The Bay State Games announced today that Cranwell Resort in Lenox will host the Bay State Winter Games cross-country skiing competition Jan. 26.

Cross country competition features a 5K and 10K freestyle race for all ages with divisions grouped by age. A 1K Lollipop race is also available for skiers 5 to 9 years old. Bay State Winter Games cross-country skiing registration material will be available Dec. 2.

The 12th annual event will feature competition in figure skating at Williams College (Williamstown), alpine skiing at Jiminy Peak (Hancock), masters ice hockey at North Adam State College's Vietnam Veterans Memorial Skating Rink (North Adams) and cross country skiing at Cranwell (Lenox).

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The club's 1997 season is hoped to be particularly interesting and exciting, with the arrival of the very bright comet Hale Bopp. Everyone is welcome to become involved in the club.

The society meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Council on Aging, 293 Pine St., Norwell. The club also holds viewing sessions twice each month, weather permitting.

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Christmas Services at St. Stephen's

Christmas services at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church, 16 Highland Ave., will feature a variety of worship celebrating Christ's birth. The Christmas Eve Family Holy Communion service will be held Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 5 p.m. The Cherub and Saint Gregory Children's Choirs will sing, and junior high youth will present a dramatic reading of the Christmas story.

The Festal holy Communion Service of Christmas Eve will begin at 11 p.m., preceded by a special program of Christmas music beginning at 10:30 p.m. The Saint Stephen's adult choir with Music Director Fredrick Guzasky will offer music, which will include the 16th-century French carol, "Ding Dong! Merrily on High" and "All My Heart This Night Rejoices" by Johann Ebeling. The traditional story from the Gospel of Luke will be read from the King James Bible, and candlelight will illumine the singing of "Silent Night." The bells of the church carillon will ring out the music of Christmas.

Worship on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, will be at 10 a.m. Sunday worship will be held at the regular times, 8 and 10 a.m. New Year's Day celebrates the Holy Name of our Lord with worship Jan. 1 at 9:30 a.m.

The church school is busy preparing an Epiphany Pageant to take place Sunday, Jan. 12, at 5:30 p.m., celebrating the appearance of Jesus to the three Magi representing all the world. Children will portray angels, shepherds hurrying to Bethlehem, Joseph and Mary with baby, and the three Magi. The pageant concludes with the lighting of candles, which represent taking the light of Christ out into the world.

Computer Classes Offered

South Shore Community Center still has a few openings in the Computer Kids classes, which are held Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Adult computer training, "Computer for the Novice Re-entering the Work Place," will be offered beginning Wednesday, Jan. 8, from noon to 2 p.m. for 10 weeks ($190/members; $199/non-members).

An Excel course will begin Wednesday, Jan. 8, running for four weeks from 6 to 8 p.m. The cost is $90 for members, $98 for non-members.

Class size is limited to five students to ensure individual attention.

For more information or to register for a class, call 383-0088.

It's Happening

Book Angel Program

In the spirit of sharing holiday happiness, Buttonwood Books & Toys in Cohasset and Buttonwood for Kids in Hingham will give a 15 percent discount on books purchased through their Book Angel Program.

Books selected at Buttonwood in Cohasset will go to children and adults served by Wellspring in Hull. Books purchased at Buttonwood in Hingham will be gifts for children served by Hingham Interfaith Food Pantry, Mary Martha Learning Center and the South Shore Educational Collaborative Teen Parent Program.

The Book Angel Program provides an opportunity for children to understand the deeper meaning of the holidays. For further information, call Buttonwood at 383-2665 or 749-2665.

Carousel of Light

The first lights of the Friends of the Paragon Carousel Carousel of Light have been turned on and are shining brightly. They were lit Dec. 5 and will shine through Jan. 6. The Carousel of Light offers all lovers of the former Paragon Park Carousel a way to show their support this holiday season.

For every $5 donation, the Friends will light another bulb on one of the 20 strands encircling the carousel.

The event was begun last year as part of ongoing fundraising efforts to save the 68-year-old Paragon Carousel. The Carousel of Light is designed to again help ensure a secure future for the carousel as the Friends work toward raising nearly $500,000 by June 1998. If successful in their drive, the Friends will receive a $100,000 challenge grant set aside by Massachusetts Historical Commission for the carousel. Combined, the two will retire all outstanding mortgages just three years after the agreement to purchase the carousel was signed.

Sponsorship of a light or lights may be made in the donor's name or in the name of a loved one. All donors or honorees will be published in a carousel donors list at the end of the year.

Donations should be sent to Friends of Paragon Carousel, Carousel of Light, P.O. Box 100, Hull 02045.

New Year's Day Cruise

On January 1, Friends of Boston Harbor Islands is sponsoring its annual New Year's Day trip to Thompson Island for a quiet day of walking along the shoreline or exploring the 157 acres of woods, marsh and fields there. Guides will offer tours. Walkers should dress warmly and bring food and a camera.

The group will sail on MV Outward Bound, departing from the street side of Black Falcon Pier in the Marine Industrial Park off Summer Street, South Boston. Parking is available.

Private bus service is also available. The boat departs at noon and returns at 4:30 p.m. Tickets are $10, $9 for seniors and $6 for children ages 4-12. Tickets are available dockside on a first come, first served basis or in advance by calling (617) 740-4290.

For transportation information or details, call the number listed above.

Meet the Directors of Cabaret

Dust off your dancing shoes, practice those scales and join the cast of the 35th annual Hingham Community Center Cabaret. Show dates are Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1.

A Meet the Director party is scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 5, at 3 p.m. at the community center. Open auditions will be held for anyone interested in performing a solo, specialty number or comedy spot. Interested individuals are asked to bring any materials needed, including sheet music for the pianist or special props. A cassette player will be available to play taped music. Casting and rehearsals begin Monday, Jan. 6.

For more information, call Blanche at 749-2511 or Willie at 293-7108.

Tickets will go on sale to the general public Monday, Jan. 20, at the community center. Tickets are $12 for the Thursday performance; $15 for Friday and $17.50 on Saturday. Tickets may be purchased for tables of 10 or individually.

The winner of the raffle will win a trip to Las Vegas for four days and three nights. Raffle tickets are available at several stores and at Hingham Community Center. The individual who sells the winning ticket also wins the same trip.

Environment Workshop Offered

The Children's Creativity Workshops is offering a special vacation session for boys and girls ages 8-12 Dec. 30 and 31.

Young artists will choose an environment which they will interpret in miniature with colored clays. In the first session, the setting will be constructed; in the second, the accessories will be sculpted. Many techniques of creating with the medium will be demonstrated.

For further information on the special session or about ongoing children's creativity workshops, call 749-2453.

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PERSONAL FINANCE

New-home warranties suffer cracks in the foundation

Edited by Elizabeth MacDonald
WORTH MAGAZINE

Several years ago, James Blythe's $150,000 home in Warrenton, Va., began listing to port. Cracks fissured the walls; doors and windows could no longer be closed in their warped frames.

YOUR MONEY'S WORTH

Blythe took comfort in his 10-year new-home warranty, which he assumed would cover the $34,000 in damages his house had sustained. But his confidence may have been misplaced.

Home Owners Warranty Corp., in Arlington, Va., which insured Blythe's builder, went kerflooey in late 1994 after state insurance regulators discovered the company was short $45 million. The bankruptcy rocked the home warranty market, leaving homeowners adrift in confusion.

Home warranties were created in the 1970s to pay for repairs to new houses if the builder was unable to do so. To secure coverage, builders paid warrantors a premium, which was passed along to buyers. A typical warranty provides 10 years of coverage against major structural flaws and mechanical defects, and shorter periods of coverage for less-serious problems. By 1994, HOW, the largest of six national home-warranty companies, covered two million new homes with 10-year warranties, commanding half the market.

HOW wasn't the only large warrantor to experience financial difficulties, though. In 1993, the next-largest home-warranty company, Home Buyers Warranty Corp., based in Aurora, Colo., was placed under supervision by state regulators after the insurance company that backed it failed to meet a new, higher capital reserve requirement. The company resumed normal operations in September of that year, after the insurance company received an injection of new capital.

Blythe is one of about 1,500 homeowners with HOW warranties who have filed warranty claims that have yet to be settled. And because HOW is paying only 40 cents on the dollar on claims for homes built in the last decade, these people may be stuck paying for thousands of dollars in repairs. More than 1.5 million other homeowners will wind up with completely worthless warranties should the company go out of business.

This does not surprise homeowner advocates. According to Jordan Clark, president of the United Homeowners Association in Washington, D.C., the purpose of warranties is less to indemnify new-home buyers than to provide cheap protection for developers. For example, warrantors often charge builders just $600 for a 10-year policy on a $300,000 home, leaving themselves vulnerable to big losses. And though home warranties are supposed to cover all major structural damage, many warrantors try to avoid payment by including a clause stipulating that a house must be unsafe, uninhabitable, or unsanitary to qualify for a claim. According to R. Jean Fischer, founder of the Ridgemere Institute, a home-warranty consumer group in Nashville, this practice violates insurance laws.

"Warranties are deceptive and give the homeowner a false sense of security," says D. Brent Lemon, a Dallas attorney who has filed

'Warranties are deceptive and give the homeowner a false sense of security.'

D. Brent Lemon
Attorney

dozens of cases against HOW. They may even limit a buyer's rights.

For example, in Texas, homeowners by law get four years' worth of protection against construction defects, while the average 10-year warranty provides two-year coverage. If Texas homeowners accept the builder's warranty, they lose the more extensive state-mandated protection.

In an effort to protect themselves, warrantors have begun to clarify their contracts. Residential Warranty Corp., for example, "now makes a point of writing 'limited' continuously throughout its warranty," says Tom Bothell, a company spokesman.

Federal and state oversight of this business is lax, so it's up to home buyers to protect themselves. Read the warranty carefully and be sure you understand the extent of its coverage. Most warranties cover only defects in manufacturing and materials for one year, and don't cover such nonstructural damage as flooring or furniture ruined by flooding. However, a home insurance policy can be used to fill in those gaps.

Anyone signing a contract on a new home should check the builder's references, licenses, and insurance. Fischer recommends that home buyers review floor plans and code inspection reports, talk to architects and local inspectors, and pay an independent soil engineer the few hundred dollars it costs to determine if the home is built on solid ground.

Homeowners should also hire an independent engineer to inspect the house. It's not cheap — anywhere from $500 to $1,500 — but "considering your house is likely to be the biggest investment you'll make," says Fischer, "it's worth the money."

Working from home? Be sure to check on the different insurance possibilities

By Caron Golden
COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

When it comes to insurance, most new home-based business owners have a hard time figuring out where their personal life ends and their professional one begins. The list of necessary coverage can be overwhelming for someone used to having an employer make the tough decisions for them. And those who have been working at home for years may mistakenly believe that their homeowner's coverage is sufficient, or neglect to make changes as their circumstances alter.

Grace W. Weinstein, author of the handbook, "Financial Savvy For the Self-Employed" (Henry Holt), has some terrific suggestions for evaluating everything from health and disability insurance to property insurance, with special recommendations for home-based business owners.

"Just as you need homeowner's insurance to protect you against the hazards that can damage or destroy your home, so do you need insurance against the perils that can damage or destroy your business," she writes.

"If your office is in your home, you need both — and the two should be integrated to eliminate gaps and duplication."

Surprisingly, most self-employed people rank property and liability insurance very low on their list of priorities. But home-based business owners should ask themselves how much risk they stand to face if disaster struck. In most cases, it's a wise idea to invest in insurance.

Check with different insurers to find out how their rates match up against the competition. Services such as InsuranceQuote, (800) 972-1104; SelectQuote, (800) 343-1985; and TermQuote, (800) 444-8376, can help.

Regardless of the type of insurance you choose, before committing to a policy, check with your state insurance department to make sure that the insurer is licensed in your state and check its ratings from A.M. Best, Standard & Poor's, and Moody's.

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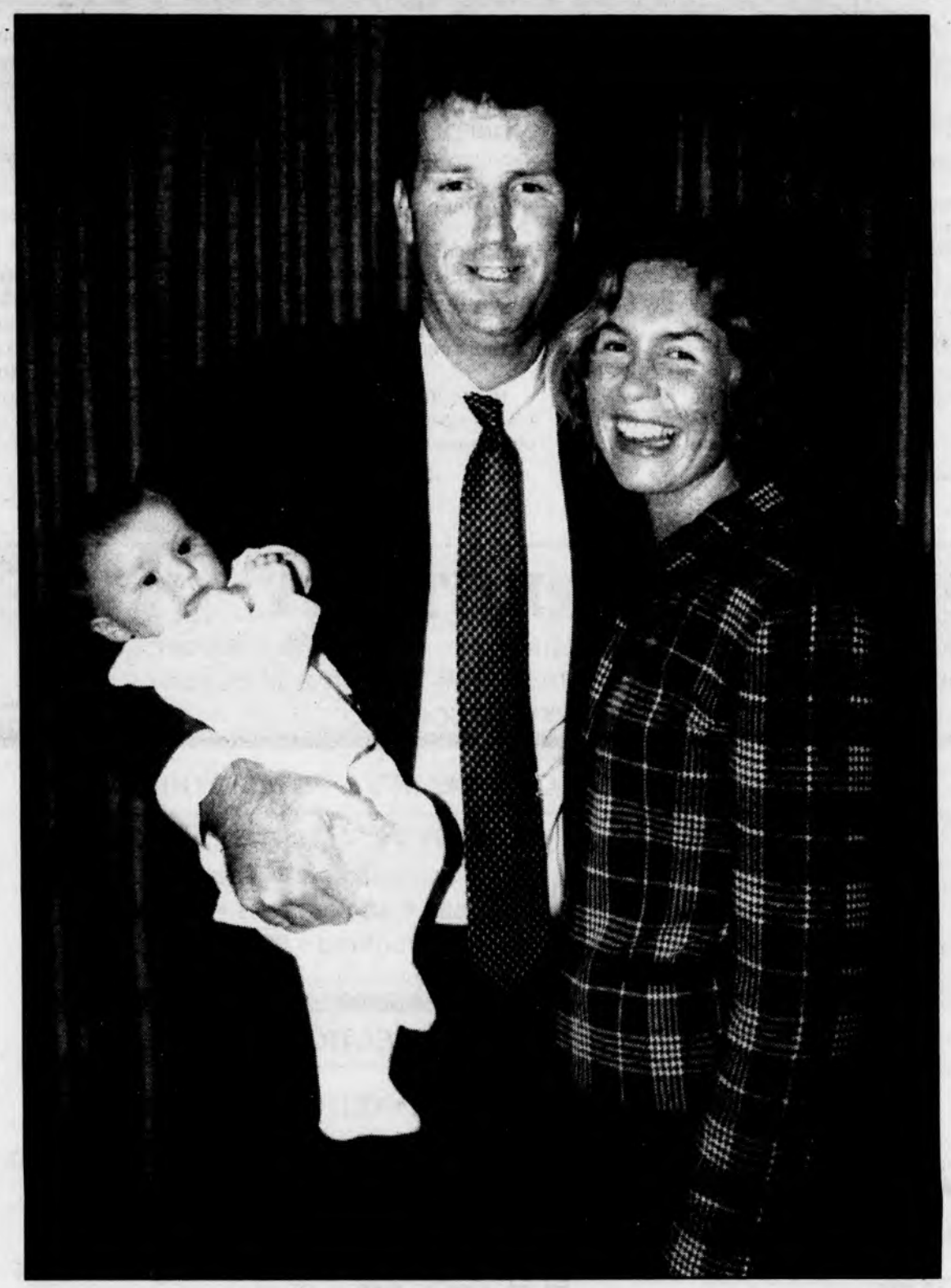

Cohasset's Paul Hart, CEO and principal of Lantana Function Facility, with his wife, Trish, and daughter, Cailey, at the South Shore Chamber of Commerce Business Expo at Lantana.

Lantana Hosts Business Expo

Lantana, the largest meeting facility on the South Shore, hosted one of the area's largest local business events, South Shore Chamber of Commerce 1996 Business Expo, Oct. 22.

Although Lantana has been the site of the Expo for many years, this is the first year Cohasset's Paul Hart, as new owner, hosted the major business event. There were 97 booths and more than 3,000 people at the Expo. A special lunch and hors d'oeuvre menu was served.

Paul and his wife, Trish, attended a "Business After Hours" meeting, which included a question and answer session focusing on Lantana's history.

The toughest question proved to be where the name "Lantana" came from. The name originated from a resort in Bermuda of the same name, where Paul's parents had vacationed many years ago.

The event included guest speakers Joe Malone and Ed Teague, the then- Republican nominee for Massachusetts 10th Congressional District. Free educational seminars were also offered.

Hart made a full-time commitment to the family business upon his graduation from Boston College, serving as the facility's assistant night manager, night manager and general manager. He purchased Lantana on July 1, 1996. The function facility has 14 meeting/function rooms, and more than 120,000 meals are served annually.

Recent Real Estate Transactions

The following real estate transactions transpired recently in Cohasset as compiled by Banker & Tradesman:

11 Ledgewwod Farm Dr to Paul M Sheerin Jr Tr. for $150,000 by Ledgewood Est Inc.

30 Diab Ln Unit 2 to Marwan K. Isbaih for $158,750 by John A. Esserian.

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185 Jerusalem Rd. to James F. Mahar for $640,000 by Robert F. Donahue.

7 Diab Ln. to Donna L. Fromberg for $285,000 by Melinda K. Brown Tr.

39 Beechwood St Unit 3 to Thomas J. MacDonald for $123,900 by Mary E. Sheridan.

120 Doane St. to Margarita B. Barry for $161,000 by Joseph B. Crimmins.

42 Norfolk Rd. to Kevin F. Donoghue for $210,000 by Martha Harvey Ex.

24 Lantern Ln. to Richard A. Evans for $277,000 by David R. Manion.

393 Beechwood St. to Harvey L. Dickstein by $499,000 for Richard W. Farwell.

24 Lantern Ln. to Robert H. Ferreira for $50,000 by Richard A. Evans.

Police Report

Friday, Dec. 6

12:10 a.m., assist citizen, 3A South of Beechwood St.

8:00 a.m., vandalism, Surry Dr.

10:02 a.m., assist citizen, Forest Ave.

10:12 a.m., wires down, Milliken Field.

10:57 a.m., assist other agency, Lamberts Ln.

4:30 p.m., larceny, Church St.

6:27 p.m., fire, structure, Linden Dr.

6:38 p.m., transport, Brook St.

6:58 p.m., MV stop, King St.

7:17 p.m., MV accident, Forest Ave.

7:35 p.m., transport, Forest Ave.

10:26 p.m., MV vehicle stop, Border St.

10:37 p.m., suspicious auto, Howard Gleason Rd.

Saturday, Dec. 7

11:51 p.m., MV stop, CJC Way by Sunoco Station.

12:38 p.m., suspicious (other), Area of 500 Beechwood St.

1:47 p.m., assist citizen, Elm St.

1:53 p.m., medical aid, CJC Hwy.

4:49 p.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

4:56 p.m., MV stop, Black Rock Rd.

5:21 p.m., MV stop, Beechwood St.

7:04 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

7:58 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Sunday, Dec. 8

8:41 a.m., officer wanted, Bancroft Hall.

8:50 a.m., larceny, King St.

10:52 a.m., fire, structure, Beechwood St.

12:56 p.m., vandalism, Elm St.

5:37 p.m., arrest, CJC Hwy.,

5:45 p.m., arrest, CJC Hwy., Ptl Treanor in with Stephen Hobbs, 25 North St., Hingham. DOB: 11/14/57, on warrant.

8:03 p.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd.

9:26 p.m., suspicious auto, Jerusalem Rd.

9:57 p.m., medical aid, Turner Rd.

10:38 p.m., general services, Hull St.

Monday, Dec. 9

12:12 a.m., suspicious person, Border St.

3:03 a.m., medical aid, Windsor Rd.

6:17 a.m., general services, Jerusalem Rd.

7:31 a.m., general services, S. Main St.

7:37 a.m., threats (other), Border St.

12:51 p.m., officer wanted, Bound Brook Ln.

1:19 p.m., suspicious (other), Jonathan Livingston.

3:46 p.m, animal complaint, Spring St.

4:17 p.m., motor vehicle stop, N. Main St.

4:44 p.m., disabled auto, N. Main St.

8:17 p.m, assist citizen, Border St.

8:27 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

9:06 p.m., parking violation, Border St.

10:07 p.m, parking violation, Border St.

Tuesday, Dec. 12

12:44 a.m., assist other PD, CJC Hwy.

2:53 a.m., general services, all over town.

3:39 a.m., medical aid, Reservoir Rd.

7:26 a.m., MV accident, S. Main St.

12:20 p.m., escort, Hingham line to Central Cemetery.

1:05 p.m., property (lost), Ripley Rd.

1:26 p.m., assist motorist, Stop & Shop parking lot.

2:27 p.m., assist motorist, Margin Ct.

2:59 p.m., investigation, Old Coach Rd.

4:31 p.m., officer wanted, Old Coach Rd.

6:42 p.m., officer wanted, Wheelwright Farm.

Wednesday, Dec. 11

1:06 a.m., MV stop, Howe Rd.

10:02 a.m., animal complaint, Harbor area.

2:23 p.m., property (found), HQ.

5:23 p.m., suspicious person, N. Main St.

8:56 p.m., medical aid, Parkingway.

9:10 p.m., general services, Elm St.

Fourteen Arrests in November

In his monthly status report to selectmen, Police Chief Brian Noonan said the department made 14 arrests including five for outstanding warrants, five for protective custody, and one each for assault and batter (domestic), rape of a child, operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, and one for operating a motor vehicle after licence revocation.

During the month, the emergency dispatch center received 88, 9-1-1 calls, Noonan said.

"There were three breaking and enterings reported in November, two were businesses and one residence," he said.

Noonan said two of the town's recently hired officers are currently attending the 18-week Massachusetts Criminal Justice Training Academy. Recruit William Quigley is attending the MCJTC in Canton and is due to graduate Feb. 21. Recruit Garrett Hunt is attending the MCJTC in Plymouth and is due to graduate March 21.

"Having these men on board prior to the spring of 1997 will be of great help and will bring our manning levels up to full complement," Noonan said.

Six Injured in Accident

Six people sustained minor injuries in a two-car accident Saturday afternoon on Chief Justice Cushing Highway near Woolworth's, police said.

Michelle L. Thistle, 19, of 60 Hughey Rd., Scituate was issued a warning for following too closely, Officer Lisa Matos said.

Matos said it appears that as the traffic was flowing south on Route 3A, the 1994 Maxima driven by Robert Wenmark, 49, of 27 Riverview Dr., Cohasset, was rear-ended at about 1:50 p.m. by the 1986 Cougar driven by Thistle.

Matos explained there were four cars involved but two, which apparently avoided the collision, left the area before police arrived.

There were no witnesses in the area other than the people driving, she said.

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Police Report

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Thursday, Dec. 12

7:36 a.m., medical aid, Wood Way.

10:15 a.m., vandalism, Deep Run.

2:49 p.m., MV violations, Church St.

3:46 p.m., assist citizen, CJC Hwy.

4:55 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

5:37 p.m., vandalism, Surry Dr.

5:42 p.m., animal complaint, Border St.

7:56 p.m., medical aid, Little Harbor Rd.

Friday, Dec. 13

8:17 a.m., transport, Square to Kimballs.

8:47 a.m., assist motorist, Forest Ave./mid way.

10:10 a.m., motor vehicle stop, S. Main St.

1:23 p.m., investigation, Old Coach Rd.

2:59 p.m., larceny, Pond St.

3:34 p.m., motor vehicle stop, Atlantic Ave.

4:05 p.m., transport, Atlantic Ave.

5:55 p.m., property damage, CJC Hwy.

6:28 p.m., investigation, White Head Rd.

7:34 p.m., well being check, N. Main St.

11:00 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.

Saturday, Dec. 14

1:01 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

1:19 a.m., disturbance, King St.

7:29 a.m., vandalism, Beechwood St.

8:51 a.m., disturbance (general), Ripley Rd.

9:45 a.m., assist motorist, Jerusalem Rd.

10:38 a.m., medical aid, Pond St.

11:00 a.m., suspicious person, Wheelwright Farm.

1:38 p.m., vandalism, Joy Pl.

1:51 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

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NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that KATHLEEN L. O'MALLEY of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

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Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this eleventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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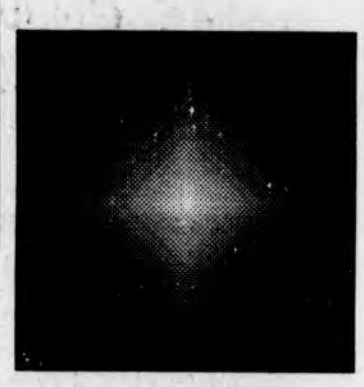

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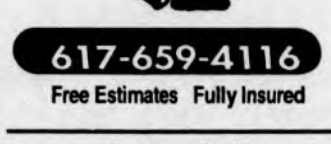

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School Notebook

Reilly Elected Class President

Sr. Barbara Barry, SND, principal of Notre Dame Academy, has announced Courtney Reilly of Hingham has been elected president of the Class of 2000.

Meghan Corry of Cohasset is vice president; Lindsay Todd of Abington is secretary; and Nell Mone of Scituate was elected as treasurer.

Students Receive Coaches' Awards

Eight students at Derby Academy received coaches' awards for fall sports at a recent morning assembly. One member of each team and grade is selected for "contributions benefiting all who take part in athletics." The students were praised for their selflessness, skill, thoughtfulness, daily endeavor, attitude and genuine love of the game.

The recipients for boys soccer were ninth-grader Jamie Simons of Cohasset; brothers Jackson and Daniel Shafer of Duxbury for eighth and sixth grades respectively; and Gardner Loring, also of Duxbury, for grade seven.

Award recipients for field hockey were ninth-grader Beatrice Ghita of Weymouth; eighth-grader Corinna Noering of Cohasset; seventh-grader Pam Wessling and sixth-grader Leigh Ann Gardiner, both of Hingham.

Paper Prayers on Exhibit

Several students of Cohasset High School art teacher Tom Sippel have contributed work to an exhibit of "Paper Prayers," at the Howard Yezerski Gallery, to benefit the Boston Pediatric and Family AIDS Project.

Each anonymously donated prayer is a 4x12" strip of paper on which the numerous artists (some budding, some very famous) have created a painting, drawing, or calligraphy. For only a few dollars, visitors to the gallery exhibit can buy a "prayer" and thus contribute to the project, which provides care to hundreds of children, women and families who are affected by H.I.V.

Everyone is encouraged to view this dramatic, touching exhibit and to participate in this worthwhile effort.

The prayers will be on display at the Howard Yezerski Gallery, 11 Newbury St., until Dec. 21 (Tues.-Sat., 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.).

Multicultural Cookbooks for Sale

The Cohasset PSO Diversity Committee is selling multicultural cookbook this holiday season. The cookbook, which costs $8.95, contains recipes for cooking up an international feast and makes a good gift for family members and friends.

The cookbooks may be [illegible] cial ordered by Catherine Davis at 383-2[illegible].

Derby Students Star in Musical

The Hingham campus of Derby Academy was bustling as students from grades 4-6 gave the evening performance of this year's middle school musical "How to Eat Like a Child (and Other Lessons in Not Being Grownup!)" The musical, based on a book of the same title by Delia Ephron, contained a series of vignettes on familiar topics such as "How to Stay Home from School," "How to Wait," "How to Eat," "How to Have a Sleep-over" and "How to Practice a Violin." While mostly humorous, the musical had poignant moments, such as "The Birthday Song" by sixth-grader Jane Mellors of Hingham. During the number, a young girl sings of how special her birthday is because her parents tell her they are so glad she was born.

More than 80 students from Derby's middle school took part in the musical. There was a cameo appearance by Headmaster Ed Foley, who played the father in the fifth-grade number "We Refuse to Fall Asleep." Sixth-grade students playing lead roles included Kate Lewis, Carrie Pierson, Peter Roy and Nate Wilcox, all of Cohasset.

The musical was directed by drama teacher Thalia McMillion and music teacher Bonnie Harrison, with assistance from Alice McWilliams, Nancie Beasley, Sarah Gregg and Ken Winslow of the art department.

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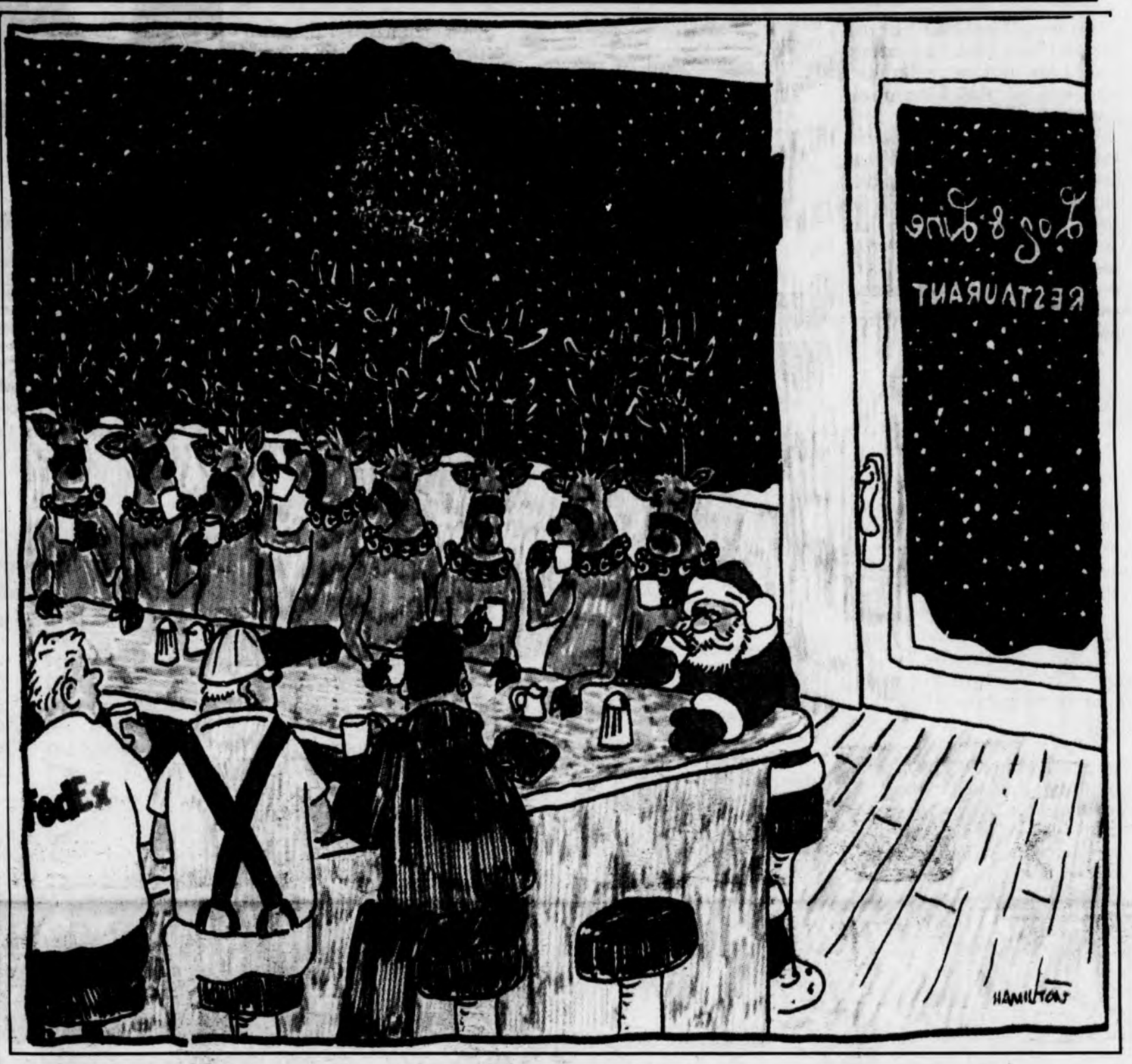

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Plan to Avert Flooding Reaches Grant Stage

Federal Money Sought for Improvements

By Jason Bouffard and Mary Ford

COHASSET MARINER

Widespread flooding following record rainfall in October caused a nightmare selectmen don't want to have again.

So last week, selectmen inked a grant application asking for help in paying for upwards of $1.3 million for flood control measures in the James Brook basin.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency could pay for 75 percent of the costs of recommended improvements because in the aftermath of the storm, the town was part of a federally declared "disaster area."

Selectman Peter Pratt said in talks with MBTA environmental affairs manager Andrew Brennan, he learned the T might share some of the projected costs of the project.

The MBTA plans to restore train service along the Greenbush right of way which bisects the James Brook basin.

Pratt, who is heading the grant seeking effort, detailed the scope of the plan, drawn up by Tutela Engineering, to his fellow board members Wednesday.

A record-breaking nor'easter dumped more than 8-1/2 inches in town Oct. 20 damaging 50 to 60 homes, a disas-

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Towns Want Answers on Disputing Water Bills

By Alice C. Coyle

THE HINGHAM JOURNAL

Soaked by their rising water rates, many Massachusetts American Water Company customers are gearing up to dispute their bills. But before plunging into a fight with the water company, town officials in Hingham, Hull and Cohasset want to make sure residents know all the facts so they're not left high and dry.

In June, Mass-American put a 155 percent rate hike, approved by the Department of Public Utilities (DPU), into effect to help recoup the cost of building its $40 million water treatment plant in Hingham.

'There is a great deal of interest in this issue in the communities of Hull, Hingham and Cohasset.'

— Phil Lemnios.

Since the increase went into effect, there has been a steady stream of complaints from the company's more than 10,500 customers in Hingham, Hull and North Cohasset.

"We're trying to get the DPU to tell us what is disputable and how it is done," said Hull Town Manager Phil Lemnios.

Lemnios wrote to Department of Public Utilities Director of Consumer Affairs Claudine Langlois requesting a policy statement that will address what the process is to dispute a bill, what is and isn't disputable, and who should be contacted with questions, complaints or concerns.

"There is a great deal of interest in this issue in the communities of Hull,

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Cohasset's Week

More Mitigators Wanted

At member Dean Rizzo's request last week, selectmen agreed to appoint additional members to the Greenbush Mitigation Committee.

They suggested that Rizzo seek members from the Design Review Board, the Greenbush Citizens' Advisory Committee, the Citizens' Mitigation Committee, which recently submitted its report to selectmen, as well as an attorney who could offer expertise in municipal law.

Equal Treatment Wanted

Selectmen plan to hold discussions with town counsel and the water commission to discuss how the maintenance of water mains is handled on private ways.

According to residents David Calhoun and Jerry O'Callahan of Sheldon Road, the water commission refused to repair a water main leak on a private way.

Calhoun said that the main was installed by the town, and was at one time maintained by the town. He wants to know when the transfer of responsibility between the town and residents occurred, and also is concerned over the lack of information provided about maintenance.

Selectman Peter Pratt admitted that there is a tremendous public information deficit with regard to private ways.

Thirty percent of the town's roads are classified as private ways.

Top Students are Recognized

Schools Supt. Stephen Hart parted ways with the usual practice of awarding just one Superintendent's Certificate of Academic Excellence this year.

The award, given annually to the top ranking graduating student, was awarded to senior Ely Kahn, as well as graduating junior Chris Laas.

"This represents quite an achievement over a long period of time," Hart said. "Once you get to the top, everybody tries to knock you off."

Laas, who plans to attend MIT in the fall, said he won't be happy to miss his senior year, but made the decision to enter college a year early after weighing his options.

Kahn will attend Harvard University.

"The question I really want to ask is, 'Would they have passed the GED test?' " Hart joked.

Town Election is May 3

Selectmen have set the town election for 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Saturday, May 3. Under a town by-law passed in 1995, selectmen have the right to schedule the election within 35 days following town meeting. In the spring, selectmen expect a debt exclusion override for the sewer project and an operating budget override to be on the ballot.

Extending the time between the election and town meeting will allow more time to prepare the overrides, Town Clerk Marion Douglas said, and eliminate the need for separate override elections. Town meeting is March 29. Under the old by-law, the town election was held on the Saturday following town meeting.

Town Meeting Articles Needed

Selectmen noted that articles for the March 29 annual town meeting must be submitted by Jan. 13. Citizens petition articles for the annual town meeting require signatures of ten registered voters while those on the special town meeting warrant require 100 signatures.

Casey Cavanaro, Kara Wilcox and Tessa Leahy rehearse for their part as Santa's reindeer in Mrs. Collins' second-grade winter pageant at the Osgood School.

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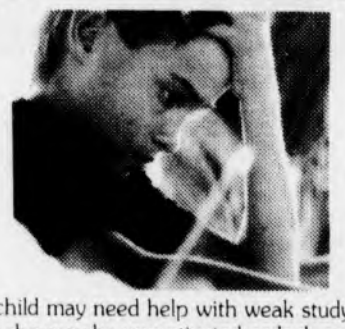

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Selectmen Cool to Request for More Radios

Fire Budget Nearly Level Funded

By Jason Bouffard

COHASSET MARINER

Fire Chief Roger Lincoln made a pitch for six more portable radios for the fire department last week.

But three selectmen are cool to the idea.

At October's special town meeting, on the recommendation of the advisory committee, voters appropriated $6,000 for six new two-way radios.

But the chief, who had asked for 12 radios, hasn't given up.

Lincoln presented the $6,000 request for more radios this week as part of his proposed budget for fiscal year 1998, which begins July 1.

Selectmen Merle Brown and Michael Sullivan said Monday they were not convinced the additional radios are necessary.

The department currently has 15 radios, which cost about $1,000 each. The radios, stored in chargers at the station, are picked up along with other fire-fighting equipment by fire-fighters en route to calls.

While Lincoln said there has never been an incident in which the department was short on radios, he stressed that more radios used in rotation would increase the life span of the devices. He explained that his expenses for radio repairs could be reduced if more were purchased.

But Sullivan did not see the situation as desperate.

"It just seems like we're over-purchasing for the need," he said.

Selectman Ronnie McMorris said the board should not interfere with management of the fire department. Lincoln should be allowed to make decisions about issues which would improve the effectiveness of the fire department, she said.

"I don't understand why we delve into a management role with the fire department," she said. "We don't do it with the police, we don't do it with the DPW."

But Selectman Nan Roth said purchasing the radios can be put off.

"This is an item which would be very nice to have, but is not 100 percent essential," she said, suggesting the line item for the radios be flagged so it could be easily cut if necessary.

In a 3-2 vote, selectmen approved the fire department's proposed $1.2 million budget under the condition that the radios would be stricken from the budget if necessary. Lincoln's budget request is up just .007 percent over this year's budget.

DPW is Ready for Winter

By Charlene Vandini

COHASSET MARINER

Winter officially started last weekend and the Cohasset public works department is ready for whatever the stormy season may bring.

DPW Supt. Harold Litchfield said his department has in its stockpile 110 tons of salt and 175 tons of sand.

Although Cohasset was buried last year under a record 100-plus inches of snow, Litchfield said the usual preparations are being made this year.

"As long as we can go into deficit spending, I don't have a problem," he said, explaining that the DPW is allowed to over-spend its $45,000 budget for snow removal, with additional funds transferred as needed throughout the winter.

In comparison to past years, Litchfield said he returned almost $5,000 at the end of the relatively dry winter of 1993-94. With last year's record accumulation, the final snow removal budget was $135,000.

Litchfield noted that this year, for the first time, he purchased the road salt through the Plymouth County cooperative at $31 per ton, $8 less than the price he paid last year.

He also has approximately 25 tons of sand-salt mix leftover from the winter of 1995-96.

The warmer water off the coast seems to be keeping precipitation as rain in eastern Massachusetts, while the western part of the state has already had two snowstorms.

"They can handle it out there," he said, and noted that last year at this time, Cohasset had already seen four snowstorms.

Middle School is Topic

At a recent school committee meeting, Cohasset High School principal Curtis Collins summarized a presentation given by the Robert Spehr, executive director of New England Middle Schools, at a recent seminar.

According to Collins, the speaker discussed the notion that educators much understand the characteristics of middle school students in order to adequately teach them and that a lack of rigidity is important to children of middle-school age.

"Teachers must be flexible to accommodate the kids," quoted Collins. "We don't learn in 45-minute time slots," he said, alluding to flexible scheduling.

Collins also reported on the need to connect curriculum and to emphasize exploratory learning.

"At the middle school level, you don't worry about covering curriculum, you worry about uncovering the curriculum," he said.

The discussion of the seminar came in light of the planned conversion of the junior high to a middle school in September. Collins is confident that the shift in focus will benefit the students.

"We'll be a work in progress for a while, but we're going to have a very good middle school in September," he said.

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Joel Pratt in the third grade.

By Joel Pratt
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Each Christmas should be special. Children expect it will be. Parents try hard to make it so. And — almost always — it is.

By Christmas 1946, my ninth, I knew pretty much all there was to know about Christmas. I knew that the Santa Claus at McGaw's hardware was really old Mrs. Collier. And that our neighbors, the Eatons, could be counted upon for a great present. I knew all the places our parents hid presents, thanks to some help from my older sister, Cindy. And I knew I could expect many of the requests on my list to appear under the tree.

1946 had been a good year. Gone were wartime blackouts, air raid drills, bond sales and scrap drives. Gas, food, toys — things which had been rationed or unavailable during the war — were again available.

After spending much of the war on blocks in the garage, our big old 1931 La Salle was back on the road. By midyear, all of my uncles had come home. Uncle Burt had even given me some really neat German insignia patches.

That fall, our old house on Ripley Road was on the front page of the local paper, with a canoe entering the front door. I took the picture to school to show my third-grade classmates: Mrs. Dixon said I could put it on the bulletin board.

As Christmas approached, the sign with 'NOEL' in lights went up on the town hall, and a brightly lit tree appeared at the intersection of Elm and Main streets. And we acquired a new aunt. Uncle Edwin, our youngest Pratt uncle, married Eileen Andrews right after Thanksgiving.

That Christmas I wanted a bicycle. I had even picked it out: a red Schwinn with a battery-powered horn and a basket. I didn't do the 'letter to Santa' bit anymore, but I made sure everyone knew what was at the top of my list. Subtle hints, like leaving the Sears catalog open to the bicycle pages. Talking about which kids in my class already had bikes. Casually suggesting if I had a bike I could ride downtown to get things at the First National store. I could sort of wobble on my sister's bike, but she didn't want me to use it. Besides, it was a *girl's* bike — and no way was I going to be seen riding a girl's bike.

For weeks I looked around in the garage, the cellar and under the porch, hoping to see the bike, but found nothing. Regular checks of mom's hiding places drew a blank — they were empty! Bummer — either there weren't any presents — an unthinkable idea — or they were in places I hadn't found. Last year the presents I had found were wrapped. I hadn't dared to unwrap them — but by shaking them I could guess at the contents. Now I didn't even have that satisfaction.

Things didn't get better. I peeked and poked right up until the day before Christmas but found nothing. That afternoon Eddy and Eileen came by. Maybe our new aunt would bring presents for her new niece and nephew! But they arrived empty-handed. Instead, Eileen announced that she was going to kiss me. I headed for the door, but she was right behind me! Around the table, into the den, up the front stairs and down the back to the kitchen. She wouldn't give up! And finally she cornered me and planted a big buss on my squirming cheek.

Every Christmas Eve my sister and I begged to be allowed to open '*just one present, just one!*' before bed. This year we tried again, although at 13 Cindy was kind of big for that old trick. As in past years, we wore our parents down until they relented — but they picked the gifts we could open from the few already under the tree.

Mrs. Ebbets had come by with things for us. We walked past her house on Highland Court every day on our way to school and she babysat for us when we were smaller. She looked old (when you are 8, all adults look old) but probably was 60ish. Hers were the gifts we were given to open. Mine was a small box which rattled as mother passed it to me. Off with the ribbon, off with the paper and there was — oh, no! A box of giant crayons! Six of them — red, green, yellow, blue, purple, and orange — kindergarten crayons! Little kids' crayons that were safe to eat! Yuck!

This Christmas was going nowhere fast.

I went to bed convinced that my luck would change. After all, it was Christmas. And finally, despite the excitement and anticipation, I fell asleep. But not for long. 1 was wakened by voices and singing from downstairs. It was still dark. There was no clock in my room, so I had no idea what time it was. By the sounds, there were lots of people down there. The laughter and occasional gleeful whoops could not be ignored: I got out of bed and snuck down the first two or three steps of the front stairs. There *were* lots of people there. From the stairs, I could hear clanking and banging sounds too. My fear of being caught was stronger than my curiosity. Since I couldn't see the living room from my perch anyway, I went back to bed. Soon bits of Christmas carols drifted up the stairs, with our neighbor Esther Bates' unmistakable soprano soaring above the other voices.

Joel Pratt trying out the skis he received for Christmas in 1946.

Before dawn I went quietly down the stairs. There by the tree was a bike! My bike! And a pair of skis. Whoops, maybe those were for Cindy: they looked really big. But the bike had to be mine — it was a boy's bike! I grabbed my stocking from the mantle and went back up to bed to wait for daylight and for mom and pop to get up. When I finally heard them stirring, I went back downstairs again. Now that it was light I could see the bike clearly. It wasn't a Schwinn! It was a Columbia! A big, used Columbia with no basket and no horn. The red and cream paint was faded and dull and there was

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CANCER TALK WITH TANIA LINGOS, M.D.

BREAST CANCER ALERT

Breast Cancer strikes one woman in nine. With so many women affected by breast cancer, we cannot be complacent about this health hazard which packs such a physical and emotional impact.

While research has yet to explain what causes breast cancer, we are able to detect the disease in its early stages. This is our best defense against breast cancer. If detected early, the disease is usually curable and patients have a better choice of treatment options.

Early detection, however, requires active participation in your own health care. All women should commit to giving themselves a monthly Breast Self Exam. You should get into this habit of examining your breasts for lumps and other suspicious changes.

The fact that most breast cancers are found by women themselves attests to the critical importance of monthly Breast Self Exams. For literature on how to do so, contact your gynecologists, local hospital, SSOC, or the American Cancer Society.

Women between the ages of 20 and 40 should also have a Clinical Breast Exam every three years at the very least. Women 40 and older should have an annual Clinical Breast Exam.

At 35, women should ask their doctor about an annual Mammogram or breast x-ray. A baseline Mammogram at that age is highly recommended, especially for women with a family history of breast cancer. Recent studies suggest that women over 40 should have an annual Mammogram. Mammograms can identify cancers that are too small to be detected by a Breast Self Exam or a Clinical Breast Exam, and this leads to improved cure rates and survival.

Please note, no one method of screening – Breast Self Exam, Clinical Breast Exam, or Mammography – is perfect. Therefore, in the fight against breast cancer, all three methods of screening are recommended. Ideally, the different screening methods should complement each other as they increase your chances of early detection.

In its early stages, breast cancer is often painless and symptomless; hence, once again, the importance of constantly being alert to subtle changes in your breasts. According to the American Cancer Society, the following signs, which do not necessarily indicate cancer, should be checked by your doctor:

- A change in the size or shape of the breast;
- A discharge from the nipple;
- A lump or thickening in or near the breast or in underarm area; or
- A change in the color or feel of the skin of breast, areola, or nipple.

Every women in America is vulnerable to breast cancer, as are 1% of the male population. Remember, staying alert is your best defense. We will continue to look at breast cancer next week.

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Christmas

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a tear in the seat. Oh, no! No! NO!

I waited impatiently for the rest of the family. Finally everyone was up: it was time for presents. My lack of enthusiasm must have shown when I said thank you for the bike. Pop explained that it had belonged the Bates' son Jack and that it was practically new and he would help me learn to ride and we could wax it to make it shiny and he would buy a new seat. Later, I overheard mom telling pop it was too big and of course he was disappointed with a used one. I wasn't supposed to hear that part.

But the skis were for me! Once again, Chuck and Charlotte Eaton had given me something that no one else would ever have thought of. No other kid I knew had skis. There were poles — long ones — and a box of bindings. Pop hadn't the slightest idea how bindings worked, but he figured out how to screw all of the parts onto each ski. They were old-fashioned bindings with a big loop of coiled spring to go in a groove on the back of your ski boots. But I didn't have ski boots. I pulled my galoshes over my leather shoes and pop fussed and fiddled trying to make the bindings fit.

I was really excited at the idea of skiing. There was some snow on the ground, so I announced I was going to ski to the Eatons to thank them. The skis were huge. My galoshes kept falling out of the bindings. I found I could kind of shuffle ahead by pushing with the poles. Visions of speeding down mountains were evaporating fast. But the Eatons were pleased that I had come. Chuck explained that the skis were the best, made of hickory wood which would last a long time, and that he had bought adult size because I would grow into them. We went into their back yard where they took my picture on the skis. And I shuffled home.

Pop had decided that it was time for a riding lesson. So we took the bike out to the driveway. Pop got on and rode up and down the driveway hill. Then I tried it with Pop holding the bike. I was a smallish 8-year-old and this was a 26-inch adult-sized bike. Pop fussed to lower the seat and adjust the handlebars, but in my heart I knew neither this nor anything else was going to help - and I think he did too. Maybe he was also thinking that bikes lasted a long time and I would grow into it.

So that was my Christmas. Kindergarten crayons. Giant skis I couldn't control. A used bike that was too big. There were other gifts, but these are the ones I remember.

The bike sat in the cellar for two more years. At 10, I was finally able to ride it. The hardest part was learning to stop and dismount. My feet still didn't reach the ground, so I had to perform a kind of controlled crash, leaping off at the last moment. Eventually I added a basket, a horn and a light. Pop built me a neat little wagon that hitched on behind. I was very proud of my bike, and rode it many, many miles.

Four winters later, Cindy went skiing in New Hampshire. While there, the ski shop remounted the bindings the way they should have been. She learned to wax the skis and she bought real ski boots which fit the bindings. The skis became hers and she used them for many winters.

Years later, Mom and Pop told me about the crashing and whooping that had awakened me on Christmas Eve, 1946. After the midnight service at St. Stephens, Esther Bates invited the choir to her house. As they walked up the lane, they found Pop and Mr. Bates wheeling the bicycle down the Bates' back steps. It had sat for years accumulating dust in the Bates' barn: they had just finished cleaning it up. Pop decided he should take a test ride on the way to our house. Some of the others thought this was a good idea and that they too should help to test it. The cold soon bought an end to outdoor testing and they moved into our house and commenced taking indoor test rides around our living room! I'm told that even quiet, reserved John Bates was persuaded to do a loop around the dining room table.

Joel Pratt, a Cohasset native, lives in Machias, Maine with his wife, Hope.

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Flooding

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ter which prompted officials to address the town's drainage problems in their entirety.

The rain was too much for James Brook which extends from Scituate Hill at Cohasset Heights Landfill off Route 3A to the harbor. The excess water backed up into the village onto Ripley Road, Sohier Street, Smith Place and the James Lane and Pleasant Street neighborhoods.

The severity of the situation caused the town to seek a full-blown engineering study on drainage to develop a comprehensive plan to correct problems and protect property and public health.

The plan is structured under the "ideal situation" assumption of unlimited funding, and is aimed at combating the effects of a "100-year storm," Pratt said.

In a telephone interview, town engineer Domenic Tutela said the plan incorporates the following:

• For $450,000 either adding a 60-in. pipe to the two existing 48-in. pipes where James Brook meets the harbor and rebuilding the cross culvert and channel that feeds the three pipes that drain Jacobs Meadow to alleviate flooding along Summer and Border streets;

Or building a pumping station to serve the same area that would pump out the meadow at the rate of 40 gallons per minute at high tide.

• For about $150,000, rebuilding the drainage and channel system in the village area. Some of the pipes may be too small or may have collapsed; and open channels may have to be "opened" up;

• $100,000 to install a 1,500-2,000 ft-long closed conduit under the village area to relieve flooding in the central village area by giving the water some-place else to go;

• $100,000 to replace the 48-in. in diameter corrugated metal James Brook conduit from Smith Place to Pleasant Street with a 60-in. in diameter concrete pipe;

• $500,000 to build a d[illegible] across James Brook between Sanctuary Pond and Smith Place to create a very large retention area to relieve the entire watershed from flooding.

All improvements would be

Water Bills

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Hingham and Cohasset. Unfortunately there is a also a great deal of misinformation regarding the process and reasons that one may dispute a bill," Lemnios wrote.

Lemnios, who met with DPU officials earlier this month said not only would a policy statement help customers, grappling with their bills, it would also cut down the number of complaint calls the department receives.

"It's to their benefit to provide a good description of the process," Lemnios said.

Hingham Town Administrator Charles Cristello, who noted that the selectmen's office continues to get complaint calls from residents, said a clear policy statement for rate payers considering disputing their bills is a good idea.

"We don't want people — out of anger — taking actions that will hurt them later on," said Cristello, who is concerned that people who refuse to pay their bills could have their service shut off.

According to Mass-American Operations Manager Eileen Commane customers whose service is shut-off due to non-payment are required to not only pay their outstanding bills but must also pay a $15 fee for restoation of service. To have water service restored after business hours, Commane said the charge is $195. Commane said the company has made efforts to explain bills to customers to avoid non-payment problems and service shut offs.

Those efforts are not enough for one Mass-American customer who says he's still looking for answers about his bills.

Cohasset resident James "Russ" Lennon said he's paying for his water usage only, until Mass-American officials explain to him fully all of the charges on his bill. Lennon disputed an estimated bill of $365 this month and demanded to have an actual reading. A new bill for the same period arrived in the amount of $202 followed by another bill of $225. Lennon said he was assured by water company officials that Mass-American President James Perry would personally address his billing concerns and explain each charge - including a meter charge that Lennon claims the company has buried in the usage fee.

"I want it spelled out — exactly what they're charging me," Lennon said.

A DPU policy statement on how to dispute his bill is of little interest to Lennon, who is already waging his own personal battle against the water company.

"I'm more interested in getting Mass-American to admit the truth on what they are charging, because they are ripping the public off, totally," he said.

It's been two weeks since the company last contacted Lennon, and he said he will continue to pay only for the water he's using until he gets some answers. Lennon has received one late notice from Mass-American but no indication that his service is in danger of being shut off.

In Hull, Lemnios said he's talked to several residents who have begun "escrowing," rather than paying the portion of their bills they feel is unreasonable including the charge for the treatment facility in Hingham — an issue that DPU officials say is not disputable.

"It's very important that people know not only how but why they can dispute a bill," Lemnios said.

Complaints about the approved rate increases are being addressed in the appeal launched by the towns of Hingham and Hull, Langlois said. Unless the rate case is reversed in supreme judicial court, residents are obligated to pay their bills, she said.

Langlois, who plans to have a policy statement completed by next week for distribution in local newspapers and town halls, explained the process and some of the issues consumers can dispute.

Customers are told to first try to resolve their complaints with the water company, Langlois said. If attempts to settle disputes with Mass-American fail, Langlois said consumers can bring complaints to the DPU if they feel their bill is inaccurate.

For instance, Langlois said if customers have received a long series of consecutive estimated bills, that is something that the DPU will look at and discuss with the water company.

Rate payers with concerns about consumption charges can also bring their case to the DPU, but Langlois cautions customers that often times leaky pipes can be the source of higher than usual usage charges.

The DPU will also address computation errors in bills or cases in which consumers feel that the company has not followed DPU rules and regulations.

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By Joanne M. Coletta-Levine

A winter wonderland awaits the skier who travels to New Hampshire's White Mountains region.

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Ski 93, founded in 1966, is the oldest and largest ski association in New England and provides ski area, lodging, dining, and business information and discounts to its 250 members. The Ski 93 area extends from New Hampshire's Lakes Region northwest through the Baker and Pemigewasset valleys to Lancaster and Whitefield.

Bretton Woods, located in the middle of the White Mountains, is known for its beautiful scenery, low-key atmosphere, family environment, and excellent terrain.

"We're really known as a medium-size ski area with a majority of our terrain geared toward beginning or intermediate skiers," said Ben Wilcox, marketing director for Bretton Woods. "People come to Bretton Woods because it is a comfortable ski experience without the pressure and crowding of the larger ski areas."

He said Bretton Woods is in an ideal location to benefit from Mother Nature's bounty of snow. "It is also always an ideal temperature to make snow if there isn't enough naturally," said Wilcox.

Bretton Woods, still independently run, is also known for its commitment to family activities. "It's a good place to bring the family. We have an excellent ski school, programs, and events especially for the children," Wilcox said.

Bretton Woods also has magnificent views of Mt. Washington. "We even have a mountaintop restaurant that looks right at Mt. Washington, it's just beautiful," said Wilcox.

While some ski areas opt to have limited special events during the holiday vacation week, Bretton Woods offers a full slate. Said Wilcox, "A lot of areas take the opinion that they are going to tone down their activities during the holiday week because they are just too busy, and we take the opposite approach by offering many great activities."

He said that Dec. 26-30, Bretton Woods celebrates Kids Nights, which include different themes, snow sculptures, pizza parties, and group night skiing. Bretton Woods will be holding a Kids Holiday Race Dec. 27, and Demonstration Days Dec. 28 and 29.

"The biggest comment I get is that people like Bretton Woods because it is not like they are in a rat race, it's relaxed and user-friendly ... more low-key," said Wilcox.

Cannon Mountain, located in Franconia, is a self-described "great place for families" and offers a winter full of events.

Amy Bassett, marketing and sales coordinator for Cannon Mountain, noted some of this season's highlights. "There are different extreme events happening at Cannon this year, and on Dec. 27 kids under 10 can go on free dogsled rides," said Bassett. Visitors can also cross-country ski, snow board, skate, snowshoe, and other activities.

The town of Lincoln is home to Loon Mountain, a ski area that offers not only great skiing, but innovative programs and events for the young and young-at-heart, both skiers and non-skiers.

"Loon's children's programs are pretty extensive," said Lesley Parker, public relations coordinator for Loon Mountain. "They have become very popular." Loon Mountain's

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> Ben Wilcox, Marketing director

Children's Theater and Wildlife Theater each offer programs throughout the season.

Parker said, "Our Children's Theater offers programs on weekends and during the holidays which are very enjoyable. This season the theater group is performing 'Yallerly Brown,' a play about the mishaps of one particular character named Wajowid."

At the Wildlife Theater, guests are introduced to animals of the wild, including cougars, ferrets, snakes, parrots, hawks, and two mountain lions recently purchased by Loon Mountain.

Snow-filled activities include skiing one of Loon's many trails, snow tubing, snow boarding, and cross-country skiing. "We have evening snow tubing and a learning center for snow tubing," said Parker.

Events at Loon Mountain this season include the 15th annual Firefighter's Ski Muster Jan. 19, the ski area's 30th anniversary Jan. 18-20, the Snow Carnival Jan. 24-26, and the Grandparent/Grandchild Fun Race February 19.

"The Grandparent/Grandchild Fun Race is a great event where families can ski with each other," said Parker.

Located in the town of Waterville Valley, the Waterville Valley ski area is featuring new innovations in snow boarding this year.

The area, known for its great skiing, also features spectacular events and programs throughout the season. "We're always trying to come up with new programs for skiers and snow boarders," said Debbie Moore, marketing manager for Waterville Valley.

Moore said that a new snow board mini-park recently opened at the ski area. "The mini-park is a place where snow boarders can practice their tricks and maneuvers all winter long," she said. She said snow boarders have several competitions in which they can participate during the season.

Loon Mountain photo by Dennis Welsh

The Firefighters Ski Muster is always a popular event at Loon Mountain.

Waterville Valley offers programs for almost every visitor, including cross-country skiing, skating, snowshoeing, and children's programs.

One standout event this season is the Ski Fest '97 Celebration Jan. 12. "There will be a variety of cross-country events, skating demonstrations, evening bonfires, and other happenings throughout the week ... it should be great fun," said Moore.

Bretton Woods, Cannon Mountain, Loon Mountain, and Waterville Valley all participate in Ski New Hampshire's 9th annual "Free Intro to Skiing and Snow Boarding" that began Dec. 11 and runs through Dec. 20.

The event is geared toward encouraging first-time alpine and cross-country skiers and snow boarders to hit the slopes and trails by offering free novice lift tickets or trail passes, and beginner lessons.

For information on Ski 93, call (800)-WE-SKI-93.

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AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

A First Cohasset Christmas for a New Arrival!

Let's begin with happy holiday news. There is a brand-new baby girl who will have her very first Cohasset Christmas. **Madison Whitney,** daughter of **Mike** and **Heather (Ludlow) Jones,** was born Dec. 11. Her grandparents are **Marsha** and **Jeff Ludlow** and **Cliff** and **Suzanne Jones.**

What a happy holiday season they all will have. Can't you just see it all now? We certainly extend the welcome mat to Madison and cannot wait to see her!

❑

Speaking of celebrations, we understand that friends of **Laura Atherton** held a birthday bash to hep her celebrate a memorable one. Happy birthday greetings from all of us to you, Laura. You are a special person indeed.

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We take pleasure in announcing that one of Cohasset's finest young men has been elected a football captain for Milton Academy next year. **Ted Reardon** is the name. He's the son of **Tom** and **Sue Reardon** of Red Gate Lane. That is really quite an honor, and you should be proud that your fellow teammates think you will be up to the task! Congratulations!

Sam Roth thinks of another toy he wants during a visit to Santa at the Village Fair held earlier this month.
Staff photo/Alan Chapman

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While we are passing out kudos, let's mention **Cohasset Post Office.** This writer mailed a package to Maine on Monday morning, and the recipient got it Tuesday morning during the busiest week of the year! Great going, folks!

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Speaking of Spain, **Holly Pompeo** spent the a week there this month, visiting her host family she lived with when she was an exchange student during her days at Bowdoin. It is amazing the ties that remain long after students are back home in their routines. In Holly's case, she has been out of Bowdoin for some years now, yet she still keeps in constant touch with her family there. Hope you got to see what you missed last time there, Holly!

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P.S., happy birthday, **Holly!**

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Cornelia "Neely" Wakeman has been elected captain of her field hockey team for the 1997 Holderness School in Plymouth, N.H. This year her team went undefeated and was the "Prep-Private" Lakes Region champion.

Neely, a sophomore tri-varsity captain, is the daughter of **Sam** and **Linda Wakeman** of Atlantic Avenue, and you know everyone is extremely proud of her!

❑

Awards were presented Nov. 24 at Notre Dame Academy's 17th annual All-School Drama Festival, which featured four separate plays acted and directed by the four classes as the academy.

Meghan Corry of Cohasset was a freshman all-star cast member, so watch for her name in lights some day in the future!

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Bishop John McCormack celebrated a Thanksgiving liturgy at Notre Dame Academy Nov. 27 at which 16 juniors and seniors were commissioned as Eucharist ministers for NDA for one year.

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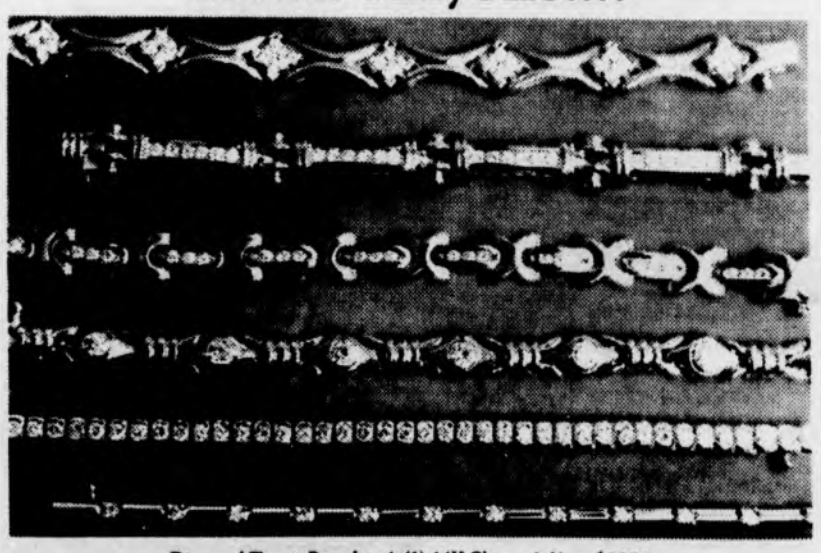

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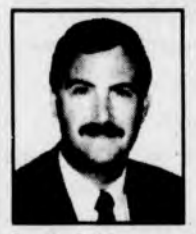

by Bob Travers & Barry Standish
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'Citizen of Year' Nominations Due Dec. 31

Nominations are now being accepted for the Cohasset Mariner's annual Citizen of the Year Award. This is a continuation of the award begun in 1993 to recognize an individual for outstanding service to the community or for a special achievement.

Once again, the Cohasset Mariner invites our readers to take this opportunity to nominate a person who has made a significant contribution to our community. This is a community award: The Mariner is the means by which we are able to recognize, thank and honor those around us who make the quiet, generous contributions that make Cohasset a wonderful place to call our home.

The deadline for nominations for the 1996 Citizen of the Year is 5 p.m., Dec. 31. Please see nomination form on page 11.

Following the close of nominations, a selection panel will review the names submitted and select the 1996 Citizen of the Year, who will be named in January, 1997.

Nominees may be someone in elected office, a member of an appointed town committee, teacher or school administrator, clergy member, fire-fighter, police officer, or other municipal worker, a person in the business community, sports figure or an "unsung"neighbor or friend who has given freely of his or her time and energy to a worthy Cohasset project or cause.

AROUND TOWN/Sallyann Chatterton

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Jennifer Cellucci received a letter of recommendation from their pastor and participated in a four-hour training program. They have agreed to integrate the Gospel values into their daily living.

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Well, Cohasset's loss is Abington's gain! **Greg Doyon** is going there to be that town's new executive secretary after being ours for eight years! Greg will be leaving within a couple of weeks, and we thank him for all he has done for the town and wish him good luck in his new venture. His shoes will be big ones to fill, that's for sure!

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Congratulations go to **Stan Bernstein,** who was recently appointed to serve a 14-year term as a U.S. bankruptcy judge for the eastern district of New York. His first assignment will be at the court in Westbury, located on Long Island.

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Don't forget, if you have that last-minute gift to purchase and don't have any ideas, a brick on the sidewalk at **Alumni Field** with that person's name on it will be much appreciated. Bricks are still available — memorialize any person, achievement, club, business or milestone and have it last forever! Plus you will be part of putting the finishing touches on the field!

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Speaking of that, did you see the garden that **Mrs. Stone** planted in front of the field with the letters CHS in the middle of it? It's great! And a wonderful thing to do. We all thank her!

❑

Don't forget to nominate your **"Citizen of the Year"** before the Dec. 31 deadline. Nomination forms are available in the Mariner, or fax yours to (617) 740-8955. Just state the name and why you believe your nominee deserves the award.

❑

That's the news from here. In closing, I would like to wish you and yours the happiest of holidays! Create many memories and then tell us all about them! Or let us hear about a tradition that you have in your family that you would like to share!

Happy, healthy holidays to all!

— Sallyann
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Held by her mother Julie Ferretti, Gioia Ferretti follows Santa down Main Street at the Jingle Bell Walk last month. The annual event was sponsored by the South Shore Community Center.

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EDITORIALS & OPINIONS

Understanding Elmo

I decided to find out for myself what the fuss surrounding the "Tickle Me Elmo" doll was all about.

I had seen news reports from the front lines, where determined camps of desperate parents were keeping 'round-the-clock vigils at department stores, each hoping one of the plush phantoms might somehow tumble into their grasp.

Their dedication mystified me. I could understand the demand for the rarer-than-diamonds Nintendo 64 video game system (it wasn't that long ago I was begging Santas in every mall for an Atari). Yet while I've enjoyed watching Elmo on television from time to time, I've never felt the desire to tickle him, or any of the other Muppets, except possibly Beaker.

In search of enlightenment, therefore, I traveled to the top-secret Vault of Unspeakably Rare Toys, located miles beneath the polar ice cap and Santa's Village. (One is afforded many privileges as a reporter for a major metropolitan newspaper). There, in a room filled with Cabbage Patch dolls and Ferrari Testarossas, I found the small, scarlet, eminently ticklable cherub, seated Buddha-like on his cardboard throne.

He was happy to see me.

"Merry Christmas!" said Elmo. (This was an extraordinarily rare model, the "Sentient Tickle Me Elmo," already a big hit in Japan).

"Merry Christmas?" I asked. "How can you be merry, when people out there are fighting and killing each other for the right to purchase you?"

Elmo thought about this for a while, his large, limpid eyes contracted with concern.

"Elmo doesn't like fighting and killing," Elmo said. (For those who do not watch "Sesame Street," Elmo speaks like a more charismatic version of Bob Dole). "Elmo wants people to be happy and smile."

"Be happy and smile?" I asked. "Don't you read the papers? There's arson and corruption, criminals lurking behind every corner, financial disaster on the horizon, violence on television and banality in the movies? What's to smile about?"

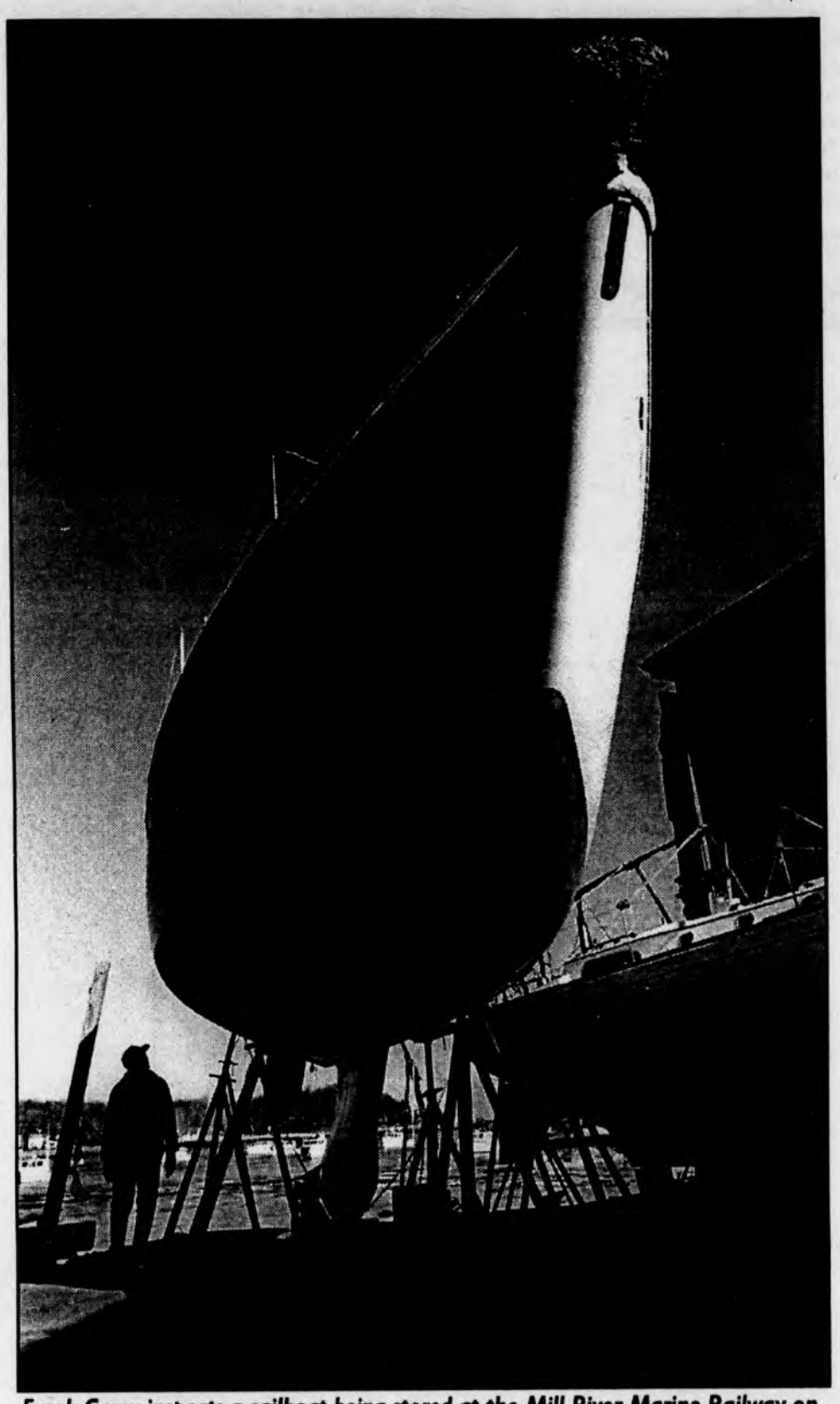
"Elmo can't read," Elmo said. "But Elmo thinks people should be happy and smile, because it's Christmas."

I was about to correct the obvious flaws in his logic when it occurred to me that perhaps the puppet had a point.

There is something that happens at least once every year in the weeks between Thanksgiving and New Year's, when I forget (briefly) the driving need to write holiday letters, doctor batches of eggnog and shop the four corners of the civilized world. It is a moment when I remember what it was like to be a single-digit age child waiting for Christmas, my soul caught up in escalating waves of unreasonable happiness.

In the last few weeks I have seen and read and heard about children who have collected donations or made posters or given away money they won in a raffle so that other children would have food, clothes and toys for the holidays. I don't believe that any of them expect to solve the problems of the world through their actions. They are instead naive, or perhaps wise enough, to believe everyone can and should be happy and smile once a year.

Christmas is a time of year when we celebrate the arrival not of a savior, a mentor, or even a jolly old elf, but a child. By looking at the world through the eyes of a child it is possible, for a moment, to put aside all of the perfectly good reasons why we should not be happy. We can let go, believe and smile, as wise children do.



Frank Carey inspects a sailboat being stored at the Mill River Marine Railway on Border Street.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dedication Provided Sense of Closure

To the Editor:

Sunday, Nov. 10, I attended the dedication ceremony the town held for the Cohasset men who made the ultimate sacrifice in Korea and Vietnam. I have struggled to find the words to express the wonder of that ceremony. I have only been able to come up with a simple phrase that could never adequately describe my feelings; Thank You.

Specifically, I attended the dedication for my cousin R. Edward Maree. I was four years old when Eddie died and my recollection of him is a blur. The only clear memory I have is the brilliance of his smile. I was fortunate enough to spend the summers of my youth on Parker Avenue. Over the years my aunt would share stories of my cousins' escapades with me as we took our evening strolls or when we took her dingy to Bassings Beach. As time passed, I knew the stories by heart. So much so that on occasion, I could almost catch a glimpse of Eddie in his boat with his brother Bob or splashing water at his sister Ann. As if the tide were just right, and if I could only turn fast enough, I would see him row in beaming, carefree in his youth. With those stories came the knowledge of the pain that would fill my aunt's eyes after her reminiscent smile faded.

My throat tightens with pride even now as I recall the dedication ceremony. Not only for the fact of the location of Eddie's plaque at a place that was so much a part of him but also for the vision of the men and women in uniform who marched and the band that played. All of them marching down Parker Avenue will forever be etched in my mind and heart. The event itself could not have been any more meaningful. It was well-planned and organized. It was truly magical.

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in order to make this happen.

The dedication has provided a sense of closure.

My deepest thanks for giving my aunt a monument in honor of the son she so tragically lost and for giving my cousins Bob and Ann a memorial of their lost brother. Cohasset has acknowledged their tragedy and has shown support for their sorrow. The town and its people helped form and shape these men. How fitting that they would remember their lost sons with such dignity.

All of you who participated accomplished something greater than you can imagine. Perhaps, in a way, you have enabled all of the involved families the opportunity to finally bring a small piece of their sons home.

For lack of a more profound way to express it; Thank You all!

Susan McDenison
199 Main St.
Lakeville

Common is a Neighborhood at Night

To the Editor:

Today I know what Bill Buckner once felt. When I die, will I only be remembered for my connection to the lights on the Common at Christmas? I hope not. There are certainly far more important things in all our lives.

But I have always taught my children and my students to stand up for what they believe, even if it is not easy. That is what I have done.

I went before the Board of Selectmen last week and asked that they turn off the lights on the three trees at the duck pond. I talked about what a public place the Common is. It bustles with activity — elections, craft fairs, the road race, Art Center exhibit, concerts, sightseeing tours, weddings and even movies. It is a wonderful place to live. I am grateful for every day here.

But at night, we are a neighborhood, just like everywhere else in town. The light issue is not new. It was resolved several years ago when the Selectmen received more letters opposing the lights than supporting them. A compromise was reached at that time. One tree would be lit throughout the holiday season, and the trees around the pond could be lit for special events. The article adopted at the March 1995 Town Meeting made the latter a bylaw.

I left the Selectmen's meeting fully aware that there will be an attempt to amend that law. Before leaving, I gave each of the Selectmen a copy of a poem I wrote a few years ago. I claim no great literary talent; it was merely to show I have a true passion for the Common, and I quote a few lines:

"Would I have walked the Common then
And known as I now do
The promise in the seasons' change
When Hope says, Start anew?
Or felt the joy of constancy
In houses old and proud
Within whose walls, life ebbs and flows,
As young grow old and bowed?"
"I know not what the future holds.
I would not if I could.
But — for today I wake each day
With beauty at my door.
And treasure each unfolding gift
Of nature more and more.
It may be lilacs in the Spring,
Or summer's bouquet bright,
Or Autumn's gold and titan glow,
Or Winter's quilt of white."
That passion was the reason for placing myself in the midst of this controversy once again. I love the Common in every season. But I was not prepared the first Christmas I lived here for how incredibly beautiful it would be.

In the midst of the hectic pace of this season, take a few moments one evening to walk around the Common. It is to step back to a simpler time. There is a real sense of peace. Perhaps it is a gift from those who walked there before us, a real Christmas gift.

Patricia White Murphy
27 Highland Ave.

Lobster Lab is Supported

To the Editor:

The South Weekly section of the Dec. 15 Boston Sunday Globe features an article by Alexander Reid on the importance of homework and other outside activities to student achievement. It also has three charts of 39 South Shore towns that rate their 8th- and 10th-grade students on reading, math and science, the amount of homework done each day and the number of reports turned in. Cohasset comes off very well on all the charts. It is rated number one in 10th-grade science against other towns.

This article is very timely since the Selectmen and several town boards and committees are trying to decide whether or not to support a proposal which, if implemented, can only enhance an already outstanding quality in our town by adding to the fine work of our schools. This is the proposal to establish a student-focused marine biology on the Hagerty property at the harbor. The Globe article and the laboratory proposal could hardly come together at a better time.

Living a fruitful and successful life in today's rapidly changing world is increasingly dependent on the quality of one's educational background. We can make no better decisions than those which give our schoolchildren every possible opportunity to make their lives and careers successful. Establishing the marine biology laboratory in Cohasset's harbor is certainly one of those opportunities.

Charles Fink
61 Wheelwright Farm

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Lobsters on Ice While Board Looks for Details

By Jason Bouffard
COHASSET MARINER

Selectmen want answers to a variety of questions before making a decision on the fate of the Hagerty house.

At last week's selectmen's meeting, the Hagerty Committee reported its vote in favor of local oceanographer Kevin Ulmer's proposal to use the former Cohasset Colonials' showroom and office as a lobster research center.

But selectmen will seek more details before moving forward.

"I'd like to see a lot more depth," Selectman Michael Sullivan said.

They voted unanimously to have Sullivan draft a list of questions to send to Ulmer as well as town counsel and the school department. The board hopes to have the answers by mid-January.

Sullivan was not convinced that the existing structure could house all Ulmer's plans, such as a research lab, library, classroom and holding tanks.

The proposal is also supported by Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation, a non-profit group, that has offered to refurbish the house which has been vacant since the Cohasset Colonials, a furniture kit manufacturer, moved to Hingham nearly four years ago.

The town bought the Hagerty property nearly four years ago with the understanding it would be turned into a passive recreational area available for all town citizens to use. The town later removed and demolished some of the factory buildings at the site but left the showroom, cutting room and antique boat house. The boat house is being renovated by Cohasset Maritime Institute, a school-based organization, for use as a rowing center. The cutting room is being used for town storage and the parking lot is being used to store Yacht Club floats for the winter.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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School Library Hours and Needs

To the Editor:

At the last Cohasset PSO meeting, the role of the library was discussed between Dr. Joseph Angelo, coordinator of library, media and technology for grades K-12 and the PSO board. Realizing the function of a library is rapidly changing, I attended this meeting to better understand the goals and priorities of Cohasset School's library.

During the meeting, Dr. Angelo explained the importance of updating the school's computer system and providing a trained staff to implement these changes to the school's curriculum. He also painstakingly reviewed the arduous and seemingly unobtainable method by which public schools receive state monies to fund these improvements. Dr. Angelo spoke of measures needed to safeguard against computer obsolescence while achieving a model library media program for Cohasset Public Schools. In short, Dr. Angelo wants to ensure each student has the best available method to access information.

Unfortunately, the students at Cohasset High School have access to only three working computers connected to the Internet and a library not open on a full-time basis. Even more disconcerting is that while the library is open, there is not a trained librarian to act as a resource guide or monitor students' behavior. Instead, a patchwork of school personnel and a core of volunteers have been asked to fill this role. It is unrealistic to ask the school personnel, volunteers or Dr. Angelo to meet these responsibilities. And yet there still exists the need for CHS students to have access to the printed word and the privilege to study in a library.

Ironically, this letter was penned in the Paul Pratt Library. It has been my educational experience to value the silence of a library and to learn to respect the knowledge contained within its walls. While at Paul Pratt Library, I spoke with Sue Terry, the town librarian. I was dismayed to learn our town's librarians have had a particularly trying year. It seems a stream of CHS students have been coming to the public library in search of books.

According to Sue Terry: "We don't have the books in our library to support the CHS curriculum. We cannot give them what they want. The CHS library should be open full-time."

Amyra O'Connell
17 Highland Ct.

Lobster Lab — Right Direction, Wrong Process

The following letter was sent by Kevin Ulmer to the Cohasset Selectmen.

To the Editor:

I am encouraged by last night's discussions that the pendulum has finally started to swing in the right direction, towards the adoption of our proposal for the Lobster Lab, and away from demolition or removal of the building.

However, I believe that the process which was adopted on Nan Roth's motion was both inappropriate and highly inefficient. The way in which the town will exercise its ultimate control over what goes on at the lab will be through the lease agreement.

It is inappropriate to involve Town Counsel at this stage, because all he will tell you is what you have already heard, that it all depends on the specifics of the lease agreement. Rather than spend precious town resources on legal opinions at this stage, reserve those funds for the drafting and negotiation of the lease.

Instead, draft the RFP for the lab immediately; get back a formal proposal; and make your award. During that time, continue to collect your questions and concerns so that they will all be properly covered and addressed in the details of the lease.

You might also wish to take up a suggestion of R. Murray Campbell, president of Cohasset Lightkeepers Corporation, and consider holding a public hearing on the project to gain broader input into the process.

Also, please continue to gain a better understanding of the project through further dialogue with the relevant organizations and individuals, but do not hold the project hostage at this stage in a futile attempt to have "all the answers" before issuing the RFP.

I would further suggest the Selectmen not try to "micromanage" the project, because you have neither the time nor the relevant charter to do so. After all, the CLC has a board of responsible adults who are willing to devote themselves to the project. Every organization involved in education in town (School Committee, Education Foundation and PSO) has enthusiastically endorsed the project and indicated a willingness to cooperate with and participate in the creation of the lab. The Selectmen should leave it to them to work out.

Finally, all the time, effort, energy and enthusiasm that is being expended by interested citizens in simply trying to convince the board to "give it a try" would be far better directed into serious find raising and program building.

As pointed out by Al Moore, chairman of the Hagerty Committee (Mariner, Dec. 19), there is everything to gain and nothing to lose in this proposal, so please get on with it as expediently as possible.

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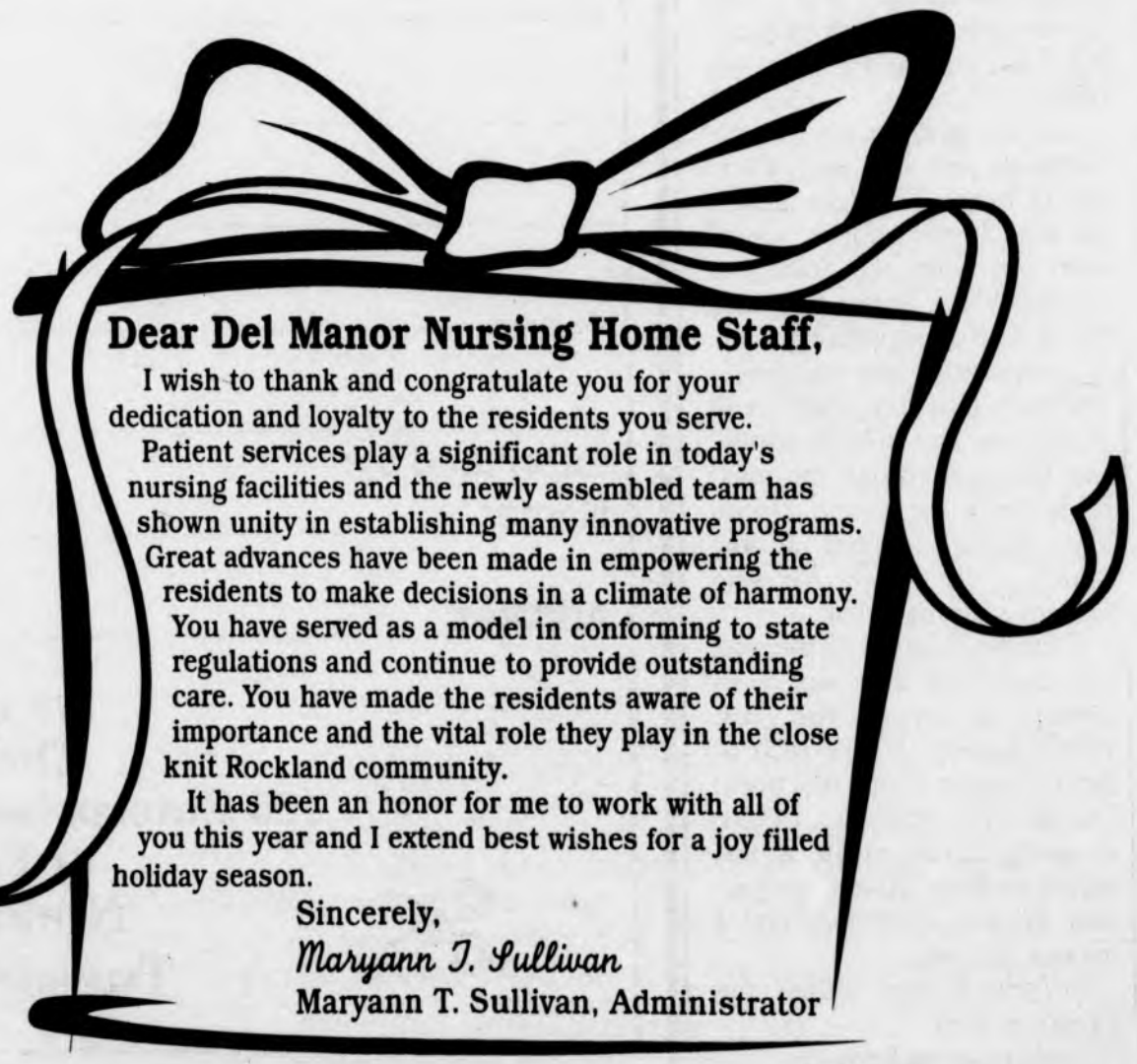

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Gymnasts Step up in Hanover Win

Lady Skippers Improve on Opening-Meet Score

By Joe Reardon
COHASSET MARINER

Assistant Cohasset High gymnastics coach Ruthann Ardizzoni wasn't able to attend last week's 123.5 — 117.3 victory over Hanover, but the videotape of the meet she was later able to watch gave her an overall view of how the Lady Skippers performed.

They're improving at a consistent rate.

"They went up a point from the first meet and improved on three of the events," said Ardizzoni, who judged her first gymnastics meet the night of the Cohasset/Hanover showdown. The squad "improved greatly on the vault," with improved form and crisper dismounts.

"We're just hoping to go up from there."

Tara Hettstrom was the lone winner for the Lady Skippers, placing first on the floor exercise with a solid 8.3. Her sister, Erica, finished a close third in 8.1.

Cohasset has a deeper team than Hanover, which boasts two of the best gymnasts in the South Shore League in Kim Richardson and Renee George, and it was evident as the Lady Skippers took several second and third-place finishes.

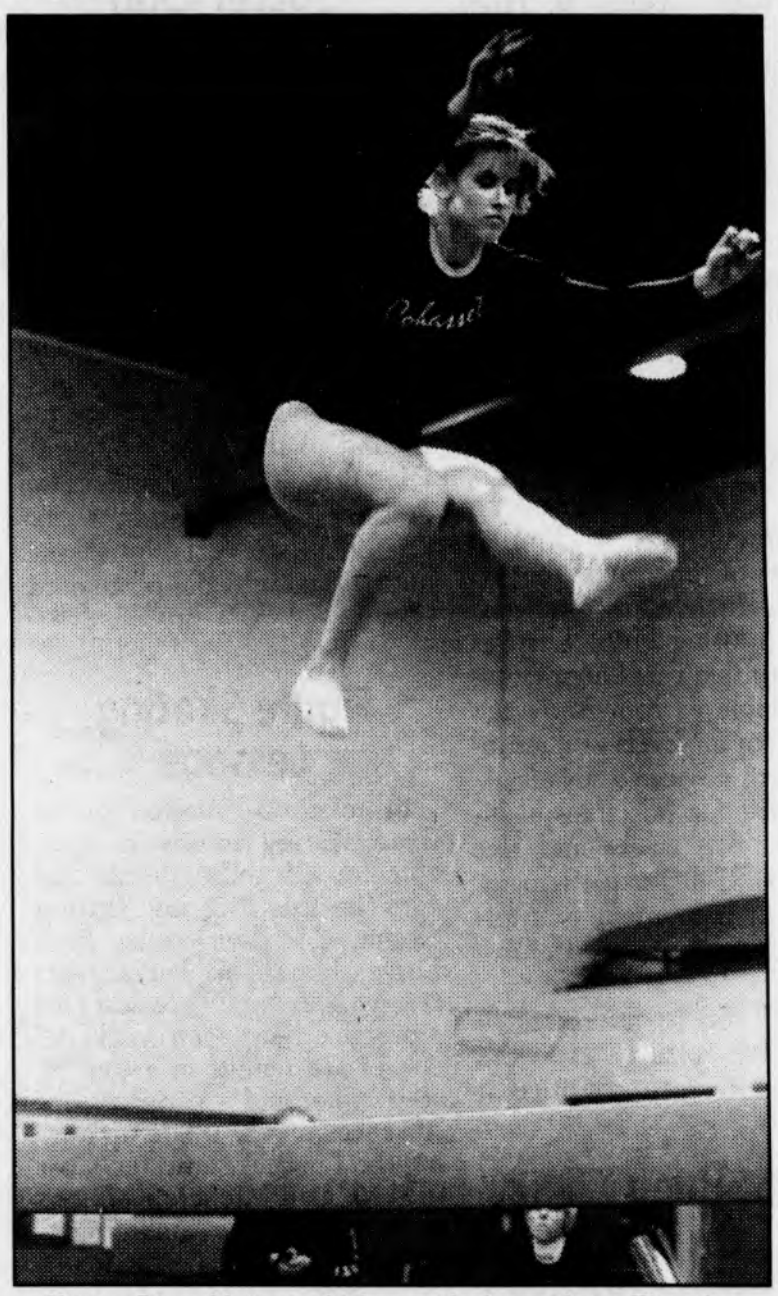
Erica Hettstrom finished behind both Richardson and George in third with a 30.8 all-around score. She was also second (7.5) on the bars to go along with her floor exercise.

Kristin Sheerin continued to impress Ardizzoni and head coach Erin Sutherland. The tiny seventh-grader took third on the bars and beam with a 7.4 and 7.9 respectively. Another seventh-grader, Caitlin Flint, made her debut in the all-around and wound up with a very commendable 29.5 for fourth.

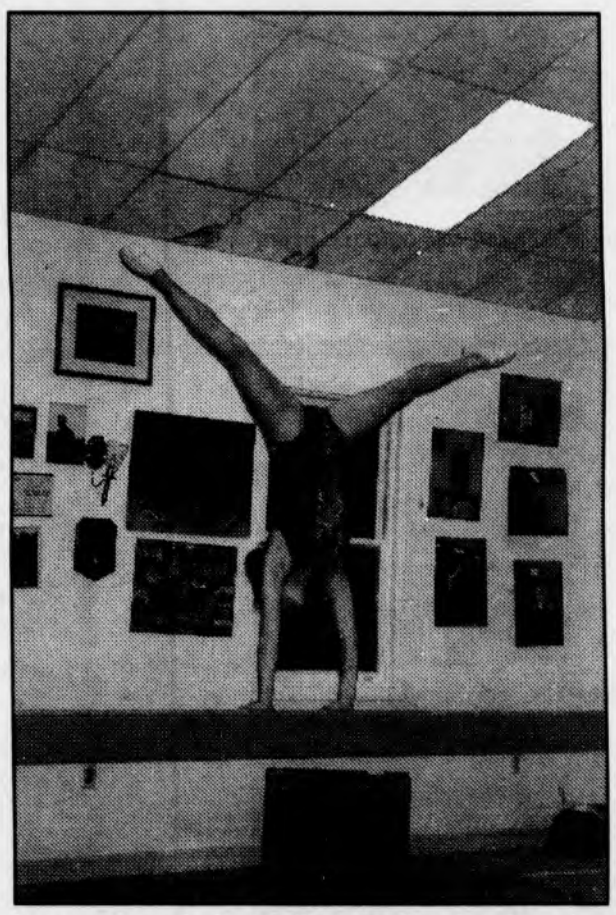
Jodi Colwill also had a strong meet. Colwill, who along with Erica Hettstrom and Megan Pratt, captains the team, performed well enough to score an 8.0 on the beam to take second and then vaulted to a third-place finish for a 7.9 score.

The Lady Skippers have their feel-good-meet-of-the-season on Jan. 3 against Notre Dame Academy. The Hingham-based school has three former Cohasset High gymnasts, Julie Smith, Kerry Dwyer and Caroline DeRose, competing on the team.

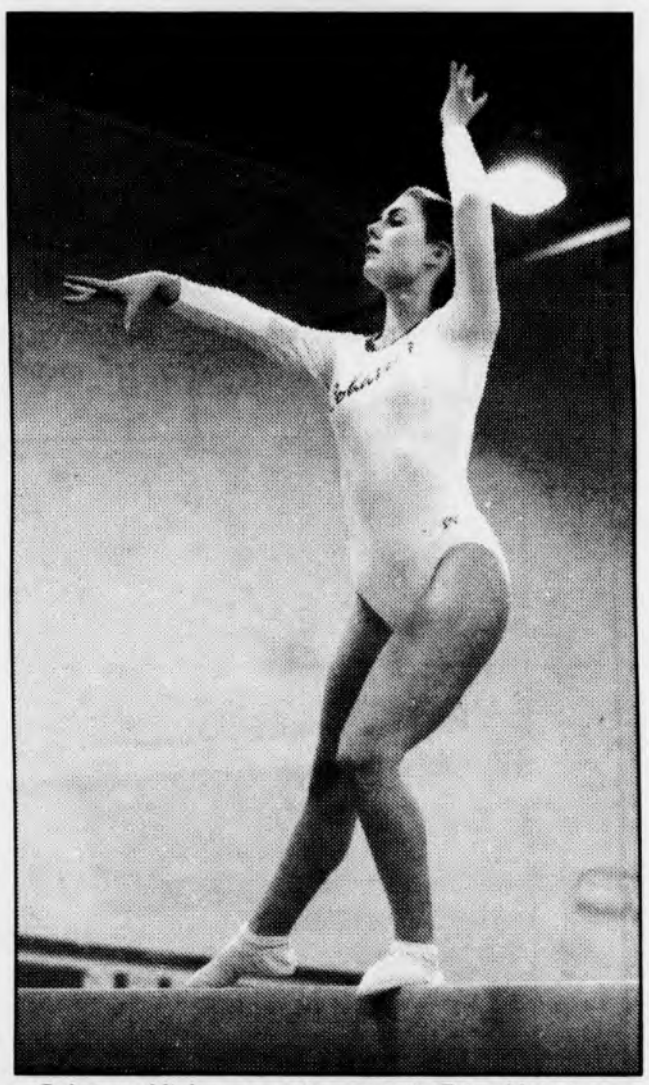
"We really look forward to that meet," she said.



Kristen Reynolds jumps high over the beam during Thursday night's meet against South Shore League opponent Hanover.
Staff Photo/Bill Wadsworth



Senior captain Jodi Colwill performs a handstand straddle during a recent Cohasset High gymnastics practice.
Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni



Cohasset High gymnastics captain Erica Hettstrom flows through her balance beam routine.
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EXTRA POINTS/Joe Reardon

A Very Wishful Christmas: The Column

Some aspects of sports and the people involved make me feel more like the Grinch than that little elf who really wanted to be a dentist. So to get my sports wishes out before old Kris Kringle arrives, I decided to put together a list for the big guy in red. I hope they all come true.

• **Athletic Director Clark Chatterton: That he** won't have to spend his work hours re-scheduling all the winter sporting events because the South Shore gets buried with snow.

• **Mike Greenwell**: That the former Red Sox outfielder finds his new team in Japan stays loyal to him — and he stays there.

• **Anonymous phone call to the Sports Dept.**: Here's hoping you get backbones for Christmas. It must be tough walking around spineless every day. Weasels.

• **Spring track teams**: Here's to many happy laps around your new all-weather track.

• **Dr. Jack Kevorkian:** Here's an open invitation to "adopt" the dogs who are taken for walks on Alumni Field by their arrogant owners.

• **The Cohasset High basketball team**: That it doesn't hit traffic heading into the FleetCenter come March.

• **The seventh-grade gymnasts**: That people realize the future of Cohasset High gymnastics is currently working out four times a week and a big part of this year's squad.

• **Roger Clemens**: That he fattens up even more during the offseason and is nicknamed "Refrigerator" by the Toronto fans.

• **The Cohasset High football program**: That the teams continue to improve every year and continue to frighten Hull High head coach John Anderson.

• **To overbearing youth league coaches**: That they lighten up before they take all the fun out of sports for the kids.

• **To overbearing youth league coaches who continue to be overbearing youth league coaches**: That the 6-foot-4, 250-pound parent of a kid uses the coach to sweep off home plate with.

• **To the Cohasset High varsity hockey team**: That it finishes above the .500 mark to earn a trip to the Division 3 South Sectional tourney.

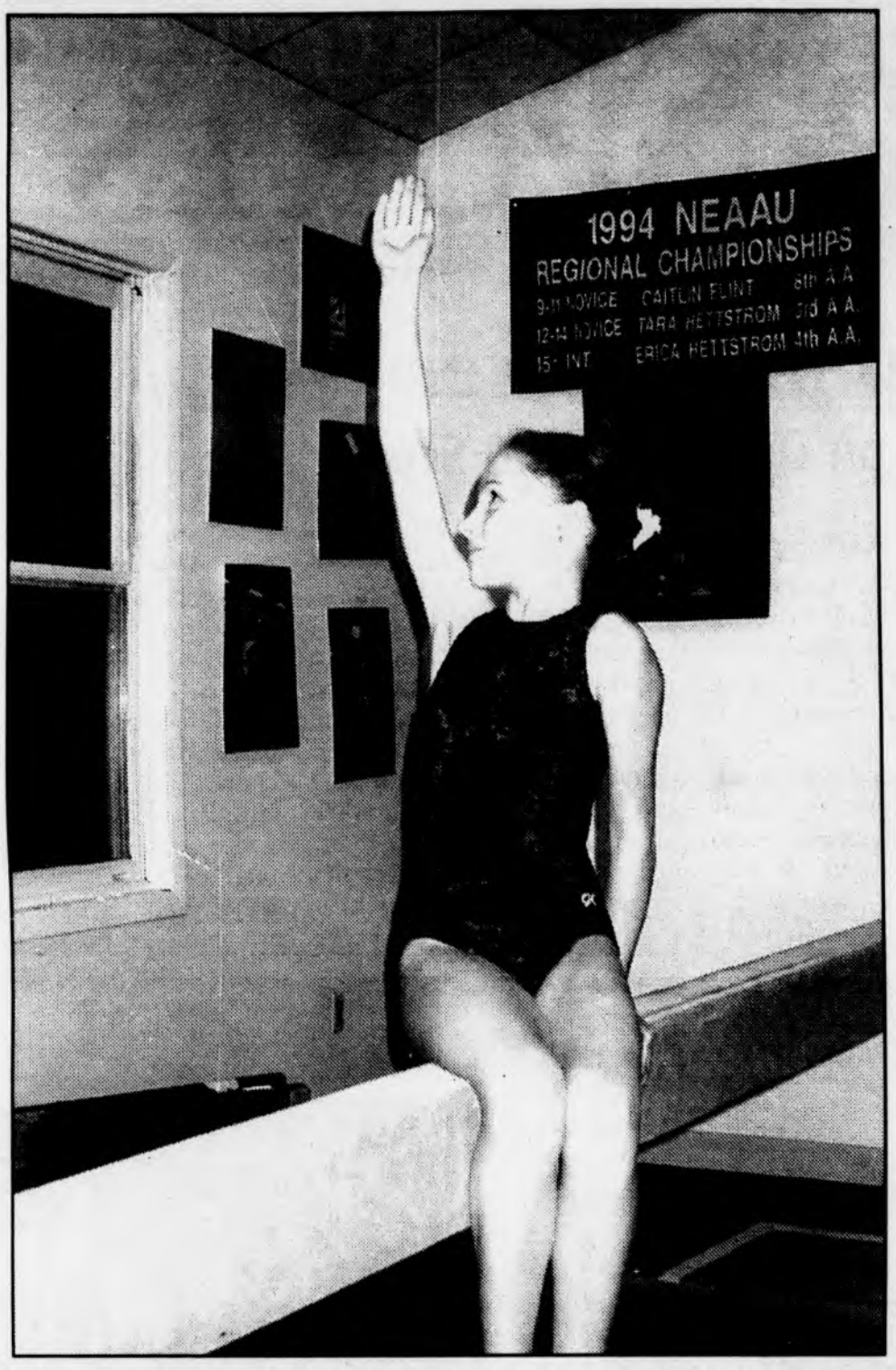
• **To the runners in the Cohasset Roadrace-By-the-Sea 10K**: Train on rolling hills, get used to running in the wind and be prepared for any kind of weather.

• **To rollerbladers in the Cohasset Roadrace-By-the-Sea 10K**: Rusty ball bearings on race day.

• **To the Cohasset High lacrosse team**: Here's to Ken Ekberg's squad qualifying for yet another tournament.

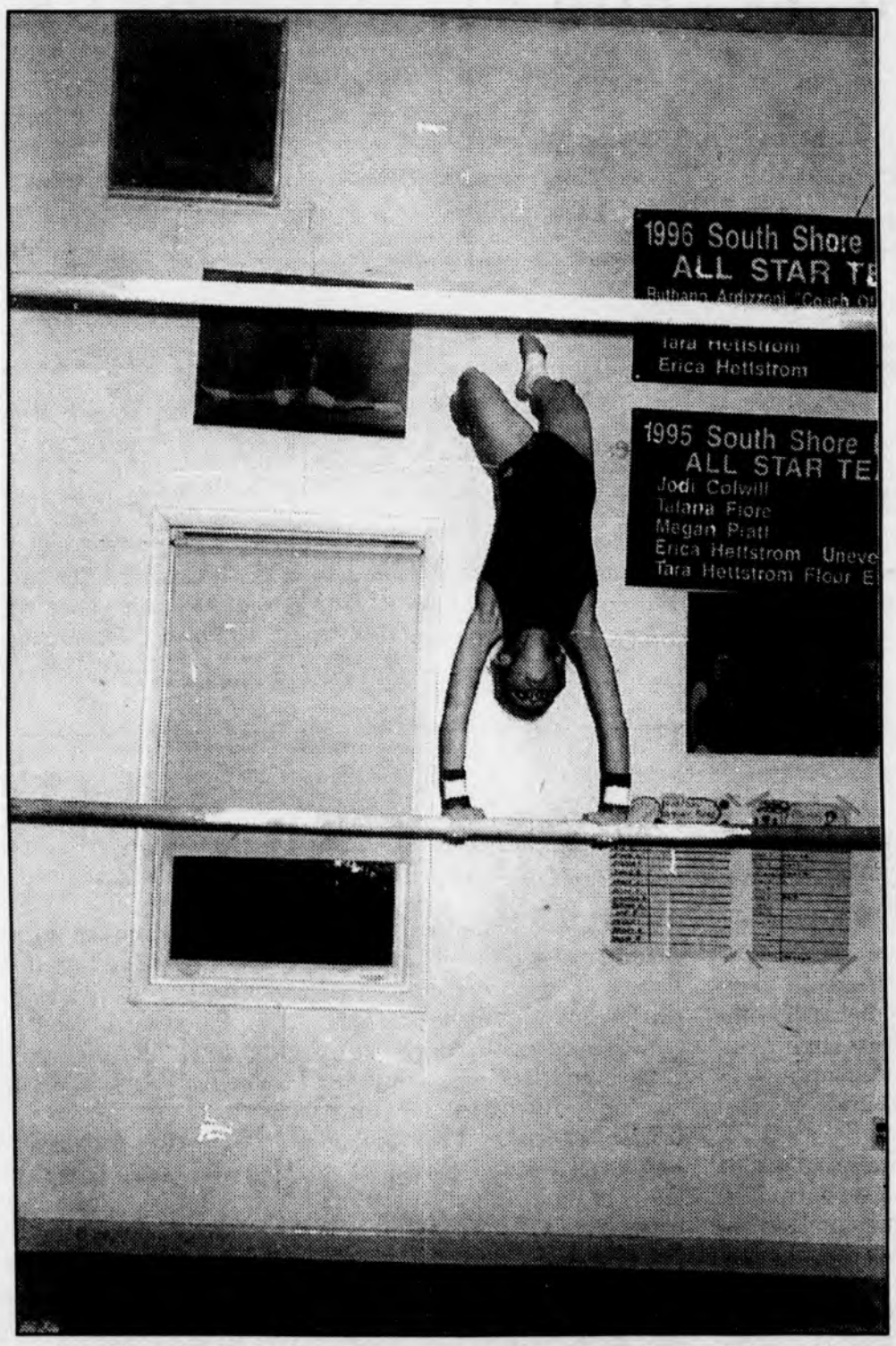
• **To Marcus Camby**: That his points-per-game average is higher than his UMass GPA.

And finally...that the athletes, who get injured during games or practice, recover quickly and completely. The Skippers need you!



Seventh-grader Amanda Watts performs a pose while practicing her balance beam routine.

Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni



Seventh-grader Kristin Sheerin looks to be a strong force for the Cohasset High gymnastics team this winter. Sheerin finished third on the vault with a 7.4 in the Lady Skippers' win over Hanover last Thursday.

Photo by Ruthann Ardizzoni

Cohasset/Scituate Adult Programs

Adult Golf – Dan Neary, $65 for five one-hour classes, Cushing School, at 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursdays, starting Jan. 9. Payable: Town of Cohasset.

Men's Under 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Monday and Wednesday, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Men's Over 35 Basketball – Gates Jr. High School, Tuesdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Thursdays, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. through May 22. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Adult, Advanced Co-Ed Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, Wednesday, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., through May 21. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

Beginner/Intermediate Volleyball – Gates Jr. High School, through May 23, 6 to 8:30 p.m. $25 payable to Friends of Scituate Recreation.

January, 1997, Golf Lesson registrations are now – To register or for further details, call either the Cohasset or Scituate Recreation Departments at 383-6791 or 545-8738, respectively.

Ski Lessons Set

The Cohasset Recreation Department has a limited number of openings for ski lessons, which begin Thursday, Jan. 2, at Blue Hills. Lessons consist of five 1-3/4 hour classes, available to youngsters age 7 to 18 for all levels of instruction, from novice to advanced.

The fee for bus transportation for five weeks and five lessons is $100 per participant. Rental of equipment is available and costs $45 for the five weeks.

Should you be interested in registering please call the Cohasset Recreation Office at 383-6791, right away.

Ford's Hoop Clinic On Tap

The Cohasset Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club will offer Cohasset High basketball coach Ron Ford's Holiday Vacation Basketball Shooting Clinic for girls and boys, grades 4-8. The 1996 clinic will be held at Cohasset High School's Sullivan Gym, starting Thursday, Dec. 26 to Saturday, Dec. 28, from 9 a.m. to noon each day.

The three-day clinic, directed by Ford, will focus on the development of fundamental offensive skills, designed specifically for grade 4-8 players. Students will receive instruction in ball handling, shooting, balancing, positioning skills, etc., helping make participants better offensive players.

To register, complete registration forms that were handed out at basketball registration, or pick up a registration form at the recreation office, first floor, town hall, and return it to the recreation department as soon as possible as space is limited.

The fee for this unique opportunity is $60 per participant, which includes a clinic T-shirt. Checks should be made payable to Cohasset Basketball Boosters Club. This is the fifth year the Winter Shooting Clinic has been offered through the sponsorships of the Good Sport Sporting Goods Store, Route 3A, Cohasset, the Basketball Boosters Club and the recreation department.

Soccer Club Registration

The Cohasset Soccer Club will have a final registration for the spring 1997 travel teams. All players born before Aug. 1, 1986 who want to play on a team and who did not register in the fall can obtain a registration form at the recreation department office in town hall. Forms may also be obtained by writing to the Soccer Club at P.O. Box 409, Cohasset. The deadline for registration is Jan. 7, 1997. Late registrants cannot be guaranteed a place on a team.

Figure Skating Lessons

Professionally-staffed group figure skating lessons are available for all ability levels and ages at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Drive, Hingham. Participants receive a 45-minute lesson plus a practice hour each week. All classes are taught in a step by step planned progression. Absences maybe made up during the 11-week semester. Cost is $110. Call Michele Kelley at 617-749-6660 for more information.

Hockey Club Starts

Join the Hockey Club at the Pilgrim Skating Arena from noon to 1:30 pm., Tuesday and Friday. Drop-ins are welcome. Cost is $10 per session. Participants must be 21 years and older. Call 617-749-6660.

Power Skating Offered

Power skating classes for Mites on Thursday afternoons and Squirts on Monday afternoons are offered at the Pilgrim Skating Arena, 75 Recreation Park Dr., Hingham. Call 617-749-6661.

Youth coaches, we want to hear from you! Fax your team's results to Joe Reardon at (617) 837-4843.

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The yield curve: oracle of the bond market

By the editors of
WORTH MAGAZINE

What's the best move for an investor who wants to buy a bond? Is it better to snap up bonds that offer higher yields but mature over longer horizons? Or would it be smarter to settle for a lower rate on one that pays you back faster?

You could ask your broker or money manager for help in answering this question. Or you could do as the pros do and decide where to stash your cash yourself with the help of the yield curve. Learning how to read the all-important yield curve and how it works can help you make the best choice in buying bonds — one that provides the optimum combination of yield and maturity.

Those who know how to look at the curve and read its meaning also can glean information important to all investors. For the yield curve is the bond market's oracle: It tells how the bond market views the future at any given moment.

The yield curve is actually the name for a simple line on a graph that plots the interest rate paid by bonds of similar types but different maturities. There are many yield curves, but the most widely followed is the one for Treasury debt, which lists three-month bills to 30-year bonds. The horizontal axis of the graph measures the length of time until each bond matures. The vertical axis, meanwhile, measures the yield of each bond. The higher the points on the line, the greater the interest paid by the bond.

Normally, the line slopes upward. That's because longer-term investments (the ones plotted on the right side of the graph) carry more risk and thus must pay higher rates of interest as compensation. In the case of Treasuries, which are guaranteed by the U.S. government, the primary risk is inflation, which reduces the worth of a bond's coupon payments as well as its eventual redemption value.

Occasionally, the curve slopes downward and is said to be inverted. Such an event took place in 1981, when short-term yields approached 20 percent but 30-year bonds yielded only 14 percent. This inversion occurred primarily because the market believed the long-term risk of inflation was much less than the short-term threat. The last time this happened was 1989.

When both short- and long-term interest rates are roughly the same, the curve is said to be flat. That is how most of the line looked in the beginning of 1995. Two-year Treasuries yielded 7.63 percent, 30-year bonds 7.86 percent. That's a tiny spread, and it means that the market currently sees little difference between the short- and the long-term risks of inflation. So investors who buy longer-term bonds currently receive only a slight premium.

In 1994, the spread between the two-year note and the 30-year bond was more than two full percentage points, or 200 basis points. The spread between the three-month bill and the 30-year bond exceeded 300 basis points. Thus, the yield curve looked much different: sloping more steeply.

But then an overheated economy and inflation fears caused Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan to become alarmed. To cool things down, the Fed moved to increase short-term interest rates, making borrowing more expensive for consumers and businesses. The Fed hiked rates six times in 1994, starting in February. Yields on the three-month Treasury bill jumped to 6 percent from 3.03 percent, and the long bond went from 6.23 percent to around 7.86 percent in a year. This is what gave us the predominantly flat curve we had in January.

The Jan. 1995 yield curve has a bend between the two- and three-year maturity mark. This is called a shoulder, the place where the curve turns from steep to flat. Typically, the shoulder is where investors can find the ideal combination of the highest yield with the least maturity. "The curve is cheap just now for short maturities," said Rich Suttmeier, yield strategist at Smith Barney, earlier this year. Two-year and three-year notes were thus smart buys.

The curve changes daily, of course, as investors trade billions of dollars worth of Treasuries. What will the curve resemble in the coming months? That depends largely on the prospects for inflation.

When the curve is mostly flat, as it is now, another effective strategy is to buy at both ends of the line. "It's the barbell effect — heavy on two ends," says Ashok Varikooty, Treasury strategist at First Boston. The effect allows for what essentially is a hedging tactic. By buying both of the ends, short and long, investors can ensure that their total bond holdings will remain balanced, whatever happens with interest rates in the future.

The yield curve can be especially valuable for longer-term investors. Those with shorter time horizons should place more emphasis on their own needs. For instance, someone who plans to cash in a bond in three years for a down payment on a home should buy one with an equivalent maturity. That way, the home buyer will know exactly what to expect upon redemption of the bond.

The other option, buying a bond with the intention of selling it on the open market prior to redemption, carries an additional level of risk — the threat that interest rates will rise and undercut the underlying value of the bond. Of course, rates could drop and produce a nifty profit. But such speculation is chancy. The bond markets are probably the most efficient in the world — meaning that at any given moment the probability that rates will rise or fall are equal.

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Taking the mystery out of bond ratings

By Bradd L. Cuppels

Most investors know that risk is an integral factor to be considered in any investment decision. Naturally, the prudent investor tries to minimize his or her risk while maximizing returns.

One of the proven tools used to minimize risk when purchasing corporate and municipal bonds are bond ratings. Neither infallible nor permanent, these objective evaluations prepared by independent rating agencies can serve as a guide, for both you and your broker, as to the current financial stability of bond issuers.

The principal rating agencies are Moody's Investor Service and Standard & Poor's. Their analysts assess a number of factors, after which they assign a letter rating to each bond. Under the Moody's system, investment grade bonds, that is, issues which may be suitable for purchase by conservative investors, are rated Aaa, Aa, A, and Baa. S&P rates this same category as AAA, AA, A, and BBB.

Conveniently, the two rating agencies' systems are comparable (at least for the A and B categories). So, for example, a bond rated Aaa by Moody's is as safe as one rated AAA ("triple A") by S&P. In both cases, bonds carrying these respective ratings are judged to be of the highest quality, with the smallest degree of credit risk.

(Bradd L. Cuppels is the associate vice president for investments at Prudential Securities in Burlington.)

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Saturday, Dec. 14

1:58 p.m., wires down, area of 109 Border St.

2:07 p.m., fire, gas leak (outside), area of 808 CJC Hwy.

2:27 p.m., parking violation, Reed's Corner.

2:53 pm., disturbance, King St.

3:19 p.m., arrest, 3A Towing., Ptl. Yocum in with Elwood, Michael A., DOB: 2/23/74, of 47 Lake St., Weymouth, arrested for illegal possession of Class "B" substance (cocaine); possession of Class "B" substance with intent to distribute; operating a motor vehicle after right to operate was suspended; operating a motor vehicle after revocation of registration; attaching plates to a M/V; refusal to submit to a police officer; and two warrants.

4:22 p.m., medical aid, Elm St.

Sunday, Dec. 15

1:12 a.m., general services, Oak St.

2:17 a.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

2:30 a.m., general services, King St.

8:10 a.m., suspicious auto, CJC Hwy.

10:09 a.m., MV stop, S. Main St.

10:14 a.m., burglary (B&E), Hull St.

1:09 p.m., noise complaint, Nichols Rd.

3:21 p.m., officer wanted, King St.

3:31 p.m., officer wanted, CJC Hwy.

3:38 p.m., transport, CJC Hwy.

4:11 p.m., MV accident, Jerusalem @ Forest Ave.

6:01 p.m., MV accident, CJC Hwy.

6:30 p.m., annoying phone calls, Lamberts Ln.

6:57 p.m., suspicious auto, Jerusalem Rd.

9:23 p.m., MV stop, Ripley Rd.

9:33 p.m., MV stop, CJC Hwy.

Ten Minutes for Walk-ins

Selectmen set aside 10 minutes at 8 p.m. on their meeting nights to address any concerns from members of the public who have issues that are not on the agenda.

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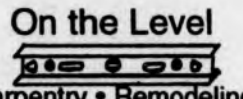
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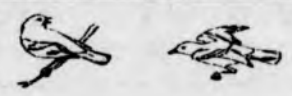

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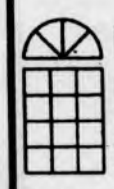

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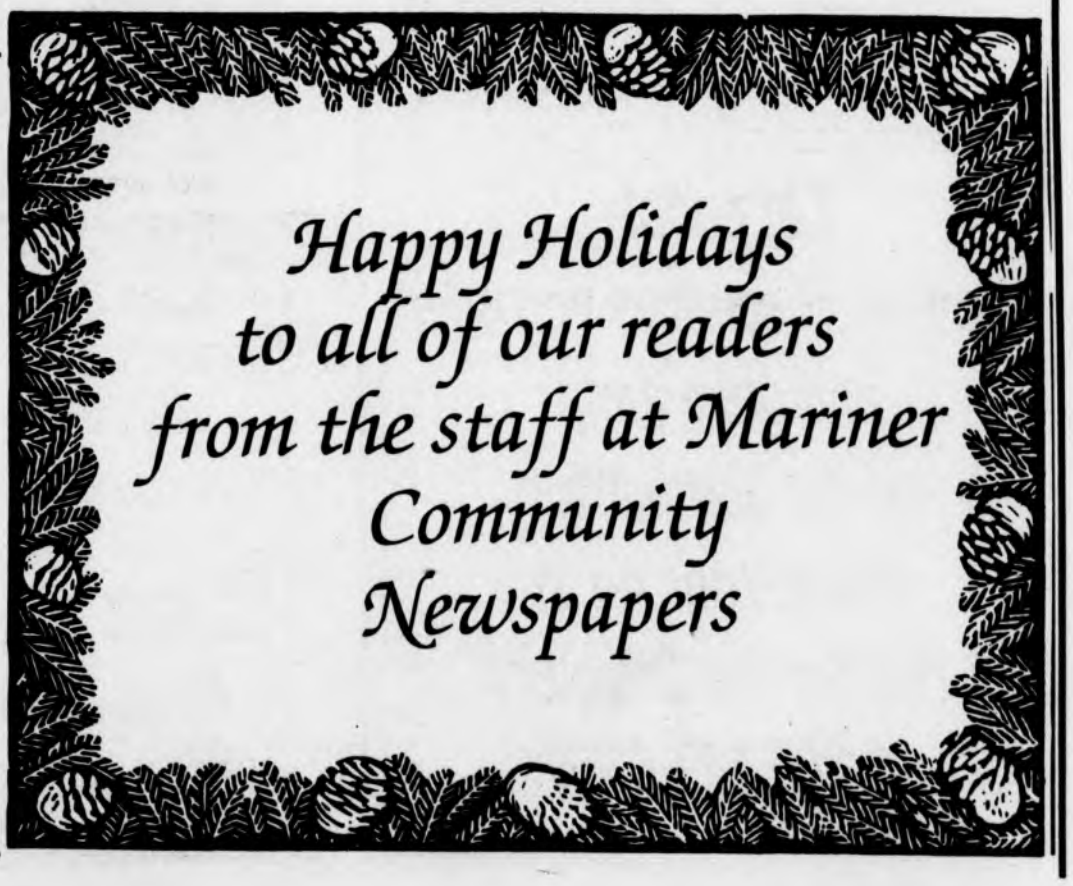

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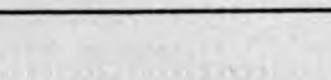

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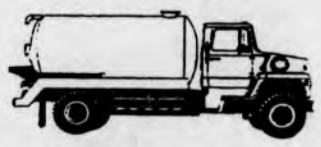

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Christmas Services at St. Stephen's

Christmas services at Saint Stephen's Episcopal Church, 16 Highland Ave., will feature a variety of worship celebrating Christ's birth. The Christmas Eve Family Holy Communion service will be held Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 5 p.m. The Cherub and Saint Gregory Children's Choirs will sing, and junior high youth will present a dramatic reading of the Christmas story.

The Festal holy Communion Service of Christmas Eve will begin at 11 p.m., preceded by a special program of Christmas music beginning at 10:30 p.m. The Saint Stephen's adult choir with Music Director Fredrick Guzasky will offer music, which will include the 16th-century French carol, "Ding Dong! Merrily on High" and "All My Heart This Night Rejoices" by Johann Ebeling. The traditional story from the Gospel of Luke will be read from the King James Bible, and candlelight will illumine the singing of "Silent Night." The bells of the church carillon will ring out the music of Christmas.

Worship on Christmas Day, Dec. 25, will be at 10 a.m. Sunday worship will be held at the regular times, 8 and 10 a.m. New Year's Day celebrates the Holy Name of our Lord with worship Jan. 1 at 9:30 a.m.

The church school is busy preparing an Epiphany Pageant to take place Sunday, Jan. 12, at 5:30 p.m., celebrating the appearance of Jesus to the three Magi representing all the world. Children will portray angels, shepherds hurrying to Bethlehem, Joseph and Mary with baby, and the three Magi. The pageant concludes with the lighting of candles, which represent taking the light of Christ out into the world.

Computer Classes Offered

South Shore Community Center still has a few openings in the Computer Kids classes, which are held Tuesdays or Thursdays.

Adult computer training, "Computer for the Novice Re-entering the Work Place," will be offered beginning Wednesday, Jan. 8, from noon to 2 p.m. for 10 weeks ($190/members; $199/non members).

An Excel course will l[illegible] Wednesday, Jan. 8, running [illegible] four weeks from 6 to 8 p.m. The cost is $90 for members, $98 for non-members.

Class size is limited to five students to ensure individual attention.

For more information or to register for a class, call 383-0088.

appointments are necessary.

Public Notices

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK
DIVISION

DOCKET NO. 96P2896E1

Estate of BARBARA W. FELLOWS late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that DIANE F. DACEY of MILTON in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executrix named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 22, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this eleventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

Thomas Patrick Hughes
Register of Probate

12/26/96

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT
NORFOLK
DIVISION

DOCKET NO. 96P2964E1

Estate of EDWARD P. MALLEY late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed and that WILLIAM P. MALLEY of COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK be appointed executor named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 22, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

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SHERIFF'S SALE
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
NORFOLK, ss.

Seized and taken on execution and will be sold by Public Auction on Wednesday the 29th day of January A.D. 1997 at 11:00 o'clock A.M. at the Deputy Sheriffs Office at 638 High St., in Dedham in said County of Norfolk, all the right, title and interest which William B. Flynn Jr., and Gail Giblin Flynn had (not exempt by law from attachment or levy on execution) on the 29th day of Sept. A.D. 1995, when the same was seized on execution in and to the following described real estate:

of that certain parcel of land situate in COHASSET in the County of NORFOLK and said Commonwealth, described as follows:

Said parcel is shown as lot G11 on a plan drawn by Lewis W. Perkins, Engineer, dated January 12, 1951, as approved by the Land Court, filed in the Land Registration Office as No. 4760M, a copy of a portion of which is filed in Norfolk Registry District with Certificate No. 42848, Book 215.

There are appurtenant to the above described land rights of way as set forth in Document No. 46149.

The above described land is subject to the provisions etc. as set forth in Document No. 39166, as affected by said Document No. 46149.

The above described land is subject also to rights and reservations as set forth in Document No. 136692, as affected by Document No. 275866.

Terms of Sale: 1. Non-refundable certified check for $2,500.00 to be paid by the successful bidder at the time of the auction. 2. The balance of the purchase price to be paid within 14 days of the sale. 3. Sheriff's Deed to be issued to purchaser upon payment in full of sale price. The deed shall convey the premises subject to, and with the benefit of, any restrictions, easements, improvements, assessments, encumbrances, liens or claims in the nature of liens which are, by operation of law, conveyed with the premises. 4. No representation is or shall be made by Seller as to the status of any mortgage.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
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DOCKET NO. 96P2928E1

Estate of PHYLLIS MARIE KELLEY late of COHASSET In the County of NORFOLK

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that the last will and codicil of said decedent be proved and allowed and that JOSEPH J. BRODIGAN of BELMONT in the County of MIDDLESEX and JOHN B. MCARDLE of FALMOUTH in the County of BARNSTABLE be appointed executors named in the will without surety on the bond.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Dedham on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on January 22, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving the specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16A.

Witness, David H. Kopelman, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Dedham, this eleventh day of November, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-six.

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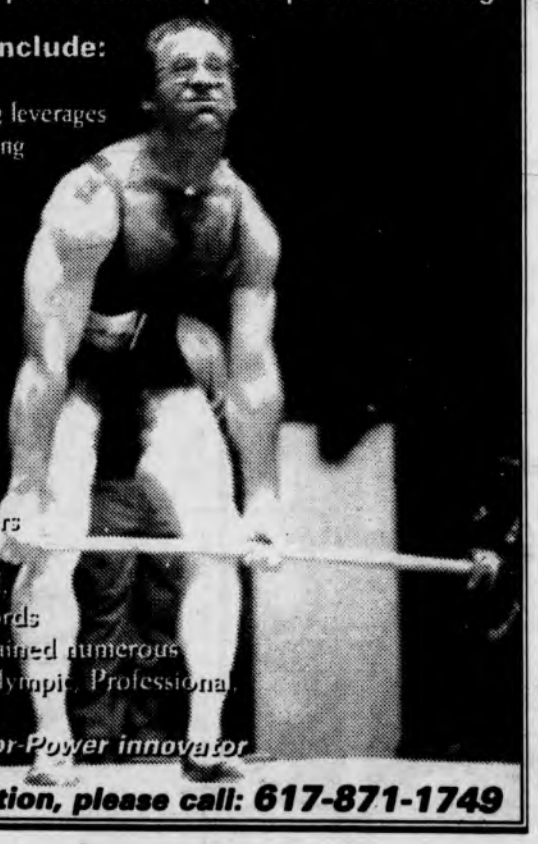

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